

## Supplementary appendix to the manuscript

Study	pub_year	dur_depres_epis_at_intake(m)	mean		sample chance_			drug	fund_source	Sum_risk_0 f_Bias	Cut_off_basesever_cli n	Cut_off_basesever_sel f	resp_measure scale	resp_def	CoPsychotherapy	studysites	Nstudy_sites	runinphase_im_p	Clin_Nresp_pb	Self_Nresp_pb	NITT_pb	
			Duration	age	prop_female	size	plac															
Atkinson, 2014	2014	NR	10	13,2	0,52	337	0,33 SSRI, SSNRI	Fluoxetine, Duloxetine	industry sponsored	low	moderate		CDRS	reduction ≥50% PT not prohibited	multi-center	65	no run-in phase	64		103		
Berard, 2006	2006	NR	12	15,6	0,67	286	0,50 SSRI	Paroxetine	industry sponsored	low	moderate	moderate	MADRS	reduction ≥50% PT prohibited	multi-center	33	run-in phase	53		52	99	
Bristol-Myers Squibb, 2002a	2002	NR	8	12,0	0,50	284	0,33 DAS, DSA	Nefazodone	industry sponsored	moderate	moderate	moderate	#NULL!	#NULL!	PT not prohibited	multi-center	28	no run-in phase	21		94	
Eli Lilly, 2004	2004	NR	6	15,6	0,55	40	0,50 SSRI	Fluoxetine	industry sponsored	moderate	moderate	moderate	#NULL!	#NULL!	PT not prohibited	single-center	1	run-in phase	11		3	19
Emslie, 1997	1997	3,4	8	12,4	0,46	96	0,50 SSRI	Fluoxetine	independent	low	moderate	mild	CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	single-center	1	run-in phase	16		18	48
Emslie, 2002a	2002	15,3	9	12,7	0,49	219	0,50 SSRI	Fluoxetine	industry sponsored	moderate	moderate	moderate	CDRS	reduction ≥50% PT prohibited	multi-center	15	run-in phase	41		110		
Emslie, 2002b/Bristol-Myers Squibb, 2002b	2002	NR	8	15,0	0,60	206	0,50 DSA	Nefazodone	industry sponsored	moderate			CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	multi-center	15	no run-in phase	40		100	
Emslie, 2006	2006	24,9	8	12,0	0,47	206	0,50 SSRI	Paroxetine	industry sponsored	low	severe	moderate	CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT prohibited	multi-center	41	no run-in phase	46		41	102
Emslie, 2007a	2007	23,1	8	12,2	0,50	165	0,50 SSNRI	Venlafaxine	industry sponsored	moderate	moderate		HAMD	reduction ≥50% PT not prohibited	multi-center	14	run-in phase	28		85		
Emslie, 2007b	2007	23,1	8	12,2	0,42	201	0,50 SSNRI	Venlafaxine	industry sponsored	moderate	moderate		HAMD	reduction ≥50% PT not prohibited	multi-center	37	run-in phase	51		98		
Emslie, 2009	2009	16,5	8	14,6	0,59	316	0,50 SSRI	Escitalopram	industry sponsored	moderate	moderate		CDRS	reduction ≥50% PT not prohibited	multi-center	40	run-in phase	81		158		
Emslie, 2014	2014	NR	10	13,0	0,51	463	0,25 SSRI, SSNRI, SSNRI	Fluoxetine, Duloxetine	industry sponsored	low	moderate		CDRS	reduction ≥50% PT not prohibited	multi-center	60	no run-in phase	70		122		
Findling, 2009	2009	61,2	8	16,5	0,15	34	0,50 SSRI	Fluoxetine	industry sponsored	low	moderate	mild	CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	single-center	1	no run-in phase	6		7	16
GlaxoSmithKline, 2013	2013	NR	8	14,6	0,61	56	0,50 SSRI	Paroxetine	industry sponsored	moderate			CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	multi-center	33	run-in phase	11		27	
Keller, 2001	2001	13,0	8	14,9	0,62	275	0,33 SSRI	Paroxetine	industry sponsored	low	moderate		CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT prohibited	multi-center	12	no run-in phase	42		87	
March, 2004	2004	8,9 (median)	12	14,6	0,54	439	0,50 SSRI	Fluoxetine	independent	low	moderate	moderate	CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT prohibited	multi-center	13	no run-in phase	39		1	112
Organon, 2002a/Cheung, 2005	2002	NR	8	12,3	0,51	126	0,50 NaSSA	Remeron	industry sponsored	moderate			CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	multi-center	17	no run-in phase	25		44	
Organon, 2002b/Cheung, 2005	2002	NR	8	12,0	0,53	133	0,50 NaSSA	Remeron	industry sponsored	moderate			CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	multi-center	17	no run-in phase	17		45	
von Knorring, 2006	2006	NR	12	16,0		244	0,50 SSRI	Citalopram	industry sponsored	moderate	moderate		MADRS	reduction ≥50% PT not prohibited	multi-center	31	no run-in phase	44		120		
Wagner, 2003	2003	NR	10	12,0	0,51	376	0,50 SSRI	Sertraline	industry sponsored	low	severe		CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT prohibited	multi-center	53	no run-in phase	95		187	
Wagner, 2004	2004	20,0	8	12,1	0,53	178	0,50 SSRI	Citalopram	industry sponsored	moderate	moderate		CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	multi-center	21	run-in phase	38		85	
Wagner, 2006	2006	15,6	8	12,3	0,52	268	0,50 SSRI	Escitalopram	industry sponsored	low	moderate		CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	multi-center	25	run-in phase	69		136	
Pfizer, 2016	2016	NR	8	12,7	0,54	340	0,33 SNRI, SSRI	Desvenlafaxine, Fluoxetine	industry sponsored	moderate			CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	multi-center	44	no run-in phase	62		112	
Pfizer, 2017	2017	NR	8	13,0	0,57	363	0,33 SNRI	Desvenlafaxine, high- and low dose	industry sponsored	moderate			CGI-I	score of 1 or 2	PT not prohibited	multi-center	42	no run-in phase	57		120	

pub\_year=publication year; prop\_female=proportion female; chance\_plac=chance to receive placebo; fund\_source=funding source; Cut\_off\_basesever\_clin=Cut-off baseline severity clinician-rated; Cut\_of\_basesever\_self= Cut-off baseline severity self-rated; resp\_measure\_scale=response measurement scale; resp\_def=response definition; CoPsychotherapy=concomitant psychotherapy; Nstudy\_sites=number of study sites; runinphase\_im\_p.=run-in phase imputed; Clin\_Nresp\_pb=number of placebo responder clinician-rated; Self\_Nresp\_pb=number of placebo responder self-rated; NITT\_pb=number of intention-to-treat population; #NULL!/NR=not reported