

**Asthma Guidelines – EPR3 Literature Review  
Search Strategy Progress Summary**

**Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM)**

**Search Strategies**

**March 23, 2006 Mini-Update Search (Covering Dec. 1, 2005 – Mar. 15, 2006):**

Run original strategy—with just updated dates:

Asthma[mh] AND Complementary therapies[mh] AND 2005/12/01:2006/03/15[dp] AND human[mh] AND English[la] AND hasabstract  
2 hits

Now limit to specific types of studies (RCTs, meta-analysis, systematic reviews, epidemiologic studies):

Asthma[mh] AND Complementary therapies[mh] AND 2005/12/01:2006/03/15[dp] AND human[mh] AND English[la] AND hasabstract AND (randomized controlled trial[pt] OR meta-analysis[pt] OR ("systematic review" AND review[pt]) OR epidemiologic studies[mh])  
**1 hit**

Now get the residual set, which is the first set, NOT the second set, in my Pubmed session, it was:

#7 NOT #8  
**1 hit**

**January 10, 2006 Mini-Update Search (Covering Oct 2, 2005 – Jan 1, 2006):**

Run original strategy—with just updated dates:

Asthma[mh] AND Complementary therapies[mh] AND 2005/10/02:2006/01/01[dp] AND human[mh] AND English[la] AND hasabstract  
**0 hits**

**November 2, 2005 Mini-Update Search (covering June 27, 2005 – Nov 2, 2005):**

Run original strategy—with just updated dates:

Asthma[mh] AND Complementary therapies[mh] AND 2005/06/27:2005/11/02[dp] AND human[mh] AND English[la] AND hasabstract  
**3 results**

Now limit to specific types of studies (RCTs, meta-analysis, systematic reviews, epidemiologic studies):

Asthma[mh] AND Complementary therapies[mh] AND 2005/06/27:2005/11/02[dp] AND human[mh] AND English[la] AND hasabstract AND (randomized controlled trial[pt] OR meta-analysis[pt] OR ("systematic review" AND review[pt]) OR epidemiologic studies[mh])  
**0 results**

**July 2005 Update:**

Asthma[mh] AND Complementary therapies[mh] AND 2004/11/01:2005/07/27[dp] AND human[mh] AND English[la] AND hasabstract AND (randomized controlled trial[pt] OR meta-analysis[pt] OR ("systematic review" AND review[pt]) OR epidemiologic studies[mh])  
**4 results (sorted with RCTs first)**

**November 2004**

Asthma[mh] AND Complementary therapies[mh] AND 1997/01/01:2004/11/01[dp] AND human[mh] AND English[la] AND has abstract  
**160 results**