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| **Exploration steps** | **Questions on Web of Science** | **Description** | **Query** | **Query number** | **Count** |
| 1 | Title | Contains evacuation specific keyword | (TI=(evacuation)) OR TI=(evacuations) | #1 | 10,204 |
| Contains one of the symmetry / asymmetry specific keywords | (((TI=(symmetry)) OR TI=(asymmetry)) OR TI=(symmetric)) OR TI=(asymmetric) | #2 | 274,610 |
| Contains #1 and #2 | #2 AND #1 | #3 | 14 |
| 2 | Abstract | Contains evacuation specific keyword | (AB=(evacuation)) OR AB=(evacuations) | #4 | 31,079 |
| Contains one of the symmetry / asymmetry specific keywords | (((AB=(symmetry)) OR AB=(asymmetry)) OR AB=(symmetric)) OR AB=(asymmetric) | #5 | 933,461 |
| Contains #4 and #5 | #4 AND #5 | #6 | 202 |
| 3 | Keywords | Contains evacuation specific keyword | (AK=(evacuation)) OR AK=(evacuations) | #7 | 7370 |
| Contains one of the symmetry / asymmetry specific keywords | (((AK=(symmetry)) OR AK=(asymmetry)) OR AK=(symmetric)) OR AK=(asymmetric) | #8 | 151,840 |
| Contains #7 and #8 | #7 AND #8 | #9 | 9 |
| 4 | Title/ Abstract/ Keywords | Contains evacuation specific keyword and one of the symmetry / asymmetry specific keywords | #3 OR #6 OR #9 | #10 | 206 |
| 5 | Language | Limit to English | (#10) AND LA=(English) | #11 | 198 |
| 6 | Document Type | Limit to Article | (#11) AND DT=(Article) | #12 | 166 |
| 7 | Publication year | Limit to 2023 | (#12) NOT PY=(2024) | #13 | 162 |
| 8 | Select the papers discussing evacuation and symmetry / asymmetry aspects | Limit to the papers dealing with evacuation and discussing aspects related to symmetry or asymmetry | Manually selected papers based on titles and abstracts | #14 | 46 |