

**Literature Search**  
**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**  
**Staging and Follow-up of Anal Cancer**

Literature Search Performed on: 12/12/2023  
Beginning Date: January 2023  
End Date: November 2023  
Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL <1946 to December 07, 2023>

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**Search Strategy**

- 1 anal cancer/ (7044)
- 2 anal carcinoma.tw. (657)
- 3 Neoplasm Staging/ (194107)
- 4 Neoplasm Metastasis/ (113907)
- 5 Treatment Outcome/ (1168045)
- 6 Radiotherapy/ (44335)
- 7 exp diagnostic imaging/ (2938800)
- 8 exp Positron-Emission Tomography/ (80751)
- 9 (1 or 2) and (3 or 4 or 5 or 6) (1431)
- 10 (1 or 2 or 9) and (7 or 8) (564)
- 11 limit 10 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2023 -Current") (16)
- 12 limit 11 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (0)
- 13 11 not 12 (16)
- 14 limit 13 to case reports (0)
- 15 13 not 14 (16)
- 16 (FDG-PET adj5 anal canal).ti. (5)
- 17 limit 16 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2023 -Current") (2)
- 18 15 or 17 (18)

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Literature Search Performed on: 03/13/2023  
Beginning Date: January 2008  
End Date: February 2023  
Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL <1946 to March 10, 2023>

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**Search Strategy**

- 1 anal cancer/ (6889)
- 2 anal carcinoma.tw. (644)
- 3 Neoplasm Staging/ (191753)
- 4 Neoplasm Metastasis/ (113611)
- 5 Treatment Outcome/ (1138238)
- 6 Radiotherapy/ (44245)
- 7 exp diagnostic imaging/ (2894844)
- 8 exp Positron-Emission Tomography/ (77550)
- 9 (1 or 2) and (3 or 4 or 5 or 6) (1405)
- 10 (1 or 2 or 9) and (7 or 8) (546)
- 11 limit 10 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2008 -Current") (225)
- 12 limit 11 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (7)
- 13 11 not 12 (218)
- 14 limit 13 to case reports (59)
- 15 13 not 14 (159)

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**Summary**

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<b>Source</b>	<b>#Unique Refs</b>	<b>#Retained Refs</b>
Old bibliography	0	0
Literature Search(es)	175	29
Author Added	5	3
Supporting Docs	2	2
Total		34

References from the literature search that were not retained had a poor study design, were not relevant to the topic, or had unclear or biased results.