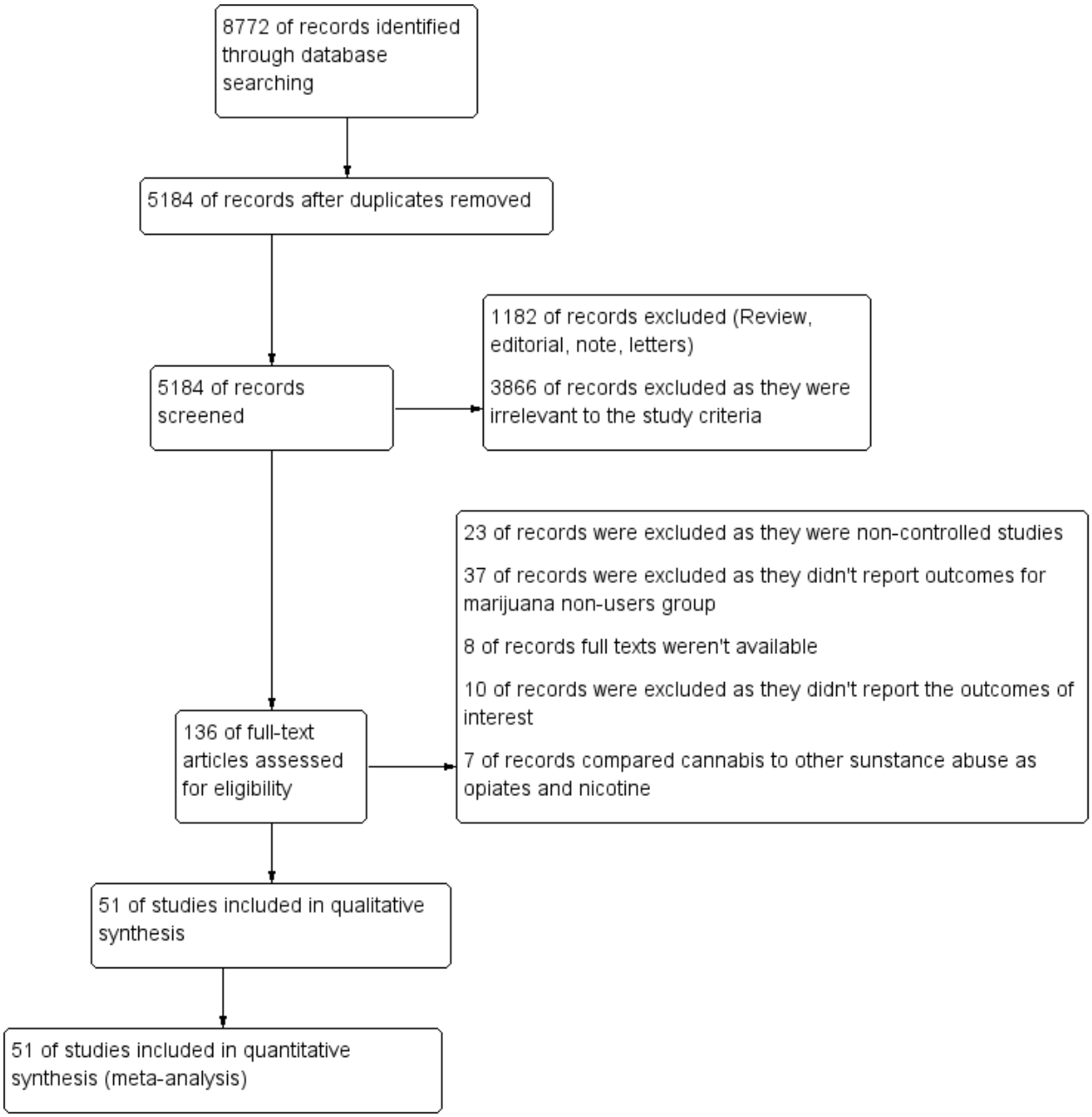
8772 of records identified through database searching
5184 of records after duplicates removed
5184 of records screened
1182 of records excluded (Review, editorial, note, letters)
3866 of records excluded as they were irrelevant to the study criteria
136 of full-text articles assessed for eligibility
23 of records were excluded as they were non-controlled studies
37 of records were excluded as they didn't report outcomes for marijuana non-users group
8 of records full texts weren't available
10 of records were excluded as they didn't report the outcomes of interest
7 of records compared cannabis to other sunstance abuse as opiates and nicotine
51 of studies included in qualitative synthesis
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