Supplemental Methods I: Database search

a. Pubmed

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|  | **Search Terms** | **Results** |
| 1 | "Depressive Disorder, Treatment-Resistant"[Mesh] OR ((depression OR depressive disorder OR depression[MeSH]) AND (partial remission OR partial response OR persistent OR refractory OR treatment resistant OR treatment-resistant OR resistant OR chronic)) | 47794 |
| 2 | (psychotherapy) OR "Psychotherapy"[Mesh] | 191727 |
| 3 | #1 AND #2  | 3478 |
| 4 | Limits: English, All Adult: 19+ years, controlled clinical trial | 582 |

b. Embase

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|  | **Search Terms** | **Results** |
| 1 | treatment resistant depression/ or ((depression/ or depression.mp. or depressive disorder\*.mp.) and (partial remission.mp. or partial response.mp. or persistent.mp. or refractory.mp. or treatment resistant.mp. or treatment-resistant.mp. or resistant.mp. or chronic.mp.)) | 84625  |
| 2 | psychotherapy/ or psychotherap\*.mp. | 102813 |
| 3 | 1 and 2 | 3524 |
| 4 | limit 4 to (english language and (adult <18 to 64 years> or aged <65+ years>)) | 160 |

c. Psychinfo

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|  | **Search Terms** | **Results** |
| 1 | DE “treatment resistant depression”/ or ((TX depression or TX depressive disorder\*) and (TX partial remission or TX partial response or TX persistent or TX refractory or TX treatment resistant or TX treatment-resistant or TX resistant or TX chronic)) | 18525 |
| 2 | DE "Psychotherapy" or TX psychotherap\*  | 33857 |
| 3 | 1 and 2 | 7711 |
| 4 | limit 4 to English language and adulthood (18 yrs & older) and treatment outcome/clinical trial | 302 |