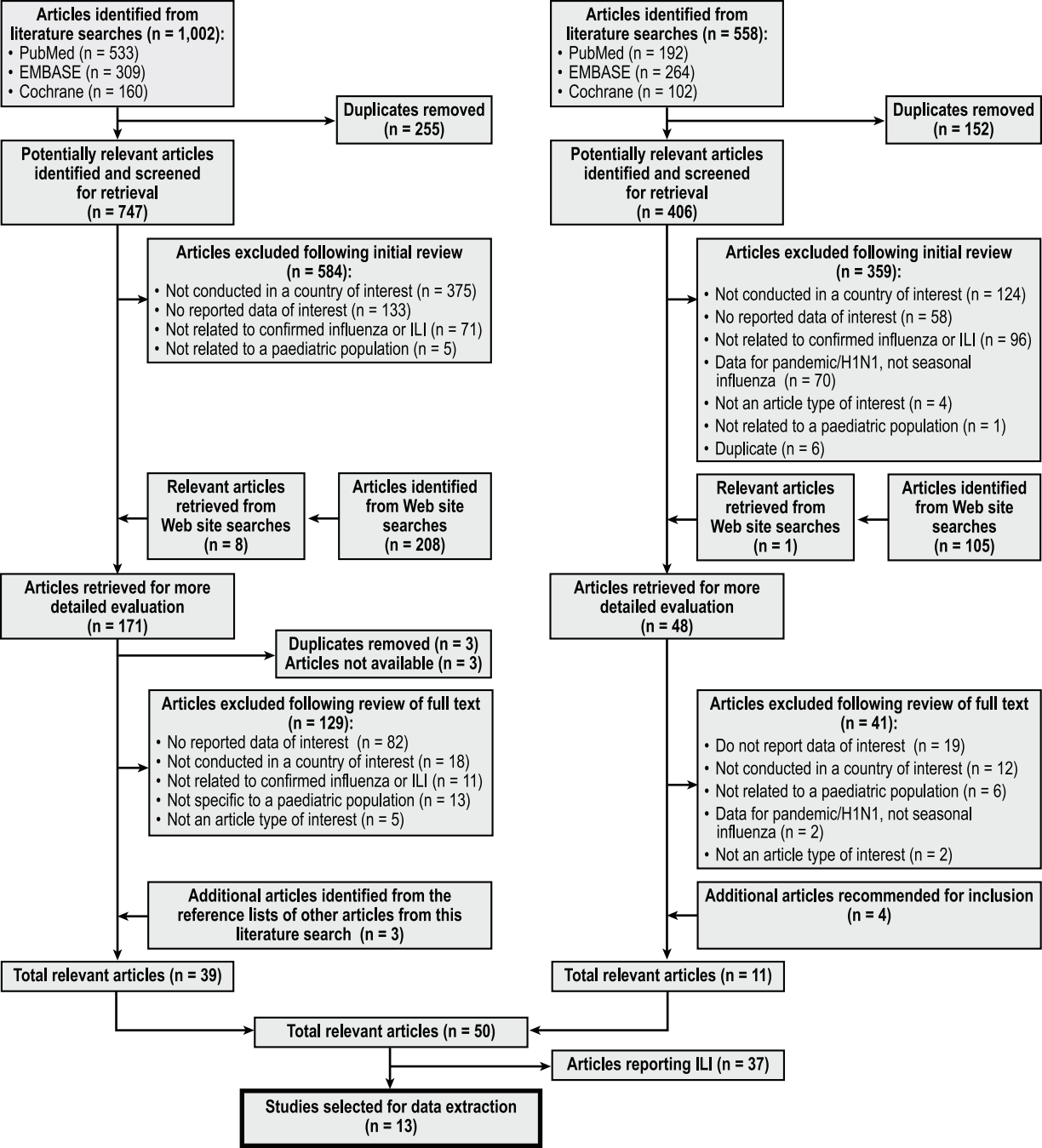
Articles identified from literature searches (n = 1,002):
• PubMed (n = 533)
• EMBASE (n = 309)
• Cochrane (n = 160)
Duplicates removed (n = 255)
Potentially relevant articles identified and screened for retrieval (n = 747)
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• Not conducted in a country of interest (n = 375)
• No reported data of interest (n = 133)
• Not related to confirmed influenza or ILI (n = 71)
• Not related to a paediatric population (n = 5)
Relevant articles retrieved from Web site searches (n = 8)
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Articles retrieved for more detailed evaluation (n = 171)
Duplicates removed (n = 3)
Articles not available (n = 3)
Articles excluded following review of full text (n = 129):
• No reported data of interest (n = 82)
• Not conducted in a country of interest (n = 18)
• Not related to confirmed influenza or ILI (n = 11)
• Not specific to a paediatric population (n = 13)
• Not an article type of interest (n = 5)
Additional articles identified from the reference lists of other articles from this literature search (n = 3)
Total relevant articles (n = 39)
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• PubMed (n = 192)
• EMBASE (n = 264)
• Cochrane (n = 102)
Duplicates removed (n = 152)
Potentially relevant articles identified and screened for retrieval (n = 406)
Articles excluded following initial review (n = 359):
• Not conducted in a country of interest (n = 124)
• No reported data of interest (n = 58)
• Not related to confirmed influenza or ILI (n = 96)
• Data for pandemic/H1N1, not seasonal influenza (n = 70)
• Not an article type of interest (n = 4)
• Not related to a paediatric population (n = 1)
• Duplicate (n = 6)
Relevant articles retrieved from Web site searches (n = 1)
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Articles retrieved for more detailed evaluation (n = 48)
Articles excluded following review of full text (n = 41):
• Do not report data of interest (n = 19)
• Not conducted in a country of interest (n = 12)
• Not related to a paediatric population (n = 6)
• Data for pandemic/H1N1, not seasonal influenza (n = 2)
• Not an article type of interest (n = 2)
Additional articles recommended for inclusion (n = 4)
Total relevant articles (n = 11)
Total relevant articles (n = 50)
Articles reporting ILI (n = 37)
Studies selected for data extraction (n = 13)