Table 3S: Excluded studies

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| **Study** | **Reason for exclusion** |
| Ameer 2011 [[1](#_ENREF_1)] | Wrong study type (retrospective study) |
| Bessede 2017 [[2](#_ENREF_2)] | Wrong intervention |
| Englesbe 2007 [[3](#_ENREF_3)] | Wrong study type (retrospective study) |
| Gutierrez Banos 1994a [[4](#_ENREF_4)] | No control group |
| Gutierrez Banos 1994b [[5](#_ENREF_5)] | Wrong intervention |
| Hakim 1994 [[6](#_ENREF_6)] | Wrong study type (retrospective study) |
| Kashi 1994 [[7](#_ENREF_7)] | Wrong intervention |
| Lee 2007 [[8](#_ENREF_8)] | Wrong study type (retrospective study) |
| Mohammadi 2010 [[9](#_ENREF_9)] | Wrong intervention |
| Moreira 2007 [[10](#_ENREF_10)] | Wrong study type (retrospective study) |
| Pan 2008/2014 [[11](#_ENREF_11), [12](#_ENREF_12)] | Wrong study type (retrospective study) |
| Secin 2002 [[13](#_ENREF_13)] | Wrong study type (retrospective study) |
| Tzimas 2003 [[14](#_ENREF_14)] | Wrong study type (retrospective study) |
| Van Agt 2012 [[15](#_ENREF_15)] | No control group |
| Veale 2007 [[16](#_ENREF_16)] | Wrong study type (retrospective study) |

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