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Table S1. Studies reporting HCV Ab prevalence in blood donors in the Middle East and North Africa.

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design ^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Afghanistan					
Dupire, 1999 ⁽¹⁾	1995-1996	CS	Conv	1,081	0.28
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	1996-1996	CS	Conv	5,309	0.11
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	1997-1997	CS	Conv	3,942	0.25
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	1998-1998	CS	Conv	4,221	0.38
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	1999-1999	CS	Conv	7,964	0.16
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2000-2000	CS	Conv	3,136	0.00
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2001-2001	CS	Conv	9,974	0.02
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2002-2002	CS	Conv	581	0.00
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2002-2002	CS	Conv	964	0.00
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2002-2002	CS	Conv	11,276	0.61
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2003-2003	CS	Conv	4,714	0.00
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2003-2003	CS	Conv	3,629	1.57
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2003-2003	CS	Conv	18,673	0.92
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	232	0.00
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	2,147	0.05
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	1,264	0.08
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	2,890	0.10
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	256	0.39

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Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	888	0.56
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	3,525	2.55
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	26,318	1.09
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	1,867	0.11
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	1,190	0.59
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	2,185	1.05
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	826	1.94
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	168	4.76
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	2,145	6.90
Khan, 2011 ⁽²⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	584	7.19
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	30,351	1.48
Central Blood	2006-2006	CS	Conv	37,024	2.01
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	39,402	1.83
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2008-2008	CS	Conv	43,769	1.49
Afghanistan National AIDS Control Program, 2010 ⁽⁴⁾	2008-2009	CS	Conv	19,875	3.00
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2009-2009	CS	Conv	36,447	1.23

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Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2010-2010	CS	Conv	52,698	1.12
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2011-2011	CS	Conv	74,820	0.82
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2012-2012	CS	Conv	70,820	0.85
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	83,802	0.64
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2014-2014	CS	Conv	95,940	0.57
Central Blood Bank, 2015 ⁽³⁾	2015-2015	CS	Conv	30,510	0.38
Algeria					
Ayed, 1995 ⁽⁵⁾	1992-1993	CS	Conv	905	0.11
Ayed, 1995 ⁽⁵⁾	1992-1993	CS	Conv	207	0.48
Bouali, 2013 ⁽⁶⁾	2009-2012	CS	Conv	100,310	0.27
Djibouti					
Dray, 2005 ⁽⁷⁾	1998-2000	NS	Conv	8,057	0.26
Dray-Spira, 2004 ⁽⁸⁾	1998-2000	NS	Conv	9,006	0.30
Egypt					
el Gohary, 1995 ⁽⁹⁾	1990-1992	CS	Conv	271	14.39
el Gohary, 1995 ⁽⁹⁾	1990-1992	CS	Conv	1,187	14.49
el Gohary, 1995 ⁽⁹⁾	1990-1992	CS	Conv	148	15.54
Quinti, 1995 ⁽¹⁰⁾	1992-1994	CS	Conv	283	20.85
Abdelaal, 1994 ⁽¹¹⁾	1992-1992	CS	Conv	49	24.49

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Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	30	0.00
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	58	3.45
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	136	11.03
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	56	16.07
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	30	16.67
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	29	17.24
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	28	17.86
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	349	19.48
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	129	19.38
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	29	20.69
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	193	22.28
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	30	23.33
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	139	24.46

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sampling					
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	99	24.24
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	136	23.53
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	134	26.87
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	181	28.18
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	130	29.23
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	136	31.62
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	169	33.14
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	135	32.59
Al Omar, 1996 ⁽¹³⁾	1993-1994	CS	Conv	420	34.05
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	154	37.01
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	89	38.20
Arthur, 1997 ⁽¹²⁾	1993-1993	CS	Proportional sampling	45	37.78
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	1,609	16.47
El Damaty, 2007	1996-1997	CS	Multi-stage	525	15.05

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(15)			cluster sampling		
El Damaty, 2007	1996-1997	CS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	336	15.48
(15)					
Tanaka, 2004 ⁽¹⁶⁾	1999-1999	CS	Conv	750	4.00
Tanaka, 2004 ⁽¹⁶⁾	1999-1999	CS	Conv	1,050	6.00
El Damaty, 2007	1999-2000	Retrospective	Conv	476	6.93
(15)		cohort			
El Damaty, 2007	1999-2000	Retrospective	Conv	2,369	7.77
(15)		cohort			
Tanaka, 2004 ⁽¹⁶⁾	1999-1999	CS	Conv	833	12.00
Tanaka, 2004 ⁽¹⁶⁾	1999-1999	CS	Conv	975	12.72
Khattab, 2010 ⁽¹⁷⁾	2000-2008	Retrospective	Conv	29,649	3.00
		cohort			
Eissa, 2007 ⁽¹⁸⁾	2000-2005	CS	Conv	99,757	4.04
Eissa, 2007 ⁽¹⁸⁾	2000-2005	CS	Conv	46,747	6.88
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	1,977	7.44
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	7,405	9.37
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	6,981	9.58
Khattab, 2010 ⁽¹⁷⁾	2000-2008	Retrospective	Conv	182,123	10.00
		cohort			
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	8,674	10.20
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	7,536	10.63
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	613	10.60
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	110	10.91

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Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	296	11.15
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	704	12.36
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	6,865	13.15
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	631	13.95
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	598	14.55
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	6,156	14.77
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	686	16.76
Ismail, 2009 ⁽¹⁹⁾	2000-2007	CS	Conv	6,686	17.78
El-Gilany, 2006 ⁽²⁰⁾	2002-2003	Retrospective cohort	Conv	807	2.48
El-Gilany, 2006 ⁽²⁰⁾	2002-2003	Retrospective cohort	Conv	1,350	2.81
Eita, 2009 ⁽²¹⁾	2005-2008	CS	Conv	14,941	4.48
Eita, 2009 ⁽²¹⁾	2005-2008	CS	Conv	14,412	4.60
Eita, 2009 ⁽²¹⁾	2005-2008	CS	Conv	20,726	4.60
Eita, 2009 ⁽²¹⁾	2005-2008	CS	Conv	23,352	4.60
El-Zayadi, 2008 ⁽²²⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	636	4.72
Eita, 2009 ⁽²¹⁾	2005-2008	CS	Conv	17,843	5.30
Eita, 2009 ⁽²¹⁾	2005-2008	CS	Conv	35,835	5.50
Eita, 2009 ⁽²¹⁾	2005-2008	CS	Conv	37,661	5.60
Eita, 2009 ⁽²¹⁾	2005-2008	CS	Conv	22,165	5.80
El-Zayadi, 2008 ⁽²²⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	124	6.45
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	23,885	1.50

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cohort					
Rushdy, 2009 ⁽²⁴⁾	2006-2007	CS	Conv	1,995	1.70
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	31,582	2.49
cohort					
Rushdy, 2009 ⁽²⁴⁾	2006-2007	CS	Conv	7,155	2.92
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	29,158	3.18
cohort					
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	35,873	3.47
cohort					
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	25,257	3.80
cohort					
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	40,165	4.00
cohort					
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	34,972	4.29
cohort					
Ashour, 2009 ⁽²⁵⁾	2006-2008	CS	Conv	515,758	4.83
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	20,960	4.86
cohort					
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	19,878	5.52
cohort					
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	15,979	7.22
cohort					
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	16,425	8.86
cohort					
Hussein, 2014 ⁽²³⁾	2006-2012	Retrospective	Conv	14,628	8.92
cohort					

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Wasfi, 2011 ⁽²⁶⁾	2007-2008	CS	Conv	3,420	3.48
Elkareh, 2009 ⁽²⁷⁾	2008-2008	Retrospective cohort	Conv	3,569	6.33
Elkareh, 2009 ⁽²⁷⁾	2008-2008	Retrospective cohort	Conv	414	8.70
Elkareh, 2009 ⁽²⁷⁾	2008-2008	Retrospective cohort	Conv	4,709	12.70
Elkareh, 2009 ⁽²⁷⁾	2008-2008	Retrospective cohort	Conv	8,705	14.59
Abdel Messih, 2014 ⁽²⁸⁾	2010-2011	CS	Conv	2,101	0.71
Hamed, 2012 ⁽²⁹⁾	2010-2011	CS	Conv	7,340	2.33
Abdel Messih, 2014 ⁽²⁸⁾	2010-2011	CS	Conv	15,017	4.28
El-Shanshory, 2013 ⁽³⁰⁾	2010-2011	CC	Conv	3,756	17.55
Teruya, 2011 ⁽³¹⁾	NS	CS	Conv	3,425	1.61
Maha, 2012 ⁽³²⁾	2011-2011	Retrospective cohort	Conv	10,598	4.89
Maha, 2012 ⁽³²⁾	2011-2011	Retrospective cohort	Conv	4,626	8.73
Badr, 2013 ⁽³³⁾	2012-2012	CS	Conv	5,145	4.94
Badr, 2013 ⁽³³⁾	2012-2012	CS	Conv	2,847	8.08
Badr, 2015 ⁽³⁴⁾	2013-2014	CS	Conv	33,921	0.18
Agha, 2006 ⁽³⁵⁾	NS	CS	Conv	2,400	8.00

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el-Zayadi, 1997 ⁽³⁶⁾	NS	CC	Conv	180	9.44
Darwish, 1992 ⁽³⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	90	14.44
Awadalla, 2011 (38)	NS	CS	Conv	825	15.03
El-Zayadi, 1998 (39)	NS	CS	Conv	75	16.00
el-Zayadi, 1997 ⁽³⁶⁾	NS	CC	Conv	320	16.25
Attia, 1996 ⁽⁴⁰⁾	NS	CS	Conv	82	17.07
Al-Knawy, 1995 (41)	NS	Retrospective cohort	Conv	204	21.08
Attia, 1996 ⁽⁴⁰⁾	NS	CS	Conv	156	21.79
Hashish, 2005 ⁽⁴²⁾	NS	CS	Conv	95	23.16
Hagag, 1998 ⁽⁴³⁾	NS	CS	SRS	398	23.62
Awadalla, 2011 (38)	NS	CS	Conv	175	25.14
Hagag, 1998 ⁽⁴³⁾	NS	CS	SRS	59	25.42
Bassily, 1995 ⁽⁴⁴⁾	NS	CC	Conv	188	26.60
Attia, 1996 ⁽⁴⁰⁾	NS	CS	Conv	74	27.03
Ahmad, 1995 ⁽⁴⁵⁾	NS	CS	Conv	114	27.19
Iran					
Alavian, 2002 ⁽⁴⁶⁾	1996-1998	CC	Conv	319,375	0.09
Afzali, 2003 ⁽⁴⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	6,669	0.37
Ansar, 2002 ⁽⁴⁸⁾	1997-1998	CS	SRS	5,976	0.03
Afzali, 2003 ⁽⁴⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	6,750	0.64
Mansour-	1998-2003	CS	Conv	221,508	0.32

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Ghanaei, 2007⁽⁴⁹⁾					
Afzali, 2003 ⁽⁴⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	6,922	0.59
Ghavanini, 2000 ⁽⁵⁰⁾	NS	CS	Conv	7,879	0.60
Hajiani, 2006 ⁽⁵¹⁾	1998-2003	CC	Conv	360	1.11
Afzali, 2003 ⁽⁴⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	6,986	1.56
Tahereh, 2005 ⁽⁵²⁾	2000-2002	CS	SRS	39,598	0.25
Afzali, 2003 ⁽⁴⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	8,683	1.46
Rahnama, 2005 ⁽⁵³⁾	2000-2001	CC	SRS	140	2.14
Rahbar, 2004 ⁽⁵⁴⁾	NS	CC	Conv	60,892	0.10
Emam, 2006 ⁽⁵⁵⁾	2001-2003	CS	Conv	3,000	0.30
Pourshams, 2005 ⁽⁵⁶⁾	NS	CS	SRS	1,465	0.41
Moniri, 2004 ⁽⁵⁷⁾	2001-2002	CS	Conv	600	0.50
Pourshams, 2005 ⁽⁵⁶⁾	NS	CS	SRS	494	0.61
Afzali, 2003 ⁽⁴⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	7,721	1.71
Farahzadeh, 2005 ⁽⁵⁸⁾	2001-2002	CC	Conv	96	3.13
Masaeli, 2006 ⁽⁵⁹⁾	2002-2003	CS	Conv	29,458	0.24
Salehi, 2011 ⁽⁶⁰⁾	2002-2006	CS	Conv	4,808	0.27
Aghanjanipoor, 2006 ⁽⁶¹⁾	NS	CS	Conv	16,576	0.48
Barhaghtalab, 2008 ⁽⁶²⁾	2002-2007	CS	Conv	25,491	0.55
Mahmoudian,	2003-2004	CS	Conv	1,489,935	0.07

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2006⁽⁶³⁾					
Delavari, 2004 ⁽⁶⁴⁾	NS	CS	Conv	2,921	0.10
Taheri, 2008 ⁽⁶⁵⁾	2003-2005	CS	Conv	49,820	0.18
Kazeminejad, 2005 ⁽⁶⁶⁾	NS	CS	Conv	38,920	0.19
Habibzadeh, 2005 ⁽⁶⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	441	0.23
Delavari, 2004 ⁽⁶⁴⁾	NS	CS	Conv	12,331	0.46
Kasraian, 2010 ⁽⁶⁸⁾	NS	CS	Conv	1,694	0.47
Doosti, 2009 ⁽⁶⁹⁾	2003-2004	CS	Conv	11,200	0.59
Kasraian, 2010 ⁽⁶⁸⁾	NS	CS	Conv	239	0.84
Karim, 2008 ⁽⁷⁰⁾	2003-2005	CC	Conv	125	2.40
Hosseien, 2009 ⁽⁷¹⁾	NS	CS	Conv	329,516	2.82
Gachkar, 2005 ⁽⁷²⁾	NS	CS	Conv	399	0.00
Metanet, 2006 ⁽⁷³⁾	NS	CC	Conv	1,399	0.07
Shahshahani, 2013 ⁽⁷⁴⁾	2004-2010	CS	Conv	10,190	0.09
Shahshahani, 2013 ⁽⁷⁴⁾	2004-2010	CS	Conv	244,570	0.09
Kafi-abad, 2009 ⁽⁷⁵⁾	NS	CS	Conv	1,494,282	0.13
Karimi, 2008 ⁽⁷⁶⁾	2004-2006	CS	Conv	35,124	0.21
Maneshi, 2010 ⁽⁷⁷⁾	2004-2008	CS	Conv	51,884	0.34
Rezazadeh, 2006 ⁽⁷⁸⁾	2004-2005	CS	Conv	18,306	0.43
Tajbakhsh, 2007	NS	CS	Conv	1,870	0.53

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Tajbakhsh, 2007 (79)	NS	CS	Conv	9,602	0.61
Ghaderi, 2007 ⁽⁸⁰⁾	2004-2006	CC	Conv	150	0.67
Hosseien, 2009 ⁽⁷¹⁾	NS	CS	Conv	329,961	1.49
Farshadpour, 2016 ⁽⁸¹⁾	2004-2014	CS	Conv	274,556	0.10
Farshadpour, 2016 ⁽⁸¹⁾	2004-2014	CS	Conv	18,898	0.05
Assarehzadegan, 2008 ⁽⁸²⁾	NS	CS	Conv	400	0.00
Zanjani, 2013 ⁽⁸³⁾	2005-2006	CS	Conv	3,211	0.06
Zanjani, 2013 ⁽⁸³⁾	2005-2006	CS	Conv	26,505	0.12
Kafi-abad, 2009 (75)	NS	CS	Conv	1,603,149	0.14
Hosseini, 2007 ⁽⁸⁴⁾	NS	NS	NS	19,627	0.24
Mohammadali, 2014 ⁽⁸⁵⁾	2005-2011	CS	Conv	2,031,451	0.39
Khedmat, 2007 ⁽⁸⁶⁾	2005-2006	CS	SRS	1,014	2.07
Hosseien, 2009 ⁽⁷¹⁾	NS	CS	Conv	345,412	2.08
Ghafouri, 2011 ⁽⁸⁷⁾	2006-2009	CS	Conv	95,538	0.01
Kafi-abad, 2009 (75)	NS	CS	Conv	1,667,412	0.13
Esmaeili, 2009 ⁽⁸⁸⁾	2006-2007	CS	Conv	20,294	0.21
Kafi-abad, 2009 (75)	NS	CS	Conv	1,735,008	0.12

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Kasraian, 2008 ⁽⁸⁹⁾	2007-2008	CC	Conv	93,987	0.22
Farshadpour, 2010 ⁽⁹⁰⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	2,376	2.31
Khodabandehloo, 2013 ⁽⁹¹⁾	2008-2011	CS	Conv	124,704	0.03
Sofian, 2010 ⁽⁹²⁾	NS	CS	SRS	531	0.19
Keshvari, 2015 ⁽⁹³⁾	NS	CS	Conv	296,567	0.14
Bozorgi, 2012 ⁽⁹⁴⁾	NS	CS	Conv	20,591	0.17
Seyed-Askari, 2015 ⁽⁹⁵⁾	2009-2013	CS	Conv	360,722	0.08
EMRO, 2011 ⁽⁹⁶⁾	NS	CS	NS	1,986,992	0.06
Rezaie, 2016 ⁽⁹⁷⁾	2011-2015	CS	Conv	42,253	0.06
Samadi, 2014 ⁽⁹⁸⁾	NS	CS	Conv	2,108	0.00
Keshvari, 2015 ⁽⁹³⁾	NS	CS	Conv	282,010	0.07
Amini, 2005 ⁽⁹⁹⁾	NS	CS	Conv	100	0.00
Mogaddam, 2010 (100)	NS	CC	NS	60	0.00
Iraq					
Hassan, 2008 ⁽¹⁰¹⁾	1996-1997	Retrospective cohort	Conv	7,707	0.22
Hassan, 2008 ⁽¹⁰¹⁾	1997-1998	Retrospective cohort	Conv	3,621	0.50
Hassan, 2008 ⁽¹⁰¹⁾	1998-1999	Retrospective cohort	Conv	4,825	0.08
Abdul-Aziz, 2001	1999-2001	CS	Conv	3,934	0.20

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Abdul-Aziz, 2001 (102)	1999-2001	CS	Conv	16,174	0.96
Hassan, 2008 ⁽¹⁰¹⁾	1999-2000	Retrospective cohort	Conv	8,500	0.08
Hassan, 2008 ⁽¹⁰¹⁾	2000-2001	Retrospective cohort	Conv	9,148	0.03
Hassan, 2008 ⁽¹⁰¹⁾	2001-2002	Retrospective cohort	Conv	8,189	0.16
Chiad, 2009 ⁽¹⁰³⁾	2003-2004	CS	Conv	32	0.00
Chiad, 2009 ⁽¹⁰³⁾	2003-2004	CS	Conv	968	1.03
Al-Doorri, 2006 (104)	2004-2005	CS	Conv	193	0.00
Al-Doorri, 2006 (104)	2004-2005	CS	Conv	781	0.26
Al-Doorri, 2006 (104)	2004-2005	CS	Conv	574	0.52
Al-Doorri, 2006 (104)	2004-2005	CS	Conv	368	0.82
Al-Doorri, 2006 (104)	2004-2005	CS	Conv	62	1.61
Aljooani, 2012 ⁽¹⁰⁵⁾	2005-2007	CS	Conv	123	2.44
Aljooani, 2012 ⁽¹⁰⁵⁾	2005-2007	CS	Conv	158	2.53
Aljooani, 2012 ⁽¹⁰⁵⁾	2005-2007	CS	Conv	149	3.36
Abdullah, 2012 (106)	2005-2007	CS	Conv	100	1.00

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Ataallah, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁷⁾	2006-2006	CS	Conv	137,486	0.15
Ataallah, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁷⁾	2006-2006	CS	Conv	4,086	0.39
Hussein, 2010 ⁽¹⁰⁸⁾	2006-2006	Retrospective cohort	Conv	204	0.00
Hussein, 2010 ⁽¹⁰⁸⁾	2006-2006	Retrospective cohort	Conv	14,229	0.11
Al-Kamil, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁹⁾	2006-2008	Retrospective cohort	Conv	160,758	0.08
Al-Kamil, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁹⁾	2006-2008	Retrospective cohort	Conv	1,229	0.08
Ataallah, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁷⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	113,543	0.19
Ataallah, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁷⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	3,683	0.30
Ali, 2009 ⁽¹¹⁰⁾	2007-2008	CS	Conv	600	1.67
Al Juboury, 2010 ⁽¹¹¹⁾	2007-2008	CS	Conv	23,122	0.49
Al Juboury, 2010 ⁽¹¹¹⁾	2007-2008	CS	Conv	214	1.40
Hussein, 2010 ⁽¹⁰⁸⁾	2007-2007	Retrospective cohort	Conv	144	0.00
Hussein, 2010 ⁽¹⁰⁸⁾	2007-2007	Retrospective cohort	Conv	16,997	0.10
Salih, 2007 ⁽¹¹²⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	95	2.11
Ataallah, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁷⁾	2008-2008	CS	Conv	109,983	0.18
Ataallah, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁷⁾	2008-2008	CS	Conv	3,368	0.42
Amin, 2012 ⁽¹¹³⁾	2008-2009	CS	Conv	35,114	0.07

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Amin, 2012 ⁽¹¹³⁾	2008-2009	CS	Conv	426	0.70
Hamim, 2012 ⁽¹¹⁴⁾	2008-2008	CS	Conv	388,985	0.42
Hussain, 2010 ⁽¹¹⁵⁾	2008-2009	CS	Conv	117	0.85
Strak, 2014 ⁽¹¹⁶⁾	2008-2009	CS	SRS	2,070	0.14
Ataallah, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁷⁾	2009-2009	CS	Conv	120,458	0.22
Ataallah, 2011 ⁽¹⁰⁷⁾	2009-2009	CS	Conv	3,041	0.36
Noaman, 2012 ⁽¹¹⁷⁾	2009-2010	CS	Conv	93	1.08
Hamim, 2012 ⁽¹¹⁴⁾	2009-2009	CS	Conv	482,988	0.33
Al-Duliami, 2012 ⁽¹¹⁸⁾	2010-2011	CS	SRS	90	0.00
Tawfeeq, 2013 ⁽¹¹⁹⁾	2011-2012	CS	Conv	15,560	0.29
Obied, 2014 ⁽¹²⁰⁾	2012-2013	CS	Conv	5,179	0.39
Al-Rubaye, 2015 (121)	2013-2013	CS	Conv	69,658	0.12
Al-Rubaye, 2015 (121)	2013-2013	CS	Conv	257	0.00
Khalid, 2012 ⁽¹²²⁾	NS	CS	Conv	100	2.00
Saadoon, 2012 ⁽¹²³⁾	NS	CS	Conv	1,128	0.62
Jassim, 2011 ⁽¹²⁴⁾	NS	CS	Conv	98	0.00
Jassim, 2011 ⁽¹²⁴⁾	NS	CS	Conv	72	0.00
Albaitushi, 2011 (125)	NS	CS	Conv	27	3.70
Toffik, 2006 ⁽¹²⁶⁾	NS	CS	Conv	200	0.50
Jordan					
Jbara, 2006 ⁽¹²⁷⁾	2003-2005	CS	Conv	370	0.54

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Jbara, 2006 ⁽¹²⁷⁾	2003-2005	CS	Conv	8,380	0.80
Rashdan, 2008 ⁽¹²⁸⁾	2004-2006	CS	Conv	13,666	0.20
Rashdan, 2008 ⁽¹²⁸⁾	2004-2006	CS	Conv	570	0.35
Al-Gani, 2011 ⁽¹²⁹⁾	2006-2009	CS	Conv	7,800	0.83
Al-Gani, 2011 ⁽¹²⁹⁾	2006-2009	CS	Conv	390	2.05
Al Abbadi, 2014 (130)	2009-2009	CS	Conv	28,315	0.16
Souan, 2016 ⁽¹³¹⁾	2009-2010	CS	Conv	10,101	0.20
Al Abbadi, 2014 (130)	2010-2010	CS	Conv	31,543	0.18
Souan, 2016 ⁽¹³¹⁾	2010-2011	CS	Conv	12,694	0.20
Al Abbadi, 2014 (130)	2011-2011	CS	Conv	34,412	0.13
Souan, 2016 ⁽¹³¹⁾	2011-2012	CS	Conv	13,387	0.13
Souan, 2016 ⁽¹³¹⁾	2012-2013	CS	Conv	14,256	0.20
Souan, 2016 ⁽¹³¹⁾	2013-2014	CS	Conv	12,495	0.11
Kuwait					
Ameen, 2005 ⁽¹³²⁾	NS	CS	Conv	8,561	0.78
Ameen, 2005 ⁽¹³²⁾	NS	CS	Conv	4,237	5.43
Lebanon					
Irani-Hakime, 2006 ⁽¹³³⁾	1997-2003	CS	Conv	14,990	0.37
Irani-Hakime, 2006 ⁽¹³³⁾	1997-2003	CS	Conv	1,094	0.82
Tamim, 2001 ⁽¹³⁴⁾	1998-2000	CS	Conv	349	0.00
Tamim, 2001 ⁽¹³⁴⁾	1998-2000	CS	Conv	4,679	0.32

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Tamim, 2001 ⁽¹³⁴⁾	1998-2000	CS	Conv	88	3.41
Irani-Hakime, 2001 ⁽¹³⁵⁾	1999-1999	CC	Conv	256	0.00
Irani-Hakime, 2001 ⁽¹³⁵⁾	1999-1999	CC	Conv	337	0.30
Ramia, 2005 ⁽¹³⁶⁾	2002-2003	CS	SRS	56	0.00
Araj, 1995 ⁽¹³⁷⁾	NS	CS	SRS	4,179	0.12
Naman, 1996 ⁽¹³⁸⁾	NS	CS	NS	7,771	0.41
Ramia, 2003 ⁽¹³⁹⁾	NS	CS	SRS	500	0.20
Salem, 2003 ⁽¹⁴⁰⁾	NS	CS	SRS	150	0.00
Libya					
Saleh, 1994 ⁽¹⁴¹⁾	1992-1992	CS	Conv	76	6.58
Daw, 2002 ⁽¹⁴²⁾	1999-2001	CS	Conv	1,200	1.17
Daw, 2016 ⁽¹⁴³⁾	2008-2008	CS	Conv	35,859	2.61
Daw, 2016 ⁽¹⁴³⁾	2009-2009	CS	Conv	65,330	2.62
Daw, 2016 ⁽¹⁴³⁾	2010-2010	CS	Conv	254,177	1.56
Daw, 2016 ⁽¹⁴³⁾	2011-2011	CS	Conv	173,873	1.76
Daw, 2016 ⁽¹⁴³⁾	2012-2012	CS	Conv	260,139	1.72
Daw, 2016 ⁽¹⁴³⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	218,836	1.71
Elzouki, 1995 ⁽¹⁴⁴⁾	NS	CS	Conv	86	1.16
Mauritania					
Lo, 1999 ⁽¹⁴⁵⁾	1998-1998	CS	Conv	349	1.15
Morocco					
Lahlou Amine, 2010 ⁽¹⁴⁶⁾	2002-2005	CS	Conv	3,600	0.33

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Aqodad, 2011 ⁽¹⁴⁷⁾	2006-2007	CS	Conv	777	0.77
Baha, 2013 ⁽¹⁴⁸⁾	2008-2008	CS	Conv	52,279	0.57
Zohoun, 2011 ⁽¹⁴⁹⁾	2008-2009	CS	Conv	19,801	0.23
Baha, 2013 ⁽¹⁴⁸⁾	2009-2009	CS	Conv	55,496	0.64
Baha, 2013 ⁽¹⁴⁸⁾	2010-2010	CS	Conv	61,830	0.65
Doblali, 2014 ⁽¹⁵⁰⁾	2010-2012	CS	Conv	29,530	0.18
Uwingabiye, 2016 ⁽¹⁵¹⁾	2010-2010	CS	Conv	8,245	0.35
Uwingabiye, 2016 ⁽¹⁵¹⁾	2011-2011	CS	Conv	8,232	0.21
Uwingabiye, 2016 ⁽¹⁵¹⁾	2012-2012	CS	Conv	9,184	0.19
Laouina, 2016 ⁽¹⁵²⁾	2015-2015	CS	Conv	57,711	0.40
Benjelloun, 1996 ⁽¹⁵³⁾	NS	CS	Conv	1,000	1.10
Laouina, 2012 ⁽¹⁵⁴⁾	NS	CS	SRS	10,423	0.69
Laouina, 2012 ⁽¹⁵⁴⁾	NS	CS	SRS	3,648	0.90
WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Meditteranean, 2011 ⁽⁹⁶⁾	NS	CS	Conv	132,197	0.16
Oman					
Al Dhahry, 1993 ⁽¹⁵⁵⁾	NS	CS	Conv	564	0.89

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Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	668	0.90
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	2,596	1.31
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	3,584	1.42
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	2,033	1.13
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	2,330	0.86
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	2,637	0.95
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	2,638	0.99
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	2,817	0.71
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	2,996	0.63
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	3,290	0.70
Al Dhahry, 2003 (156)	NS	CS	Conv	4,423	0.57
Schuster, 2009 ⁽¹⁵⁷⁾	2006-2008	CS	Conv	6,725	0.45
Ashraf, 2010 ⁽¹⁵⁸⁾	NS	CS	Conv	3,587	0.67
EMRO, 2011 ⁽⁹⁶⁾	NS	CS	Conv	47,413	0.50

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Pathare, 2012 ⁽¹⁵⁹⁾	NS	CS	Conv	6,146	0.39
Alnaqy, 2006 ⁽¹⁶⁰⁾	NS	CS	Conv	600	1.50
Pakistan					
Kakepoto, 1996 ⁽¹⁶¹⁾	1989-1994	CS	Conv	14,933	1.19
Kakepoto, 1996 ⁽¹⁶¹⁾	1989-1994	CS	Conv	1,772	1.19
Mujeeb, 2000 ⁽¹⁶²⁾	1996-1997	CS	Conv	612	0.49
Khattak, 2002 ⁽¹⁶³⁾	1996-2000	CS	Conv	14,513	3.49
Khattak, 2002 ⁽¹⁶³⁾	1996-2000	CS	Conv	19,711	4.26
Khattak, 2002 ⁽¹⁶³⁾	1996-2000	CS	Conv	21,047	4.14
Khattak, 2002 ⁽¹⁶³⁾	1996-2000	CS	Conv	24,573	4.07
Khattak, 2002 ⁽¹⁶³⁾	1996-2000	CS	Conv	24,014	4.26
Qureshi, 2002 ⁽¹⁶⁴⁾	1996-1999	CS	Conv	401	4.49
Mujeeb, 2000 ⁽¹⁶⁵⁾	1997-1998	CS	Conv	754	2.52
Mujeeb, 2000 ⁽¹⁶⁵⁾	1997-1998	CS	Conv	1,005	1.09
Mujeeb, 2000 ⁽¹⁶⁵⁾	1997-1998	CS	Conv	3,331	2.70
Mujeeb, 2000 ⁽¹⁶⁵⁾	1997-1998	CS	Conv	1,445	1.38
Mujeeb, 2000 ⁽¹⁶⁵⁾	1997-1998	CS	Conv	512	5.27
Mujeeb, 2006 ⁽¹⁶⁶⁾	2000-2000	CS	Conv	7,168	3.60
Mujeeb, 2006 ⁽¹⁶⁶⁾	2000-2000	CS	Conv	157	3.18
Mumtaz, 2002 ⁽¹⁶⁷⁾	2001-2002	CS	Conv	563	6.22
Asif, 2004 ⁽¹⁶⁸⁾	2002-2003	CS	Conv	3,187	5.15
Asif, 2004 ⁽¹⁶⁸⁾	2002-2003	CS	Conv	243	2.47
Bhatti, 2007 ⁽¹⁶⁹⁾	2003-2005	CS	Conv	94,177	4.16

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Ahmad, 2007 ⁽¹⁷⁰⁾	2004-2004	CS	SRS	300	20.67
Bhatti, 2007 ⁽¹⁶⁹⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	966	3.83
Sultan, 2007 ⁽¹⁷¹⁾	2004-2005	CS	Conv	970	1.24
Sultan, 2007 ⁽¹⁷¹⁾	2004-2005	CS	Conv	11,396	3.30
Sultan, 2007 ⁽¹⁷¹⁾	2004-2005	CS	Conv	1,522	6.31
Mujeeb, 2008 ⁽¹⁷²⁾	2004-2007	CS	Conv	5,345	7.52
Mujeeb, 2008 ⁽¹⁷²⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	1,339	7.17
Irfan, 2013 ⁽¹⁷³⁾	2004-2010	CS	Conv	108,598	2.70
Abbas, 2009 ⁽¹⁷⁴⁾	2005-2008	Retrospective cohort	Conv	804	15.05
Karim, 2017 ⁽¹⁷⁵⁾	2005-2016	CS	Conv	262,819	1.78
Mujeeb, 2008 ⁽¹⁷²⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	1,333	8.78
Bangash, 2009 ⁽¹⁷⁶⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	1,300	1.62
Bangash, 2009 ⁽¹⁷⁷⁾	2007-2008	CS	Conv	10,343	0.48
Shah, 2010 ⁽¹⁷⁸⁾	2007-2008	CS	Conv	32,042	1.57
Borhany, 2011 ⁽¹⁷⁹⁾	2007-2009	CS	Conv	5,717	1.91
Qadeer, 2013 ⁽¹⁸⁰⁾	2007-2012	CS	Conv	5,000	4.12
Hussain, 2009 ⁽¹⁸¹⁾	2008-2008	CS	Conv	98,012	5.76
Jadoon, 2010 ⁽¹⁸²⁾	2008-2008	CS	Conv	550	8.18
Safi, 2011 ⁽¹⁸³⁾	2008-2009	CS	Conv	62,251	2.61
Attaullah, 2012 ⁽¹⁸⁴⁾	2008-2011	Retrospective cohort	Conv	127,828	2.46
Khan, 2011 ⁽¹⁸⁵⁾	2009-2009	CS	Conv	7,148	1.89
Khan, 2012 ⁽¹⁸⁶⁾	2009-2012	CS	Conv	6,513	1.14
Ansari, 2012 ⁽¹⁸⁷⁾	2010-2010	CS	Conv	5,517	1.98

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Bhutta, 2012 ⁽¹⁸⁸⁾	2010-2010	CS	Conv	100	12.00
Waheed, 2012 ⁽¹⁸⁹⁾	2010-2011	Retrospective cohort	Conv	10,145	8.34
Ijaz, 2012 ⁽¹⁹⁰⁾	2011-2012	CS	Conv	3,652	12.35
Khan, 2013 ⁽¹⁹¹⁾	2011-2011	CS	Conv	356	20.79
Moiz, 2014 ⁽¹⁹²⁾	2011-2012	CS	Conv	40,110	1.73
Moiz, 2014 ⁽¹⁹²⁾	2011-2012	CS	Conv	2,720	0.55
Sultan, 2016 ⁽¹⁹³⁾	2011-2014	CC	Conv	200	3.00
Ahmad, 2017 ⁽¹⁹⁴⁾	2011-2015	CS	Conv	79,774	1.76
Niazi, 2015 ⁽¹⁹⁵⁾	2012-2013	CS	Conv	56,772	1.84
Niazi, 2016 ⁽¹⁹⁶⁾	2012-2015	CS	Conv	170,519	0.01
Butt, 2013 ⁽¹⁹⁷⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	833	1.92
Parveen, 2014 ⁽¹⁹⁸⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	6,216	2.20
Parveen, 2014 ⁽¹⁹⁸⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	4,450	3.91
Nepal, 2016 ⁽¹⁹⁹⁾	2013-2014	CS	Conv	6,996	3.04
Ata, 2017 ⁽²⁰⁰⁾	2013-2016	CS	Conv	34,496	1.38
Noorulamin, 2016 (201)	2014-2015	CS	Conv	6,053	1.72
Saeed, 2017 ⁽²⁰²⁾	2014-2015	CS	Conv	18,274	2.63
Karim, 2016 ⁽²⁰³⁾	2015-2015	CS	Conv	5,318	1.13
Ghanghro, 2016 (204)	2015-	CS	Conv	656	12.20
Waheed, 2017 ⁽²⁰⁵⁾	2016-2016	CS	Conv	71,795	1.65
Amin, 2017 ⁽²⁰⁶⁾	2017-2017	CS	Conv	190	3.16
Akram, 2017 ⁽²⁰⁷⁾	2017-2017	CS	Conv	1,084	5.17

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Khattak, 2008 ⁽²⁰⁸⁾	NS	CS	Conv	1,131	4.07
Jadoon, 2010 ⁽²⁰⁹⁾	NS	CC	Conv	10,000	4.90
Zaffar, 2013 ⁽²¹⁰⁾	NS	Retrospective cohort	Conv	246,611	2.92
Sheikh, 2015 ⁽²¹¹⁾	NS	Coh	Conv	300	4.33
Kanwal, 2016 ⁽²¹²⁾	NS	CC	Conv	100	3.00
Arshad, 2016 ⁽²¹³⁾	NS	CS	Conv	16,557	1.85
Arshad, 2016 ⁽²¹³⁾	NS	CS	Conv	45	2.22
Wazeer, 2017 ⁽²¹⁴⁾	NS	CS	Conv	10,460	4.77
Palestine					
Novack, 2007 ⁽²¹⁵⁾	1999-2002	CS	NS	2,784	3.95
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2004 ⁽²¹⁶⁾	2003-2003	CS	Conv	21,219	0.30
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2004 ⁽²¹⁶⁾	2003-2003	CS	Conv	23,771	0.30
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2006 ⁽²¹⁷⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	21,804	0.10
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2006 ⁽²¹⁷⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	23,225	0.20

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Information					
Center, 2006 ⁽²¹⁷⁾					
Palestinian Health					
Center, 2007					
Palestinian Health	2006-2006	CS	Conv	2,116	0.00
Information					
Center, 2007 ⁽²¹⁸⁾					
Palestinian Health	2006-2006	CS	Conv	3,428	0.03
Information					
Center, 2007 ⁽²¹⁸⁾					
Palestinian Health	2006-2006	CS	Conv	4,231	0.05
Information					
Center, 2007 ⁽²¹⁸⁾					
Palestinian Health	2006-2006	CS	Conv	4,712	0.11
Information					
Center, 2007 ⁽²¹⁸⁾					
Palestinian Health	2006-2006	CS	Conv	2,189	0.23
Information					
Center, 2007 ⁽²¹⁸⁾					
Palestinian Health	2006-2006	CS	Conv	26,506	0.26
Information					
Center, 2007 ⁽²¹⁸⁾					

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Palestinian Health Information Center, 2007 ⁽²¹⁸⁾	2006-2006	CS	Conv	1,113	0.27
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2007 ⁽²¹⁸⁾	2006-2006	CS	Conv	8,856	0.27
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	543	0.00
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	871	0.00
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	2,734	0.04
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	3,819	0.10
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	834	0.12

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Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian	2007-2007	CS	Conv	3,849	0.13
Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian	2007-2007	CS	Conv	11,639	0.14
Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian	2007-2007	CS	Conv	1,981	0.20
Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian	2007-2007	CS	Conv	3,930	0.25
Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian	2007-2007	CS	Conv	4,669	0.28
Health Information Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian	2007-2007	CS	Conv	2,054	0.29

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Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2007-2007	CS	Conv	7,072	0.37
Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2007-2007	CS	Conv	4,223	0.73
Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2007-2007	CS	Conv	887	1.13
Center, 2008 ⁽²¹⁹⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2009-2009	CS	Conv	3,198	0.00
Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2009-2009	CS	Conv	608	0.00
Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2009-2009	CS	Conv	1,259	0.00
Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian	2009-2009	CS	Conv	217	0.00

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Health Information Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian	2009-2009	CS	Conv	3,792	0.05
Health Information Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian	2009-2009	CS	Conv	2,120	0.09
Health Information Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian	2009-2009	CS	Conv	6,111	0.13
Health Information Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian	2009-2009	CS	Conv	3,667	0.16
Health Information Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian	2009-2009	CS	Conv	11,820	0.17
Health Information Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian	2009-2009	CS	Conv	919	0.22

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Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2009-2009	CS	Conv	4,422	0.32
Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2009-2009	CS	Conv	3,730	0.35
Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2009-2009	CS	Conv	2,199	0.45
Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2009-2009	CS	Conv	2,112	0.57
Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2009-2009	CS	Conv	792	0.76
Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2009-2009	CS	Conv	1,035	1.26
Center, 2010 ⁽²²⁰⁾					
MENA	2011-2011	CS	Conv	63,477	0.18

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HIV/AIDS					
Synthesis Project, 2011 ⁽⁹⁶⁾					
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2014 ⁽²²¹⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	4,383	0.00
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2014 ⁽²²¹⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	2,690	0.07
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2014 ⁽²²¹⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	3,486	0.09
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2014 ⁽²²¹⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	5,983	0.17
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2014 ⁽²²¹⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	978	0.72
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2014 ⁽²²¹⁾	2013-2013	CS	Conv	2,051	0.73

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Center, 2014 ⁽²²¹⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2013-2013	CS	Conv	9,643	0.31
Center, 2014 ⁽²²¹⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2014-2014	CS	Conv	3,812	0.10
Center, 2015 ⁽²²²⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2014-2014	CS	Conv	5,162	0.14
Center, 2015 ⁽²²²⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2014-2014	CS	Conv	6,230	0.24
Center, 2015 ⁽²²²⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2014-2014	CS	Conv	10,614	0.24
Center, 2015 ⁽²²²⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2014-2014	CS	Conv	3,269	0.28
Center, 2015 ⁽²²²⁾					
Palestinian Health Information	2014-2014	CS	Conv	992	0.30

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Health					
Information					
Palestinian Health Information Center, 2015 ⁽²²²⁾	2014-2014	CS	Conv	3,227	0.43
Health					
Information					
Shemer-Avni, 1998 ⁽²²³⁾	NS	CS	Conv	1,509	2.25
Qatar					
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	28,622	0.53
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	6,235	11.23
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	6,227	1.65
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	3,307	0.60
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	5,145	0.29
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	1,831	0.27
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	9,083	0.32
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	2,246	0.45
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	4,532	0.29
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	2,283	0.39
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	8,919	0.46
Fawzi, 2007 ⁽²²⁴⁾	1994-2001	CS	Conv	49,868	1.89
Saudi Arabia					
Al Karawi, 1992 ⁽²²⁵⁾	1989-1990	CS	Conv	4,818	1.49
Bahakim, 2001 ⁽²²⁶⁾	1990-1990	CS	SRS	500	5.60

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Fathalla, 1994 ⁽²²⁷⁾	1991-1992	CS	Conv	8,934	1.66
Abdelaal, 1994 ⁽¹¹⁾	NS	CS	SRS	363	0.55
Abdelaal, 1994 ⁽¹¹⁾	NS	CS	SRS	165	4.24
Abdelaal, 1994 ⁽¹¹⁾	NS	CS	SRS	49	24.49
Abdelaal, 1994 ⁽¹¹⁾	NS	CS	SRS	38	0.00
Abdelaal, 1994 ⁽¹¹⁾	NS	CS	SRS	57	1.75
Al Sohaibani, 1995 ⁽²²⁸⁾	1992-1994	CS	Conv	292	1.71
Tamimi, 2004 ⁽²²⁹⁾	1992-1995	CS	Conv	7,013	1.03
Altamimi, 1998 ⁽²³⁰⁾	NS	CS	Conv	2,286	0.48
Al Omar, 1996 ⁽¹³⁾	1993-1994	CS	Conv	3,190	1.22
Altamimi, 1998 ⁽²³⁰⁾	NS	CS	Conv	2,549	0.98
Kashgari, 1997 ⁽²³¹⁾	NS	CS	SRS	332	0.60
Ankra-Badu, 2001 ⁽²³²⁾	NS	CS	Conv	3,461	2.17
Altamimi, 1998 ⁽²³⁰⁾	NS	CS	Conv	2,178	1.65
Abdelaal, 1998 ⁽²³³⁾	NS	CS	Conv	593	1.69
Arif, 1998 ⁽²³⁴⁾	1995-1996	CS	Conv	8,478	1.62
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	8,003	1.35
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	1,609	16.47

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	288	2.43
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	52	1.92
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	28	0.00
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	128	1.56
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	391	1.79
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	406	2.46
Mehdi, 2000 ⁽¹⁴⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	102	2.94
Ankra-Badu, 2001 (232)	NS	CS	Conv	3,001	2.50
Tamimi, 2004 ⁽²²⁹⁾	1995-2002	CS	Conv	63,368	0.58
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	393,327	0.32
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	2,866,113	0.32
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	356,250	0.21
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	1,824,952	0.19
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	55,725	0.18
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	1,483,258	0.14
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	4,538,346	0.09
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	890,625	0.09
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	288,321	0.08
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	575,000	0.07
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	1,283,251	0.06
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	205,882	0.05
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	1,297,311	0.04
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	940,217	0.04
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	113,393	0.03

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	487,778	0.03
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	270,808	0.03
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	883,186	0.03
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	280,727	0.02
Madani, 2007 ⁽²³⁵⁾	1995-2005	CS	Conv	1,030,159	0.02
Ankra-Badu, 2001 (232)	NS	CS	Conv	3,724	1.99
Bashawri, 2002 (236)	NS	CS	Conv	3,724	1.85
Mehdi, 2006 ⁽²³⁷⁾	1996-2004	CC	Conv	11,035	2.90
Mitwalli, 2000 ⁽²³⁸⁾	NS	CC	SRS	100	2.00
Ankra-Badu, 2001 (232)	NS	CS	Conv	3,307	1.63
Bashawri, 2002 (236)	NS	CS	Conv	3,307	1.48
Ankra-Badu, 2001 (232)	NS	CS	Conv	3,379	1.45
Bashawri, 2002 (236)	NS	CS	Conv	3,379	1.24
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	10,778	0.98
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	2,665	3.30
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	119	0.84

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	397	14.61
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	157	1.27
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	406	1.23
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	227	0.44
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	208	3.85
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	318	1.57
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	294	1.02
Bashawri, 2004 (239)	1998-2001	CS	Conv	307	1.63
Al-Bahrani, 2001 (240)	NS	CS	Conv	5,937	0.67
Al-Bahrani, 2001 (240)	NS	CS	Conv	933	3.43
Bashawri, 2002 (236)	NS	CS	Conv	3,414	1.58
Bashawri, 2002 (236)	NS	CS	Conv	3,618	1.52
El Hazmi, 2004	2000-2002	CS	Conv	482	8.09

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
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(241)					
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	2000-2002	CS	Conv	594	0.67
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	2000-2002	CS	Conv	588	0.34
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	2000-2002	CS	Conv	402	0.00
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	2000-2002	CS	Conv	345	0.00
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	2000-2002	CS	Conv	276	3.62
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	2000-2002	CS	Conv	270	0.37
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	2000-2002	CS	Conv	774	0.39
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	NS	CS	Conv	7,744	0.48
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	NS	CS	Conv	7,974	0.45
El Hazmi, 2004 (241)	NS	CS	Conv	8,455	0.35
Abdullah, 2011 (242)	NS	CS	Conv	5,241	0.74
Abdullah, 2011 (242)	NS	CS	Conv	5,334	0.39
Abdullah, 2011	NS	CS	Conv	4,949	0.46

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
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Abdullah, 2011 (242)	NS	CS	Conv	4,903	0.33
Halawani, 2012 (243)	2007-2009	CC	Conv	70	0.00
Halawani, 2012 (244)	2007-2009	CC	Conv	50	2.00
Abdullah, 2011 (242)	NS	CS	Conv	4,169	0.34
Abdelaziz, 2013 (245)	2008-2012	CS	Conv	13,435	0.83
Abdullah, 2011 (242)	NS	CS	Conv	5,353	0.22
Elbjeirami, 2015 (246)	NS	CS	Conv	3,090	0.19
Elbjeirami, 2015 (246)	NS	CS	Conv	5,731	0.40
Kilany, 2015 ⁽²⁴⁷⁾	2012-2013	CS	Conv	7,267	0.07
Elbjeirami, 2015 (246)	NS	CS	Conv	6,947	0.62
Elbjeirami, 2015 (246)	NS	CS	Conv	7,195	0.42
Sarah, 2016 ⁽²⁴⁸⁾	NS	CS	Conv	238	7.14
Sarah, 2016 ⁽²⁴⁸⁾	NS	CS	Conv	123	7.32
Al-Mofarreh, 1991 (249)	NS	CS	Conv	403	1.24

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Al-Mofarreh, 1991 (249)	NS	CS	Conv	177	4.52
Ayoola, 2001 (250)	NS	CS	Conv	240	4.17
Ayoola, 2001 (250)	NS	CS	Conv	248	3.63
Bernvil, 2001 (251)	NS	CS	Conv	4,850	0.33
Bernvil, 2001 (251)	NS	CS	Conv	1,694	1.42
Bernvil, 2001 (251)	NS	CS	Conv	1,824	0.27
Bernvil, 2001 (251)	NS	CS	Conv	2,548	0.27
Jamjoom, 1992 (252)	NS	CS	Conv	317	1.89
Al Nasser, 1992 (253)	NS	CS	SRS	200	4.00
Ayoola, 1992 (254)	NS	CS	Conv	488	3.89
Mitwalli, 1992 (255)	NS	CS	Conv	730	0.82
Saeed, 1992 (256)	NS	CS	Conv	1,472	1.49
Ahmad, 1995 (45)	NS	CS	Conv	918	1.74
Ahmad, 1995 (45)	NS	CS	Conv	114	27.19
Ahmad, 1995 (45)	NS	CS	Conv	105	1.90
Ahmad, 1995 (45)	NS	CS	Conv	67	1.49
Ahmad, 1995 (45)	NS	CS	Conv	53	1.89
Ahmad, 1995 (45)	NS	CS	Conv	182	0.55
Al Knawy, 1995 (41)	NS	CS	Conv	3,354	1.43
Al Knawy, 1995 (41)	NS	CS	Conv	204	21.08
Al Knawy, 1995	NS	CS	Conv	310	2.58

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
⁽⁴¹⁾					
Anwar, 2009 ⁽²⁵⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	15,280	0.92
Halawani, 2010 ⁽²⁵⁸⁾	NS	CS	Conv	50	2.00
Somalia					
Nur, 2000 ⁽²⁵⁹⁾	1995-1995	NS	Conv	157	0.64
EMRO, 2011 ⁽⁹⁶⁾	NS	NS	Conv	12,759	0.46
Sudan					
Nagi, 2007 ⁽²⁶⁰⁾	2005-2005	NS	SRS	78	1.28
Abou, 2009 ⁽²⁶¹⁾	2007-2007	NS	SRS	400	1.00
Elfaki, 2008 ⁽²⁶²⁾	NS	NS	Conv	260	0.00
Syria					
Ali, 2010 ⁽²⁶³⁾	2000-2000	CS	Conv	13,193	0.70
Ali, 2010 ⁽²⁶³⁾	2001-2001	CS	Conv	12,923	0.50
Ali, 2010 ⁽²⁶³⁾	2002-2002	CS	Conv	13,626	0.36
Ali, 2010 ⁽²⁶³⁾	2003-2003	CS	Conv	17,011	0.31
Ali, 2010 ⁽²⁶³⁾	2004-2004	CS	Conv	18,077	0.30
Ali, 2010 ⁽²⁶³⁾	2005-2005	CS	Conv	18,950	0.30
Ali, 2010 ⁽²⁶³⁾	2006-2006	CS	Conv	19,233	0.41
MENA	2006-2006	CS	Conv	55,549	0.28
HIV/AIDS					
Synthesis Project, 2006 1st quarter ^(96, 264)					
MENA	2006-2006	CS	Conv	87,920	0.42
HIV/AIDS					

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Synthesis Project, 2006 2nd quarter (96, 264)					
MENA	2006-2006	CS	Conv	77,734	0.57
HIV/AIDS					
Synthesis Project, 2006 3rd quarter (96, 264)					
MENA	2006-2006	CS	Conv	83,347	0.53
HIV/AIDS					
Synthesis Project, 2006 4th quarter (96, 264)					
Ali, 2010 ⁽²⁶³⁾	2007-2007	CS	Conv	18,390	0.37
MENA	2007-2007	CS	Conv	83,501	0.41
HIV/AIDS					
Synthesis Project, 2007 1st quarter (96, 264)					
MENA	2007-2007	CS	Conv	92,452	0.43
HIV/AIDS					
Synthesis Project, 2007 2nd quarter (96, 264)					
MENA	2007-2007	CS	Conv	83,560	0.48
HIV/AIDS					

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Synthesis Project, 2007 3rd quarter (96, 264)					
MENA	2011-2011	CS	Conv	416,984	0.56
HIV/AIDS Synthesis Project, 2011 ⁽⁹⁶⁾					
Othman, 2002 ⁽²⁶⁵⁾	NS	CS	Conv	2,100	0.95
Tunisia					
Abid, 1997 ⁽²⁶⁶⁾	1994-1994	CS	Conv	43,000	0.18
Hatira, 2000 ⁽²⁶⁷⁾	1994-1997	CS	Conv	34,130	0.43
Krichen, 2001 ⁽²⁶⁸⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	34,769	1.78
Krichen, 2001 ⁽²⁶⁸⁾	1995-1997	CS	Conv	7,854	1.40
Larabi, 2001 ⁽²⁶⁹⁾	1997-1999	CS	Conv	3,480	1.18
Mastouri, 2005 ⁽²⁷⁰⁾	2000-2000	CS	Conv	600	1.33
HIV/AIDS	2006-2006	CS	Conv	31,115	0.34
Quarterly Case Notification, 2006 (271)					
HIV/AIDS	2006-2006	CS	Conv	20,803	0.54
Quarterly Case Notification, 2006 (271)					
HIV/AIDS	2006-2006	CS	Conv	28,428	0.30
Quarterly Case					

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Notification, 2006					
(271)					
HIV/AIDS					
	2007-2007	CS	Conv	259,890	0.26
Quarterly Case					
Notification, 2007					
(272)					
HIV/AIDS					
	2007-2007	CS	Conv	24,247	0.87
Quarterly Case					
Notification, 2007					
(272)					
HIV/AIDS					
	2007-2007	CS	Conv	10,526	0.64
Quarterly Case					
Notification, 2007					
(272)					
HIV/AIDS					
	2007-2007	CS	Conv	58,368	0.36
Quarterly Case					
Notification, 2007					
(272)					
Hannachi, 2010					
(273)	2008-2009	CC	Conv	100	1.00
Ben Jemia, 2014					
(274)	2010-2010	CS	Conv	14,442	0.40
Ben Jemia, 2014					
(274)	2010-2010	CS	Conv	5,341	0.28
Coursaget, 1995					
(275)	NS	CS	Conv	45	2.22

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Kallel, 2011 ⁽²⁷⁶⁾	NS	CC	Conv	300	0.33
Slama, 1991 ⁽²⁷⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	1,220	1.48
Slama, 1991 ⁽²⁷⁷⁾	NS	CS	Conv	786	1.02
Triki, 1994 ⁽²⁷⁸⁾	NS	CS	Conv	300	0.67
United Arab Emirates					
Al Shaer, 2012 ⁽²⁷⁹⁾	2004-2009	CS	Conv	169,781	0.11
Raouf, 2010 ⁽²⁸⁰⁾	2005-2009	CS	Conv	98,594	0.50
Yemen					
Scott, 1992 ⁽²⁸¹⁾	NS	NS	Conv	348	6.03
Haidar, 2002 ⁽²⁸²⁾	1999-1999	NS	Conv	2,343	1.11
El-Rab, 2004 ⁽²⁸³⁾	2003-2003	NS	Conv	1,540	1.56
Selm, 2010 ⁽²⁸⁴⁾	2007-2007	NS	Conv	100	1.00
Al-Waleedi, 2012 ⁽²⁸⁵⁾	2007-2007	NS	Conv	127	0.79
Al-Waleedi, 2012 ⁽²⁸⁵⁾	2007-2007	NS	Conv	133	1.50
Al-Waleedi, 2012 ⁽²⁸⁵⁾	2007-2007	NS	Conv	179	1.68
Omer, 2010 ⁽²⁸⁶⁾	2007-2008	NS	Conv	5,825	1.99
Saghir, 2012 ⁽²⁸⁷⁾	NS	NS	Conv	919	0.87
Saghir, 2012 ⁽²⁸⁷⁾	NS	NS	Conv	564	0.71
Alodini, 2012 ⁽²⁸⁸⁾	2010-2010	NS	Conv	3,000	3.13
Guneid, 1993 ⁽²⁸⁹⁾	NS	NS	NS	294	1.02
Sallam, 2003 ⁽²⁹⁰⁾	NS	NS	Conv	493	0.20
Sallam, 2003 ⁽²⁹⁰⁾	NS	NS	Conv	494	0.61

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collection	Original study design^a	Sampling	Sample size	HCV Ab prevalence (%)
Oshaish, 2008 (291)	NS	NS	Conv	1,000	1.00

Abbreviations: Ab, antibody; AIDS, acquired immune deficiency syndrome; CC, case-control; Coh, cohort; Conv, convenience; HCV, hepatitis C virus; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus; MENA, Middle East and North Africa; NS, not specified; SRS, simple random sampling.

^aThe reported study design is the original study design (case control, cross sectional, cohort, or randomized controlled trial). The included prevalence measures are those for the baseline measures at the beginning of the study.

Table S2. Studies reporting HCV Ab prevalence in the general population in Middle East and North Africa.

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Study population	Original study design ^a	Samplin g	Sampl e size	HCV Ab prevalen ce (%)
Afghanistan						
Pehlivanoglu, 2011 ⁽²⁹²⁾	2009- 2009	Asylum seekers/refug ees	CS	Conv	124	4.00
Richter, 2014 ⁽²⁹³⁾	2011- 2011	Community	CS	Conv	293	1.00
Tanju, 2014 ⁽²⁹⁴⁾	2012- 2012	Children	CS	Conv	161	0.00
Tanju, 2014 ⁽²⁹⁴⁾	2012- 2012	Children	CS	Conv	169	1.20
Todd, 2008 ⁽²⁹⁵⁾	2006- 2006	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	4,452	0.31
Todd, 2012 ⁽²⁹⁶⁾	2010- 2012	Military /army personnel/ar my recruits	CS	SRS	6,849	0.73
Algeria						
Aidaoui, 2008 ⁽²⁹⁷⁾	2003- 2004	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	3,032	0.63
Ayed, 1995 ⁽⁵⁾	1992- 1993	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	424	0.24
Ayed, 1995 ⁽⁵⁾	1992- 1993	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	91	0.00

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin	Sampl	HCV Ab
		on		g	e size	prevalen
Belabas, 2015 (298)	2011- 2012	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	62	0.00
Clifford, 2017 (299)	NS	Population- based survey household members	CS	Systemati c random sampling	1,135	0.10
Egypt						
Abd Elrazek, 2014 ⁽³⁰⁰⁾	2004- 2013	Community center attendees	Coh	Conv	6,660	15.28
Abdel-Aziz, 2000 ⁽³⁰¹⁾	1997- 1997	Population- based survey household members	CS	Random cluster sampling	2,172	23.80
Abdel-Aziz, 2000 ⁽³⁰¹⁾	1997- 1997	Population- based survey household members	CS	Random cluster sampling	1,827	24.90
Abdel- Wahab, 1994 (302)	1992- 1992	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	58	0.00
Abdel- Wahab, 1994 (302)	1992- 1992	Children	CS	Conv	190	12.10

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin	Sampl	HCV Ab
		on		g	e size	prevalen
						ce (%)
Abdel-Wahab, 1994 (302)	1992-1992	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	47	12.77
Abdel-Wahab, 1994 (302)	1992-1992	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	77	14.28
Abdel-Wahab, 1994 (302)	1992-1992	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	270	18.10
Abdel-Wahab, 1994 (302)	1992-1992	Military /army personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	300	22.10
Abdel-Wahab, 1994 (302)	1992-1992	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	26	26.92
Abdel-Wahab, 1994 (302)	1992-1992	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	30	36.67
Abdel-	1992-	Population-	CS	Conv	32	40.63

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin g	Sampl e size	HCV Ab prevalen ce (%)
Wahab, 1994 (302)	1992	based survey household members				
AbdulQawi, 2011 ⁽³⁰³⁾	2003- 2008	Pregnant women	Coh	Conv	1,224	8.60
Agha, 1998 (304)	1996- 1997	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	767	13.69
Aguilar, 2008 (305)	NS	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	81	42.00
Aguilar, 2008 (305)	NS	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	78	51.00
Arafa, 2005 (306)	2002- 2003	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	1,202	16.60
Arafa, 2005 (306)	2002- 2003	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	1,059	21.40
Barakat, 2011 (307)	2005- 2005	Children	CS	Multi- stage	246	4.50

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin g	Sampl e size	HCV Ab prevalen ce (%)
Barakat, 2011 (307)	2005- 2005	Children	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	254	7.10
Bassily, 1993 (308)	NS	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	31	41.90
Bassily, 1995 (44)	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	49	12.20
Cowgill, 2004 (309)	1999- 2003	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	87	32.18
Cowgill, 2004 (309)	1999- 2003	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	135	38.52
Darwish, 1995 (310)	NS	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	188	21.80
Darwish, 1996 (311)	1994- 1994	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	46	8.00
Darwish, 1996	1994-	Population-	CS	Conv	29	20.00

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin	Sampl	HCV Ab
		on		g	e size	prevalen
(311)	1994	based survey household members				
Darwish, 1996 (311)	1994- 1994	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	47	51.00
Darwish, 2001 (312)	1994- 1994	Population- based survey household members	CC	Conv	796	40.00
Derbala, 2014 (313)	2008- 2010	Community center attendees	CS	Conv	908	8.50
Derbala, 2014 (313)	2008- 2010	Community center attendees	CS	Conv	658	11.10
Derbala, 2014 (313)	2008- 2010	Community center attendees	CS	Conv	322	19.30
Derbala, 2014 (313)	2008- 2010	Community center attendees	CS	Conv	447	23.00
Eassa, 2007 (314)	2006- 2007	Population- based survey	CS	Multi- stage	161	4.30

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin g	Sampl e size	HCV Ab prevalen ce (%)
Eassa, 2007 (³¹⁴)	2006- 2007	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	143	18.20
Edris, 2014 (³¹⁵)	2011- 2012	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	1,238	9.53
Edris, 2014 (³¹⁵)	2011- 2012	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	1,461	10.95
El Sayed Zaki, 2013 (³¹⁶)	2012- 2013	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	Conv	29	0.00
El Sayed Zaki, 2013 (³¹⁶)	2012- 2013	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	Conv	29	0.00
El Sayed Zaki, 2013 (³¹⁷)	NS	Children	CC	Conv	40	0.00
el-Ghazzawi,	NS	Healthy	CC	Conv	40	27.50

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1995 ⁽³¹⁸⁾		controls				
El-Kamary, 2015 ⁽³¹⁹⁾	2012-	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	1,250	4.20
El-Karaksy, 2010 ⁽³²⁰⁾	2006- 2007	Children	CC	Conv	1,042	1.40
el-Nanawy, 1995 ⁽³²¹⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	110	11.80
El-Raziky, 2007 ⁽³²²⁾	2004- 2004	Children	CC	Conv	1,042	1.40
el-Sadawy, 2004 ⁽³²³⁾	NS	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	640	23.40
el-Sadawy, 2004 ⁽³²³⁾	NS	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	782	27.70
el-Sayed, 1996 ⁽³²⁴⁾	1994- 1994	General population	CS	Conv	101	2.00
el-Sayed, 1996 ⁽³²⁴⁾	1994- 1994	General population	CS	Conv	103	5.80
el-Sayed, 1996 ⁽³²⁴⁾	1994- 1994	General population	CS	Conv	86	10.50
el-Sayed, 1996 ⁽³²⁴⁾	1994- 1994	General population	CS	Conv	258	11.60

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el-Sayed, 1996 (³²⁴)	1994- 1994	General population	CS	Conv	191	4.20
el-Sayed, 1997 (³²⁵)	1993- 1994	Population- based survey household members	CS	SRS	244	10.20
el-Sayed, 1997 (³²⁵)	1993- 1994	Population- based survey household members	CS	SRS	262	10.30
El-Sayed, 2006 (³²⁶)	2002- 2002	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	36	8.30
El-Sherbini, 2003 (³²⁷)	1994- 1994	Children	CS	Conv	294	5.80
El-Zanaty, 2008 (³²⁸)	2008- 2008	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	82	2.50
El-Zanaty, 2008 (³²⁸)	2008- 2008	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	87	5.00
El-Zanaty, 2008 (³²⁸)	2008- 2008	Population- based survey household	CS	Multi- stage cluster	631	7.30

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El-Zanaty, 2008 ⁽³²⁸⁾	2008-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	1,182	7.60
		household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2008 ⁽³²⁸⁾	2008-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	611	10.00
		household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2008 ⁽³²⁸⁾	2008-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	1,084	11.50
		household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2008 ⁽³²⁸⁾	2008-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	1,403	13.70
		household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2008 ⁽³²⁸⁾	2008-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	560	13.70
		household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2008 ⁽³²⁸⁾	2008-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	619	14.60
		household members		cluster sampling		

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		on		g	e size	prevalen
El-Zanaty, 2008 ⁽³²⁸⁾	2008-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	1,919	16.50
	2008	household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2008 ⁽³²⁸⁾	2008-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	1,209	19.60
	2008	household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2008 ⁽³²⁸⁾	2008-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	1,739	22.40
	2008	household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	101	2.10
	2015	household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	93	2.20
	2015	household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014-	Population-based survey	CS	Multi-stage	1,516	3.20
	2015	household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty,	2014-	Population-	CS	Multi-	1,706	3.90

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El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2015	based survey household members		stage cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014- 2015	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	1,466	4.00
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014- 2015	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	3,817	4.10
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014- 2015	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	1,489	5.30
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014- 2015	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	1,558	5.60
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014- 2015	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	1,306	7.20
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014- 2015	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	3,257	7.20

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		household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014- 2015	Population- based survey	CS	Multi- stage	5,099	7.30
		household members		cluster sampling		
El-Zanaty, 2015 ⁽³²⁹⁾	2014- 2015	Population- based survey	CS	Multi- stage	4,638	9.50
		household members		cluster sampling		
Ezzat, 2005 ⁽³³⁰⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	63	30.20
Ezzat, 2005 ⁽³³⁰⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	113	45.10
Ezzat, 2005 ⁽³³⁰⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	37	54.10
Fakeeh, 1999 ⁽³³¹⁾	1998- 1998	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	SRS	284	22.54
Farghaly, 1994 ⁽³³²⁾	NS	Military /army personnel/ar my recruits	CC	Conv	346	22.50
Farghaly, 1994 ⁽³³²⁾	NS	Military /army	CC	Conv	326	36.80

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Farghaly, 1994 ⁽³³²⁾	NS	Military /army	CC	Conv	41	48.80
Farghaly, 1998 ⁽³³³⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CS	Conv	100	8.00
Farghaly, 2014 ⁽³³⁴⁾	NS	Children	CC	Conv	50	6.00
Gad, 2001 ⁽³³⁵⁾	1998- 1998	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	50	20.00
Goldman, 2009 ⁽³³⁶⁾	1999- 2004	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	786	37.40
Hadhoud, 2003 ⁽³³⁷⁾	NS	General population	CS	Conv	110	50.00
Hammad, 2009 ⁽³³⁸⁾	2008- 2008	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	25	0.00
Hassan, 1993 ⁽³³⁹⁾	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	1,536	4.30
Hassan, 2001 ⁽³⁴⁰⁾	1995- 1996	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	35	42.90
Helmy, 1995 ⁽³⁴¹⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	110	8.10
Hindy, 1995	NS	Healthy	CC	Conv	35	17.10

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(342)		controls				
Ibrahim, 1999	1996-	Healthy	CC	Conv	30	10.00
(343)	1997	controls				
Jhaveri, 2015	2012-	Pregnant	Coh	Conv	2,514	3.90
(344)	2014	women				
Kalil, 2010 (345)	2004- 2005	Children	CC	Conv	150	8.00
Kamel, 1994 (346)	1992- 1992	Population- based survey	CS	Conv	1,259	15.90
		household members				
Kandil, 2007	2004- 2006	Children	CC	Conv	100	38.00
(347)						
Kassem, 2000 (348)	1996- 1996	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	100	19.00
Khalifa, 1993 (349)	1990- 1991	Healthy controls	CS	Conv	84	0.00
Khamis, 2014 (350)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	128	2.30
Khamis, 2014 (350)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	100	4.00
Khamis, 2014 (350)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	39	7.70
Khamis, 2014 (350)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	55	12.70

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on						
Khamis, 2014 (350)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	38	13.20
Khedr, 1995 (351)	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	91	18.70
Kumar, 1997 (352)	1994- 1996	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	499	13.00
Mansour, 2012 ⁽³⁵³⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	100	0.00
Mohamed, 1996 ⁽³⁵⁴⁾	NS	Expat workers mandatory	CS	Conv	89	6.70
		Pre- employment screening				
Mohamed, 1996 ⁽³⁵⁴⁾	NS	Expat workers mandatory	CS	Conv	146	6.80
		Pre- employment screening				
Mohamed, 1996 ⁽³⁵⁴⁾	NS	Expat workers mandatory	CS	Conv	37	10.80
		Pre- employment screening				
Mohamed, 1996 ⁽³⁵⁴⁾	NS	Expat workers mandatory	CS	Conv	183	13.10

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Mohamed, 1996 ⁽³⁵⁴⁾	NS	Expat workers mandatory	Pre- employment screening	CS	Conv	311	18.00
Mohamed, 1996 ⁽³⁵⁴⁾	NS	Expat workers mandatory	Pre- employment screening	CS	Conv	310	18.40
Mohamed, 1996 ⁽³⁵⁴⁾	NS	Expat workers mandatory	Pre- employment screening	CS	Conv	1,219	31.00
Mohamed, 1996 ⁽³⁵⁴⁾	NS	Expat workers mandatory	Pre- employment screening	CS	Conv	2,687	38.40
Mohamed, 2006 ⁽³⁵⁵⁾	1997- 1997	Population- based survey	Pre- employment screening	CS	Conv	1,423	2.30

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Mohamed, 2006 ⁽³⁵⁵⁾	1997- 1997	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	1,385	2.70
Mohamed, 2006 ⁽³⁵⁵⁾	1997- 1997	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	897	7.70
Mohamed, 2006 ⁽³⁵⁵⁾	1997- 1997	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	926	8.60
Mohamed, 2006 ⁽³⁵⁶⁾	2002- 2002	Population- based survey household members	CS	Conv	2,425	18.50
Mostafa, 2010 (357)	2001- 2006	Population- based survey household members	Coh	Multi- stage cluster sampling	4,129	12.30
Nafeh, 2000 (358)	NS	Population- based survey household	CS	Conv	3,314	6.50

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Nafeh, 2000 (³⁵⁸)	NS	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	2,717	11.30
Nooman, 1993 (³⁵⁹)	NS	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	1,000	1.00
Nooman, 1993 (³⁵⁹)	NS	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	2,000	1.90
Perumalswa mi, 2014 (³⁶⁰)	2009- 2011	General population immigrants	CS	Conv	192	15.60
Quinti, 1995 (¹⁰)	1992- 1994	fire brigade personnel	CS	Conv	541	39.00
Said, 2009 (³⁶¹)	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	50	0.00
Sayed, 2005 (³⁶²)	NS	Population-based survey household members	CS	SRS	84	14.30
Schiefelbein,	2007-	Healthy	CC	Conv	148	49.30

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on						
2012 ⁽³⁶³⁾	2009	controls				
Shebl, 2009 ⁽³⁶⁴⁾	1997-2001	Pregnant women	Coh	Conv	1,863	15.70
Stoszek, 2006 ⁽³⁶⁵⁾	1997-2003	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	2,587	15.80
Strickland, 2002 ⁽³⁶⁶⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	212	46.70
Yates, 1999 ⁽³⁶⁷⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	94	3.00
Yates, 1999 ⁽³⁶⁷⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	114	6.00
Yates, 1999 ⁽³⁶⁷⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	186	18.00
Yates, 1999 ⁽³⁶⁷⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	72	42.00
Zakaria, 2005 ⁽³⁶⁸⁾	1999-2002	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	1,439	20.80
Zakaria, 2005 ⁽³⁶⁸⁾	1999-2002	Population-based survey household members	CS	Conv	866	21.00
Zuure, 2013 ⁽³⁶⁹⁾	2009-2010	General population	CS	Non-probabilit	62	0.00

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Zuure, 2013 (369)	2009- 2010	General population immigrants	CS	Non- probabilit y sampling / targeted sampling	197	1.52
Zuure, 2013 (369)	2009- 2010	General population immigrants	CS	Non- probabilit y sampling / targeted sampling	267	3.00

Iran						
Alavi, 2012 (370)	NS	Children	CC	Conv	90	0.00
Alavian, 2015 (371)	2012- 2012	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	275	0.00
Ansari-	2008-	Community	CS	Random	1,380	0.40

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				g	e size	prevalen
						ce (%)
on						
Moghaddam, 2012 ⁽³⁷²⁾	2009			cluster sampling		
Ansari-	2008-	Community	CS	Random	1,207	0.70
Moghaddam, 2012 ⁽³⁷²⁾	2009			cluster sampling		
Ardebili, 2012 (84)	2007- 2011	General population	CS	Conv	6,095	0.20
Arfaee, 2002 (373)	NS	Veterans	CS	Conv	307	1.00
Chamani, 2007 ⁽³⁷⁴⁾	NS	Couples undergoing fertility treatment	CS	NS	716	0.00
Chamani, 2007 ⁽³⁷⁴⁾	NS	Couples undergoing fertility treatment	CS	Conv	533	0.40
Esfandiar pou r, 2005 ⁽³⁷⁵⁾	2002- 2003	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	Conv	149	1.30
Esmaeili, 2004 (376)	NS	Children	CC	NS	100	0.00
Esmaeili, 2004 (376)	NS	Children	CC	NS	100	2.00

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		on		g	e size	prevalen
Gerayli, 2015 (377)	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	134	0.00
Ghadir, 2006 (378)	NS	General population	CS	NS	736	0.50
Ghadir, 2006 (378)	NS	General population	CS	NS	1,387	1.30
Ghezeldasht, 2015 (379)	2009- 2010	General population	CS	SRS	1,227	0.60
Hajiani, 2006 (380)	2003- 2004	Other General population/ healthy population	CC	NS	500	1.20
Heydarabad, 2012 (381)	2010- 2012	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	420	0.50
Jadali, 2005 (382)	NS	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	Conv	50	0.00
Jadali, 2005 (383)	NS	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	Conv	44	0.00
Jadali, 2005 (384)	NS	Other general population/ healthy	CC	NS	50	0.00

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Jamali, 2008 (385)	NS	General population	CS	Systematic random cluster sampling	1,351	0.90
Jamali, 2008 (385)	NS	General population	CS	Conv	698	1.10
Kavoosi, 2008 (386)	2004- 2005	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	Conv	57	1.80
Kordi, 2011 (387)	NS	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	Multi-stage cluster sampling	410	0.00
Kordi, 2011 (387)	NS	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	Multi-stage cluster sampling	420	0.50
Merat, 2010 (388)	NS	General population	CS	Random cluster sampling	5,684	0.90
Moezzi, 2015 (389)	NS	General population	CS	Single-stage cluster	3,000	1.30

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sampling						
Mohebbi, 2011 ⁽³⁹⁰⁾	2007- 2008	Pregnant women	CC	Conv	174	0.00
Mohebbi, 2011 ⁽³⁹⁰⁾	2007- 2008	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	526	0.20
Mohebbi, 2011 ⁽³⁹⁰⁾	2007- 2008	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	127	0.80
Monsour- Ghanaei, 2007 (391)	NS	Community	CS	Conv	383	2.30
Moradi, 2007 (392)	2001- 2002	Community	CS	Multi- stage cluster	356	1.40
sampling						
Motlagh, 2001 (393)	1999- 2000	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	80	0.00
Mouasvi, 2011 ⁽³⁹⁴⁾	2009- 2010	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	52	0.00
Mouasvi, 2013 ⁽³⁹⁵⁾	2010- 2012	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	30	0.00
Mousavi,	NS	Other general	CS	Conv	79	0.00

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2010 ⁽³⁹⁶⁾		population/ healthy population				
Nikbakht, 2012 ⁽³⁹⁷⁾	2007- 2008	Couples undergoing fertility treatment	CS	Conv	712	0.40
Nikbakht, 2012 ⁽³⁹⁷⁾	2007- 2008	Couples undergoing fertility treatment	CS	Conv	712	0.80
Poustchi, 2011 ⁽³⁹⁸⁾	NS	General population	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	49,338	0.50
Sayad, 2008 (399)	NS	Community	CS	Systemati c cluster sampling	1,721	0.90
Shaheli, 2015 (400)	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	100	0.00
Shakeri, 2013 (401)	2010- 2011	General population	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	3,870	0.10
Shamsdin,	2010-	General	CS	Conv	2,080	0.70

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2012 ⁽⁴⁰²⁾ Sohrabpour, 2010 ⁽⁴⁰³⁾	2011 NS	population General population	CS	Random cluster sampling	5,589	0.90
Tanomand, 2007 ⁽⁴⁰⁴⁾	NS	General population	CS	SRS	346	1.40
Vahidi, 2000 (405)	NS	Children	CC	Conv	107	0.00
Yazdani, 2006 (406)	1998- 2000	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	2,000	0.60
Zamani, 2013 (407)	2008- 2011	General population	CS	Random cluster sampling	2,662	0.00
Zamani, 2013 (407)	2008- 2011	General population	CS	Random cluster sampling	3,483	0.10
Zenouz, 2010 (408)	NS	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	NS	30	0.00
Iraq						
Al Wtaify, 2000 ⁽⁴⁰⁹⁾	1998- 1999	Outpatient clinic attendees	CC	SRS	200	0.50
Abdul-Aziz,	1999-	Pre-	CS	Conv	82	0.00

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2001 ⁽¹⁰²⁾	2001	employment screening				
Abdul-Aziz, 2001 ⁽¹⁰²⁾	1999- 2001	Pre- employment screening	CS	Conv	175	0.57
Al-Jebori, 2010 ⁽⁴¹⁰⁾	2003- 2004	Mixed general population	Retrospecti ve cohort	Conv	22,324	0.15
Al-Hamdani, 2012 ⁽⁴¹¹⁾	2003- 2003	Pre- employment screening	Retrospecti ve cohort	Conv	153	7.19
Al-Jebori, 2010 ⁽⁴¹⁰⁾	2004- 2005	Mixed general population	Retrospecti ve cohort	Conv	32,685	0.25
Al-Hamdani, 2012 ⁽⁴¹¹⁾	2004- 2004	Pre- employment screening	Retrospecti ve cohort	Conv	767	1.69
Hussain, 2008 ⁽⁴¹²⁾	2004- 2005	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	63	0.00
Hussain, 2008 ⁽⁴¹²⁾	2004- 2005	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	45	0.00
Al-Azzawi, 2006 ⁽⁴¹³⁾	2004- 2004	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	100	1.00

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Tarky, 2013 (⁴¹⁴)	2005- 2006	Population-based survey household members	CS	Stratified random sampling	4,856	0.29
Tarky, 2013 (⁴¹⁴)	2005- 2006	Population-based survey household members	CS	Stratified random sampling	4,754	0.50
Al-Jebori, 2010 (⁴¹⁰)	2005- 2006	Mixed general population	Retrospective cohort	Conv	12,727	0.06
Omer, 2011 (⁴¹⁵)	2006- 2008	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	NS	350	0.29
Al-Jebori, 2010 (⁴¹⁰)	2006- 2007	Mixed general population	Retrospective cohort	Conv	25,544	0.18
Al-Hamdani, 2012 (⁴¹¹)	2006- 2006	Pre-employment screening	Retrospective cohort	Conv	419	4.77
Salman, 2007 (⁴¹⁶)	2006- 2007	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	60	0.00
Al-Jebori, 2010 (⁴¹⁰)	2007- 2008	Mixed general population	Retrospective cohort	Conv	10,075	0.04
Saadoon, 2008 (⁴¹⁷)	2007- 2007	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	875	5.14

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				g	e size	prevalen
						ce (%)
on						
Al-Zamili, 2009 ⁽⁴¹⁸⁾	2007- 2008	Children	CC	Conv	325	0.00
Al-Ani, 2011 (419)	2007- 2009	Children	CC	Conv	60	0.00
Al-Saad, 2009 (420)	2008- 2008	Other General population/ healthy population	CC	Conv	73	0.00
Al-Saad, 2009 (420)	2008- 2008	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	Conv	27	0.00
Al-Jebori, 2010 ⁽⁴¹⁰⁾	2008- 2009	Mixed general population	Retrospecti ve cohort	Conv	17,105	0.13
Abed, 2010 (421)	2008- 2008	Other general population/ healthy population	CC	SRS	31	3.23
Al-Hamdani, 2012 ⁽⁴¹¹⁾	2008- 2008	Pre- employment screening	Retrospecti ve cohort	Conv	867	2.19
Al-Hamdani, 2012 ⁽⁴¹¹⁾	2009- 2009	Pre- employment screening	Retrospecti ve cohort	Conv	1,956	2.35
Al-Dulaimi,	2010-	Healthy	CS	Conv	24	0.00

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on						
2012 ⁽⁴²²⁾	2011	controls				
Fawzi, 2011 ⁽⁴²³⁾	2010-	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	127	0.00
Fawzi, 2011 ⁽⁴²³⁾	2010-	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	51	0.00
Fawzi, 2011 ⁽⁴²³⁾	2010-	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	26	0.00
Fawzi, 2011 ⁽⁴²³⁾	2010-	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	171	1.17
Fawzi, 2011 ⁽⁴²³⁾	2010-	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	52	1.92
Fawzi, 2011 ⁽⁴²³⁾	2010-	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	93	3.23
Richter, 2014 ⁽²⁹³⁾	2011-	Other general population/	CS	Conv	290	0.34
		healthy population				
Naji, 2013 ⁽⁴²⁴⁾	2011-	Newly married	CS	Conv	100	1.00
		individuals				
Naji, 2013 ⁽⁴²⁴⁾	2011-	Newly married	CS	Conv	100	2.00
		individuals				
Al-Greti, 2013 ⁽⁴²⁵⁾	2011-	Other general population/	CS	Conv	50	4.00

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healthy population						
Al-Kubaisy, 2002 ⁽⁴²⁶⁾	NS	Pregnant women	CS	SRS	3,491	3.21
Chironna, 2003 ⁽⁴²⁷⁾	NS	Asylum seekers/refugees	CS	Conv	71	0.00
Chironna, 2003 ⁽⁴²⁷⁾	NS	Asylum seekers/refugees	CS	Conv	566	0.18
Toffik, 2006 (126)	NS	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	100	0.00
Al-Kubaisy, 2000 ⁽⁴²⁸⁾	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	3,491	3.21
Hussein, 2017 (429)	NS	Community center attendees	CS	Conv	2,975	0.03
Hussein, 2017 (429)	NS	Asylum seekers/refugees	CS	Conv	880	0.00
Jordan						
Hamoudi, 2013 ⁽⁴³⁰⁾	NS	Community center attendees	CS	SRS	53	0.00

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on						
Hamoudi, 2013 ⁽⁴³⁰⁾	NS	Community center attendees	CS	SRS	142	0.00
Hamoudi, 2013 ⁽⁴³⁰⁾	NS	Community center attendees	CS	SRS	511	0.59
Mansi, 2014 ⁽⁴³¹⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CS	Conv	40	0.00
Kuwait						
Al-Mutairi, 2013 ⁽⁴³²⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	1,148	0.52
Chehadeh, 2011 ⁽⁴³³⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	308	0.00
Chehadeh, 2011 ⁽⁴³³⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	132	3.00
Lebanon						
Nabulsi, 1997 ⁽⁴³⁴⁾	1993- 1995	Pregnant women	CS	NS	558	0.00
Abou Rached, 2016 ⁽⁴³⁵⁾	2011- 2012	Population-based survey (laboratories)	CS	Conv	1,928	0.21
Abou Rached, 2016 ⁽⁴³⁵⁾	2011- 2012	Population-based survey (laboratories)	CS	Conv	3,748	0.08
Abou Rached,	2011-	Population-	CS	Conv	13,950	0.13

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on						
2016 ⁽⁴³⁵⁾	2012	based survey (laboratories)				
Abou Rached, 2016 ⁽⁴³⁵⁾	2011- 2012	Population- based survey (laboratories)	CS	Conv	5,296	0.60
Abou Rached, 2016 ⁽⁴³⁵⁾	2011- 2012	Population- based survey (laboratories)	CS	Conv	2,284	0.13
Abou Rached, 2016 ⁽⁴³⁵⁾	2011- 2012	Population- based survey (laboratories)	CS	Conv	3,941	0.10
Baddoura, 2002 ⁽⁴³⁶⁾	NS	Population- based survey (laboratories)	CS	Conv	2,879	0.59
Baddoura, Baddoura Salem, 2003 (140)	NS	General population immigrants Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	103	2.91
Libya						
Daw, 2002 ⁽¹⁴²⁾	1999- 2001	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	800	1.60

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		on		g	e size	prevalen
Shabash, 2010 (437)	2003- 2008	General population	CS	Conv	1,008,2 14	1.77
Elzouki, 2013 (438)	2005- 2005	Population-based survey household members	CS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	32,996	1.30
Elzouki, 2013 (438)	2005- 2005	Population-based survey household members	CS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	32,765	1.20
Daw, 2014 (439)	2011- 2011	General population	CS	Conv	7,500	0.56
Daw, 2014 (439)	2011- 2011	General population	CS	Conv	1,670	2.63
Morocco						
Cacoub, 2000 (440)	1995- 1996	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	503	6.70
Lahlou	2002-	Military	CS	Conv	16,000	0.35
Amine, 2010 (146)	2005	/army personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	12,497	1.48
Baha, 2013 (148)	2005- 2011	General population	CS	Stratified random cluster		

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Baha, 2013 (¹⁴⁸)	2005- 2011	General population	CS	Stratified random cluster sampling	28,772	1.62
Benouda, 2009 (⁴⁴¹)	2005- 2007	General population	CS	Conv	5,124	1.82
Benouda, 2009 (⁴⁴¹)	2005- 2007	General population	CS	Conv	3,202	2.13
Masvidal, 2010 (⁴⁴²)	2005- 2006	Children	CS	Conv	231	0.43
Doblali, 2014 (⁴⁴³)	2010- 2012	Military /army personnel/ar my recruits	CS	Conv	15,320	0.25
Benjelloun, 1996 (¹⁵³)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	676	1.00
Akil, 2012 (⁴⁴⁴)	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	161	1.20
Tagajdid, 2012 (⁴⁴⁵)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	400	0.00
Oman						
Al Dhahry, 1993 (¹⁵⁵)	NS	College students	CS	Conv	134	0.00
Pakistan						

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on						
Agboatwalla, 1994 ⁽⁴⁴⁶⁾	1990- 1991	Children	CS	Conv	226	0.44
Luby, 1997 ⁽⁴⁴⁷⁾	1993- 1993	General population	CS	SRS	309	6.50
Khan, 2000 ⁽⁴⁴⁸⁾	1995- 1995	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	50	32.00
Khan, 2000 ⁽⁴⁴⁸⁾	1995- 1995	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	85	51.00
Muhammad, 2005 ⁽⁴⁴⁹⁾	1998- 2002	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	16,400	4.57
Idrees, 2008 ⁽⁴⁵⁰⁾	1999- 2007	General population	CS	SRS	5,678	14.59
Idrees, 2008 ⁽⁴⁵⁰⁾	1999- 2007	General population	CS	SRS	1,139	12.37
Aslam, 2001 ⁽⁴⁵¹⁾	NS	General population	CS	Conv	488	15.90
Aslam, 2001 ⁽⁴⁵¹⁾	NS	General population	CS	Conv	1,922	23.80
Khokhar, 2004 ⁽⁴⁵²⁾	2001- 2002	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	503	4.80
Jaffery, 2005 ⁽⁴⁵³⁾	2001- 2002	Pregnant women	CC	Conv	947	3.27

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on						
Hakim, 2008 (454)	2002- 2006	Women in childbearing ages	CS	Conv	4,000	5.23
Ali, 2009 ⁽⁴⁵⁵⁾	2003- 2005	General population	CS	SRS	130	7.69
Ali, 2009 ⁽⁴⁵⁵⁾	2003- 2005	General population	CS	SRS	336	8.92
Ali, 2009 ⁽⁴⁵⁵⁾	2003- 2005	General population	CS	SRS	90	6.66
Ali, 2009 ⁽⁴⁵⁵⁾	2003- 2005	General population	CS	SRS	176	5.68
Ali, 2009 ⁽⁴⁵⁵⁾	2003- 2005	General population	CS	SRS	318	5.03
Ali, 2009 ⁽⁴⁵⁵⁾	2003- 2005	General population	CS	SRS	116	5.17
Rifat uz, 2006 (456)	2004- 2004	General population	CS	Conv	924	7.36
Rifat uz, 2006 (456)	2004- 2004	General population	CS	Conv	2,133	4.14
Rifat uz, 2006 (456)	2004- 2004	General population	CS	Conv	867	3.92
Rifat uz, 2006 (456)	2004- 2004	General population	CS	Conv	491	6.52
Rifat uz, 2006 (456)	2004- 2004	General population	CS	Conv	1,213	4.70

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		on		g	e size	ce (%)
Rifat uz, 2006 (456)	2004- 2004	General population	CS	Conv	1,187	3.45
Butt, 2008 (457)	2004- 2005	Military /army personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	2,296	1.92
Butt, 2008 (457)	2004- 2005	Military /army personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	700	4.14
Butt, 2008 (457)	2004- 2005	Military /army personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	2,378	0.88
Butt, 2008 (457)	2004- 2005	Military /army personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	333	0.90
Sami, 2009 (458)	2005- 2005	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	5,902	1.80
Janjua, 2010 (459)	2005- 2005	General population	CS	Systemati c cluster sampling	649	19.00
Janjua, 2010 (459)	2005- 2005	General population	CS	Systemati c cluster	1,348	26.00

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sampling						
Aziz, 2011 ⁽⁴⁶⁰⁾	2005- 2009	ANC attendees	CS	Conv	18,000	5.79
Gul, 2009 ⁽⁴⁶¹⁾	2006- 2007	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	500	8.90
Shaikh, 2009 ⁽⁴⁶²⁾	2006- 2007	General population	CS	Conv	353	7.37
Shaikh, 2009 ⁽⁴⁶²⁾	2006- 2007	General population	CS	Conv	79	5.06
Sheikh, 2009 ⁽⁴⁶²⁾	2006- 2006	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	2,592	0.69
Hashmi, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶³⁾	2006- 2006	women in childbearing ages	CS	Multi- stage cluster	252	24.60
sampling						
Taseer, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁴⁾	2006- 2007	Pregnant women	CS	Purposiv e	208	5.28
Taseer, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁴⁾	2006- 2007	Pregnant women	CS	Purposiv e	263	6.84
Taseer, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁴⁾	2006- 2007	Pregnant women	CS	Purposiv e	29	20.68
Junejo, 2009 ⁽⁴⁶⁵⁾	2007- 2008	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	931	17.20
Aziz, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁶⁾	2007-	General	CS	Conv	129	3.90

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		on		g	e size	prevalen
Aziz, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁶⁾	2008	population				
Hyder, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁷⁾	2007-	General	CS	Conv	388	28.60
	2008	population				
Hyder, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁷⁾	2007-	Other general	CS	Conv	625	9.60
	2009	population/				
		healthy				
		population				
Hyder, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁷⁾	2007-	Other general	CS	Conv	1,892	9.40
	2009	population/				
		healthy				
		population				
Hyder, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁷⁾	2007-	Other general	CS	Conv	2,736	8.80
	2009	population/				
		healthy				
		population				
Hyder, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁷⁾	2007-	Other general	CS	Conv	16,522	7.30
	2009	population/				
		healthy				
		population				
Hyder, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁷⁾	2007-	Other general	CS	Conv	9,770	6.80
	2009	population/				
		healthy				
		population				
Hyder, 2010 ⁽⁴⁶⁷⁾	2007-	Other general	CS	Conv	1,620	6.70
	2009	population/				

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healthy population						
Hyder, 2010 (⁴⁶⁷)	2007- 2009	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	445	6.70
Hyder, 2010 (⁴⁶⁷)	2007- 2009	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	24,707	6.20
Hyder, 2010 (⁴⁶⁷)	2007- 2009	Other general population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	363	5.00
Qureshi, 2010 (⁴⁶⁸)	2007- 2008	General population	CS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	24,444	4.90
Qureshi, 2010 (⁴⁶⁸)	2007- 2008	General population	CS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	22,599	4.80
Ahmed, 2012 (⁴⁶⁹)	2007- 2009	General population	CS	Multi-stage cluster	709	7.62

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sampling						
Ahmed, 2012 (469)	2007- 2009	General population	CS	Multi- stage cluster	1,291	4.34
sampling						
Memon, 2012 (470)	2007- 2008	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	457	8.97
Saleem, 2011 (471)	2008- 2008	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	4,230	6.08
Saleem, 2011 (471)	2008- 2008	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	5,334	6.64
Khan, 2012 (472)	2008- 2008	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	1,443	4.37
Ali, 2010 ⁽⁴⁷³⁾	2009- 2010	College students	CS	SRS	300	7.33
Ali, 2010 ⁽⁴⁷³⁾	2009- 2010	College students	CS	SRS	100	6.00
Rauf, 2011 ⁽⁴⁷⁴⁾	2009- 2009	Asylum seekers/refug ees	CS	Conv	290	6.20
Rauf, 2011 ⁽⁴⁷⁴⁾	2009-	Asylum	CS	Conv	300	11.30

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on						
	2009	seekers/refug				
		ees				
Hossain, 2012 (475)	2009- 2011	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	47	12.80
Muhammad, 2012 (476)	2009- 2010	Children	CS	Conv	584	7.70
Jamil, 2010 (477)	2010- 2010	General population	CS	Conv	254	11.80
Jamil, 2010 (477)	2010- 2010	General population	CS	Conv	394	9.40
Hafeez ud, 2012 (478)	2010- 2010	Military /army	CS	Conv	14,027	3.13
		personnel/ar my recruits				
Khan, 2013 (479)	2010- 2011	General population	CS	SRS	679	8.00
Seema, 2013 (480)	2010- 2010	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	3,078	4.70
Bhatti, 2016 (481)	2010- 2015	General population	CS	Conv	31,560	15.93
Nawaz, 2012 (482)	2011- 2011	General population	CS	Conv	435	12.20
Rauf, 2013 (483)	2011- 2011	General population	CS	Conv	117	8.50
Kumari, 2015	2012-	Pregnant	CS	Conv	300	13.30

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on						
(484)	2012	women				
Azhar, 2016	2012-	General	CS	Conv	854	12.30
(485)	2014	population				
Ilyas, 2014 (486)	2013-	General	CS	Conv	543	15.40
	2014	population				
Ilyas, 2014 (486)	2013-	General	CS	Conv	439	9.70
	2014	population				
Gohar, 2016	2013-	Industrial	CS	Conv	22,046	0.56
(487)	2014	labor workers				
Ahmad, 2016	2013-	Pregnant	CS	Conv	10,288	1.42
(488)	2014	women				
Khan, 2018	2014-	Refugees	CS	Conv &	1,000	5.20
(489)	2015			SRS		
Donchuk,	2015-	Outpatient	CS	Conv	4,589	27.00
2016 (490)	2016	clinic				
		attendees				
Ghanghro,	2015-	Pregnant	CS	Conv	175	7.43
2016 (204)	2015	women				
Parveen, 2017	2017-	Pregnant	NS	Conv	252	11.51
(491)	2017	women				
Parker, 1999	NS	Children	CS	Conv	538	1.30
(492)						
Parker, 1999	NS	Pregnant	CS	Conv	417	6.70
(492)		women				
Aslam, 2005	NS	General	CS	Conv	523	14.90

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(493)		population				
Jafri, 2006 (494)	NS	Children	CS	Conv	1,826	1.75
Jafri, 2006 (494)	NS	Children	CS	Conv	1,707	1.35
Abbas, 2008 (495)	NS	General	CS	Systemati c cluster sampling	471	35.90
Abbas, 2008 (495)	NS	General	CS	Systemati c cluster sampling	402	31.10
Jalbani, 2009 (496)	NS	General	CS	Conv	406	30.29
Abbas, 2010 (497)	NS	General	CS	Conv	504	3.17
Iqbal, 2011 (498)	NS	General	CS	Conv	600	5.00
Yousaf, 2011 (499)	NS	General	CS	SRS	120	29.17
Abbas, 2013 (500)	NS	General	CS	Conv	1,872	7.50
Abbas, 2013 (500)	NS	General	CS	Conv	928	5.90
Ali, 2014 (501)	NS	General	CS	Conv	1,419	11.70
Khan, 2016 (502)	NS	General	CS	NS	205	11.71

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Akhtar, 2016 (503)	NS	General population (male)	CS	Conv	139	73.38
Akhtar, 2016 (503)	NS	General population (female)	CS	Conv	91	61.54
Afsheen, 2017 (504)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	SRS	150	6.67
Afsheen, 2017 (504)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	SRS	150	6.00
Afsheen, 2017 (504)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	SRS	150	4.67
Afsheen, 2017 (504)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	SRS	150	3.33
Afsheen, 2017 (504)	NS	Pregnant women	CS	SRS	150	8.67
Palestine						
Shemer-Avni, 1998 (223)	NS	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	SRS	124	8.87
Qatar						
Sharma, 2010 (505)	2008- 2009	General population	CS	Conv	7,212	0.80
Derbala, 2014 (313)	2008- 2010	Community	CS	Conv	908	8.50

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				g	e size	prevalen
						ce (%)
on						
Derbala, 2014 (313)	2008- 2010	Community	CS	Conv	658	11.10
Derbala, 2014 (313)	2008- 2010	Community	CS	Conv	322	19.30
Sharma, 2014 (506)	NS	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	Conv	4,000	0.80
Sharma, 2014 (506)	NS	Community	CS	Conv	3,212	1.00
Saudi Arabia						
Al-Faleh, 1991 (507)	1989- 1990	Children	CS	Single- stage cluster sampling	2,412	0.90
Al-Faleh, 1991 (507)	1989- 1990	Children	CS	Single- stage cluster sampling	2,084	0.80
Al Karawi, 1992 ⁽²²⁵⁾	1989- 1990	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	385	1.00
Bahakim, 2001 ⁽²²⁶⁾	1990- 1990	Pregnant women	CS	SRS	260	4.60
Al Nasser, 1992 ⁽⁵⁰⁸⁾	NS	Mixed general population	CS	Conv	441	3.60
Al Nasser,	NS	Mixed general	CS	Conv	390	3.10

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1992 ⁽⁵⁰⁸⁾ Al Nasser,	NS	population Other general	CS	Conv	44	4.50
1992 ⁽⁵⁰⁸⁾ Al Sohaibani,	1992- 1995 ⁽⁵⁰⁹⁾	population/ healthy	College students	CS	Conv	225
Njoh, 1997 (510)	1995- 1996	population/ healthy	Other general	CS	Conv	117
Njoh, 1997 (510)	1995- 1996	population/ healthy	Other general	CS	Conv	189
El Rifaei, 1998 (511)	1995- 1997	population/ healthy	Other general	CS	Conv	32
Ayoola, 2004 (512)	1995- 1998	population/ healthy	Other general	CC	SRS	118
Alsuhaimani, 2015 ⁽⁵¹³⁾	1996- 2014	population/	Other general	CS	Conv	263

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healthy population						
Fakeeh, 1999 (331)	NS	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	SRS	2,333	5.87
Fakeeh, 1999 ⁽³³¹⁾	NS	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	SRS	284	22.54
Fakeeh, 1999 (331)	NS	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	SRS	236	2.12
Fakeeh, 1999 (331)	NS	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	SRS	201	4.98
Fakeeh, 1999 (331)	NS	Outpatient clinic attendees	CS	SRS	296	3.38
Qasim, 2003 (514)	NS	Military personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	14,994	4.10
Tonsi, 2005 (515)	1999- 2001	Healthy controls	CS	SRS	65	4.60
Al Ajlan, 2011 (516)	2000- 2007	College students	CS	Conv	6,268	0.03

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on						
Al Ajlan, 2011 (⁵¹⁶)	2000- 2007	College students	CS	Conv	4,486	0.07
Al Ajlan, 2011 (⁵¹⁶)	2000- 2007	College students	CS	Conv	3,584	0.31
Al Ajlan, 2011 (⁵¹⁶)	2000- 2007	College students	CS	Conv	2,232	0.40
Khalaf, 2004 (⁵¹⁷)	2002- 2003	Other General population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	36	5.60
Mansoor, 2011 (⁵¹⁸)	2006- 2008	Couples undergoing fertility treatment	CS	Conv	462	1.10
Mansoor, 2011 (⁵¹⁸)	2006- 2008	Couples undergoing fertility treatment	CS	Conv	462	0.00
Alswaidi, 2010 (⁵¹⁹)	NS	Pre-marital screening	CS	Conv	11,771	0.35
Alswaidi, 2010 (⁵¹⁹)	NS	Pre-marital screening	CS	Conv	1,577	0.95
Alswaidi, 2010 (⁵¹⁹)	NS	Pre-marital screening	CS	Conv	3,434	0.67
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	8,200	0.20

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2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	2,687	0.11
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	4,217	0.26
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	2,893	0.24
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	2,131	0.75
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	6,779	0.44
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	10,585	0.37
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	4,079	0.42
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	560	0.71
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	1,617	0.19
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	4,090	0.00
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	2,331	0.17
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				
Alswaidi,	NS	Pre-marital	CS	Conv	1,592	0.31
2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾		screening				

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on						
Alswaidi, 2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾	NS	Pre-marital screening	CS	Conv	2,506	0.44
Alswaidi, 2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾	NS	Pre-marital screening	CS	Conv	976	0.31
Alswaidi, 2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾	NS	Pre-marital screening	CS	Conv	1,739	0.06
Alswaidi, 2010 ⁽⁵¹⁹⁾	NS	Pre-marital screening	CS	Conv	898	0.11
Abdel- Moneim, 2012 (520)	2008- 2011	General population	CS	Conv	7,914	7.94
Abdel- Moneim, 2012 (520)	2008- 2011	General population	CS	Conv	7,409	6.69
Aljarbou, 2012 ⁽⁵²¹⁾	2008- 2010	General population	CS	Conv	4,041	0.70
Aljarbou, 2012 ⁽⁵²¹⁾	2008- 2010	General population	CS	Conv	4,041	0.20
Halawani, 2014 ⁽⁵²²⁾	2008- 2010	Other General population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	50	0.00
Eisa, 2012 ⁽⁵²³⁾	2009- 2010	Pre-marital screening	CS	Conv	28,134	0.22
Al-Mandeel,	2010-	Pregnant	CS	Conv	3,051	0.07

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin	Sampl	HCV Ab
on						
2015 ⁽⁵²⁴⁾	2011	women				
Fakunle, 1991 ⁽⁵²⁵⁾	NS	General population	CS	Conv	511	1.17
Al Nasser, 1992 ⁽²⁵³⁾	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	180	3.30
Al Mugeiren, 1992 ⁽⁵²⁶⁾	NS	Children	CS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	280	1.00
Al Fawaz, 1993 ⁽⁵²⁷⁾	NS	Children	CS	Conv	120	0.80
Al Faleh, 1995 ⁽⁵²⁸⁾	NS	General population	CS	Conv	705	2.30
Al Faleh, 1995 ⁽⁵²⁸⁾	NS	General population	CS	Conv	777	1.40
Bakir, 1995 ⁽⁵²⁹⁾	NS	Children	CS	Conv	168	1.20
Al Fawaz, 1996 ⁽⁵³⁰⁾	NS	Children	CS	Conv	50	6.00
Al Fawaz, 1996 ⁽⁵³⁰⁾	NS	Children	CS	Conv	143	1.40
Al Mugeiren, 1996 ⁽⁵³¹⁾	NS	Children	CC	Conv	220	1.40
Harakati, 2000 ⁽⁵³²⁾	NS	Healthy controls	CC	SRS	104	3.00

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin	Sampl	HCV Ab
				g	e size	prevalen
						ce (%)
on						
Shoobakshi, 2003 ⁽⁵³³⁾	NS	Children	CS	Conv	3,854	0.10
Shoobakshi, 2003 ⁽⁵³³⁾	NS	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	3,127	0.70
Alzahrani, 2009 ⁽⁵³⁴⁾	NS	Expat workers mandatory pre- employment screening	CS	Conv	875	0.46
Alqahtani, 2014 ⁽⁵³⁵⁾	NS	College students	CS	Conv	300	0.30
Somalia						
Bile, 1992 ⁽⁵³⁶⁾	NS	Children	NS	Conv	309	1.90
Bile, 1992 ⁽⁵³⁶⁾	NS	Children	NS	Conv	287	1.00
Aceti, 1993 (537)	1988- 1990	Other general population/ healthy population	NS	Conv	309	0.97
Bile, 1993 ⁽⁵³⁸⁾	1989- 1989	Healthy controls	NS	Conv	62	6.50
Watts, 1994 (539)	NS	Military /army personnel/ar my recruits	NS	Conv	79	1.30
Sudan						

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin g	Sampl e size	HCV Ab prevalen ce (%)
McCarthy, 1994 ⁽⁵⁴⁰⁾	1989- 1989	Outpatient clinic attendees	NS	Conv	651	3.20
Omer, 2001 (541)	1996- 1998	General population	NS	Single- stage cluster sampling	199	1.50
Mudawi, 2007 (542)	2000- 2000	General population	NS	Conv	410	2.20
Elsheikh, 2007 ⁽⁵⁴³⁾	2006- 2006	Pregnant women	NS	Conv	423	0.60
Osman, 2014 (544)	2011- 2011	Pregnant women	NS	Conv	396	1.30
Mohamedani, 2014 ⁽⁵⁴⁵⁾	2014- 2014	General population	NS	Conv	100	4.00
Syria						
Karim, 2008 (546)	2004- 2004	Community	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	2,445	0.65
Syrian Ministry of Health, 2006 (547)	2005- 2006	Community	CS	Random cluster sampling	1,217	1.56
Syrian	2005-	Community	CS	Random	763	2.10

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin g	Sampl e size	HCV Ab prevalen ce (%)
Ministry of Health, 2006 (547)	2006			cluster sampling		
Angeletti, 2015-2016 (548)	2015-2015	Asylum seekers/refugees	CS	Conv	48	0.00
Tunisia						
Coursaget, 1982-1990 (549)	1982-1986	General population	CS	Conv	99	3.00
Triki, 1997 (550)	1993-1994	Military personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	2,230	0.31
Triki, 1997 (550)	1993-1994	Military personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	7,894	0.15
Gorgi, 1998 (551)	1994-1996	General population	CS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	1,203	0.09
Gorgi, 1998 (551)	1994-1996	General population	CS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	1,876	0.61

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin	Sampl	HCV Ab
		on		g	e size	prevalen
Mejri, 2005 (552)	1996- 1996	Population-based survey household members	CS	Populatio n-based survey	1,777	1.52
Mejri, 2005 (552)	1996- 1996	General population	CS	Populatio n-based survey	2,380	1.89
Mejri, 2005 (552)	1996- 1996	General population	CS	Populatio n-based survey	3,113	0.16
Mejri, 2005 (552)	1996- 1996	General population	CS	Populatio n-based survey	4,237	0.21
Bizid, 2015 (553)	2003- 2012	Military personnel/army recruits	CS	Conv	175,322	0.07
Kaabia, 2009 (554)	2003- 2003	Population-based survey (laboratories)	CS	Conv	1,315	0.60
Ben Alaya	2004-	Community	CS	Conv	294	3.05
Bouaif, 2007 (555)	2004					
Hannachi, 2011 ⁽⁵⁵⁶⁾	2006- 2006	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	404	0.50

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin	Sampl	HCV Ab
				g	e size	prevalen
						ce (%)
on						
Hannachi, 2010 (273)	2008- 2009	Children	CC	Conv	60	0.00
Langar, 2005 (557)	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	180	0.00
Samoud, 2011 (558)	NS	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	64	0.00
Triki, 1994 (278)	NS	Other General population/ healthy population	CS	Conv	735	0.40
Bettaieb, 2017 (559)	NS	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	1,279	1.96
Bettaieb, 2017 (559)	NS	Population- based survey household members	CS	Multi- stage cluster sampling	1,919	4.33

Tunisia, Morocco, Algeria

Bahri, 2011 (560)	2002- 2005	Healthy controls	CC	Conv	250	4.40
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United Arab Emirates

Kumar, 1997 (352)	1994- 1996	Pregnant women	CS	Conv	499	13.00
Kumar, 1998	1994-	Pregnant	CS	Conv	699	13.40

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin	Sampl	HCV Ab prevalen
on						
(561)	1996	women				
Newson-Smith, 2010	NS	expat workers mandatory	CS	Conv	157	4.50
(562)		pre- employment screening				
Fakhry, 2011	2008-	College	CS	Conv	1,264	0.40
(563)	2010	students				
EMRO, 2011	NS	Pre-marital screening	CS	Conv	18,379	0.51
(96)						
Sheek-Hussein, 2012	2011- 2012	College students	CS	Conv	182	0.00
(564)						

Yemen						
Denis, 1994	1988-	Mixed general	NS	Conv	51	3.90
(565)	1990	population				
Gray, 1999	1992-	General	NS	Conv	253	0.00
(566)	1992	population				
Gray, 1999	1992-	General	NS	Conv	158	1.30
(566)	1992	population				
Gray, 1999	1992-	General	NS	Conv	175	1.10
(566)	1992	population				
Salem, 2009	2005-	Healthy	NS	SRS	8,055	3.50
(567)	2007	controls				
Salem, 2009	2005-	Healthy	NS	SRS	12,274	4.30

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin	Sampl	HCV Ab
		on		g	e size	prevalen
(567)	2007	controls				
Al-Nabehi, 2015 (568)	NS	General population	NS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	261	1.50
Al-Nabehi, 2015 (568)	NS	General population	NS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	171	0.60
Al-Nabehi, 2015 (568)	NS	General population	NS	Multi-stage cluster sampling	696	0.00
Gacche, 2012 (569)	2010- 2010	General population	NS	Systematic random cluster sampling	168	0.18
Gacche, 2012 (569)	2010- 2010	General population	NS	Systematic random cluster sampling	386	1.81
Gacche, 2012 (569)	2010- 2011	General population	NS	Systematic random sampling	2,379	1.30
Murad, 2013	2011-	Pregnant	NS	Conv	400	8.50

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Study population	Original study design^a	Samplin g	Sampl e size	HCV Ab prevalen ce (%)
(570)	2011	women				
Guneid, 1993 (289)	NS	Pregnant women	NS	Conv	243	3.30
Guneid, 1993 (289)	NS	Other General population/ healthy population	NS	NS	537	2.10
Al-Moslih, 2001 (571)	NS	Healthy controls	NS	Conv	120	4.20

Abbreviations: Ab, antibody; AIDS, acquired immune deficiency syndrome; CC, case-control; Coh, cohort; Conv, convenience; HCV, hepatitis C virus; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus; MENA, Middle East and North Africa; NS, not specified; SRS, simple random sampling.

^aThe reported study design is the original study design (case control, cross sectional, cohort, or randomized controlled trial). The included prevalence measures are those for the baseline measures at the beginning of the study.

Table S3. Studies reporting HCV viremic rate in blood donors and the general population in Middle East and North Africa.

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e popula tions tested for RNA	HCV viremic rate (%)
Blood donors				
Tanaka, 2004 (16)	1999- 1999	Egypt	317	71.00
Obied, 2014 ⁽¹²⁰⁾	2012- 2013	Fertile Crescent	20	65.00
Tawfeeq, 2013 (119)	2011- 2012	Fertile Crescent	45	68.90
Rashdan, 2008 (128)	2004- 2006	Fertile Crescent	29	89.60
Shemer-Avni, 1998 ⁽²²³⁾	NS	Fertile Crescent	34	71.00
Doosti, 2009 ⁽⁶⁹⁾	2003- 2004	Iran	66	62.00
Farshadpour, 2010 ⁽⁹⁰⁾	2007- 2008	Iran	55	81.82

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e popula tions tested for RNA	HCV viremic rate (%)
Karim, 2016 ⁽⁵⁷²⁾	2015- 2015	Pakistan	60	93.00

Other General populations

Abdel-Aziz, 2000 ⁽³⁰¹⁾	1997- 1997	Egypt	973	65.50
AbdulQawi, 2011 ⁽³⁰³⁾	2003- 2008	Egypt	105	79.00
Agha, 1998 ⁽³⁰⁴⁾	1996- 1997	Egypt	105	26.87
Aguilar, 2008 (305)	NS	Egypt	40	67.50
Aguilar, 2008 (305)	NS	Egypt	34	72.00
Arafa, 2005 ⁽³⁰⁶⁾	2002- 2003	Egypt	475	59.90
Barakat, 2011	2005-	Egypt	29	75.90

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e	HCV viremic rate (%)
popula tions tested for RNA				

(307)	2005			
Cowgill, 2004	1999-	Egypt	80	65.00
(309)	2003			
Darwish, 1995	NS	Egypt	41	76.00
(310)				
Derbala, 2014	2008-	Egypt	315	100
(313)	2010			
El-Kamary, 2015 (319)	2012- 2013	Egypt	52	58.00
El-Karaksy, 2010 (320)	2006- 2007	Egypt	15	33.30
el-Sadawy, 2004 (323)	NS	Egypt	367	29.70
El-Sherbini, 2003 (327)	1994- 1994	Egypt	17	41.00
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	182	67.79
(328)	2008			

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e popula tions tested for RNA	HCV viremic rate (%)
El-Zanaty, 2008 (328)	2008- 2008	Egypt	145	66.90
El-Zanaty, 2008 (328)	2008- 2008	Egypt	140	70.20
El-Zanaty, 2008 (328)	2008- 2008	Egypt	129	69.32
El-Zanaty, 2008 (328)	2008- 2008	Egypt	122	65.20
El-Zanaty, 2008 (328)	2008- 2008	Egypt	116	60.01
El-Zanaty, 2008 (328)	2008- 2008	Egypt	114	68.75
El-Zanaty, 2008 (328)	2008- 2008	Egypt	96	62.85
El-Zanaty, 2008 (328)	2008- 2008	Egypt	87	70.44
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	75	76.66

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e	HCV viremic rate (%)
popula tions tested for RNA				

(328)	2008			
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	70	62.60
(328)	2008			
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	70	73.78
(328)	2008			
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	58	53.61
(328)	2008			
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	54	66.15
(328)	2008			
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	52	61.12
(328)	2008			
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	40	65.03
(328)	2008			
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	32	74.61
(328)	2008			
El-Zanaty, 2008	2008-	Egypt	28	71.08
(328)	2008			

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e popula tions tested for RNA	HCV viremic rate (%)
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	207	74.99
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	185	66.45
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	162	66.35
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	155	63.68
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	114	69.48
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	108	69.82
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	100	75.07
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	80	73.35
El-Zanaty, 2015	2015-	Egypt	71	81.13

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e	HCV viremic rate (%)
popula tions tested for RNA				

(329)	2015			
El-Zanaty, 2015	2015-	Egypt	73	73.92
(329)	2015			
El-Zanaty, 2015	2015-	Egypt	64	57.49
(329)	2015			
El-Zanaty, 2015	2015-	Egypt	80	78.15
(329)	2015			
El-Zanaty, 2015	2015-	Egypt	63	69.68
(329)	2015			
El-Zanaty, 2015	2015-	Egypt	40	68.43
(329)	2015			
El-Zanaty, 2015	2015-	Egypt	40	66.06
(329)	2015			
El-Zanaty, 2015	2015-	Egypt	24	72.82
(329)	2015			
El-Zanaty, 2015	2015-	Egypt	18	42.57
(329)	2015			

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e popula tions tested for RNA	HCV viremic rate (%)
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	16	78.01
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	10	70.55
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	11	67.11
El-Zanaty, 2015 (329)	2015- 2015	Egypt	17	27.54
Jhaveri, 2015 (344)	2012- 2014	Egypt	98	55.00
Kalil, 2010 (345)	2004- 2005	Egypt	121	72.00
Kassem, 2000 (348)	1996- 1996	Egypt	19	73.70
Khamis, 2014 (350)	NS	Egypt	22	45.00
Kumar, 1997	1994-	Egypt	65	31.00

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e	HCV viremic rate (%)
popula tions tested for RNA				
(352)	1996			
Nafeh, 2000 ⁽³⁵⁸⁾	NS	Egypt	522	63.00
Strickland, 2002 ⁽³⁶⁶⁾	NS	Egypt	99	74.70
Zuure, 2013 ⁽³⁶⁹⁾	2009- 2010	Egypt	11	90.91
Shemer-Avni, 1998 ⁽²²³⁾	NS	Fertile Crescent	11	64.00
Baha, 2013 ⁽¹⁴⁸⁾	2005- 2011	Maghreb	651	70.90
Benouda, 2009 (441)	2005- 2007	Maghreb	161	39.24
Mejri, 2005 ⁽⁵⁵²⁾	1996- 1996	Maghreb	72	82.00
Mejri, 2005 ⁽⁵⁵²⁾	1996- 1996	Maghreb	14	71.40
Aziz, 2011 ⁽⁴⁶⁰⁾	2005-	Pakistan	1,043	79.70

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e	HCV viremic rate (%)
popula tions tested for RNA				

	2009			
Donchuk, 2016 (490)	2015- 2016	Pakistan	1,107	89.00
Idrees, 2008 (450)	1999- 2007	Pakistan	857	49.24
Idrees, 2008 (450)	1999- 2007	Pakistan	141	50.35
Khokhar, 2004 (452)	2001- 2002	Pakistan	24	72.00
Rauf, 2011 (474)	2009- 2009	Pakistan	34	50.00
Rauf, 2011 (474)	2009- 2009	Pakistan	18	44.40
Bhatti, 2016 (481)	2010- 2015	Pakistan	5,028	85.80
Afsheen, 2017 (504)	NS	Pakistan	44	22.73

Author, year (citation)	Year(s) of data collecti on	Subregio n	Numb er of HCV antibo dy- positiv e popula tions tested for RNA	HCV viremic rate (%)
Khan, 2018 ⁽⁴⁸⁹⁾	2014- 2015	Pakistan	52	75.00

Abbreviations: HCV, hepatitis C virus; MENA, Middle East and North Africa; NS, not specified; RNA, Ribonucleic acid.

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