Total citations identified from electronic databases (Medline, Embase, CENTRAL)
\( n=538 \)

Citations excluded after screening titles and abstracts
\( n=511 \)

Studies retrieved for detailed evaluation:
- From electronic databases: \( n=27 \)
- From hand searching (conference proceedings, reference lists of reviews and identified studies, Science Citation Index and "related articles" function of PubMed entering identified studies) : \( n=4 \)

Total: \( n=31 \)

Initial agreement on in- and exclusion: 94%, \( \kappa=0.87 \)

Excluded after full text assessment
Reasons for exclusion:
- Review article \( n=7 \)
- Only CRQ \( n=6 \)
- CRQ and SGRQ not in all patients \( n=1 \)
- Other reasons \( n=2 \)

Total: \( n=16 \)

All studies included \( n=15 \)