

Appendix 1 Search strategies

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Database: APA PsycInfo

Interface: EBSCO

Date of search: 21 January 2026

Note: limit to RCT studies

Search terms	Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions	
1. TI ((covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") N3 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*)) OR SU ((covid* OR coronavirus* OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") N3 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*))	2,340
2. DE "Post-COVID-19 Conditions"	618
3. TX postcovid*	17
4. 1 OR 2 OR 3	2,444
5. DE "COVID-19"	52,976
6. TI (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") OR AB (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov")	65,672
7. 5 OR 6	66,957
8. TI (persist* N5 symptom*) OR AB (persist* N5 symptom*)	6,367
9. TI ("long haul*" OR "post acute" OR "post viral" OR "post virus" OR sequela* OR sequelae*) OR AB ("long haul*" OR "post acute" OR "post viral" OR "post virus" OR sequela* OR sequelae*)	13,664
10. 8 OR 9	19,811
11. S7 AND S10	874
12. AB "long covid*" OR "post covid"	1,586
13. 4 OR 11 OR 12	3,485
Study types: randomised controlled trials¹	
14. TX((randomi?ed) N3 (study OR trial OR design OR method* OR test* OR assessment)) OR TX((random*) N3 (assign* or alloca*)) OR TX((singl* OR doubl* OR tripl* OR trebl*) N3 (blind* OR dumm* OR mask*)) OR TX(clinical W2 trial*) OR TX((singl* OR doubl* OR treb* OR tripl*) W2 (blind* OR mask*)) OR TX(placebo*) OR TX(randomly allocated) OR TX(allocated N2 random*) OR AB(randomi?ed N6 n=) OR TI(controlled W3 trial*) OR AB(controlled W3 trial*)	244,511
Combined sets:	
15. 13 AND 14	171
Final result	
16. 15 AND Publication Date 01/01/2022 - 01/21/2026	154

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¹ The Cochrane CINAHL Plus filter: Glanville J, Dooley G, Wisniewski S, Foxlee R, Noel-Storr A. Development of a search filter to identify reports of controlled clinical trials within CINAHL Plus. Health Info Libr J. 2019;36(1):73-90. Available from: <https://doi.org/10.1111/hir.12251>

AB = Abstract; **DE** = Term from the thesaurus; **SU** = Searches for a part of or an entire subject heading; **TI** = Title; **TX** = All Text. Performs a keyword search of all the database's searchable fields; ***** = Truncation; **" "** = Quotation marks; searches for an exact phrase; **?** = replaces one letter; **N** = Near Operator (N) finds the words if they are a maximum of x words apart from one another, regardless of the order in which they appear; **W** = Within operator (W) finds the words if they are within x words of one another, in the order in which entered

Database: CINAHL

Interface: EBSCO

Date of search: 21 January 2026

Note: limit to RCT studies

Search terms	Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions	
1. (MH "COVID-19/RH")	518
2. TI (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") N3 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*)	7,147
3. AB (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") N5 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR longterm* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*) N5 (anxiet* OR arrhythmia* OR arrythmia* OR asthma* OR brain OR breath* OR cardiac* OR cognit* OR depress* OR dizz* OR dyspnea* OR dysrhythmia* OR fatigue OR fever* OR gustat* OR heart* OR insomnia OR kidney* OR lung* OR nausea OR neuro* OR olfact* OR pain OR palpitation* OR "postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome" OR pots OR pneumoni* OR pulmonary OR respirat* OR sleep* OR smell* OR spinning OR symptom* OR tast* OR vertigo*)	2,174
4. (MH "Post-Acute COVID-19 Syndrome")	2,303
5. TX postcovid*	45
6. 1 OR 2 OR 3 OR 4 OR 5	9,529
7. (MH "COVID-19")	53,977
8. (MH "Coronavirus Infections")	2,391
9. TI (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") OR AB (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov")	154,540
10. 7 OR 8 OR 9	164,420
11. TI (persist* N5 symptom*) OR AB (persist* N5 symptom*)	7,489
12. TI ("long haul*" OR "post acute" OR "post viral" OR "post virus" OR sequela* OR sequelae*) OR AB ("long haul*" OR "post acute" OR "post viral" OR "post virus" OR sequela* OR sequelae*)	22,642
13. 11 OR 12	29,861
14. 10 AND 13	2,132
15. AB "long covid*" OR "post covid*"	2,774
16. 6 OR 14 OR 15	10,853
Study types: randomised controlled trials²	
17. MH "Randomized Controlled Trials+" OR MH "Double-Blind Studies" OR MH "Single-Blind Studies" OR MH "Random Assignment" OR MH "Pretest-Posttest Design+" OR MH "Cluster Sample" OR MH "Sample Size" OR MH "Crossover Design" OR MH "Comparative Studies" OR MH "Placebos" OR PT (Randomized Controlled Trial) OR TI (randomised OR randomized) OR AB (random*) OR TI (trial) OR AB (assigned OR allocated OR control) OR AB (control W5 group) OR AB (cluster W3 rct)	1,463,675
Combined sets:	
18. S16 AND S17	1,705
Final result	
19. 18 AND Publication Date 01/01/2022 - 01/21/2026	1,323

² The Cochrane CINAHL Plus filter: Glanville J, Dooley G, Wisniewski S, Foxlee R, Noel-Storr A. Development of a search filter to identify reports of controlled clinical trials within CINAHL Plus. Health Info Libr J. 2019;36(1):73-90. Available from: <https://doi.org/10.1111/hir.12251>

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Database: Cochrane Library

Interface: Wiley

Date of search: 21 January 2026

Note: limit to RCT studies

Search terms		Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions		
1.	((covid* OR coronavirus* OR (corona NEXT/1 virus*) OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") NEAR/3 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*)):ti,kw	1,946
2.	((covid* OR coronavirus* OR (corona NEXT/1 virus*) OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") NEAR/5 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR longterm* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*) NEAR/5 (anxiet* OR arrhythmia* OR arrythmia* OR asthma* OR brain OR breath* OR cardiac* OR cognit* OR depress* OR dizz* OR dyspnea* OR dysrhythmia* OR fatigue OR fever* OR gustat* OR heart* OR insomnia OR kidney* OR lung* OR nausea OR neuro* OR olfact* OR pain OR palpitation* OR "postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome" OR pots OR pneumoni* OR pulmonary OR respirat* OR sleep* OR smell* OR spinning OR symptom* OR tast* OR vertigo*)):ab	1,248
3.	postcovid*:ti,ab,kw	912
4.	1 OR 2 OR 3	2,489
5.	(covid* OR coronavirus* OR (corona NEXT/1 virus*) OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov"):ti,ab,kw	25,730
6.	(persist* NEAR/5 symptom*):ti,ab,kw	4,404
7.	((long NEXT/1 haul*) OR "post acute" OR "post viral" OR "post virus" OR sequela* OR sequelae*):ti,ab,kw	7,337
8.	6 OR 7	11,580
9.	5 AND 8	1,099
10.	((long NEXT/1 covid*) OR (post NEXT/1 covid*)):ab	1,441
11.	4 OR 9 OR 10	2,833
Final result		
12.	11 AND Publication Year from 2022 to 2026, in Trials	2,122

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:ti = Title; **:ab** = Abstract; **:kw** = Keyword; ***** = Truncation; **" "** = Quotation marks; searches for an exact phrase; **NEAR/n** = Retrieves terms that are within 'n' words of each other in either direction; **NEXT/n** = Requests terms that are within "n" words of each other in the order specified

Database: Embase

Interface: embase.com

Date of search: 21 January 2026

Note: limit to RCT studies

Search terms	Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions	
1. 'coronavirus disease 2019'/exp/dm_rh	573
2. 'coronavirus infection'/dm_rh	59
3. ((covid* OR coronavirus* OR 'corona virus*' OR 'sars cov 2' OR '2019 ncov') NEAR/3 ('after care' OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR 'non specific' OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*)) :ti,kw	28,351
4. ((covid* OR coronavirus* OR 'corona virus*' OR 'sars cov 2' OR '2019 ncov') NEAR/5 ('after care' OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR longterm* OR 'non specific' OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*) NEAR/5 (anxiet* OR arrhythmia* OR arrythmia* OR asthma* OR brain OR breath* OR cardiac* OR cognit* OR depress* OR dizz* OR dyspnea* OR dysrhythmia* OR fatigue OR fever* OR gustat* OR heart* OR insomnia OR kidney* OR lung* OR nausea OR neuro* OR olfact* OR pain OR palpitation* OR 'postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome' OR pots OR pneumoni* OR pulmonary OR respirat* OR sleep* OR smell* OR spinning OR symptom* OR tast* OR vertigo*)) :ab	16,614
5. 'long covid'/de	12,794
6. postcovid*:ti,ab,kw	17,671
7. 1 OR 2 OR 3 OR 4 OR 5 OR 6	43,732
8. 'coronavirus disease 2019'/exp	502,086
9. 'coronavirus infection'/de	13,459
10. covid*:ti,ab,kw OR coronavirus*:ti,ab,kw OR 'corona virus*':ti,ab,kw OR 'sars cov 2':ti,ab,kw OR '2019 ncov':ti,ab,kw	598,792
11. 8 OR 9 OR 10	645,300
12. (persist* NEAR/5 symptom*):ti,ab,kw	47,377
13. 'long haul*':ti,ab,kw OR 'post acute':ti,ab,kw OR 'post viral':ti,ab,kw OR 'post virus':ti,ab,kw OR sequela*:ti,ab,kw OR sequelae*:ti,ab,kw	144,815
14. 12 OR 13	189,598
15. 11 AND 14	15,661
16. 'long covid*':ab OR 'post covid*':ab	22,755
17. 7 OR 15 OR 16	50,509
Study types: randomised controlled trials³	
18. ('randomized controlled trial'/exp OR 'controlled clinical trial'/de OR random*:ti,ab,tt OR 'randomization'/de OR 'intermethod comparison'/de OR placebo:ti,ab,tt OR compare:ti,tt OR compared:ti,tt OR comparison:ti,tt OR ((evaluated:ab OR evaluate:ab OR evaluating:ab OR assessed:ab OR assess:ab) AND (compare:ab OR compared:ab OR comparing:ab OR comparison:ab)) OR ((open NEXT/1 label):ti,ab,tt) OR (((double OR single OR doubly OR singly) NEXT/1 (blind OR blinded OR blindly)):ti,ab,tt) OR 'double blind procedure'/de OR ((parallel NEXT/1 group*):ti,ab,tt) OR crossover:ti,ab,tt OR 'cross over':ti,ab,tt OR (((assign* OR match OR matched OR allocation) NEAR/6 (alternate OR group OR groups OR intervention OR interventions OR patient OR patients OR subject OR subjects OR participant OR participants)):ti,ab,tt) OR assigned:ti,ab,tt OR allocated:ti,ab,tt OR ((controlled NEAR/8 (study OR design OR trial)):ti,ab,tt) OR volunteer:ti,ab,tt OR volunteers:ti,ab,tt OR 'human experiment'/de OR trial:ti,tt) NOT (((random* NEXT/1 sampl* NEAR/8 ('cross section*' OR	6,872,591

³ Glanville J, Foxlee R, Wisniewski S, Noel-Storr A, Edwards M, Dooley G. Translating the Cochrane EMBASE RCT filter from the Ovid interface to Embase.com: a case study. Health Info Libr J. 2019 Sep;36(3):264-277. doi: 10.1111/hir.12269. Epub 2019 Jul 22. Erratum in: Health Info Libr J. 2020 Dec;37(4):351.

questionnaire* OR survey OR surveys OR database OR databases)):ti,ab,tt) NOT ('comparative study'/de OR 'controlled study'/de OR 'randomised controlled':ti,ab,tt OR 'randomized controlled':ti,ab,tt OR 'randomly assigned':ti,ab,tt) OR ('cross-sectional study' NOT ('randomized controlled trial'/exp OR 'controlled clinical trial'/de OR 'controlled study'/de OR 'randomised controlled':ti,ab,tt OR 'randomized controlled':ti,ab,tt OR 'control group':ti,ab,tt OR 'control groups':ti,ab,tt)) OR ('case control*':ti,ab,tt AND random*':ti,ab,tt NOT ('randomised controlled':ti,ab,tt OR 'randomized controlled':ti,ab,tt)) OR ('systematic review':ti,tt NOT (trial:ti,tt OR study:ti,tt)) OR (nonrandom*':ti,ab,tt NOT random*':ti,ab,tt) OR 'random field*':ti,ab,tt OR (('random cluster' NEAR/4 sampl*):ti,ab,tt) OR (review:ab AND review:it NOT trial:ti,tt) OR ('we searched':ab AND (review:ti,tt OR review:it)) OR 'update review':ab OR ((databases NEAR/5 searched):ab) OR ((rat:ti,tt OR rats:ti,tt OR mouse:ti,tt OR mice:ti,tt OR swine:ti,tt OR porcine:ti,tt OR murine:ti,tt OR sheep:ti,tt OR lambs:ti,tt OR pigs:ti,tt OR piglets:ti,tt OR rabbit:ti,tt OR rabbits:ti,tt OR cat:ti,tt OR cats:ti,tt OR dog:ti,tt OR dogs:ti,tt OR cattle:ti,tt OR bovine:ti,tt OR monkey:ti,tt OR monkeys:ti,tt OR trout:ti,tt OR marmoset*':ti,tt) AND 'animal experiment'/de) OR ('animal experiment'/de NOT ('human experiment'/de OR 'human'/de)))

Combined sets		
19.	17 AND 18	10,287
20.	19 AND [01-01-2022]/sd NOT [21-01-2026]/sd	9,275
Final result		
21.	#20 NOT 'conference abstract'/it	6,642

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/de = Term from the Emtree controlled vocabulary; **/exp** = Includes terms found below this term in the Emtree hierarchy; **:ab** = Abstract; **:kw** = Author keyword; **:ti** = Article Title; **:ti,ab** = Title or abstract; ***** = Truncation; **' '** = Quotation marks; searches for an exact phrase; **NEAR/n** = Retrieves terms that are within “n” words of each other in either direction; **NEXT/n** = Requests terms that are within “n” words of each other in the order specified; **dm_rh** = Disease subheading: Rehabilitation; **:tt** = Original non-English title; **/sd** = Since date

Database: Medline

Interface: OvidSP

Date of search: 21 January 2026

Note: limit to RCT studies

Search terms	Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions	
1. COVID-19/rh	468
2. Coronavirus Infections/rh	128
3. ((covid* or coronavirus* or corona virus* or sars cov 2 or 2019 ncov) adj3 (after care or aftercare or chronic* or continuing or convalesc* or enduring or late or lingering or long* or non specific or nonspecific or permanent or persist* or post* or prolong* or rehab* or recover* or recurr* or relaps* or remaining or residing or residual or sequela* or sequelae* or telerehab*)).ti,kf.	22,101
4. ((covid* or coronavirus* or corona virus* or sars cov 2 or 2019 ncov) adj5 (after care or aftercare or chronic* or continuing or convalesc* or enduring or late or lingering or long* or longterm* or non specific or nonspecific or permanent or persist* or post* or prolong* or rehab* or recover* or recurr* or relaps* or remaining or residing or residual or sequela* or sequelae* or telerehab*) adj5 (anxiet* or arrhythmia* or arrythmia* or asthma* or brain or breath* or cardiac* or cognit* or depress* or dizz* or dyspnea* or dysrhythmia* or fatigue or fever* or gustat* or heart* or insomnia or kidney* or lung* or nausea or neuro* or olfact* or pain or palpitation* or postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome or pots or pneumoni* or pulmonary or respirat* or sleep* or smell* or spinning or symptom* or tast* or vertigo*)).ab.	11,291
5. Post-Acute COVID-19 Syndrome/	4,599
6. postcovid*.ti,ab,kf.	94
7. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6	27,944
8. COVID-19/	307,641
9. Coronavirus Infections/	47,258
10. (covid* or coronavirus* or corona virus* or sars cov 2 or 2019 ncov).ti,ab,kf.	503,470
11. 8 or 9 or 10	513,761
12. (persist* adj5 symptom*).ti,ab,kf.	28,469
13. (long haul* or post acute or post viral or post virus or sequela* or sequelae*).ti,ab,kf.	103,074
14. 12 or 13	129,890
15. 11 and 14	10,843
16. (long covid* or post covid*).ab.	15,785
17. 7 or 15 or 16	36,205
Study types: randomised controlled trials⁴	
18. ((randomized controlled trial or controlled clinical trial or clinical trial, phase iii).pt. or (randomized or randomised).ab. or placebo.ab. or clinical trials as topic.sh. or randomly.ab. or trial.ti. or ("Phase 3" or "phase3" or "phase III" or P3 or "PIII").ti,ab,kw.) not (exp animals/ not humans.sh.)	1,713,355
Combined sets	
19. 17 and 18	1,747
Final result	
20. limit 19 to dt=20220101-20260121	1,425

⁴ Cochrane Highly Sensitive Search Strategy for identifying randomized trials in MEDLINE: sensitivity- and precision-maximizing version (2023 revision); Ovid format. Lefebvre C, Glanville J, Briscoe S, Featherstone R, Littlewood A, Metzendorf M-I, Noel-Storr A, Paynter R, Rader T, Thomas J, Wieland LS. Chapter 4: Searching for and selecting studies [last updated September 2024]. In: Higgins JPT, Thomas J, Chandler J, Cumpston M, Li T, Page MJ, Welch VA (editors). Cochrane Handbook for Systematic Reviews of Interventions version 6.5. Cochrane, 2024. Available from: <https://training.cochrane.org/handbook/current/chapter-04-technical-supplement-searching-and-selecting-studies#section-3-6-1>. with modifications: the following terms are added: clinical trial, phase iii.pt. ; randomised.ab. ; ("Phase 3" or "phase3" or "phase III" or P3 or "PIII").ti,ab,kw.

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.ab. = Abstract; **.ab,ti.** = Abstract or title; **.bt.** = Book title; **exp** = Term from the Medline controlled vocabulary, including terms found below this term in the MeSH hierarchy; **.kf.** = Author keyword; **.ti.** = Title; **/** = Term from the Medline controlled vocabulary, but does not include terms found below this term in the MeSH hierarchy; ***** = Focus (if found in front of a MeSH term); ***** = Truncation (if found at the end of a free text term); **adjn** = Adjacency operator that retrieve records containing terms (in any order) within a specified number (n) of words; **/rh** = Subheading: Rehabilitation

Database: LOVE Platform for COVID-19

Interface: <https://app.iloveevidence.com/topics>

Date of search: 21 January 2026

Note: limit to RCT studies

Search terms		Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions		
1.	People with post-COVID-19 conditions - all types of questions	3,040
2.	RCT Reporting data	453
Final result		
3.		453

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Database: Scopus

Interface: scopus.com

Date of search: 21 January 2026

Note: forward citation search; limit to RCT studies

Search terms		Items found
Cited articles		
1.	EID(2-s2.0-85135829219 OR 2-s2.0-85135414196 OR 2-s2.0-85145286056 OR 2-s2.0-85135100067 OR 2-s2.0-85119064059 OR 2-s2.0-85108537804 OR 2-s2.0-85147652979 OR 2-s2.0-85142477872 OR 2-s2.0-85130994694 OR 2-s2.0-85109471000 OR 2-s2.0-85153880978 OR 2-s2.0-85141458201 OR 2-s2.0-85137049769 OR 2-s2.0-85159767345 OR 2-s2.0-85151373856 OR 2-s2.0-85145155919 OR 2-s2.0-85138612514 OR 2-s2.0-85152300311 OR 2-s2.0-85172913042 OR 2-s2.0-85161919845 OR 2-s2.0-85162967316 OR 2-s2.0-85111373250 OR 2-s2.0-85173583401 OR 2-s2.0-85128168075 OR 2-s2.0-85163764067 OR 2-s2.0-85130028715 OR 2-s2.0-85160084638 OR 2-s2.0-85144500875 OR 2-s2.0-85133788534 OR 2-s2.0-85163329519 OR 2-s2.0-85147225801 OR 2-s2.0-85142037105 OR 2-s2.0-85149668980 OR 2-s2.0-85143526613 OR 2-s2.0-85144982570 OR 2-s2.0-85133946400 OR 2-s2.0-85217643587 OR 2-s2.0-85205146934 OR 2-s2.0-85202740592 OR 2-s2.0-85214493827 OR 2-s2.0-85190684311 OR 2-s2.0-85214324939 OR 2-s2.0-85205096634 OR 2-s2.0-85200962569 OR 2-s2.0-85189885276 OR 2-s2.0-85193414061 OR 2-s2.0-85216607947 OR 2-s2.0-85200919718 OR 2-s2.0-85213177460 OR 2-s2.0-85207683106 OR 2-s2.0-85208243780 OR 2-s2.0-85204300668 OR 2-s2.0-85188420536 OR 2-s2.0-85206803058 OR 2-s2.0-85198525201 OR 2-s2.0-85205528037 OR 2-s2.0-85195850426 OR 2-s2.0-85206575570 OR 2-s2.0-85192559183 OR 2-s2.0-85199989963 OR 2-s2.0-85213516534 OR 2-s2.0-85205605323 OR 2-s2.0-85134424295)	63
2.	1 AND View cited by	1,338
3.	2 AND (INDEXTERMS ("clinical trials" OR "clinical trials as a topic" OR "randomized controlled trial" OR "Randomized Controlled Trials as Topic" OR "controlled clinical trial" OR "Controlled Clinical Trials" OR "random allocation" OR "Double-Blind Method" OR "Single-Blind Method" OR "Cross-Over Studies" OR "Placebos" OR "multicenter study" OR "double blind procedure" OR "single blind procedure" OR "crossover procedure" OR "clinical trial" OR "controlled study" OR "randomization" OR "placebo") OR TITLE-ABS-KEY ("clinical trials" OR "randomized controlled trial" OR "randomized controlled trials" OR "controlled clinical trial" OR "controlled clinical trials" OR "random allocation" OR "randomly allocated" OR "allocated randomly" OR "Double-Blind Method" OR "single-blind method" OR "cross-over studies" OR placebo* OR "cross-over trial" OR "single blind" OR "double blind" OR "factorial design" OR "factorial trial") OR TITLE (trial* OR rct OR randomised* OR randomized*))	672
Citing articles		
4.	#1 View cited by	672

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TITLE-ABS-KEY = Title, abstract or keywords; **EID** = Document identifier in Scopus; * = Truncation; " " = Quotation marks; searches for an exact phrase

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9. 'coronavirus infection'/de	13,463
10. covid*:ti,ab,kw OR coronavirus*:ti,ab,kw OR 'corona virus*':ti,ab,kw OR 'sars cov 2':ti,ab,kw OR '2019 ncov':ti,ab,kw	599,403
11. 8 OR 9 OR 10	645,977
12. (persist* NEAR/5 symptom*) :ti,ab,kw	47,466
13. 'long haul*':ti,ab,kw OR 'post acute':ti,ab,kw OR 'post viral':ti,ab,kw OR 'post virus':ti,ab,kw OR sequela*:ti,ab,kw OR sequelae*:ti,ab,kw	144,955
14. 12 OR 13	189,819
15. 11 AND 14	15,689
16. ('long covid*' OR 'post covid*'):ab	22,814
17. 7 OR 15 OR 16	50,598
Study types: systematic reviews and meta-analyses	
18. ('systematic review'/de OR 'meta analysis'/de OR [cochrane review]/lim OR 'biomedical technology assessment'/de OR ((systematic* NEAR/4 review*):ti,ab) OR ((systematic* NEAR/4 bibliographic*):ti,ab) OR ((systematic* NEAR/4 literature):ti,ab) OR ((comprehensive* NEAR/4 literature):ti,ab) OR ((comprehensive* NEAR/4 bibliographic*):ti,ab) OR ((integrative NEAR/4 review):ti,ab) OR 'meta analy*':ti,ab OR metaanaly*:ti,ab OR ((information NEAR/3 synthesis):ti,ab) OR ((data NEAR/3 synthesis):ti,ab) OR ((data NEAR/3 extract*):ti,ab) OR medline:ti,ab OR pubmed:ti,ab OR psyclit:ti,ab OR cinahl:ti,ab OR (psycinfo:ti,ab NOT 'psycinfo database':ti,ab) OR 'web of science':ti,ab OR scopus:ti,ab OR embase:ti,ab OR 'systematic overview*':ti OR 'systemic review*':ti OR 'scoping review':ti OR 'scoping literature review':ti OR 'mapping review':ti OR 'umbrella review*':ti OR 'review of reviews':ti OR 'overview of reviews':ti OR 'meta review':ti OR 'integrative overview':ti OR 'meta synthesis':ti OR metasyntesis:ti OR 'quantitative review':ti OR 'quantitative synthesis':ti OR 'meta ethnography':ti OR 'research synthesis':ti OR 'systematic literature search':ti OR 'systematic literature research':ti OR 'evidence-based review':ti OR 'evidence synthesis':ti OR 'research overview*':ti,ab OR 'collaborative review*':ti,ab OR 'collaborative overview*':ti,ab OR 'technology	1,154,385

assessment*:ti,ab OR 'technology overview*':ti,ab OR 'technology appraisal*':ti,ab OR
hta:ti,ab OR htas:ti,ab OR 'methodological overview*':ti,ab OR 'methodologic
overview*':ti,ab OR 'methodological review*':ti,ab OR 'methodologic review*':ti,ab OR
'quantitative overview*':ti,ab) NOT ('case report'/de OR 'editorial'/it OR 'letter'/it OR
'note'/it)

Combined sets		
19.	17 AND 18	3,061
20.	20 AND [2020-2026]/py	3,058
21.	20 NOT 'conference abstract'/it	2,489
Final result		
22.		2,489

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/de = Term from the Emtree controlled vocabulary; **/exp** = Includes terms found below this term in the Emtree hierarchy;
:ab = Abstract; **:kw** = Author keyword; **:ti** = Article Title; **:ti,ab** = Title or abstract; ***** = Truncation; **' '** = Quotation marks;
NEAR/n = Retrieves terms that are within “n” words of each other in either direction; **NEXT/n**
 = Requests terms that are within “n” words of each other in the order specified; **dm_rh** = Disease subheading:
 Rehabilitation; **:tt** = Original non-English title; **/sd** = Since date

Database: CINAHL

Interface: EBSCO

Date of search: 27 January 2026

Note: limit to systematic reviews

Search terms	Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions	
1. (MH "COVID-19/RH")	518
2. TI (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") N3 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*)	7,168
3. AB (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") N5 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR longterm* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*) N5 (anxiet* OR arrhythmia* OR arrythmia* OR asthma* OR brain OR breath* OR cardiac* OR cognit* OR depress* OR dizz* OR dyspnea* OR dysrhythmia* OR fatigue OR fever* OR gustat* OR heart* OR insomnia OR kidney* OR lung* OR nausea OR neuro* OR olfact* OR pain OR palpitation* OR "postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome" OR pots OR pneumoni* OR pulmonary OR respirat* OR sleep* OR smell* OR spinning OR symptom* OR tast* OR vertigo*)	2,182
4. (MH "Post-Acute COVID-19 Syndrome")	2,312
5. TX postcovid*	45
6. 1 OR 2 OR 3 OR 4 OR 5	9,553
7. (MH "COVID-19")	54,057
8. (MH "Coronavirus Infections")	2,392
9. TI (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") OR AB (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov")	154,693
10. 7 OR 8 OR 9	164,576
11. TI (persist* N5 symptom*) OR AB (persist* N5 symptom*)	7,497
12. TI ("long haul*" OR "post acute" OR "post viral" OR "post virus" OR sequela* OR sequelae*) OR AB ("long haul*" OR "post acute" OR "post viral" OR "post virus" OR sequela* OR sequelae*)	22,655
13. 11 OR 12	29,880
14. 10 AND 13	2,140
15. AB "long covid*" OR "post covid*"	2,785
16. 6 OR 14 OR 15	10,880
Study types: systematic reviews and meta-analyses	
17. (((MH "Systematic Review" OR ZT "systematic review" OR MH "Meta Analysis" OR ZT "Meta Analysis" OR (JN "Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews")) OR (TI (systematic* N3 review*)) OR (AB (systematic* N3 review*)) OR (TI (systematic* N3 bibliographic*)) OR (AB (systematic* N3 bibliographic*)) OR (TI (systematic* N3 literature)) OR (AB (systematic* N3 literature)) OR (TI (comprehensive* N3 literature)) OR (AB (comprehensive* N3 literature)) OR (TI (comprehensive* N3 bibliographic*)) OR (AB (comprehensive* N3 bibliographic*)) OR (TI (integrative N3 review)) OR (AB (integrative N3 review)) OR (TI (meta-analy* OR metaanaly*)) OR (AB (meta-analy* OR metaanaly*)) OR (TI (information N2 synthesis)) OR (TI (data N2 synthesis)) OR (AB (information N2 synthesis)) OR (AB (data N2 synthesis)) OR (TI (data N2 extract*)) OR (AB (data N2 extract*)) OR (TI (medline OR pubmed OR psyclit OR cinahl OR (psycinfo not "psycinfo database")) OR "web of science" OR scopus OR embase)) OR (AB (medline OR pubmed OR psyclit OR cinahl OR (psycinfo not "psycinfo database")) OR "web of science" OR scopus OR embase)) OR TI ("systematic overview*" OR "systemic review*" OR "scoping review" OR "scoping literature review" OR "mapping review" OR "umbrella review*" OR ("review of reviews" OR "overview of reviews") OR meta-review OR ("integrative overview" OR meta-synthesis OR metasynthesis OR "quantitative review" OR	361,913

"quantitative synthesis" OR meta-ethnography OR "research synthesis") OR "systematic literature search" OR "systematic literature research" OR "evidence-based review" OR "evidence synthesis") OR TI ("research overview*" OR "collaborative review*" OR "collaborative overview*" OR "technology assessment*" OR "technology overview*" OR "technology appraisal*" OR hta OR htas OR "methodological overview*" OR "methodologic overview*" OR "methodological review*" OR "methodologic review*" OR "quantitative overview*") OR AB ("research overview*" OR "collaborative review*" OR "collaborative overview*" OR "technology assessment*" OR "technology overview*" OR "technology appraisal*" OR hta OR htas OR "methodological overview*" OR "methodologic overview*" OR "methodological review*" OR "methodologic review*" OR "quantitative overview*")) NOT (MH "Case Studies" OR ZT "Commentary" OR ZT "Editorial" OR ZT "Letter"))

Combined sets:		
18.	16 AND 17	559
19.	18 AND Publication Date: 01/2020 - 01/2026	558
Final result		
20.		558

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AB = Abstract; **MH** = Exact Subject Heading from CINAHL Subject Headings; **TI** = Title; ***** = Truncation; **" "** = Quotation marks; searches for an exact phrase; **?** = replaces one letter; **N** = Near Operator (N) finds the words if they are a maximum of x words apart from one another, regardless of the order in which they appear; **W** = Within operator (W) finds the words if they are within x words of one another, in the order in which entered

Database: APA PsycInfo

Interface: EBSCO

Date of search: 26 January 2026

Note: limit to systematic reviews

Search terms	Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions	
1. TI ((covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") N3 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*)) OR SU ((covid* OR coronavirus* OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") N3 ("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*))	2,354
2. DE "Post-COVID-19 Conditions"	622
3. TX postcovid*	17
4. 1 OR 2 OR 3	2,460
5. DE "COVID-19"	53,105
6. TI (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") OR AB (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov")	65,819
7. 5 OR 6	67,103
8. TI (persist* N5 symptom*) OR AB (persist* N5 symptom*)	6,369
9. TI ("long haul*" OR "post acute" OR "post viral" OR "post virus" OR sequela* OR sequelae*) OR AB ("long haul*" OR "post acute" OR "post viral" OR "post virus" OR sequela* OR sequelae*)	13,680
10. 8 OR 9	19,829
11. S7 AND S10	918
12. AB "long covid*" OR "post covid*"	1,595
13. S4 OR S11 OR S12	3,502
Study types: systematic reviews and meta-analyses	
14. (((DE "Meta Analysis" OR DE "Systematic Review" OR KW "health technology assessment" OR KW "Meta-analysis" OR KW "Systematic review" OR MA "Meta-Analysis" OR MA "Systematic Review" OR MA "Technology Assessment, Biomedical" OR MR "Meta Analysis" OR MR "Systematic Review") OR (TI (systematic* N3 review*)) OR (AB (systematic* N3 review*)) OR (TI (systematic* N3 bibliographic*)) OR (AB (systematic* N3 bibliographic*)) OR (TI (systematic* N3 literature)) OR (AB (systematic* N3 literature)) OR (TI (comprehensive* N3 literature)) OR (AB (comprehensive* N3 literature)) OR (TI (comprehensive* N3 bibliographic*)) OR (AB (comprehensive* N3 bibliographic*)) OR (TI (integrative N3 review)) OR (AB (integrative N3 review)) OR (TI (meta-analy* OR metaanaly*)) OR (AB (meta-analy* OR metaanaly*)) OR (TI (information N2 synthesis)) OR (TI (data N2 synthesis)) OR (AB (information N2 synthesis)) OR (AB (data N2 synthesis)) OR (TI (data N2 extract*)) OR (AB (data N2 extract*)) OR (TI (medline OR pubmed OR psyclit OR cinahl OR (psycinfo not "psycinfo database") OR "web of science" OR scopus OR embase)) OR (AB (medline OR pubmed OR psyclit OR cinahl OR (psycinfo not "psycinfo database") OR "web of science" OR scopus OR embase)) OR TI ("systematic overview*" OR "systemic review*" OR "scoping review" OR "scoping literature review" OR "mapping review" OR "umbrella review*" OR ("review of reviews" OR "overview of reviews") OR meta-review OR ("integrative overview" OR meta-synthesis OR metasynthesis OR "quantitative review" OR "quantitative synthesis" OR meta-ethnography OR "research synthesis") OR "systematic literature search" OR "systematic literature research" OR "evidence-based review" OR "evidence synthesis") OR TI ("research overview*" OR "collaborative review*" OR "collaborative overview*" OR "technology assessment*" OR "technology overview*" OR "technology appraisal*" OR hta OR htas OR "methodological overview*" OR "methodologic overview*" OR "methodological review*" OR "methodologic review*" OR "quantitative overview*" OR AB ("research overview*" OR "collaborative review*" OR "collaborative overview*" OR "technology assessment*" OR "technology overview*" OR "technology	155,971

appraisal*" OR hta OR htas OR "methodological overview*" OR "methodologic overview*" OR "methodological review*" OR "methodologic review*" OR "quantitative overview*") NOT (DE "Case Report"))

Combined sets:		
15.	13 AND 14	194
16.	15 AND Publication Date: 01/2020 - 01/2026	193
Final result		
17.		193

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AB = Abstract; **DE** = Term from the thesaurus; **SU** = Searches for a part of or an entire subject heading; **TI** = Title; **TX** = All Text. Performs a keyword search of all the database's searchable fields; * = Truncation; " " = Quotation marks; searches for an exact phrase; ? = replaces one letter; **N** = Near Operator (N) finds the words if they are a maximum of x words apart from one another, regardless of the order in which they appear; **W** = Within operator (W) finds the words if they are within x words of one another, in the order in which entered

Database: Epistemonikos

Interface: <http://www.epistemonikos.org/>

Date of search: 26 January 2026

Note: limit to systematic reviews

Search terms		Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions		
1.	title:(covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") AND title:("after care" OR aftercare OR chronic* OR continuing OR convalesc* OR enduring OR late OR lingering OR long* OR longterm* OR "non specific" OR nonspecific OR permanent OR persist* OR post* OR prolong* OR rehab* OR recover* OR recurr* OR relaps* OR remaining OR residing OR residual OR sequela* OR sequelae* OR telerehab*)	31,317
2.	(title:("long covid" OR postcovid* OR "post covid*" OR "post acute covid*" OR "post discharge covid*") OR abstract:("long covid" OR postcovid* OR "post covid*" OR "post acute covid*" OR "post discharge covid*"))	5,659
3.	1 OR 2	32,601
4.	3 AND Publication type: Systematic Review	1,566
5.	4 AND Publication year: 2020–2026	1,562
Final result		
6.		1,562

The final search result, usually found at the end of the documentation, forms the list of abstracts.

Database: LOVE Platform for COVID-19

Interface: <https://app.iloveevidence.com/topics>

Date of search: 26 January 2026

Note: limit to systematic reviews

Search terms		Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions		
1.	People with post-COVID-19 conditions - all types of questions	3,043
2.	1 AND Limit to Systematic reviews	138
Final result		
3.		138

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Database: International HTA Database

Interface: <https://database.inahta.org/>

Date of search: 26 January 2026

Note: search for HTA reports

Search terms		Items found
Population: Post COVID-19 conditions		
1.	(covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "postcovid" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") [Title] OR (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "postcovid" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") [mh] OR (covid* OR coronavirus* OR "corona virus*" OR "postcovid" OR "sars cov 2" OR "2019 ncov") [Keywords]	276
2.	1 AND Year: 2020 to 2026	267
Final result		
3.		267

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