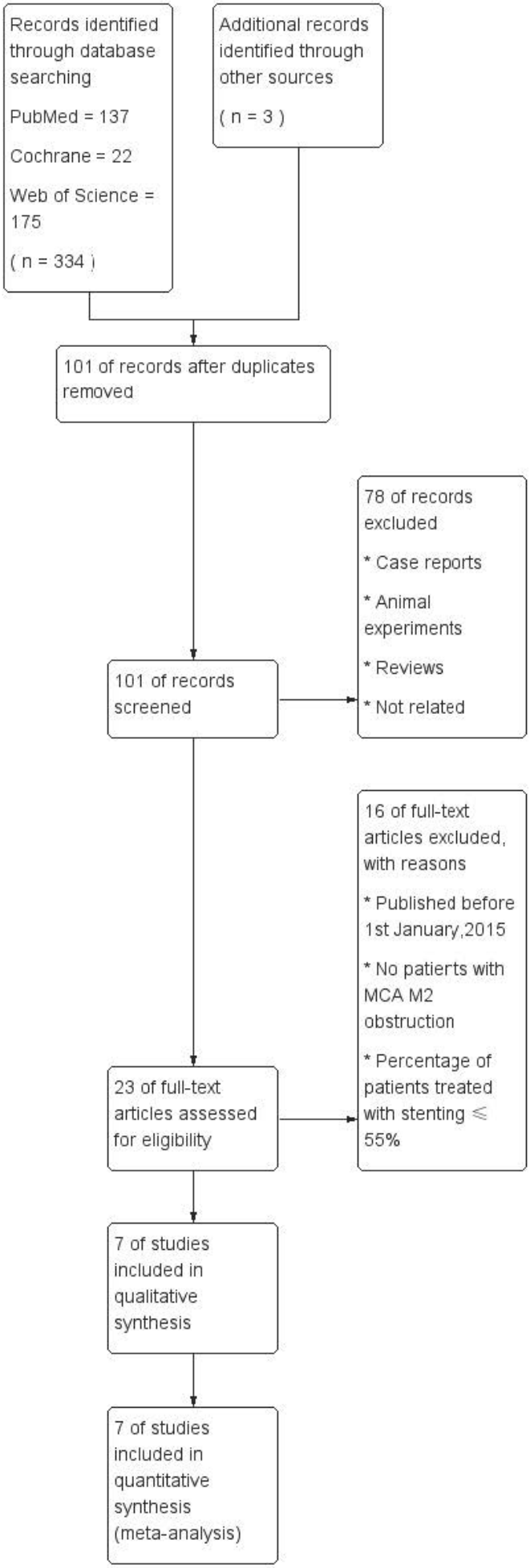
Records identified through database searching
PubMed = 137
Cochrane = 22
Web of Science = 175
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Additional records identified through other sources
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101 of records after duplicates removed
101 of records screened
78 of records excluded
* Case reports
* Animal experiments
* Reviews
* Not related
23 of full-text articles assessed for eligibility
16 of full-text articles excluded, with reasons
* Published before 1st January,2015
* No patierts with MCA M2 obstruction
* Percentage of patients treated with stenting ≤ 55%
7 of studies included in qualitative synthesis
7 of studies included in quantitative synthesis (meta-analysis)