

Identification of studies via databases and registers

Identification

Records identified from*:
Databases (n = 966)

Records removed *before screening*:

Duplicate records removed
(n = 2)
Records marked as ineligible
by automation tools (n = 3)
Records removed for other
reasons (n = 17)

Screening

Records screened
(n = 944)

Records excluded**
(n = 899)

Reports sought for retrieval
(n = 45)

Reports not retrieved
(n = 36)

Included

Studies included in review
(n = 9)