

# Cochrane Reviews of healthcare interventions for indigenous populations

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## The Problem

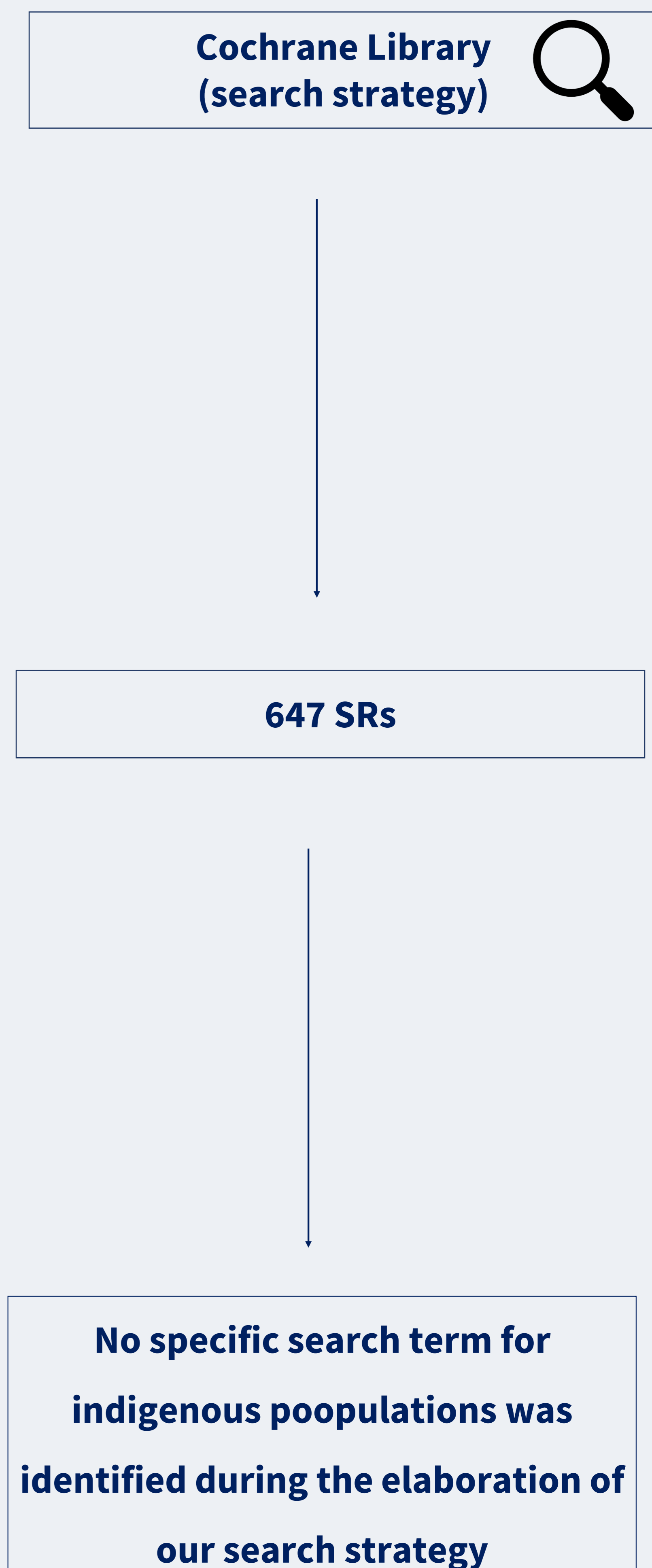
Currently, it is estimated that **indigenous peoples represent 370 to 500 million people worldwide**, owning, occupying or using approximately 22% of the entire global area. According to the **WHO**, indigenous communities are living among other populations, but maintaining their cultural and social traditions. This situation raises concerns about their **vulnerability**, including **health status**, mainly due to the constant financial and non-financial interests in the areas they live in.

## Objectives

To identify Cochrane Reviews (SR) that considered indigenous people as the population of interest.

## Key Results

Among 647 SRs retrieved, four SRs fulfilled our eligibility criteria: three that focused on indigenous population and one that considered it as a subgroup of interest (**Table 1**).



**Table 1.** Characteristics of included studies

Systematic reviews	Country of authors	Included studies/with indigenous	Number of indigenous as subgroup	Indigenous as population of interest	Country of Indigenous populations
Chang 2010 <sup>3</sup>	Australia	1/1	113	Yes	Australia
Carson 2012 <sup>4</sup>	Australia	4/2	1201	Yes	United States, Australia, New Zealand, Mexico
Carson 2012b <sup>5</sup>	Australia	2/2	1505	Yes	United States
Anderson 2015 <sup>6</sup>	United States	58/6 (1 RCT)	271.916	No	United States, Australia

Although indigenous population are **co-living with other** ethnics groups around the world, **few SRs** were found addressing this population



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