APPENDIX 1- Search strategy

EMBASE

- 1. (ciprofloxac\$ or quinolone\$ or fluoroquinolon\$).mp. [mp=title, original title, abstract, name of substance word, subject heading word, unique identifier]
- 2. adverse effect\$ or drug reactio\$ or side effect\$).mp. [mp=title, original title, abstract, name of substance word, subject heading word, unique identifier
- 3. arthropath\$.mp
- 4. half life or pharmacokineti\$.mp.
- 5. 1 and 2
- 6. 1 and 3
- 7. 5 or 6
- 8. 4 and 1
- 9. limit 7 to (human and (infant <to one year> or child <unspecified age> or preschool child <1 to 6 years> or school child <7 to 12 years> or adolescent <13 to 17 years>)
- 10. limit 8 to (human and (infant <to one year> or child <unspecified age> or preschool child <1 to 6 years> or school child <7 to 12 years> or adolescent <13 to 17 years>)

MEDLINE

- 1. ciprofloxaci\$.mp. [mp=title, original title, abstract, name of substance word, subject heading word, unique identifier]
- 2. (adverse effect\$ or drug reactio\$ or side effect\$).mp. [mp=title, original title, abstract, name of substance word, subject heading word, unique identifier]
- 3. arthropath\$.mp. or *Arthritis/
- 4. Half-Life/ or pharmacokineti\$.mp.
- 5. 1 and 2
- 6. 1 and 3
- 7. 5 or 6
- 8. limit 7 to (humans and "all child (0 to 18 years)")
- 9. 1 and 4
- 10. limit 9 to (humans and "all child (0 to 18 years)")

This search strategy was adapted to the CENTRAL and CINAHL databases respectively.