

Table S1. Details of the search strategy and results (Search date: September 25, 2014)

Step	Database and search items	No. of citations
	MEDLINE via the NCBI Entrez system	
#1	"inhaled nitric oxide" AND "randomized controlled trial"	195
#2	"Nitric Oxide/therapeutic use"[Mesh] AND "Randomized Controlled Trial" [Publication Type]	211
#3	#1 OR #2	240
	Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials	
#4	"inhaled nitric oxide" AND "randomized controlled trial"	56