

Appendix 1: Electronic search strategies

Medline/Pubmed

1. "Sepsis"[Mesh]
2. Severe Sepsis
3. Septic Shock
4. Septicemia
5. Septicaemia
6. Pyohemia
7. Pyaemia
8. Pyemia
9. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8
10. EGDT
11. Goal Directed Therapy
12. Early Resuscitation
13. Protocol Based
14. Early Goal Directed Strategy
15. 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14
16. Randomized controlled trial [pt]
17. Controlled clinical trial [pt]
18. Randomized [tiab]
19. Randomly [tiab]
20. Trail [tiab]
21. Groups [tiab]
22. 16 or 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21
23. 9 and 15 and 22

Embase/Ovid

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24. limit 23 to original article , human, embase record

Cochrane library

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