

Identification

Records identified through database searching
(n = 1062)

Additional records identified through other sources
(n = 182)

Records after duplicates removed
(n = 62)

Screening

Records screened
(n = 1182)

Records excluded
(n = 1120)

Eligibility

Full-text articles assessed for eligibility
(n = 62)

Full-text articles excluded, with reasons
(n = 35)

- description of information technique of PROs collection only(16)
- not including sufficient study endpoint(s) (12)
- not having sufficient quantitative analyses to enable assessment (7)

Included

Studies included in qualitative synthesis
(n = 27)