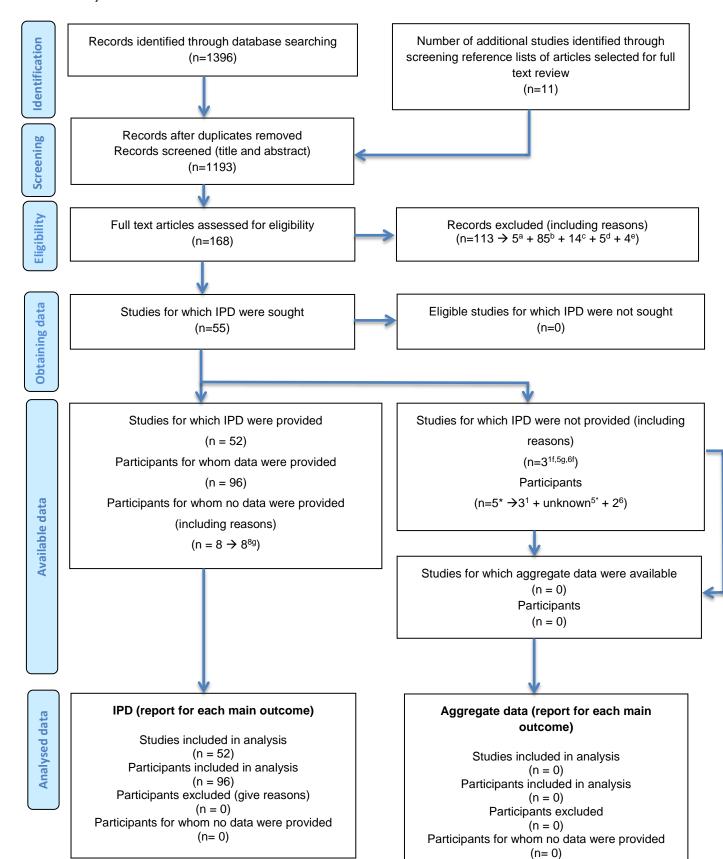


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# Figure I PRISMA IPD Flow Diagram

Triple and quadruple cervical artery dissections: a systematic review of individual patient data Journal of Neurology

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## The PRISMA IPD flow diagram

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## Search strategy

We searched PubMed and Excerpta Medica Database (EMBASE) (until April 17, 2018) for publications on triple and quadruple CeAD using the terms. We used the following search terms: ((("cervical artery" OR "cervical arteries" OR "cervical arterial" OR "cervical vertebrae" OR "vertebral artery" OR "vertebral arteries" OR "carotid artery" OR "carotid arteries" OR "carotid arteries" OR "carotid arteries" OR "cervicocerebral arteries" OR "cervicocerebral arterial" OR "cervicocephalic arterial" OR "cervicocephalic arterial") AND (dissection OR dissecting)) AND (fourfold OR quadruple OR triple OR multiple).

### Reasons for exclusion

- <sup>a</sup> Full text article was written in a language other than English, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Dutch and the English abstract had insufficient data for inclusion.
- <sup>b</sup> Not about triple or quadruple cervical artery dissection.
- <sup>c</sup> Does not meet imaging criteria for diagnosis of triple or quadruple article dissection (at least one of the following: 1) double lumen, 2) mural hematoma, 3) 'string sign' or 'flame sign': long tapering occlusion or high grade stenosis).
- <sup>d</sup> Duplicate study.
- e Duplicate participants.
- <sup>f</sup> The first and corresponding authors did not respond to five e-mails spanning a 7 month period, requesting data.
- <sup>9</sup> The corresponding author no longer had data available for these participants.
- \* In one study it was not explicitly stated how many participants had triple or quadruple cervical artery dissections.

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