

Supplemental Digital Appendix 1

Search Strategies Used to Identify Evaluative Medical Education Studies Published January 2001-January 2010

Strategy for the Medical Education Journals	Strategy for the General and Internal Medicine Journals
1. exp Education, Medical/	1. exp Education, Medical/
2. limit 1 to (abstracts and last 10 years)	2. limit 1 to (abstracts and last 10 years)
3. Academic Medicine.jn.	3. BMJ.jn.
4. Medical Education.jn.	4. "Journal of General Internal Medicine".jn.
5. Medical Teacher.jn.	5. "Medical Journal of Australia".jn.
6. Teaching & Learning in Medicine.jn.	6. Lancet.jn.
7. "Journal of Continuing Education in the Health Professions".jn.	7. JAMA.jn.
8. 2 and (or/3-7)	8. 2 and (or/3-7)
9. remove duplicates from 8	9. remove duplicates from 8
10. limit 9 to (comment or editorial or festschrift or historical article or letter)	10. limit 9 to (comment or editorial or festschrift or historical article or letter)
11. 9 not 10	11. 9 not 10
12. limit 11 to "qualitative studies	12. limit 11 to "qualitative studies
13. limit 11 to clinical trial, all	13. limit 11 to clinical trial, all
14. limit 11 to randomized controlled trial	14. limit 11 to randomized controlled trial
15. limit 11 to systematic reviews	15. limit 11 to systematic reviews
16. limit 11 to comparative study	16. limit 11 to comparative study
17. limit 11 to evaluation studies	17. limit 11 to evaluation studies
18. 11 and Program Evaluation/	18. 11 and Program Evaluation/
19. or/12-18	19. or/12-18
20. 11 not 19	20. 11 not 19
21. 11 and exp Education, Medical/cl	21. 11 and exp Education, Medical/cl
22. 11 and exp Education, Medical/ec	22. 11 and exp Education, Medical/ec
23. 11 and exp Education, Medical/ed	23. 11 and exp Education, Medical/ed
24. 11 and exp Education, Medical/es	24. 11 and exp Education, Medical/es
25. 11 and exp Education, Medical/hi	25. 11 and exp Education, Medical/hi
26. 11 and exp Education, Medical/is	26. 11 and exp Education, Medical/is
27. 11 and exp Education, Medical/lj	27. 11 and exp Education, Medical/lj
28. 11 and exp Education, Medical/ma	28. 11 and exp Education, Medical/ma
29. 11 and exp Education, Medical/mt	29. 11 and exp Education, Medical/mt
30. 11 and exp Education, Medical/og	30. 11 and exp Education, Medical/og
31. 11 and exp Education, Medical/px	31. 11 and exp Education, Medical/px
32. 11 and exp Education, Medical/sd	32. 11 and exp Education, Medical/sd
33. 11 and exp Education, Medical/sn	33. 11 and exp Education, Medical/sn
34. 11 and exp Education, Medical/st	34. 11 and exp Education, Medical/st
35. 11 and exp Education, Medical/td	35. 11 and exp Education, Medical/td
36. or/21-35	36. or/21-35
37. 11 not 36	37. 11 not 36