

Additional File 2 Berrypicking strategies

Berrypicking strategy

Area scanning

Details of procedures followed

- The 'related articles' function in Google Scholar™ and the 'similar articles' section in PubMed® were applied to papers included by electronic database searches. The first 10 results were assessed for relevance and were screened by title.
- 'Recommended articles' suggested by journal websites as related to papers included by electronic database searches were assessed for relevance and were screened by title.
- Articles published in the journal issue in which papers included by electronic database searches were published were assessed for relevance and screened by title. For pragmatic reasons the first 20 results of online open-access journals were screened only. The complete issue was screened for all other journals.

Author searching

- Searches were conducted in Scopus® and Web of Science™ for potentially relevant papers that had been written by the first author of papers included by electronic database searches.
- Potentially relevant papers were screened by title and abstract.

Citation searching

- Searches were conducted in Scopus® and Web of Science™ for potentially relevant papers cited by papers included by electronic database searches.
- Potentially relevant papers were screened by title and abstract.

Footnote chasing

- Reference lists of papers included by electronic database searches were assessed for relevance.
- Potentially relevant papers were screened by title.