

**APPENDIX B****eTable 2. Search strategy designed for the Ovid Medical Literature Analysis and Retrieval System Online (MEDLINE)® Epub Ahead of Print, In-Process & Other Non-Indexed Citations, Ovid MEDLINE® Daily and Ovid MEDLINE® 1946 to Present database.**

Search term
1. depressive disorder/ or depressive disorder, major/
2. (depressive disorder* or clinical depression* or unipolar depression* or major depression* or depressive disease* or depressive episode* or depressive illness* or depressive state* or depressive syndrome* or endogenous depression* or major depressive episode* or mental depression* or neurotic depression*).tw,kf.
3. 1 or 2
4. adolescent/
5. (adolescen* or teen* or girl or girls or boy or boys or youth* or peadiatric* or paediatric* or pediatric* or preadolescen* or preteen* or secondary school* or high school* or primary school* or elementary school*).tw,kf.
6. 4 or 5
7. 3 and 6
8. randomized controlled trial.pt. or randomized.mp. or placebo.mp.
9. 7 and 8
10. limit 9 to yr="2008 - 2017"
11. remove duplicates from 10

Date of search: 9 May 2018. Line 8 taken verbatim from the Health Information Research Unit (HiRU) RCT search filter<sup>1</sup> (Sensitivity=96%; Specificity=95%; Precision=39%; Accuracy=95%).

**eTable 3. Search strategy designed for the Ovid PsycINFO® 1967 to April Week 5 2018 database.**

Search term
1. major depression/
2. (depressive disorder* or clinical depression* or unipolar depression* or major depression* or depressive disease* or depressive episode* or depressive illness* or depressive state* or depressive syndrome* or endogenous depression* or major depressive episode* or mental depression* or neurotic depression*).tw,id.
3. 1 or 2
4. (adolescen* or teen* or girl or girls or boy or boys or youth* or peadiatric* or paediatric* or pediatric* or preadolescen* or preteen* or secondary school* or high school* or primary school* or elementary school*).mp.
5. 3 and 4
6. double-blind.tw. or random* assigned.tw. or control.tw.
7. 5 and 6
8. limit 7 to yr="2008 - 2017"
9. remove duplicates from 8

Date of search: 9 May 2018. Line 6 taken verbatim from the Health Information Research Unit (HiRU) RCT search filter<sup>1</sup> (Sensitivity=79%; Specificity=80%; Precision=13%; Accuracy – 80%).

**eTable 4. Search strategy designed for Ovid EBM Reviews - Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials March 2018 database.**

Search term
1. depressive disorder/ or depressive disorder, major/
2. (depressive disorder* or clinical depression* or unipolar depression* or major depression* or depressive disease* or depressive episode* or depressive illness* or depressive state* or depressive syndrome* or endogenous depression* or major depressive episode* or mental depression* or neurotic depression*).tw,kw.
3. 1 or 2
4. adolescent/
5. (adolescen* or teen* or girl or girls or boy or boys or youth* or peadiatric* or paediatric* or pediatric* or preadolescen* or preteen* or secondary school* or high school* or primary school* or elementary school*).tw,kw.
6. 4 or 5
7. 3 and 6
8. limit 7 to yr="2008 - 2017"
9. remove duplicates from 8

Date of search: 9 May 2018

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