

Pre-reading for Final

Last time I discussed issues in trying to figure out why certain articles were not appearing in the search. This is common during the citing/cited reference search.

Steps: (1) Find articles which are indexed in the database; (2) Compare against the search; (3) Narrow down to which concept(s) or limit(s) are the issue

Consider this example

- What can we say about article 5?
- What about the article on line 12?
- Next consider lines 15, 17, 18- what do we know about these articles?

Line	Search	Results	Notes
1	A	5000	
2	B	8000	
3	C	12000	
4	A and B and C	800	
5	A and B and C limits	600	This is the set of articles that were retrieved and screened
6	Article 1	1	Articles 1-5 were labeled by the client as not retrieved.
7	Article 2	1	
8	Article 3	1	
9	Article 4	1	
10	Article 5	0	
11	6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10	4	
12	5 and 11	1	<i>This article was retrieved by this database. Client may have missed it when screening. Maybe it was recently added?</i>
13	1 and 11	4	
14	2 and 11	3	
15	11 NOT 14	1	<i>This article was not retrieved due to concept B.</i>
16	3 and 11	2	
17	11 not 16	2	<i>These 2 articles were not retrieved due to concept C.</i>
18	4 and 11	1	<i>This article was not retrieved due to limits.</i>

Readings you might be interested in:

Authorship

The International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE) is a small working group of general medical journal editors whose participants meet annually and fund their own work on the Recommendations for the Conduct, Reporting, Editing and Publication of Scholarly Work in Medical Journals. <http://www.icmje.org/recommendations/browse/roles-and-responsibilities/defining-the-role-of-authors-and-contributors.html>

PRISMA

How to write an abstract (PRISMA standard): <http://prisma-statement.org/Extensions/Abstracts>

PRISMA flowchart generators: <http://prisma.thetacollaborative.ca/>

Cochrane MECIR Manual

- Section on discussion and limits: <https://community.cochrane.org/mecir-manual/standards-reporting-new-cochrane-intervention-reviews-r1-109/results-r56-109/discussion-r100-101>
- Conclusions: <https://community.cochrane.org/mecir-manual/standards-reporting-new-cochrane-intervention-reviews-r1-109/results-r56-109/authors-conclusions-r102-103>
- Describing contribution of authors: <https://community.cochrane.org/mecir-manual/standards-reporting-new-cochrane-intervention-reviews-r1-109/results-r56-109/contribution-authors-r105>