Records identified through database searching (n = 61)
  - PubMed (n = 12); SCOPUS (n = 26);
  - EBSCO (n = 1); Cochrane (n = 8); CNKI
    (n = 14); OASIS (n = 0); KISS (n = 0)

Additional records identified through other sources (n = 14)
  - Google (n = 14)

Records after duplicates removed (n = 47)

Records screened (n = 47)

Records excluded (n = 26)

Full-text articles excluded, with reasons (n = 17)
  - Not relevant to tic disorder (n = 2)
  - Not relevant to herbal medicine (n = 11)
  - Not clinical study (n = 2)
  - Case study (n = 1)
  - RCTs but assessed not valid outcomes (n = 1)

Full-text articles assessed for eligibility (n = 21)

Studies included (n = 4)