

Appendix 2 (as supplied by the authors): Search Strategy

MEDLINE	Embase	Cochrane Library
1. Exp total knee replacement.mp	1. Exp total knee replacement.mp	1. MeSH descriptor: knee prosthesis.mp
2. Exp knee prosthesis.mp	2. Exp knee prosthesis.mp	2. MeSH descriptor: arthroplasty, replacement, knee.mp
3. Exp knee arthroplasty.mp	3. Exp knee arthroplasty.mp	3. knee replacement.mp
4. Exp total hip prosthesis.mp	4. Exp total hip prosthesis.mp	4. knee arthroplasty.mp
5. Exp hip arthroplasty.mp	5. Exp hip arthroplasty.mp	5. knee prosthesis.mp
6. total knee replacement.mp	6. total knee replacement.mp	6. MeSH descriptor: arthroplasty, replacement, hip.mp
7. total knee arthroplasty.mp	7. total knee arthroplasty.mp	7. MeSH descriptor: hip prosthesis.mp
8. total hip replacement.mp	8. total hip replacement.mp	8. hip replacement.mp
9. total hip arthroplasty.mp	9. total hip arthroplasty.mp	9. hip arthroplasty.mp
10. hip prosthesis.mp	10. hip prosthesis.mp	10. hip prosthesis.mp
11. knee prosthesis.mp	11. knee prosthesis.mp	11. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10
12. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11	12. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11	12. MeSH descriptor: antibiotic prophylaxis.mp
13. Exp antibiotic agent.mp	13. Exp antibiotic agent.mp	13. MeSH descriptor: premedication.mp
14. Exp prophylaxis.mp	14. Exp prophylaxis.mp	14. MeSH descriptor: anti-bacterial agents.mp
15. antibiotic prophylaxis.mp	15. antibiotic prophylaxis.mp	15. prophylaxis.mp
16. antibiotic prophylactic.mp	16. antibiotic prophylactic.mp	16. antibiotic prophylaxis.mp
17. antibacterial agent.mp	17. antibacterial agent.mp	17. antibiotic.mp
18. antibacterial agents.mp	18. antibacterial agents.mp	18. bacteriocides.mp
19. antimycobacterial agent.mp	19. antimycobacterial agent.mp	19. antimycobacterial agents.mp
20. antimycobacterial agents.mp	20. antimycobacterial agents.mp	20. bacteriocidal agents.mp
21. Exp antiinfective agent.mp	21. Exp antiinfective agent.mp	21. antibacterial agent.mp
22. antiinfective agent.mp	22. antiinfective agent.mp	22. anti-bacterial agent.mp
23. 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21 or 22	23. 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21 or 22	23. ant-bacterial agent.mp
24. Exp infection.mp	24. Exp infection.mp	24. MeSH descriptor: anti-infective agents.mp
25. Exp bacterial infection.mp	25. Exp bacterial infection.mp	
26. bacteria infection.mp	26. bacteria infection.mp	
27. bacteria infections.mp	27. bacteria infections.mp	
28. bacterial infection.mp	28. bacterial infection.mp	

<p>29. bacterial infections.mp 30. 24 or 25 or 26 or 27 or 28 or 29 31. 12 and 23 and 30</p>	<p>29. bacterial infections.mp 30. 24 or 25 or 26 or 27 or 28 or 29 31. 12 and 23 and 30</p>	<p>25. 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21 or 22 or 23 or 24 26. MeSH descriptor: infection.mp 27. MeSH descriptor: bacterial infections.mp 28. infection.mp 29. bacterial infection.mp 30. 26 or 27 or 28 or 29 31. 11 and 25 and 30</p>
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