

Supplementary Appendix 1: Oxford Centre for Evidence-based Medicine - Levels of Evidence 2 (2011)

Level	Diagnosis
1	Systematic review of cross sectional studies with consistently applied reference standard and blinding
2	Individual cross sectional studies with consistently applied reference standard and blinding
3	Non-consecutive studies, or studies without consistently applied reference standards
4	Case-control studies, or poor or non-independent reference standard
5	Mechanism-based reasoning