

Appendix 2. Citation matrix

The citation matrices presented below have only included the primary papers that were analysed quantitatively in the four included meta-analyses of this overview to avoid false positive results. The following primary papers have not been included here:

- primary papers of systematic reviews without meta-analysis
- primary papers not quantitatively analysed in systematic review with meta-analysis

The corrected covered area (CCA)[1] was calculated separately for different measurement analyses based on its own citation matrix to represent the actual overlapping situation. When the measurement only reported by one systematic review, then CCA will not be calculated.

Formula of CCA[1]: $CCA = (N-r)/(rc-r)$

N= number of included publications (including double counting)

r= number of rows (number of index publications)

c= number of columns (number of reviews)

Interpretation of CCA scores[1]:

- 0-5 : slight overlap
- 6-10: moderate overlap
- 11-15: high overlap
- >15: very high overlap

Table 1. Citation matrix of primary papers related to antero-posterior dimension measurement of pharyngeal airway at the level of soft palate

		Mattos <i>et al</i>, 2011[2]
Primary papers	Goncalves <i>et al</i> , 2006[3]	/
	Mehra <i>et al</i> , 2001[4]	/

Table 2. Citation matrix of primary papers related to minimum cross-sectional measurement of pharyngeal airway

		Christovam <i>et al</i>, 2015[5]
Primary papers	Abransom <i>et al</i> , 2011[6]	/
	Raffaini & Pisani, 2013[7]	/
	Schendel <i>et al</i> , 2014[8]	/

Table 3. Citation matrix of primary papers related to total volumetric changes of pharyngeal airway

		Christovam <i>et al</i>, 2015[5]	Rosario <i>et al</i>, 2016[9]
Primary papers	Bianchi <i>et al</i> , 2014[10]	/	
	Brunetto <i>et al</i> , 2014[11]	/	
	Hernandez-Alfrado <i>et al</i> , 2011[12]	/	/
	Hsieh <i>et al</i> , 2014[13]	/	
	Raffaini & Pisani, 2013[7]	/	/
	Abransom <i>et al</i> , 2011[6]		/
	Butterfield <i>et al</i> , 2015a[14]		/
	Butterfield <i>et al</i> , 2015b[15]		/
	Valladeres-Neto <i>et al</i> , 2013[16]		/

CCA= 22% (very high overlap)

Table 4. Citation matrix of surgical success rates after MMA

		Holty <i>et al</i> , 2010[17]	Elshaug <i>et al</i> , 2007[18]
Primary studies	Yu et al, 2009[19]	/	
	Lye et al, 2005[20]	/	
	Lye et al, 2007[21]	/	
	Lu et al, 2007[22]	/	
	Fairbun et al, 2007[23]	/	
	Dekeister et al, 2006[24]	/	
	Hoekema et al, 2006[25]	/	
	Smatt & Ferri, 2005[26]	/	
	Dattillo & Drooger, 2004[27]	/	/
	Goh & Lim, 2003[28]	/	/
	Li et al, 2002[29]	/	/
	Hendler et al, 2001[30]	/	/
	Li et al, 2000-1[31] [32-34]	/	
	Bettega et al, 2000[35]	/	
	Gregg et al, 2000[36]	/	
	Wagner et al, 2000[37, 38]	/	
	Li et al, 2000-3[39-41]	/	
	Lee et al, 1999[42]	/	
	Prinsell 1999[43]	/	
	Hochban et al, 1994-7[44-47]	/	
Waite et al, 1989[48]	/		
Riley et al, 1986[49]	/		

CCA= 18.2% (very high overlap)

Table 5. Citation matrix of surgical cure rates after MMA

		Holty <i>et al</i> , 2010[17]
Primary studies	Yu et al, 2009[19]	/
	Lu et al, 2007[22]	/
	Fairbun et al, 2007[23]	/
	Dekeister et al, 2006[24]	/
	Hoekema et al, 2006[25]	/
	Smatt & Ferri, 2005[26]	/
	Dattillo & Drooger, 2004[27]	/
	Goh & Lim, 2003[28]	/
	Hendler et al, 2001[30]	/
	Li et al, 2000-1[31] [32-34]	/
	Wagner et al, 2000[37, 38]	/
	Li et al, 2000-3[39-41]	/
	Lee et al, 1999[42]	/
	Hochban et al, 1994-7[44-47]	/
	Waite et al, 1989[48]	/
Riley et al, 1986[49]	/	

Table 6. Citation matrix of apnea-hypopnea index (AHI) outcomes after MMA

		Zaghi <i>et al</i> , 2015[50]	Holty <i>et al</i> , 2010[17]	Caples <i>et al</i> , 2010[51]	Knudsen <i>et al</i> , 2015[52]
Primary studies	Serra <i>et al</i> , 2012[53]	/			
	Brevi <i>et al</i> , 2011[54]	/			
	Riley <i>et al</i> , 1990[55]	/		/	
	Vicini <i>et al</i> , 2010[56]	/			
	Riley <i>et al</i> , 1989[57]	/			
	Jalbert <i>et al</i> , 2012[58]	/			
	Varghese <i>et al</i> , 2012[59]	/			
	Li <i>et al</i> , 2000[34]	/			
	Hochban <i>et al</i> , 1994[44]	/			
	Hochban <i>et al</i> , 1997[45]	/			
	Ronchi <i>et al</i> , 2010[60]	/			
	Fairbun <i>et al</i> , 2007[23]	/	/		/
	Li <i>et al</i> , 2000[40]	/			
	Wagner <i>et al</i> , 2000[37]	/			
	Ronchi <i>et al</i> , 2013[61]	/			
	Riley <i>et al</i> , 1990[62]	/			
	Hochban <i>et al</i> , 1997[44]	/		/	
	Lin <i>et al</i> , 2011[63]	/			/
	Goh & Lim, 2003[28]	/			
	Schendel <i>et al</i> , 2014[8]	/			
	Waite <i>et al</i> , 1989[48]	/			
	Riley <i>et al</i> , 1986[49]	/			
	Li <i>et al</i> , 2010[64]	/			
	Jaspers <i>et al</i> , 2013[65]	/			
	de Lange <i>et al</i> , 2004[66]	/			
	Hoekema <i>et al</i> , 2006[25]	/			
	Barrera 2013[67]	/			
	Yu <i>et al</i> , 2009[19]	/			
	Sencimen <i>et al</i> , 2012[68]	/			
	Schendel <i>et al</i> , 2011[69]	/			
	Matsuo <i>et al</i> , 2009[70]	/			
	Johnson & Boyd, 2002[71]	/			
	El <i>et al</i> , 2011[72]	/			
	Doff <i>et al</i> , 2013[73]	/			
	Corcoran <i>et al</i> , 2009[74]	/			
	Barrera <i>et al</i> , 2007[75]	/			
Banhiran <i>et al</i> , 2007[76]	/				
Yu <i>et al</i> , 2009[19]		/			
Lye <i>et al</i> , 2008[20, 21]		/			
Lu <i>et al</i> , 2007[22]		/			
Dekeister <i>et al</i> , 2006[24]		/	/		
Hoekema <i>et al</i> , 2006[25]		/			

	Smatt & Ferri, 2005[26]		/		
	Dattillo & Drooger, 2004[27]		/		
	Goh & Lim, 2003[28]		/	/	
	Li <i>et al</i> , 2002[29]		/		
	Hendler <i>et al</i> , 2001[30]		/		
	Li <i>et al</i> , 2000-1[31] [32-34]		/		
	Bettega <i>et al</i> , 2000[35]		/		
	Gregg <i>et al</i> , 2000[36]		/	/	
	Wagner <i>et al</i> , 2000[37, 38]		/		
	Li <i>et al</i> , 2000-3[39-41]		/		
	Lee <i>et al</i> , 1999[42]		/		
	Prinsell 1999[43]		/	/	
	Conradt <i>et al</i> , 1996[77]		/		
	Conradt <i>et al</i> , 1998[78]		/	/	
	Conradt <i>et al</i> , 1997[46]			/	
	Hochban <i>et al</i> , 1994-7[44-47]		/		
	Waite <i>et al</i> , 1989[48]		/		
	Riley <i>et al</i> , 1986[49]		/		
	Kessler <i>et al</i> , 2007[79]			/	
	Abransom <i>et al</i> , 2011[6]				/
	Zinser <i>et al</i> , 2013[80]				/

CCA=5.29%(slight overlap)

Table 7. Citation matrix of respiratory disturbance index (RDI) outcomes after MMA

		Zaghi <i>et al</i>, 2015[50]
Primary studies	Jones <i>et al</i> , 2010[81]	/
	Dattilo & Drooger, 2004[27]	/
	Arcuri <i>et al</i> , 2011[82]	/
	Hendler <i>et al</i> , 2001[30]	/
	Abransom <i>et al</i> , 2011[6]	/
	Barrera 2013[67]	/
	Lee <i>et al</i> , 1999[42]	/
	Van Sickels & Wallender, 2012[83]	/
	Conley & Legan, 2006[84]	/
	Colin, 2004[85]	/
	Banhiran <i>et al</i> , 2007[76]	/

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