

Box 1:

Final Medline search strategy

- 1 complication*.ti,ab.
- 2 ae.fs. [adverse effects]
- 3 safe*.ti,ab.
- 4 co.fs. [complications]
- 5 postoperative complications/
- 6 or/1-5

Final Embase search strategy

- 1 complication*.ti,ab.
- 2 co.fs. [Complication]
- 3 safe*.ti,ab.
- 4 ae.fs. [adverse drug reaction]
- 5 postoperative morbidity.ti,ab.
- 6 surgical risk/
- 7 complication/
- 8 postoperative complication/
- 9 procedure related.ti,ab.
- 10 or/1-9

Key

ti=title, ab=abstract, fs=floating subheading, / indicates indexing term.