Figure 1 PRISMA flow chart showing the article selection process

- **Identified**
  - Titles screened (n=259)
    - Google Scholar (n=12)
  - Titles screened for duplicate removal (n=48)
  - Abstracts screened (n=48)

- **Screening**
  - Records excluded after review of titles (n=223)
  - Excluded duplicates (n=0)
  - Records excluded after review of abstracts (n=17)

- **Eligibility**
  - Full texts screened on basis of title and abstract (n=31)

- **Included**
  - Studies included (n=21)
  - Studies excluded after review of full text (n=10)
    - Prevalence not mentioned = 3
    - Age-specific prevalence not mentioned=2
    - Age group included children aged > 15 years =1
    - Study conducted before 2000
    - Type of dentition not mentioned=2
    - Prevalence of deciduous dentition mentioned for 6 years of age=1

- Estimates included for meta-analysis (n=37 estimates)