## Additional file 1:

## Search strategy

## 1. EMBASE

## Search interface: Ovid

Embase 1974 to 2016 January 29
The following search filters were applied:
RCT: Wong [1] - High sensitivity strategy
Systematic review: Wong [1] - Strategy minimizing difference between sensitivity and specificity

| $\#$ | Searches |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1 | *urinary tract infection/ |
| 2 | exp Bacteriuria/ |
| 3 | exp Asymptomatic Bacteriuria/ |
| 4 | exp Streptococcus/ |
| 5 | bacteriuri*.ti,ab. |
| 6 | (urinary* adj3 infection*).ti,ab. |
| 7 | streptococc*.ti,ab. |
| 8 | or/1-7 |
| 9 | exp Pregnancy Complications/ |
| 10 | exp Pregnancy/ |
| 11 | pregnan*.ti,ab. |
| 12 | or/9-11 |
| 13 | 8 and 12 |
| 14 | random*.tw. |
| 15 | clinical trial*.mp. |
| 16 | exp health care quality/ |
| 17 | or/14-16 |
| 18 | 13 and 17 |
| 19 | meta analysis*.mp. |
| 20 | search*.tw. |
| 21 | review.pt. |
| 22 | or/19-21 |
| 23 | 13 and 22 |
| 24 | 18 or 23 |
| 25 | 24 not medline*.cr. |

## 2. MEDLINE

## Search interface: Ovid

- Ovid MEDLINE(R) In-Process \& Other Non-Indexed Citations January 29, 2016
- Ovid MEDLINE(R) 1946 to January Week 32016
- Ovid MEDLINE(R) Daily Update January 29, 2016

The following search filters were applied:
RCT: Lefebvre [2] - Cochrane Highly Sensitive Search Strategy for identifying randomized trials in MEDLINE: sensitivity-maximizing version (2008 revision)

Systematic review: Wong [1] - High specifity strategy

| $\#$ | Searches |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Bacteriuria/ |
| 2 | *Urinary Tract Infections/ |
| 3 | Streptococcal Infections/ |
| 4 | bacteriuri*.ti,ab. |
| 5 | (urinary* adj3 infection*).ti,ab. |
| 6 | streptococc*.ti,ab. |
| 7 | or/1-6 |
| 8 | exp Pregnancy/ |
| 9 | pregnan*.ti,ab. |
| 10 | or/8-9 |
| 11 | 7 and 10 |
| 12 | randomized controlled trial.pt. |
| 13 | controlled clinical trial.pt. |
| 14 | (randomized or placebo or randomly or trial or groups).ab. |
| 15 | drug therapy.fs. |
| 16 | or/12-15 |
| 17 | (animals not (humans and animals)).sh. |
| 18 | 16 not 17 |
| 19 | 11 and 18 |
| 20 | cochrane database of systematic reviews.jn. |
| 21 | (search or MEDLINE or systematic review).tw. |
| 22 | meta analysis.pt. |
| 23 | or/20-22 |
| 24 | 11 and 23 |
| 25 | 19 or 24 |

## 3. PubMed

## Search interface: NLM

- PubMed - as supplied by publisher
- PubMed - in process
- PubMed - OLDMEDLINE
- PubMed - pubmednotmedline

| Search | Query |
| :--- | :--- |
| \#1 | Search bacteriuri*[tiab] |
| \#2 | Search (urinary*[tiab] AND infection*[tiab])) |
| \#3 | Search streptococc*[tiab] |
| \#4 | Search (\#1 OR \#2 OR \#3) |
| \#5 | Search pregnan*[tiab] |
| $\# 6$ | Search (\#4 AND \#5) |
| \#7 | Search (\#6 not medline[sb]) |
| \#8 | Search (clinical trial*[tiab] or random*[tiab] or placebo[tiab] or trial[ti]) |
| \#9 | Search (\#7 AND \#8) |
| $\# 10$ | Search (search[tiab] or meta analysis[tiab] or MEDLINE[tiab] or systematic <br> review[tiab]) |
| \#11 | Search (\#7 AND \#10) |
| $\# 12$ | Search (\#9 OR \#11) |

## 4. The Cochrane Library

## Search interface: Wiley

- Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews : Issue 1 of 12, January 2016
- Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials : Issue 1 of 12, January 2016
- Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effect : Issue 2 of 4, April 2015
- Health Technology Assessment Database : Issue 1 of 4, January 2016

| ID | Search |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\# 1$ | MeSH descriptor: [Bacteriuria] this term only |
| $\# 2$ | MeSH descriptor: [Urinary Tract Infections] this term only |
| $\# 3$ | MeSH descriptor: [Streptococcal Infections] this term only |
| $\# 4$ | $\# 1$ or \#2 or \#3 |
| $\# 5$ | bacteriuri*:ti,ab |
| $\# 6$ | bacteriuri* |
| $\# 7$ | (urinary* near/3 infection*):ti,ab |


| ID | Search |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\# 8$ | urinary* near/3 infection* |
| $\# 9$ | streptococc*:ti,ab |
| $\# 10$ | streptococc* |
| $\# 11$ | \#4 or \#5 or \#7 or \#9 |
| $\# 12$ | \#4 or \#6 or \#8 or \#10 |
| $\# 13$ | MeSH descriptor: [Pregnancy] explode all trees |
| $\# 14$ | pregnan*:ti,ab |
| $\# 15$ | pregnan* |
| $\# 16$ | $\# 13$ or \#14 |
| $\# 17$ | $\# 13$ or \#15 |
| $\# 18$ | $\# 11$ and \#16 in Cochrane Reviews (Reviews and Protocols) and Trials |
| $\# 19$ | $\# 12$ and \#17 in Other Reviews and Technology Assessments |

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