

Appendix 1 (as supplied by authors): Search strategy

- 1 Cardiovascular disease.mp. or exp Cardiovascular Diseases/ (1734638)
- 2 cardio*.mp. (569398)
- 3 cardia*.mp. (495840)
- 4 heart*.mp. (918316)
- 5 coronary*.mp. (11)
- 6 angina*.mp. (58123)
- 7 ventric*.mp. (335032)
- 8 myocard*.mp. (422793)
- 9 pericard*.mp. (37376)
- 10 ischemi*.mp. (248980)
- 11 emboli*.mp. (110278)
- 12 arrhythmi*.mp. (100902)
- 13 thrombo*.mp. (312886)
- 14 atrial fibrillat*.mp. (39508)
- 15 tachycardi*.mp. (57832)
- 16 endocardi*.mp. (43527)
- 17 cardiomyopathy.mp. (47501)
- 18 vascul*.mp. (583854)
- 19 cerebrovasc*.mp. (102586)
- 20 sick sinus*.mp. (2945)
- 21 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 (2893189)
- 22 south asian*.mp. (2379)
- 23 exp Asian Continental Ancestry Group/ (31766)

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- 24 exp India/ or india*.mp. (125658)
- 25 indian*.mp. (60002)
- 26 exp bangladesh/ or exp india/ or exp nepal/ or exp pakistan/ or exp sri lanka/ (86935)
- 27 pakistan*.mp. (12324)
- 28 pakistani*.mp. (2486)
- 29 bangladesh*.mp. (7970)
- 30 bengali*.mp. (229)
- 31 nepal*.mp. (5363)
- 32 Srilanka*.mp. (7)
- 33 indo*.mp. (146235)
- 34 ethnic groups/ or asian americans/ (42900)
- 35 indo canadian.mp. (13)
- 36 indo asian.mp. (98)
- 37 asian canad*.mp. (47)
- 38 22 or 24 or 25 or 26 or 27 or 28 or 29 or 30 or 31 or 32 or 33 or 34 or 35 or 36 or 37 (333775)
- 39 cholesterol*.mp. or exp Cholesterol/ (203403)
- 40 lipid*.mp. (375922)
- 41 apolipoprotein B.mp. or exp Apolipoproteins B/ (12242)
- 42 hyperlipid*.mp. or exp Hyperlipidemias/ (61618)
- 43 lipaemia.mp. (403)
- 44 blood pressure.mp. or exp Blood Pressure/ (340494)
- 45 BP.mp. (105093)
- 46 SBP.mp. (10707)
- 47 DBP.mp. (8568)
- 48 mean arterial pressure.mp. (22707)

- 49 hypertensi*.mp. (345936)
- 50 exp Hypertension/ (195670)
- 51 exp Acute-Phase Proteins/ (139403)
- 52 body weight.mp. or exp Body Weight/ (392043)
- 53 body fat.mp. or exp Adipose Tissue/ (75928)
- 54 Body Mass Index/ or BMI.mp. (92077)
- 55 waist circumference.mp. or exp Waist Circumference/ (10470)
- 56 Body Constitution/ or waist to hip.mp. or Waist-Hip Ratio/ (16792)
- 57 exp Triglycerides/ (58028)
- 58 hyperglycemia/ or glucose intolerance/ or hyperinsulinism/ or exp insulin resistance/ or exp metabolic syndrome x/ (68481)
- 59 exp Hypercholesterolemia/ or hypercholesterol*.mp. (34480)
- 60 39 or 40 or 41 or 42 or 43 or 44 or 45 or 46 or 47 or 48 or 49 or 50 or 51 or 52 or 53 or 54 or 55 or 56 or 57 or 58 or 59 (1675739)
- 61 38 and 60 (32676)
- 62 21 and 38 (40412)
- 63 21 and 23 (5073)