

Appendix 2 Medline search strategy

Medline search strategy for the Eastern Mediterranean Region

Database: Ovid Medline(R) without Revisions <1996 to May Week 2 2015>

Search Strategy:

1 middle east/ or Africa, Northern/ or egypt/ or libya/ or morocco/ or tunisia/ or afghanistan/ or bahrain/ or iran/ or iraq/ or jordan/
or kuwait/ or lebanon/ or oman/ or qatar/ or saudi arabia/ or syria/ or united arab emirates/ or yemen/ or pakistan/ or djibouti/ or
somalia/ or sudan (61429)

2 ((middle or mediterranean) adj2 east*).ti,ab. (6145)

3 (egypt or libya or morocco or tunisia or afghanistan or bahrain or iran or iraq or jordan or kuwait or lebanon or oman or qatar or
(Saudi adj2 arabia) or syria or (united adj2 emirates) or yemen or Pakistan or Sudan or Somalia or Djibouti or Palestin*).ti,ab. (48900)

4 (arab adj2 countr*).ti,ab. (316)

5 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 (71424)

6 (map or mapping or production or productivity or ((bibliometric or situation) adj2 analysis) or (baseline adj2 assessment)).ti,ab.
(583416)

7 Translational Medical Research/ or Social Validity, Research/ or Nursing Research/ or Empirical Research/ or Clinical Nursing
Research/ or Nursing Administration Research/ or Operations Research/ or Nursing Education Research/ or Behavioral Research/
or Health Services Research/ or Peer Review, Research/ or Research/ or Community-Based Participatory Research/ or Nursing
Methodology Research/ or Comparative Effectiveness Research/ or Nursing Evaluation Research/ (118206)

8 research.ti,ab. (623218)

9 7 or 8 (689665)

10 6 and 9 (31826)

11 5 and 10 (303)

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1 (map or mapping or production or productivity or ((bibliometric or situation) adj2 analysis) or (baseline adj2 assessment)).ti,ab.
(577080)

2 (health adj2 research).ti,ab. (12716)

3 Health Services Research/ or Peer Review, Research/ or Research/ or Community-Based Participatory Research/ (69994)

4 2 or 3 (78918)

5 1 and 4 (2339)