

## **Appendix 1. Search strategy for MEDLINE/PubMed**

1.  
neurocritic\*[TIAB] OR  
neurointensive[TIAB] OR  
neurotrauma\*[TIAB] OR  
((brain[TIAB] OR  
brainstem\*[TIAB] OR  
head[TIAB] OR  
craniocerebral\*[TIAB] OR  
intracrani\*[TIAB] OR  
intra-crani\*[TIAB] OR  
inter-crani\*[TIAB] OR  
cerebr\*[TIAB] OR  
intracerebral[TIAB] OR  
cerebel\*[TIAB] OR  
forebrain\*[TIAB] OR  
neurologic\*[TIAB] OR  
subarachnoid\*[TIAB] OR  
subdural[TIAB] OR  
epidural[TIAB] OR  
extradural[TIAB] OR  
parenchymal[TIAB] OR  
intraparenchymal[TIAB] OR  
subcortical[TIAB]) AND  
(injury[TIAB] OR  
injuries[TIAB] OR  
injured[TIAB] OR  
trauma[TIAB] OR  
traumas[TIAB] OR  
traumatic\*[TIAB] OR  
traumato\*[TIAB] OR  
damag\*[TIAB] OR  
contusion\*[TIAB] OR  
lesion\*[TIAB])) OR  
TBI[TIAB] OR  
skull fracture[TIAB] OR  
skull fractures[TIAB] OR  
traumatic encephalopath\*[TIAB] OR  
"diffuse axonal injury"[TIAB] OR  
"diffuse axonal injuries"[TIAB] OR  
DAI[TIAB] OR  
"diffuse axonal damage"[TIAB] OR  
"diffuse axonal damages"[TIAB] OR  
"Craniocerebral Trauma"[MeSH>NoExp] OR  
"Brain Injuries"[MeSH>NoExp] OR  
"Diffuse Axonal Injury"[MeSh>NoExp] OR  
"Coma, Post-Head Injury"[MeSH>NoExp] OR  
"Head Injuries, Closed"[MeSH>NoExp] OR  
"Brain Hemorrhage, Traumatic"[MeSH] OR  
"Skull Fractures"[Mesh] OR

"Cerebrovascular Trauma" [MeSH]

2.  
anemia[TIAB] OR  
anaemia[TIAB] OR  
anemic[TIAB] OR  
anaemic[TIAB] OR  
transfusion\*[TIAB] OR  
rbc therapy [TIAB] OR  
rbc therapies [TIAB] OR  
rbc management [TIAB] OR  
rbc level\* [TIAB] OR  
rbc target\* [TIAB] OR  
rbc concentrate\*[TIAB] OR  
red cell therapy [TIAB] OR  
red cell therapies [TIAB] OR  
red cell management [TIAB] OR  
red cell level\*[TIAB] OR  
red cell concentrate\*[TIAB] OR  
red cells therapy [TIAB] OR  
red cells therapies [TIAB] OR  
red cells management [TIAB] OR  
red cells level\*[TIAB] OR  
red cells concentrate\*[TIAB] OR  
red blood cell therapy[TIAB] OR  
red blood cell therapies[TIAB] OR  
red blood cell management[TIAB] OR  
red blood cell level\*[TIAB] OR  
red blood cell concentrate\*[TIAB] OR  
red blood cells therapy[TIAB] OR  
red blood cells therapies[TIAB] OR  
red blood cells management[TIAB] OR  
red blood cells level\*[TIAB] OR  
red blood cell concentrate\*[TIAB] OR  
blood therapy[TIAB] OR  
blood therapies[TIAB] OR  
blood management[TIAB] OR  
erythrocyte therapy[TIAB] OR  
erythrocyte therapies[TIAB] OR  
erythrocyte management[TIAB] OR  
erythrocyte level\*[TIAB] OR  
erythrocyte concentrate\*[TIAB] OR  
erythrocytes therapy[TIAB] OR  
erythrocytes therapies[TIAB] OR  
erythrocytes management[TIAB] OR  
erythrocytes level\*[TIAB] OR  
erythrocytes concentrate\*[TIAB] OR  
hb trigger\*[TIAB] OR  
hb threshold\*[TIAB] OR  
hb management[TIAB] OR  
hb level\*[TIAB] OR  
hb target\*[TIAB] OR

haemoglobin trigger\*[TIAB] OR  
haemoglobin threshold\*[TIAB] OR  
haemoglobin management[TIAB] OR  
haemoglobin level\*[TIAB] OR  
haemoglobin target\*[TIAB] OR  
hemoglobin trigger\*[TIAB] OR  
hemoglobin threshold\*[TIAB] OR  
hemoglobin management[TIAB] OR  
hemoglobin level\*[TIAB] OR  
hemoglobin target\*[TIAB] OR  
hct trigger\*[TIAB] OR  
hct threshold\*[TIAB] OR  
hct management[TIAB] OR  
hct level\*[TIAB] OR  
hct target\*[TIAB] OR  
haematocrit trigger\*[TIAB] OR  
haematocrit threshold\*[TIAB] OR  
haematocrit management[TIAB] OR  
haematocrit level\*[TIAB] OR  
haematocrit target\*[TIAB] OR  
hematocrit trigger\*[TIAB] OR  
hematocrit threshold\*[TIAB] OR  
hematocrit management[TIAB] OR  
hematocrit level\*[TIAB] OR  
hematocrit target\*[TIAB] OR  
Blood Transfusion [MeSh]

3.

Animals[MeSH] NOT Humans[MeSH]

4.

#1 AND #2 NOT #3