Preoperative tests (update)
Routine preoperative tests for elective surgery

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Appendix F: Economic article selection
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Figure 1: Flow chart of economic article selection for the guideline

Records identified through database searching, n=2598

Additional records identified through other sources, n=24

Records screened in 1st sift, n=2622

Records excluded* in 1st sift, n=2538

Full-text articles assessed for eligibility in 2nd sift, n=84

Records excluded* in 2nd sift, n=81

Full-text articles assessed for applicability and quality of methodology, n=3

Studies included, n=1

Studies included by review:
• Review 5 (CPET): n=1

Studies selectively excluded, n=0

Studies excluded, n=2

* Non-relevant population, intervention, comparison, design or setting; non-English language