Inotropes are widely used in preterm and term infants with circulatory failure. Read about their pharmacodynamic effects in the article by Ergenekon et al.
1235 studies identified through database searching

445 studies for full assessment

101 studies selected for final assessment and discussion
AD(9), DOB(11), DA(28), HC(24), LS(4), MIL(4), NA(5), VAS(24), with repetitions

22 studies detected of level of evidence (LOE) I to IV

790 excluded (Title and abstract)

344 did not meet inclusion criteria
Rating System for the Hierarchy of Evidence
(LOE: Level of Evidence)

**LOE I:** Evidence from a systematic review or meta-analysis of all relevant RCTs

**LOE II:** Evidence obtained from well-designed RCTs

**LOE III:** Evidence obtained from well-designed controlled trials without randomization

**LOE IV:** Evidence from well-designed case-control and cohort studies

**LOE V:** Evidence from systematic reviews of descriptive and qualitative studies

**LOE VI:** Evidence from single descriptive or qualitative studies

**LOE VII:** Evidence from the opinion of authorities and/or reports of expert committees