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**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**  
**Clinically Suspected Vascular Malformation of the Extremities**

Literature Search Performed on: 01/04/2018  
Beginning Date: January 2007  
End Date: December 2017  
Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) Epub Ahead of Print, In-Process & Other Non-Indexed Citations, Ovid MEDLINE(R) Daily and Ovid MEDLINE(R) <1946 to Present>

**Search Strategy**

1. exp Arteriovenous Malformations/ (30651)  
2. exp Vascular Malformations/ (45308)  
3. exp Hemangioma/ (35227)  
4. extremities/ or exp lower extremity/ or exp upper extremity/ (334265)  
5. peripheral.mp. (590086)  
6. 1 or 2 or 3 (77139)  
7. 4 or 5 (899695)  
8. 6 and 7 (4634)  
9. exp Diagnostic Imaging/ (2653684)  
10. 8 and 9 (2170)  
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17. limit 16 to "review" (31)  
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19. exp Vascular Neoplasms/ (3468)  
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22. 9 and 21 (2261)  
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