

**Literature Search**  
**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**  
**Left Lower Quadrant Pain**

Literature Search Performed on: 06/19/2017

Beginning Date: January 2013

End Date: May 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**

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- 1 Abdominal Pain/ (18051)
- 2 left lower quadrant pain.mp. (91)
- 3 left lower quadrant.mp. (437)
- 4 1 and (left adj1 lower adj1 quadrant).mp. (60)
- 5 Diverticulitis, Colonic/ or Diverticulitis/ (5877)
- 6 Diverticulitis Complications.mp. (120)
- 7 fistulas of the gastrointestinal tract.mp. (23)
- 8 fistulas of the genitourinary tract.mp. (1)
- 9 bowel perforation.mp. (2009)
- 10 bowel stricture.mp. (117)
- 11 Abdominal Abscess/ (2642)
- 12 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 (10934)
- 13 exp diagnostic imaging/ (2411263)
- 14 12 and 13 (2878)
- 15 limit 14 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (446)
- 16 14 not 15 (2432)
- 17 limit 16 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2013 -Current") (259)
- 18 limit 17 to case reports (108)
- 19 17 not 18 (151)
- 20 remove duplicates from 19 (140)

**Summary**

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<b>Source</b>	<b>#Unique Refs</b>	<b>#Retained Refs</b>
Old bibliography	38	30
Literature Search(es)	138	22
Author Added	16	13
Supporting Docs	2	2
Total		67

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.