

## Appendix 2. Reported exclusion criteria

<b>Authors</b>	<b>Source population</b>	<b>Women age 14 and below</b>	<b>Women from racial or ethnic minorities</b>	<b>Primiparae</b>	<b>Multiparae</b>	<b>Women with previous CS</b>	<b>Women with no previous CS</b>	<b>Women with uterine scars</b>	<b>Stillbirth</b>	<b>Multiple births (twin or more)</b>	<b>Not in labour</b>	<b>Cephalic presentation</b>	<b>Breach presentation</b>	<b>Other malpresentation of foetus</b>	<b>Preterm birth (less than 37 weeks)</b>	<b>Other risk factors for CS</b>
Braveman et al.	All births in State of California, United States				+	+			+	+					+	
Naiditch et al.	All births in 944 maternity units in France	+				+			+	+					+	+
Gomes et al. A	All births in Ribeirão Preto, State of São Paulo, Southeast Brazil								+	+					+	
Gomes et al. B	All births in Ribeirão Preto, State of São Paulo, Southeast Brazil								+	+					+	
Gonzalez-Perez et al.	All births in Mexico															
Korst et al.	All births in State of California, United States					+			+	+	+				+	+
Mossialos et al.	All births in the three hospitals in Athens, Greece															
Carayol et al. A	All births in Metropolitan France					+			+	+		+		+	+	
Carayol et al. B	All births in 138 maternity units in France					+		+	+	+		+		+	+	
Xirasagar and Lin	All births in Taiwan								+	+					+	+
Coonrod et al.	All births in State of Arizona, United States		+		+				+	+			+	+	+	
Coulm et al.	All births in all maternity units in France					+			+	+			+	+	+	+
Huesch et al.	All births in State of California, United States	+				+									+	+
Raifman et al. A	All births in Brazil	+							+	+					+	
Raifman et al. B	All births in Brazil	+							+	+					+	
Schemann et al.	All births in 81 hospitals in New South Wales, Australia			+			+								+	
Sebastião et al.	All births in 122 hospitals in State of Florida, United States				+				+	+	+		+	+	+	