## Supplementary Table S1: Search Strategies to be used for study identification and selection

Database	Search Strategy
MEDLINE  Ovid  MEDLINE(R)  ALL 1946 to  April 14, 2023	<ol> <li>(kidney adj3 transplant*).mp.</li> <li>(renal adj3 transplant*).mp.</li> <li>exp Kidney Transplantation/</li> <li>((kidney or renal) and (graft* or allograft*)).mp.</li> <li>exp Organ Transplantation/ and exp Diabetes Mellitus, Type 2/</li> <li>(diabetes and (post-transplant* or posttransplant* or (after adj2 transplant*))).mp.</li> <li>or/1-6</li> <li>metformin.mp.</li> <li>(dimethylbiguanidine or dimethylbiguanidium or dimethylguanylguanidine or glucophage or glucovance).mp.</li> <li>8 or 9</li> <li>7 and 10</li> <li>limit 11 to english language</li> </ol>
Embase Ovid Embase 1974 to 2023 April 14	<ol> <li>(kidney adj3 transplant*).mp.</li> <li>(renal adj3 transplant*).mp.</li> <li>exp kidney transplantation/</li> <li>((kidney or renal) and (graft* or allograft*)).mp.</li> <li>exp organ transplantation/ and exp non insulin dependent diabetes mellitus/</li> <li>(diabetes and (post-transplant* or posttransplant* or (after adj2 transplant*))).mp.</li> <li>or/1-6</li> <li>metformin.mp.</li> <li>(dimethylbiguanidine or dimethylbiguanidium or dimethylguanylguanidine or glucophage or glucovance).mp.</li> <li>8 or 9</li> <li>7 and 10</li> <li>limit 11 to english language</li> </ol>
CINAHL	S1 kidney N3 transplant* S2 renal N3 transplant* S3 (MH "Kidney Transplantation+") S4 (kidney or renal) and (graft* or allograft*) S5 (MH "Organ Transplantation+") S6 (MH "Diabetes Mellitus, Type 2") S7 S5 AND S6 S8 diabetes and (post-transplant* or posttransplant* or (after N2 transplant*)) S9 S1 OR S2 OR S3 OR S4 OR S7 OR S8 S10 metformin

	S11 dimethylbiguanidine or dimethylbiguanidium or dimethylguanylguanidine or glucophage or glucovance S12 S10 OR S11 S13 S9 AND S12 Limiter: English language
Cochrane Library via Wiley	#1 kidney NEAR/3 transplant* #2 renal NEAR/3 transplant* #3 [mh "Kidney Transplantation"] #4 ((kidney or renal) and (graft* or allograft*)) #5 [mh "Organ Transplantation"] and [mh "Diabetes Mellitus, Type 2"] #6 diabetes and (post-transplant* or posttransplant* or (after NEAR/2 transplant*)) #7 {OR #1-#6} #8 metformin #9 dimethylbiguanidine or dimethylbiguanidium or dimethylguanylguanidine or glucophage or glucovance #10 #8 AND #9 #11 #7 AND #10
Web of Science Core Collection	TS=((kidney NEAR/3 transplant*) or (renal NEAR/3 transplant*) or ((kidney or renal) and (graft* or allograft*)) or (diabetes and (post-transplant* or posttransplant* or (after NEAR/2 transplant*)))) AND TS=(metformin or dimethylbiguanidine or dimethylbiguanidium or dimethylguanylguanidine or glucophage or glucovance)  Languages: English
Google Scholar	(kidney transplant OR renal transplant OR kidney graft OR renal allograft) AND (metformin OR dimethylbiguanidine OR dimethylbiguanidium OR dimethylguanylguanidine OR glucophage OR glucovance)

## **Supplementary Figure 1: PRISMA Flowchart**

