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Substantial rise of organized crime highlights need for evaluation of interventions

Systematic reviews play a crucial role in by ensuring that procedures are grounded in rigorous, evidence-based methodologies. They provide a structured approach to evaluating the effectiveness of various strategies, such as community policing initiatives, use of force policies, and crime prevention programs.

In Sweden, the incidence of gang-related crime and various manifestations of networked criminal activities has increased significantly in recent years. Extensive efforts to combat this societal issue have been initiated, underscoring the importance of their evaluation.

A comprehensive and well-conducted literature search is an important cornerstone of systematic reviews and ensures that all relevant research is identified and taken into account. A systematic review based on too thin a literature search will not generate a solid knowledge base.

- 8 databases
- 8 search facets
- 2000–2024
- 18 540 hits
- The outcome of the search strategy will be analyzed in late 2024

AB = Abstract; **AU** = Author; **DE** = Term from the thesaurus; **KW** [Available in Academic Search Premiere / SocINDEX / PsycINFO] = Author keyword; **MH** = Exact Text Searching from CINAHL Subject Headings; **MM** = Major Concept; **SU** = Searches for a part of or an entire subject heading; **TI** = Title; **TX** = All Text. Performing a keyword search of all the database's searchable fields; **ZC** = Methodology Index; **ZS** = Subject Index; **! = Truncation**; **{} = Citation Marks**; searches for an exact phrase; *** = replaces one or no letters**; **? = 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 you entered them

