

Search strategy for EMBASE

S.No	Search string
1	'clinical trial'/exp
2	'randomization'/de
3	'controlled study'/de
4	'comparative study'/de
5	'single blind procedure'/de
6	'double blind procedure'/de
7	'crossover procedure'/de
8	'placebo'/de
9	'clinical trial' OR 'clinical trials'
10	'controlled clinical trial' OR 'controlled clinical trials'
11	'randomised controlled trial' OR 'randomized controlled trial' OR 'randomised controlled trials' OR 'randomized controlled trials'
12	'randomisation' OR 'randomization'
13	rct
14	'random allocation'
15	'randomly allocated'
16	'allocated randomly'
17	'allocated NEAR/2 random'
18	(single OR double OR triple OR treble) NEAR/1 (blind* OR mask*)
19	placebo*
20	'prospective study'/de
21	#1 OR #2 OR #3 OR #4 OR #5 OR #6 OR #7 OR #8 OR #9 OR #10 OR #11 OR #12 OR #13 OR #14 OR #15 OR #16 OR #17 OR #18 OR #19 OR #20
22	'case study'/de
23	'case report'
24	'abstract report'/de
25	'letter'/de
26	#22 OR #23 OR #24 OR #25
27	#21 NOT #26
28	Nicergoline/exp
29	Nicergolin*
30	Sermion/exp OR Sermion
31	#28 OR #29 OR #30
32	Adverse event OR adverse drug reaction or side effect OR Harm
33	Safety OR tolerability OR complication OR toxicity
34	#32 OR #33
35	#27 AND #31 AND #34