

Filter for systematic reviews and meta-analyses for CAB Abstracts and Global Health on the OVID platform

Identifying systematic reviews can sometimes be difficult. The “Evidence based research” filter under Search Refine carries out a search strategy designed to retrieve systematic reviews and meta-analyses by searching for elements in the title and abstract. Meta-analyses are included because papers containing these are often systematic reviews when the full text is examined more closely

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