

**Supplementary table 1.** Specific search strategies used for each database

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<b>MEDLINE</b>	<p>Ovid MEDLINE: Epub Ahead of Print, In-Process &amp; Other Non-Indexed Citations, Ovid MEDLINE® Daily and Ovid MEDLINE® &lt;1946-Present&gt;</p> <p>1 *retinal vasculitis/ or *retinitis/ or *chorioretinitis/ or *scleritis/ or *uveal diseases/ or *choroid diseases/ or *choroiditis/ or *birdshot chorioretinopathy/ or *multifocal choroiditis/ or *pars planitis/ or *iridocyclitis/ or *iritis/ or *uveitis/ or *panuveitis/ or *uveitis, anterior/ or *behcet syndrome/ or *uveitis, posterior/ or *white dot syndromes/ or *uveitis, intermediate/ 33073  2 exp animals/ not humans.sh. 5006281  3 1 not 2 30361  4 limit 3 to yr="2000 -Current" 17903  5 limit 4 to english language 15962</p>																												
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#17	MeSH descriptor: [Uveitis, Posterior] this term only	58
#18	MeSH descriptor: [White Dot Syndromes] this term only	0
#19	MeSH descriptor: [Uveitis, Intermediate] this term only	42
#20	{or #1-#19} with Cochrane Library publication date Between Jan 2000 and Current	612