

Supplementary file 1

Supplementary Table 1: Medline and Embase search strategies using MeSH and key terms

	Medline (PubMed)	Embase
#1	Neisseria meningitidis [mh]	'neisseria meningitidis'/exp
#2	Meningococcal Infections [mh]	'meningococcosis'/exp
#3	neisseria meningitidis	'neisseria meningitides'
#4	meningococcal disease	'meningococcal disease'
#5	meningococcal infection	'meningococcal infection'
#6	((((#1) OR #2) OR #3) OR #4) OR #5	#1 OR #2 OR #3 OR #4 OR #5
#7	quality of life [mh:noexp]	'quality of life'/exp
#8	Quality-adjusted Life Years [mh:noexp]	'quality adjusted life year'/exp
#9	Health Status [mh]	'health status'/exp
#10	Patient Preference [mh]	'patient preference'/exp
#11	(utility or utilities)	utility OR utilities
#12	preference*	preference*
#13	Burden of illness [mh:noexp]	'burden of illness'
#14	(disease AND burden)	disease NEAR/3 burden
#15	Health state	'health state'
#16	sequela*	sequela*
#17	complication*	complication*
#18	mortality [mh]	'mortality'/exp
#19	(((((#7) OR #8) OR #9) OR #10) OR #11) OR #12) OR #13) OR #14) OR #15) OR #16) OR #17) OR #18	#7 - #18/OR
#20	((#6) AND #19)	#6 AND #19
#21	((#6) AND #19) Filters: Publication date from 2001/08/01 to 2016/07/31, Humans, Dutch, English, German, Spanish	#6 AND #19 AND ([dutch]/lim OR [english]/lim OR [german]/lim OR [spanish]/lim) AND [humans]/lim AND [1-8-2001]/sd NOT [1-8-2016]