

Supplementary table 2. Summary of studies on therapeutic strategies for RA patients with true refractory disease

1st Author, publication year	Study design	Patients (total n)	Failed treatment (Inclusion criteria met)	Disease activity at baseline (mean (SD))	Disease duration of RA (mean)	Intervention group Description	n	Comparator Description	n	Outcome Description*1	Time point*2	Number and percentage of responders in intervention group	Number and percentage of responders in control group	OR (95%CI)	Risk ratio (95% CI)	Mean outcome in intervention group (SD)	Mean outcome in control group (SD)	Mean difference (standard error, 95% CI)	p-value	Other	Risk of bias*3	Risk of bias of individual studies included in SLR*4
STUDIES IN PATIENTS FAILING ≥2B/TSDMARDS																						
Alternative TNFI vs rituximab																						
Blom, 2011	Non-RCT	154	Failure of ≥2 TNFis	DA528 5.21	9.9Y	Alternative TNFI (Infliximab (n=21, 3mg/kg, loading dose W0, W2, W6, thereafter q8w); Etanercept (n=22, 50mg 1/W or 25mg 2/W, subcutaneous); Adalimumab (n=21, 40mg q2w, subcutaneous))	64	Rituximab (2 times 1000mg with 2W interval, retreatment at 6M)	90	DA528	6M					4.54 (1.40)	3.91 (1.25)		p=0.021		High	
Fleckl, 2010	Subanalysis (Subanalysis) RCT	69	Failure of ≥2 TNFI	NR	NR	Alternative TNFI (Adalimumab 40mg subcutaneously every 2 weeks (51%), etanercept subcutaneously 50mg/week (26%), infliximab intravenously starting with 3mg/kg (23%))	12	Rituximab (2 times 1000mg at days 1 and 15, intravenous)	57	DA528 HAQ, DA528	12M, 12M, Change from BL until 6M					NR	4.2 (1.4)		p=0.140 p=0.0537 ns	Better in RTX group	High	
Alternative TNFI vs mavrilimumab																						
Weinblatt, 2018	Subanalysis RCT (Subanalysis)	6	Inadequate response to 2 TNFI (excluding golimumab)	NR	NR	Mavrilimumab (100mg q2w, subcutaneous)	4	Golimumab (50mg q4w and placebo every 2 other weeks)	2	ACR20 response	24W	2 (66.7%)	0 (0%)								High	
Tocilizumab vs placebo																						
Emery, 2008	Subanalysis RCT (Subanalysis)	176	Failure of 2 TNFis	NR	NR	Tocilizumab (8mg/kg, q4w, intravenous)	52	Placebo	64	ACR20 response	24W	26 (50.0%)	7 (10.9%)								High	
						Tocilizumab (4mg/kg, q4w, intravenous)	60	Placebo	64	ACR50 response ACR70 response ACR20 response ACR50 response	24W 24W 24W 24W	16 (30.8%) 8 (15.4%) 17 (28.3%) 8 (13.3%)	1 (1.6%) 0 (0.0%) 7 (10.9%) 1 (1.6%)								High	
		62	Failure of 3 TNFis	NR	NR	Tocilizumab (8mg/kg, q4w, intravenous)	26	Placebo	18	ACR20 response ACR50 response ACR70 response	24W 24W 24W	14 (53.8%) 5 (19.2%) 2 (7.7%)	0 (0.0%) 0 (0.0%) 0 (0.0%)								High	
						Tocilizumab (4mg/kg, q4w, intravenous)	18	Placebo	18	ACR20 response ACR50 response ACR70 response	24W 24W 24W	4 (22.2%) 0 (0.0%) 0 (0.0%)	1 (5.6%) 0 (0.0%) 0 (0.0%)								High	
Tofacitinib vs placebo																						
Burmester, 2013	Subanalysis RCT (Subanalysis)	141	Inadequate response to 2 TNFI	NR	NR	Tofacitinib (5mg 2/D, oral)	37	Placebo	37	ACR20 response	3M	14 (37.8%)	4 (10.8%)								High	
		41	Inadequate response to ≥3 TNFI	NR	NR	Tofacitinib (10mg 2/D, oral)	30	Placebo	37	ACR20 response	3M	16 (53.3%)	4 (10.8%)								High	
						Tofacitinib (5mg 2/D, oral)	11	Placebo	9	ACR20 response	3M	4 (36.4%)	2 (22.2%)								High	
						Tofacitinib (10mg 2/D, oral)	12	Placebo	9	ACR20 response	3M	5 (41.7%)	2 (22.2%)								High	
Baricitinib vs placebo																						
Genovese, 2018a	Subanalysis RCT (Subanalysis of Genovese, 2016 (see also below, failure	211	Failure of ≥2 TNFI	NR	NR	Baricitinib (2mg/D, oral)	43	Placebo	69	ACR20 response CDAI s10	12W 12W	19 (38%) 1 (2%)	6 (13%) 9 (18%)								High	
						Baricitinib (4mg/D, oral)	54	Placebo	69	ACR20 response CDAI s10	12W 12W	24 (53%) 1 (2%)	6 (13%) 9 (20%)								High	
		143	Failure of ≥3 bDMARDs	NR	NR	Baricitinib (2mg/D, oral)	50	Placebo	47	ACR20 response CDAI s10	12W 12W	31 (43%) 3 (4%)	17 (25%) 16 (22%)								High	
						Baricitinib (4mg/D, oral)	45	Placebo	47	ACR20 response CDAI s10	12W 12W	38 (54%) 3 (4%)	17 (25%) 14 (20%)								High	
Upadactinib vs placebo																						
Kramer, 2016	Subanalysis RCT (Subanalysis (see also below, Weinblatt, 2019a (Subanalysis Genovese, 2018b)	276	Failure of ≥2 TNFI	NR	NR	Upadactinib (3mg 2/D, oral)	16	Placebo	13	ACR20 response	12W	53%	34%								High	
						Upadactinib (6mg 2/D, oral)	16	Placebo	13	ACR20 response	12W	58%	34%								High	
						Upadactinib (12mg 2/D, oral)	15	Placebo	13	ACR20 response	12W	67%	34%								High	
						Upadactinib (18mg 2/D, oral)	17	Placebo	13	ACR20 response	12W	71%	34%								High	
		137	Failure of 2 bDMARDs			Upadactinib 15mg/D	40	Placebo	46	ACR20 response ACR50 response ACR70 response DAS28-CRP ≤3.2 CDAI s10	12W 12W 12W 12W 12W	70.0% 32.5% 5.0% 45.0% 27.5%	32.6% 14.2% 8.7% 13.0% 17.4%								High	
						Upadactinib 30mg/D	51	Placebo	46	ACR20 response ACR50 response ACR70 response DAS28-CRP ≤3.2 CDAI s10	12W 12W 12W 12W 12W	58.8% 35.3% 21.6% 37.3% 31.4%	32.0% 14.2% 8.7% 13.0% 17.4%								High	
		125	Failure of ≥3 bDMARD			Upadactinib 15mg/D	38	Placebo	40	ACR20 response ACR50 response ACR70 response DAS28-CRP ≤3.2 CDAI s10	12W 12W 12W 12W 12W	65.8% 39.5% 13.2% 42.1% 34.2%	22.5% 7.5% 2.5% 10.0% 7.5%								High	
						Upadactinib 30mg/D	47	Placebo	40	ACR20 response ACR50 response ACR70 response	12W 12W 12W	7.9% 51.1% 29.8%	2.5% 22.5% 7.5%								High	

										DA528-CRP <3.2	12W	40.4%	10.0%			p<0.01						
										CDAI ≤10	12W	27.7%	7.5%			p<0.05						
										CDAI ≤2.8	12W	8.5%	2.5%			ns						
Figotimb vs placebo																						
Genovesi, 2019	RCT	211	Failure of 2 bDMARDs							Figotimb (100mg/D)	33	Placebo	36	ACR20 response	12W	57.6%	33.3%			ns	Moderate	
										Figotimb (200mg/D)	37	Placebo	36	ACR20 response	12W	70.3%	33.3%			p<0.01		
			Failure of ≥3 bDMARD							Figotimb (100mg/D)	34	Placebo	34	ACR20 response	12W	58.8%	17.6%			p<0.001		
										Figotimb (200mg/D)	37	Placebo	34	ACR20 response	12W	70.3%	17.6%			p<0.001		
STUDIES IN PATIENTS FAILING ≥18/TSDMARDS (NOT SPECIFICALLY ≥28/TSDMARDS)																						
8/TSDMARD vs PLACEBO/CSDMARD																						
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Singh, 2017	SLR: RCTs	3364	Failure of TNFi	NR	>2Y	bDMARD	373 (3 studies)	Placebo	175	ACR50 response									4.10 (1.97-8.55)	Biologic (with or without MTX) or tofacitinib (with MTX) use was associated with clinically meaningful and statistically significant benefits (ACR50, HAQ, remission) compared to placebo or an active comparator (MTX/other traditional DMARDs) among people with RA previously unsuccessfully treated with biologics.	Low	Low-moderate
						bDMARD + MTX	955 (3 studies)	MTX/other csDMARDs	524	ACR50 response									4.07 (2.76-5.99)			
						Tofacitinib + MTX	(1 study)	MTX		ACR50 response									3.24 (1.78-5.89)			
Alternative TNFi vs placebo																						
Kim, 2014	SLR: RCTs	1524	Failure of TNFi	HAQ 1.6-1.9	9.6-21.6Y (range)	Golimumab + DMARD	153	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M					32.1%	15.5%		2.577 (1.518-4.496)	Switching to non-TNF biologics was more effective than cycling TNF's inhibitor in TNF-IR patients; Probability (OR-1): 0.001; OR-1 favours golimumab	Moderate	Low-Moderate
										ACR50 response	6M					15.7%	4.2%		4.254 (1.947-10.550)	Probability (OR-1): 0.028; OR-1 favours golimumab		
										ACR70 response	6M					5.1%	1.3%		4.211 (1.605-13.460)	Probability (OR-1): 0.016; OR-1 favours golimumab		
										HAQ									Change from BL until 6M	Probability (OR-1): 0.000; OR-1 favours golimumab		
						Abatacept + DMARD	256	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M					43.7%	15.5%		4.226 (2.606-7.023)	Probability (OR-1): 0.021; OR-1 favours abatacept		
										ACR50 response	6M					23.1%	4.2%		6.866 (2.900-20.870)	Probability (OR-1): 0.192; OR-1 favours abatacept		
										ACR70 response	6M					9.9%	1.3%		8.574 (2.312-56.850)	Probability (OR-1): 0.176; OR-1 favours abatacept		
										HAQ									Change from BL until 6M	Probability (OR-1): 0.744; OR-1 favours abatacept		
						Rituximab + DMARD	298	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M					47.0%	15.5%		4.822 (3.176-7.492)	Probability (OR-1): 0.039; OR-1 favours rituximab		
										ACR50 response	6M					24.0%	4.2%		7.231 (3.1812-15.490)	Probability (OR-1): 0.169; OR-1 favours rituximab		
										ACR70 response	6M					17.3%	1.3%		16.220 (4.575-121.800)	Probability (OR-1): 0.473; OR-1 favours rituximab		
										HAQ									Change from BL until 6M	Probability (OR-1): 0.005; OR-1 favours rituximab		
						Tocilizumab + DMARD	170	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M					62.4%	15.5%		9.060 (5.064-17.000)	Probability (OR-1): 0.939; OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
										ACR50 response	6M					32.2%	4.2%		10.83 (4.731-29.690)	Probability (OR-1): 0.611; OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
										ACR70 response	6M					14.4%	1.3%		12.900 (3.474-86.120)	Probability (OR-1): 0.337; OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
										HAQ									Change from BL until 6M	Probability (OR-1): 0.204; OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
						Golimumab + DMARD	153	Abatacept	256	ACR20 response	6M					32.1%	43.7%		1.639 (0.786-3.408)	Probability (OR-1): 0.907; OR-1 favours abatacept		
										ACR50 response	6M					15.7%	23.1%		1.623 (0.454-6.247)	Probability (OR-1): 0.772; OR-1 favours abatacept		
										ACR70 response	6M					5.1%	9.9%		2.048 (0.361-16.470)	Probability (OR-1): 0.784; OR-1 favours abatacept		
										HAQ									Change from BL until 6M	Probability (OR-1): 1.000; OR-1 favours abatacept		
						Golimumab + DMARD	153	Rituximab	298	ACR20 response	6M					32.1%	47.0%		1.871 (0.937-3.725)	Probability (OR-1): 0.962; OR-1 favours rituximab		
										ACR50 response	6M					15.7%	24.0%		1.702 (0.558-5.087)	Probability (OR-1): 0.830; OR-1 favours rituximab		
										ACR70 response	6M					5.1%	17.3%		3.876 (0.685-35.370)	Probability (OR-1): 0.935; OR-1 favours rituximab		
										HAQ									Change from BL until 6M	Probability (OR-1): 0.935; OR-1 favours rituximab		
						Golimumab + DMARD	153	Tocilizumab	170	ACR20 response	6M					32.1%	62.4%		3.520 (1.567-7.946)	Probability (OR-1): 0.982; OR-1 favours rituximab		
										ACR50 response	6M					15.7%	32.2%		2.552 (0.752-9.340)	Probability (OR-1): 0.933; OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
										ACR70 response	6M					5.1%	14.4%		3.107 (0.532-25.490)	Probability (OR-1): 0.892; OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
										HAQ									Change from BL until 6M	Probability (OR-1): 0.993; OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
																				Probability (OR-1): 0.360; OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
Malettki, 2011	SLR: RCTs	NR	Failure of 1 TNFi	NR	NR	Rituximab	(1 RCT)	Placebo	NR	ACR20 response	6M								2.85 (2.08-3.91)	Suggest that rituximab and abatacept are more effective than supportive care; Alternative TNFi some benefit, although uncertainties regarding magnitude of treatment effects and	Moderate	NR
	5; Non-RCTs	30								ACR70 response	6M								12.14 (2.96-49.86)			

Study	SLR	RCTs	Population	Intervention	Comparator	Outcome	Effect Size	95% CI	Notes	Quality															
Abatacept vs placebo	Atvernal, 2009	SLR: RCTs 4; non-RCTs 5	9030	Failure of ≥1 TNFi	NR	NR	Adalimumab after failure of infliximab or etanercept	-	-	-	ACR70 response	13%		Efficacy, irrespective of mode of action, in reaching ACR70 response is 5-15% for alternative TNFi, rituximab, abatacept and tocilizumab (except in two studies). Switching to non-TNF biologics was more effective than cycling TNFi inhibitor in TNF-IR patients; Probability (OR>1): 0.001; OR>1 favours golimumab	High	NR									
							Adalimumab after failure of infliximab	-	-	-	ACR70 response	33%													
							Rituximab after failure of TNFi	-	Placebo	-	ACR70 response	12%													
							Abatacept after failure of TNFi	-	Placebo	-	ACR70 response	10.2%	1.5%												
							Tocilizumab after failure of TNFi	-	Placebo	-	ACR70 response	12.4%													
							Golimumab + DMARD	153	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%				15.5%	2.577 (1.518-4.496)							
											ACR50 response	6M	15.7%				4.2%	4.254 (1.947-10.550,)							
											ACR70 response	6M	5.1%				1.3%	4.211 (1.605-13.460)							
											HAQ	Change from BL until 6M						-0.140 (-0.255 -							
											Abatacept + DMARD	256	Placebo + DMARD				NR	ACR20 response	6M	43.7%	15.5%	4.216 (2.606-7.023)			
							ACR50 response	6M	23.1%	4.2%	6.866 (2.900-20.870)														
							ACR70 response	6M	9.9%	1.3%	8.574 (2.312-56.850)														
							HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.400 (-0.499 -													
							Rituximab + DMARD	298	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	47.0%	15.5%	4.822 (3.176-7.492)										
											ACR50 response	6M	24.0%	4.2%	7.231 (3.1812-15.490)										
											ACR70 response	6M	17.3%	1.3%	16.220 (4.575-121.800)										
											HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.300 (-0.397 -									
											Tocilizumab + DMARD	170	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	62.4%	15.5%	9.060 (5.064-17.000)						
												ACR50 response	6M	32.2%	4.2%	10.83 (4.731-29.690)									
												ACR70 response	6M	14.4%	1.3%	12.900 (3.474-86.120)									
												HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.340 (-0.453 -								
												Golimumab + DMARD	153	Abatacept	256	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	43.7%	1.639 (0.786-3.408)					
															ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	23.1%	1.623 (0.454-6.247)						
															ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	9.9%	2.048 (0.361-16.470)						
															HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.260 (-0.411 -					
															Golimumab + DMARD	153	Rituximab	298	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	47.0%	1.871 (0.937-3.725)		
																ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	24.0%	1.702 (0.558-5.087)					
																ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	17.3%	3.876 (0.685-35.370)					
																HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.160 (-0.310 -				
																Golimumab + DMARD	153	Tocilizumab	170	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	62.4%	3.520 (1.567-7.946)	
																	ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	32.2%	2.552 (0.752-9.100)				
																	ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	14.4%	3.107 (0.532-25.490)				
																	HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.200 (-0.360 -			

Lee, 2016	SLR: RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFI	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.05 (0.47-2.39)			OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg; Tocilizumab highest performance regarding early good response based on ACR 20 response, followed by rituximab, abatacept and tofacitinib. OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 10mg OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg OR-1 favours tofacitinib 5mg OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg	Moderate	Low	
						Abatacept	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.06 (0.46-2.28)						
						Abatacept	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.10 (0.54-2.31)						
						Rituximab	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.59-2.15)						
						Tofacitinib 10mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.71-1.86)						
						Rituximab	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.56-2.50)						
						Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.54-2.75)						
						Rituximab	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.64-2.46)						
						Abatacept	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.61-2.63)						
						Rituximab	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.44 (0.73-2.82)						
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Rituximab	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.92 (0.93-4.04)						
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.17 (1.01-4.89)						
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.29 (1.47-3.61)						
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.40 (1.09-5.41)						
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.74 (1.26-6.27)						
						Tofacitinib 5mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.30 (1.95-5.66)						
						Tofacitinib 10mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.76 (2.24-6.50)						
						Tocilizumab 4mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.94 (2.19-7.48)						
						Abatacept	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.15 (2.58-7.00)						
						Rituximab	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.73 (3.14-7.27)						
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	9.04 (5.15-17.08)						
Malottki, 2011	SLR: RCTs 5; Non-RCTs 30	NR	Failure of 1 TNFI	NR	NR	Rituximab	(1 RCT) Placebo	ACR20 response	6M	2.85 (2.08-3.91)				Suggest that rituximab and abatacept are more effective than supportive care; Alternative TNFI is some benefit, although uncertainties regarding magnitude of treatment effects and cost-effectiveness.	Moderate	NR
								ACR70 response	6M	12.14 (2.96-49.86)						
								DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-1.50 (95%CI -1.74 - -1.26)						
								HAQ	Change from BL until 6M	-0.30 (95%CI -0.40 - -0.20)						
						Abatacept	(1 RCT) Placebo	ACR20 response	6M	2.56 (1.77-3.69)						
								ACR70 response	6M	6.70 (1.62-27.80)						
								DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-1.27 (95%CI -1.62 - -0.93)						
						Alternative TNFI	(28 uncontrolled studies)	HAQ	Change from BL until 6M	-0.34				Improvement		
								Effectiveness	NA							
Rituximab vs placebo																
Alivernini, 2009	SLR: RCTs 4; Non-RCTs 5	9030	Failure of ≥1 TNFI	NR	NR	Adalimumab after failure of infliximab or etanercept	-	-	ACR70 response	33%				Efficacy, irrespective of mode of action, in reaching ACR20 response is 5-15% for alternative TNFI, rituximab, abatacept and tocilizumab (except in two studies).	High	NR
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						Rituximab after failure of TNFI	-	Placebo	ACR20 response	12%						
						Abatacept after failure of TNFI	-	Placebo	ACR70 response	10.2%	1.5%					
						Tocilizumab after failure of TNFI	-	Placebo	ACR70 response	10.4%						
Greenwald, 2011	RCT	51	Failure of TNFI	DAS28-ESR 6.7; HAQ 1.4	10.4Y	Rituximab (2 times 500mg at days 1 and 15, intravenous)	33	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W	30%	17%				
									ACR50 response	24W	12%	6%				
									ACR70 response	24W	0%	0%				
									DAS-ESR s3.2	24W	25%	11%				
									HAQ-DI improvement of ≥0.25	24W	28 (46.4%)	4 (22.2%)				
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									ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	4.2%	4.254 (1.947-10.550,-)	Probability (OR-1): 0.028; OR-1 favours golimumab		
									ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	1.3%	4.211 (1.605-13.460)	Probability (OR-1): 0.014; OR-1 favours golimumab		
									HAQ	Change from BL until 6M			-0.140 (-0.255 - -)	Probability (OR-1): 0.000; OR-1 favours golimumab		
						Abatacept + DMARD	256	Placebo + DMARD	ACR20 response	6M	43.7%	15.5%	4.226 (2.606-7.023)	Probability (OR-1): 0.021; OR-1 favours abatacept		
									ACR50 response	6M	23.1%	4.2%	6.865 (1.900-20.870)	Probability (OR-1): 0.192; OR-1 favours abatacept		
									ACR70 response	6M	9.9%	1.3%	8.574 (2.312-56.850)	Probability (OR-1): 0.176; OR-1 favours abatacept		
									HAQ	Change from BL until 6M			-0.400 (-0.499 - -)	Probability (OR-1): 0.744; OR-1 favours abatacept		
						Rituximab + DMARD	298	Placebo + DMARD	ACR20 response	6M	47.0%	15.5%	4.822 (3.176-7.492)	Probability (OR-1): 0.039; OR-1 favours rituximab		
									ACR50 response	6M	24.0%	4.2%	7.231 (3.1812-15.490)	Probability (OR-1): 0.169; OR-1 favours rituximab		
									ACR70 response	6M	17.3%	1.3%	16.320 (4.575-121.800)	Probability (OR-1): 0.473; OR-1 favours rituximab		

Author	Year	Study ID	Design	Population	Intervention	Comparator	Outcome	HAQ	Change from BL until 6M	95% CI	OR (95% CI)	Interpretation		
					Tocilizumab + DMARD	Placebo + DMARD	ACR20 response	6M	62.4%	15.5%	9.060 (5.064-17.000)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
							ACR50 response	6M	32.2%	4.2%	10.83 (4.731-29.690)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
							ACR70 response	6M	14.4%	1.3%	12.600 (3.474-86.120)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
							HAQ	Change from BL until 6M			-0.300 (-0.397 - -0.203)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
					Golimumab + DMARD	Abatacept	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	43.7%	1.639 (0.786-3.468)	OR-1 favours abatacept		
							ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	23.1%	1.623 (0.454-6.247)	OR-1 favours abatacept		
							ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	9.9%	2.048 (0.361-16.470)	OR-1 favours abatacept		
							HAQ	Change from BL until 6M			-0.260 (-0.411 - -0.109)	OR-1 favours abatacept		
					Golimumab + DMARD	Rituximab	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	47.0%	1.871 (0.937-3.725)	OR-1 favours rituximab		
							ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	24.0%	1.702 (0.558-5.087)	OR-1 favours rituximab		
							ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	17.3%	3.876 (0.685-35.370)	OR-1 favours rituximab		
							HAQ	Change from BL until 6M			-0.160 (-0.310 - -0.010)	OR-1 favours rituximab		
					Golimumab + DMARD	Tocilizumab	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	62.4%	3.520 (1.567-7.946)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
							ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	32.2%	2.552 (0.752-9.100)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
							ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	14.4%	3.107 (0.532-25.490)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
							HAQ	Change from BL until 6M			-0.200 (-0.360 - -0.040)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab		
Lee, 2016	SLR	RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFi	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.05 (0.47-2.39)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg; Tocilizumab highest performance regarding early good response based on ACR 20 response, followed by rituximab, abatacept and tofacitinib.		
							Abatacept	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.06 (0.46-2.28)	OR-1 favours abatacept		
							Abatacept	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.10 (0.54-2.31)	OR-1 favours abatacept		
							Rituximab	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.59-2.15)	OR-1 favours rituximab		
							Tofacitinib 10mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.71-1.86)	OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg		
							Rituximab	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.56-2.50)	OR-1 favours rituximab		
							Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.54-2.75)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg		
							Rituximab	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.64-2.46)	OR-1 favours rituximab		
							Abatacept	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.61-2.63)	OR-1 favours abatacept		
							Rituximab	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.44 (0.73-2.82)	OR-1 favours rituximab		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Rituximab	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.92 (0.93-4.04)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.17 (1.01-4.89)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.29 (1.47-3.61)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.40 (1.09-5.41)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.74 (1.26-6.27)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg		
							Tofacitinib 5mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.30 (1.95-5.66)	OR-1 favours tofacitinib 5mg		
							Tofacitinib 10mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.76 (2.24-6.50)	OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg		
							Tocilizumab 4mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.94 (2.19-7.48)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg		
							Abatacept	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.15 (2.58-7.00)	OR-1 favours abatacept		
							Rituximab	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.73 (3.14-7.27)	OR-1 favours rituximab		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	9.04 (5.15-17.08)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg		
Malottki, 2011	SLR	RCTs 5; Non-RCTs 30	NR	Failure of 1 TNFi	NR	NR	Rituximab	Placebo	ACR20 response	6M	2.85 (2.08-3.91)	Suggest that rituximab and abatacept are more effective than supportive care; Alternative TNFi some benefit, although uncertainties regarding magnitude of treatment effects and cost-effectiveness.		
								ACR70 response	6M		12.14 (2.96-49.86)			
								DAS28	Change from BL until 6M		-1.50 (95%CI -1.74 - -1.26)			
								HAQ	Change from BL until 6M		-0.30 (95%CI -0.40 - -0.20)			
							Abatacept	(1 RCT) Placebo	NR	ACR20 response	6M	2.56 (1.77-3.69)		
								ACR70 response	6M		6.70 (1.62-27.80)			
								DAS28	Change from BL until 6M		-1.27 (95%CI -1.62 - -0.93)			
							Alternative TNFi	(28 uncontr olled studies)	NA	HAQ Effectiveness		-0.34	Improvement	
Vital, 2015	RCT		25	Insufficient response to rituximab	DAS28-CRP 5.8	7.0-9.5Y	Additional dose of rituximab at W4 (1000mg)	Placebo	ACR20 response	28W	66.6%	61.5%	p=0.79	Low

		(persistent B cells)	(range of medians)	intravenous)		ACR50 response	28W	25.0%	30.7%		p=0.748						
						ACR70 response	28W	8.3%	30.7%		p=0.161						
						EULAR good response	28W	33.3%	46.1%		p=0.513						
						EULAR good/moderate response	28W	91.6%	76.9%		p=0.315						
Tocilizumab vs placebo																	
Alverini, 2009	SLR; RCTs 4; non-RCTs 5	9030	Failure of ≥1 TNFi	NR	NR	Adalimumab after failure of infliximab or etanercept	-	-	-	ACR70 response	13%						
						Adalimumab after failure of infliximab	-	-	-	ACR70 response	33%						
						Rituximab after failure of TNFi	-	Placebo	-	ACR70 response	12%						
						Abatacept after failure of TNFi	-	Placebo	-	ACR70 response	10.2%	1.5%					
						Tocilizumab after failure of TNFi	-	Placebo	-	ACR70 response	12.4%						
Kim, 2014	SLR; RCTs 6	1524	Failure of TNFi	HAQ 1.6-1.9	9.6-21.6y (range)	Golimumab + DMARD	153	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	15.5%	2.577 (1.518-4.496)			
										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	4.2%	4.254 (1.947-10.550, -)			
										ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	1.3%	4.211 (1.605-13.460)			
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.140 (-, -0.255 -)		
						Abatacept + DMARD	256	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	43.7%	15.5%	4.226 (2.606-7.023)			
										ACR50 response	6M	23.1%	4.2%	6.866 (2.900-20.670)			
										ACR70 response	6M	9.9%	1.3%	8.574 (2.312-56.850)			
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.400 (-, -0.499 -)		
						Rituximab + DMARD	298	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	47.0%	15.5%	4.822 (3.176-7.492)			
										ACR50 response	6M	24.0%	4.2%	7.231 (3.1812-15.490)			
										ACR70 response	6M	17.3%	1.3%	16.220 (4.575-121.800)			
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.300 (-, -0.397 -)		
						Tocilizumab + DMARD	170	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	62.4%	15.5%	9.060 (5.064-17.000)			
										ACR50 response	6M	32.2%	4.2%	10.83 (4.731-29.690)			
										ACR70 response	6M	14.4%	1.3%	12.900 (3.474-86.120)			
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.340 (-, -0.453 -)		
						Golimumab + DMARD	153	Abatacept	256	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	43.7%	1.639 (0.786-3.408)			
										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	23.1%	1.623 (0.454-6.247)			
										ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	9.9%	2.048 (0.361-16.470)			
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.260 (-, -0.411 -)		
						Golimumab + DMARD	153	Rituximab	298	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	47.0%	1.871 (0.937-3.725)			
										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	24.0%	1.702 (0.558-5.087)			
										ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	17.3%	3.876 (0.685-35.370)			
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.160 (-, -0.310 -)		
						Golimumab + DMARD	153	Tocilizumab	170	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	62.4%	3.520 (1.567-7.946)			
										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	32.2%	2.552 (0.752-9.100)			
										ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	14.4%	3.107 (0.532-25.490)			
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.200 (-, -0.360 -)		
Lee, 2016	SLR; RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFi	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.05 (0.47-2.39)			
						Abatacept		Tocilizumab 4mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.06 (0.46-2.28)			
						Abatacept		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.10 (0.54-2.31)			
						Rituximab		Abatacept		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.14 (0.59-2.15)			
						Tofacitinib 10mg		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.14 (0.71-1.86)			
						Rituximab		Tocilizumab 4mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.20 (0.56-2.50)			
						Tocilizumab 4mg		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.20 (0.54-2.75)			
						Rituximab		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.26 (0.64-2.46)			
						Abatacept		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.26 (0.61-2.63)			
						Rituximab		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.44 (0.73-2.82)			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Rituximab		ACR20 response	24W-6M			1.92 (0.93-4.04)			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Abatacept		ACR20 response	24W-6M			2.17 (1.01-4.89)			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Tocilizumab 4mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			2.29 (1.47-3.61)			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M			2.40 (1.09-5.41)			



						Tocilizumab 8mg Tofacitinib 5mg Tofacitinib 10mg Tocilizumab 4mg Abatacept Placebo Rituximab Tocilizumab 8mg		Tofacitinib 5mg Placebo Placebo Placebo Placebo Placebo	ACR20 response ACR20 response ACR20 response ACR20 response ACR20 response ACR20 response	24W-6M 24W-6M 24W-6M 24W-6M 24W-6M 24W-6M	2.74 (1.26-6.27) 3.30 (1.95-5.66) 3.76 (2.24-6.50) 3.94 (2.19-7.48) 4.15 (2.58-7.00) 4.73 (3.14-7.27) 9.04 (5.15-17.08)		OR=1 favours tocilizumab 8mg OR=1 favours tofacitinib 5mg OR=1 favours tofacitinib 10mg OR=1 favours tocilizumab 4mg OR=1 favours abatacept OR=1 favours rituximab OR=1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
Sarilumab vs placebo																
Fleischmann, RCT 2017	546	Failure of TNF-I (inefficacy or intolerance)	DAS28-CRP 6.2; HAQ-DI 1.8	12.1Y	Sarilumab (150mg, q2w, subcutaneous)	181	Placebo	181	ACR20 response	24W	101 (55.8%)	61 (33.7%)		p<0.0001		
									ACR50 response	24W	67 (37.0%)	33 (18.2%)		p<0.0001		
									ACR70 response	24W	36 (19.9%)	13 (7.2%)		p<0.001		
									Change from BL until 24W				-2.4 (0.11)	-1.4 (0.12)	Adjusted for previous anti-TNF agents, region, visit, treatment-by-visit interaction, and baseline score as covariates	
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W			-0.46, LSM	-0.26, LSM	Adjusted for previous anti-TNF agents, region, visit, treatment-by-visit interaction, and baseline score as covariates	
					Sarilumab (200mg, q2w, subcutaneous)	184	Placebo	181	ACR20 response	24W	112 (60.9%)	61 (33.7%)		p<0.0001		
									ACR50 response	24W	75 (40.8%)	33 (18.2%)		p<0.0001		
									ACR70 response	24W	30 (16.3%)	13 (7.2%)		p<0.01		
									Change from BL until 24W				-2.8 (0.11)	-1.4 (0.12)	Adjusted for previous anti-TNF agents, region, visit, treatment-by-visit interaction, and baseline score as covariates	
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W			-0.47, LSM	-0.26, LSM	Adjusted for previous anti-TNF agents, region, visit, treatment-by-visit interaction, and baseline score as covariates	
Genovese, RCT 2017* (Additional analysis on)																
	546	Failure of TNF-I (inadequate response or intolerance)	HAQ-DI <0.5; 2.7% or intolerance)	NR	Sarilumab (150mg, q2w, subcutaneous)	181	Placebo	181	CDAI ≤10	24W	58 (32.0%)	33 (18.2%)		p<0.05		
									SDAI ≤11	24W	59 (32.6%)	30 (16.6%)		p<0.05		
					Sarilumab (200mg, q2w, subcutaneous)	184	Placebo	181	CDAI ≤10	24W	65 (35.3%)	33 (18.2%)		p<0.05		
Secukinumab vs placebo																
Huang, 2019 SLR (3 RCTs)	1292	Failure of ≥1 TNF-I	NR	NR	Secukinumab 75 or 150mg (Subcutaneous at BL, W1, W2, W3, W4 and then q4W; or intravenous 10mg/kg at BL, W2, W4 and then _mg q4W)	859	Placebo	433	ACR20	24W	1.64 (1.33-2.01)				RR=1 favours secukinumab	
									ACR50	24W	1.77 (1.17-2.66)					
									ACR70	24W	2.03 (1.14-3.60)					
					Secukinumab 150mg (Subcutaneous at BL, W1, W2, W3, W4 and then q4W; or intravenous 10mg/kg at BL, W2, W4 and then _mg q4W)	431	Placebo	433	ACR20	24W	1.66 (1.33-2.08)				RR=1 favours secukinumab	
									ACR50	24W	1.88 (1.29-2.72)					
									ACR70	24W	2.15 (1.15-4.02)					
					Secukinumab 75mg (Subcutaneous at BL, W1, W2, W3, W4 and then q4W; or intravenous 10mg/kg at BL, W2, W4 and then _mg q4W)	428	Placebo	433	ACR20	24W	1.62 (1.29-2.03)				RR=1 favours secukinumab	
									ACR50	24W	1.68 (0.99-2.85)					
									ACR70	24W	1.81 (0.78-4.21)					
Olokizumab vs placebo																
Genovese, RCT 2014c	221	Failure of TNF-I	DAS28-CRP 5.77; CDAI 38.90 (34.3-71.2), median (range); HAQ-DI 1.63 (0.0-3.0), median (range)	9.99Y	Olokizumab (all doses, subcutaneous)	132	Placebo	22	ACR20 response	12W					p=0.0636	Favours olokizumab
					Olokizumab (60mg q4w, subcutaneous)	22	Placebo (q4w)	22	ACR20 response	12W	12 (75.0%)	1 (5.0%)			p=0.0574	Favours olokizumab
									ACR50 response	12W	6 (37.5%)	0 (0%)				
									Change from BL until 12W				-2.04 (0.26) (LS mean (SE))	-0.16 (0.25) (LS mean (SE))		
									CDAI	Change from BL until 12W			-18.51 (-69.2-48.0) (median (range))	-3.03 (-44.1-23.8) (median (range))		
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W			-0.50 (-1.6--0.1) (median (range))	0.06 (-1.0-2.1) (median (range))		
					Olokizumab (60mg q2w, subcutaneous)	20	Placebo (q2w)	22	ACR20 response	12W	6 (35.3%)	7 (33.3%)				
									ACR50 response	12W	3 (17.6%)	1 (4.8%)				
									Change from BL until 12W				-1.53 (0.27) (LS mean (SE))	-0.65 (0.25) (LS mean (SE))		
									CDAI	Change from BL until 12W			8.00 (36.5-19.0) (median (range))	8.95 (-41.5-13.8) (median (range))		
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W			-0.25 (-1.0-0.9) (median (range))	0.00 (-1.0-0.6) (median (range))		
					Olokizumab (120mg q4w, subcutaneous)	23			ACR20 response	12W	11 (61.1%)					
									ACR50 response	12W	3 (16.7%)					

Study	Design	N	Intervention	Comparator	Primary Outcome	Secondary Outcomes	Statistical Results	Significance							
Takeuchi, 2016	RCT	119	Failure of TNF α	DAS28-CRP 5.3 [3.4-8.0], median (range); CDAI 30.3 (12.6-70.4), median (range); SDAI 51.3 (19.5-149.8), median (range); HAQ-DI 1.13 (0.0-3.0), median (range)	7.0Y, median	Olokizumab (60mg q4w and placebo every 2 other weeks, subcutaneous)	32	Placebo	29	ACR20 response	12W	58.7%	21.9%		p=0.0090
									ACR50 response	12W	35.7%	8.6%		p=0.0310	
									ACR70 response	12W	9.6%	3.8%		ns	
									DAS28-ESR	Change from BL until 12W		-2.67 (95%CI -310- -224), LSM	-0.56 (95%CI -102- -010), LSM		p<0.0001
									CDAI	Change from BL until 12W		-152 (95%CI -191- -114), LSM	-75 (95%CI -116- -34), LSM		p=0.0039
									SDAI	Change from BL until 12W		-394 (95%CI -459- -330), LSM	-75 (95%CI -141- -04), LSM		p<0.0001
									HAQ	Change from BL until 12W		-04 (95%CI -05- -02), LSM	0.0 (95%CI -02-0.2), LSM		p=0.0005
									ACR20 response	12W	62.5%	21.9%		p=0.0041	
									ACR50 response	12W	42.1%	8.6%		p=0.0125	
									ACR70 response	12W	22.5%	3.8%		ns	
									DAS28-ESR	Change from BL until 12W		-289 (95%CI -332- -246), LSM	-0.56 (95%CI -102- -010), LSM		p<0.0001
									CDAI	Change from BL until 12W		-197 (-235- -159), LSM	-75 (95%CI -116- -34), LSM		
SDAI	Change from BL until 12W		-446 (95%CI -510- -383), LSM	-75 (95%CI -141- -04), LSM											
HAQ	Change from BL until 12W		-04 (95%CI -05- -02), LSM	0.0 (95%CI -02-0.2), LSM											
Charles-Schoeman	Non-RCT	705	Failure of ≥ 1 bDMARD	DAS28 6.4; SDAI 39.3; CDAI 37.4; HAQ-DI 1.4	8.79Y	Tofacitinib (5mg, 2/D, oral)	258	Placebo	191	ACR20 response	3M	112 (43.4%)	47 (24.6%)		p<0.0001
									ACR50 response	3M	36.5%	12.1%			
									ACR70 response	3M	11.1%	3.8%			
									DAS28-ESR	Change from BL until 12W		-318 (95%CI -365- -269), LSM	-0.56 (95%CI -102- -010), LSM		p<0.0001
									CDAI	Change from BL until 12W		-208 (95%CI -251- -164), LSM	-75 (95%CI -116- -34), LSM		p<0.0001
									SDAI	Change from BL until 12W		-461 (95%CI -533- -388), LSM	-75 (95%CI -141- -04), LSM		p<0.0001
									HAQ	Change from BL until 12W		-04 (95%CI -05- -02), LSM	0.0 (95%CI -02-0.2), LSM		p=0.0023



Year	Author	Study ID	Design	Primary Outcome	Comparison	Intervention	Control	Events (n/N)	Events (n/N)	OR (95% CI)	p-value	Notes	Quality						
2016						Tofacitinib (10mg, 2/D, oral)	Placebo	191	ACR50 response	3M	63 (24.4%)	20 (10.5%)	-1.62	-0.78	p<0.0001				
									ACR70 response	3M	25 (9.7%)	6 (3.1%)							
									DAS28	Change from BL until 3M	3M	29.5%				14.4%			
									CDAI s10	3M	29.8%	13.8%							
									SDAI s11	3M	29.8%	13.8%							
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 3M	3M	130 (51.8%)				47 (24.6%)	-0.31	-0.09	p<0.0001
									ACR20 response	3M	70 (27.9%)	20 (10.5%)							
									ACR70 response	3M	31 (12.4%)	6 (3.1%)							
									DAS28	Change from BL until 3M	3M	35.9%				14.4%			
									CDAI s10	3M	38.3%	13.8%							
									SDAI s11	3M	38.3%	13.8%							
									Charles-Schoeman, 2017*	RCT	838	Failure of ≥1 bDMARD				NR	NR	Tofacitinib (5mg, 2/D, oral)	Placebo
ACR70 response	3M	12.7%	4.9%																
DAS28-ESR s3.2	3M	50.6%	24.6%																
CDAI s10	3M	15.8%	4.9%																
SDAI s11	3M	42.9%	17.7%																
HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 3M	3M	62.5%	17.7%	1.05 (0.47-2.39)														
ACR20 response	24W-6M																		
ACR50 response	24W-6M																		
ACR70 response	24W-6M																		
DAS28-ESR s3.2	24W-6M																		
CDAI s10	24W-6M																		
SDAI s11	24W-6M																		
Fleischmann, 2012	RCT	140	Failure of ≥1 bDMARD (inefficacy or toxicity)	NR	NR	Tofacitinib (5mg 2/D, oral)	Placebo	46	ACR20 response	3M	42.9%	17.7%	-0.43 (0.04), LSM	-0.18 (0.04), LSM	p<0.0001				
									ACR70 response	3M	12.7%	4.9%							
									DAS28-ESR s3.2	3M	50.6%	24.6%							
									CDAI s10	3M	15.8%	4.9%							
									SDAI s11	3M	42.9%	17.7%							
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 3M	3M	62.5%				17.7%	0.43 (0.04), LSM	0.18 (0.04), LSM	p<0.0001
									ACR20 response	24W-6M									
									ACR50 response	24W-6M									
									ACR70 response	24W-6M									
									DAS28-ESR s3.2	24W-6M									
									CDAI s10	24W-6M									
									SDAI s11	24W-6M									
Lee, 2016	SLR: RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFi	NR	NR	Tofacitinib (10mg 2/D, oral)	Placebo	60	ACR20 response	3M	42.9%	17.7%	-0.46 (0.04), LSM	-0.18 (0.04), LSM	p<0.0001				
									ACR70 response	3M	12.7%	4.9%							
									DAS28-ESR s3.2	3M	50.6%	24.6%							
									CDAI s10	3M	15.8%	4.9%							
									SDAI s11	3M	42.9%	17.7%							
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 3M	3M	62.5%				17.7%	3.80 (2.05-6.80)		
									ACR20 response	12W									
									ACR70 response	12W									
									DAS28-ESR s3.2	12W									
									CDAI s10	12W									
									SDAI s11	12W									
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W	12W	34%				14%			
Strand, 2015 (Additional analysis on Vieira, 2016)	RCT	399	Failure of ≥1 TNFi	HAQ 1.58	11.3-13.0Y	Tofacitinib (5mg 2/D, oral)	Placebo	133	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.30 (1.95-5.66)	-0.43 (0.04), LSM	-0.18 (0.04), LSM	p<0.0001					
									ACR70 response	24W-6M	3.76 (2.24-6.50)								
									DAS28-ESR s3.2	24W-6M	3.94 (2.19-7.48)								
									CDAI s10	24W-6M	4.15 (2.58-7.00)								
									SDAI s11	24W-6M	4.73 (3.14-7.27)								
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 3M	24W-6M				9.04 (5.15-17.08)				
									ACR20 response	12W									
									ACR70 response	12W									
									DAS28-ESR s3.2	12W									
									CDAI s10	12W									
									SDAI s11	12W									
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W	12W				34%	14%			
Upadactinib vs placebo	Genovese, 2018b	RCT	499	Failure of bDMARDs (inadequate response)	DAS28-CRP 5.8; CDAI 40.9; SDAI 42.5; HAQ-DI 1.6	13.2Y	Upadactinib (15mg/D, oral)	Placebo	164	ACR20 response	12W	106 (65%)	48 (28%)	-0.41 (95%CI -0.50 -0.33)	-0.16 (95%CI -0.25 -0.08)	p<0.0001			
										ACR50 response	12W	56 (34%)	20 (12%)						
										ACR70 response	12W	19 (12%)	11 (7%)						
										DAS28-CRP	Change from BL until 12W	12W	32%				14%		
										CDAI s10	12W	32%	14%						
										SDAI s11	12W	34%	14%						
										HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W	12W	34%				14%		
										ACR20 response	12W	93 (56%)	48 (28%)						
										ACR50 response	12W	59 (36%)	20 (12%)						
										ACR70 response	12W	38 (23%)	11 (7%)						
										DAS28-CRP	Change from BL until 12W	12W	34%				14%		
										CDAI s10	12W	34%	14%						
SDAI s11	12W	35%	14%																
HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W	12W	35%	14%															
Kremer, 2016	RCT	276	Inadequate response to TNFi	DAS28-CRP 5.8; CDAI 41; HAQ-DI 1.6	11.9Y	Upadactinib (3mg 2/D, oral)	Placebo	55	ACR20 response	12W	53%	34%	-0.44 (95%CI -0.52 -0.35)	-0.16 (95%CI -0.25 -0.08)	p<0.0001				
									ACR50 response	12W	24%	16%							
									ACR70 response	12W	13%	4%							
									DAS28-CRP	Change from BL until 12W	12W	34%				14%			
									CDAI s10	12W	34%	14%							
									SDAI s11	12W	35%	14%							
									HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W	12W	35%				14%			
									ACR20 response	12W	53%	34%							
									ACR50 response	12W	24%	16%							
									ACR70 response	12W	13%	4%							
									DAS28-CRP	Change from BL until 12W	12W	34%				14%			
									CDAI s10	12W	34%	14%							
SDAI s11	12W	35%	14%																
HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W	12W	35%	14%															

Genovese, 2014b	RCT	322	Failure of 1 TNFI	DAS28-CRP 5.86; HAQ-DI 1.6	7.9-10.0Y (median)	Fostamatinib (100mg 2/D, oral)	105	Placebo	109	DAS28-CRP	Change from BL until 12W	-1.3, LSM	-0.6, LSM	ps0.05	Moderate	
										CDAI	Change from BL until 12W	-15.3, LSM	-6.4, LSM	ps0.05		
						Ixekizumab (180mg at W0, 1, 2, then q2w, subcutaneous)	59	Placebo	64	ACR20 response	12W	39%	23%	ns		
										ACR50 response	12W	17%	8%	ns		
						Fostamatinib (100mg 2/D for 4W, then 150mg/D, oral)	108	Placebo	109	ACR20 response	24W	38 (36.2%)	23 (21.1%)	ps<0.004		
										ACR50 response	24W	19 (18.1%)	9 (8.3%)	ps=0.014		
Genovese, 2016	RCT	527	Failure of bDMARD(s)	DAS28-ESR 5.5; SDAI 43; HAQ-DI 1.74	14Y	Baricitinib (2mg/D, oral)	174	Placebo	176	DAS28-CRP	24W	-	-	ps<0.001	Moderate	
										SDAI s3.3	24W	5%	2%	ns		
						Baricitinib (4mg/D, oral)	177	Placebo	176	ACR20 response	24W	-	-	ps<0.001		
										DAS28-CRP	24W	-	-	ps<0.001		
Genovese, 2019	RCT	448	Failure of ≥1 bDMARD	DAS28-CRP 5.9 (0.96); CDAI 41.2; SDAI 43.0; HAQ 1.66	9.8-10.3Y (range of medians)	Fingotinib (200mg/D)	148	Placebo	148	ACR20 response	24W	69.4%	34.5%	ps<0.001	Moderate	
										ACR50 response	24W	45.6%	18.9%	ps<0.01		
						Fingotinib (100mg/D)	153	Placebo	148	DAS28-CRP	Change from BL until 24W	-30.9 (13.77)	-25.4 (14.4)	ps<0.001		
										CDAI	Change from BL until 24W	-32.1 (14.41)	-24.9 (14.84)	ps<0.05		
Schiff, 2015	RCT	456	Inadequate response to TNFI	DAS28-CRP 5.87; HAQ-DI 1.67	8.2Y	Tabalumab (120mg q4w, loading dose 240mg, subcutaneous)	153	Placebo	155	ACR20 response	24W	54.9%	34.5%	ps<0.001	High	
										ACR50 response	24W	35.3%	18.9%	ps<0.01		
						Tabalumab (90mg q2w, loading dose 180mg, subcutaneous)	148	Placebo	155	ACR20 response	24W	24.3%	20%	ns		
										ACR50 response	24W	20.3%	8.1%	ps<0.01		
Tak, 2012	RCT	836	Inadequate response to TNFI	DAS28 6.5; HAQ-DI 1.7	12.3Y	Ocrelizumab (200mg at days 1 and 15 and at W24 and 26)	277	Placebo	277	DAS28-CRP	Change from BL until 24W	-27.8 (13.54)	-25.4 (14.4)	ps<0.001	High	
										CDAI	Change from BL until 24W	-28.8 (14.41)	-24.9 (14.84)	ps<0.05		
						Ocrelizumab (500mg at days 1 and 15 and at W24 and 26)	282	Placebo	277	ACR20 response	48W	50.7%	19.5%	ps<0.001		
										ACR50 response	48W	20.8%	NR	ps<0.001		
van Vollenhoven, 2015	RCT	27	Insufficient response to rituximab	DAS28-CRP 5.6 (1.0)	12.6Y	Atacicept (150mg 1/w, subcutaneous)	18	Placebo	9	DAS28-CRP	Change from BL until 24W	-0.60 (0.66)	-0.42 (0.60)	ps=0.003	High	
										CDAI	Change from BL until 24W	-27.8 (13.54)	-25.4 (14.4)	ps<0.05		
										ACR20 response	24W	17.6%	20%	ns		
										ACR50 response	24W	24.3%	20%	ns		
										ACR20 response	48W	48.7%	19.5%	ps<0.001		
										ACR50 response	48W	19.3%	NR	ps<0.001		
COMPARISON OF DIFFERENT bDMARDs																
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Lee, 2016	SLR	RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFI	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.05 (0.47-2.39)	10.5% (-15)	19.4% (-11-28)	ps<0.001	Moderate	Low
							Abatacept	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.06 (0.46-2.28)			ps<0.001		
							Abatacept	Tocilizumab 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.10 (0.54-2.31)			ps<0.001		
							Rituximab	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.59-2.15)			ps<0.001		
							Tofacitinib 10mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.71-1.86)			ps<0.001		
							Rituximab	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.56-2.50)			ps<0.001		
							Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.54-2.75)			ps<0.001		
							Rituximab	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.64-2.46)			ps<0.001		
							Abatacept	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.61-2.63)			ps<0.001		
							Rituximab	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.44 (0.73-2.82)			ps<0.001		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Rituximab	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.92 (0.93-4.04)			ps<0.001		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.17 (1.01-4.89)			ps<0.001		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.29 (1.47-3.61)			ps<0.001		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.40 (1.09-5.41)			ps<0.001		
							Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.74 (1.26-6.27)			ps<0.001		

Vieira, 2016	SLR; RCTs 5	2136	Inadequate response to TNFI	NR	9.6-13.0Y (range)	Tofacitinib 5mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.30 (1.95-5.66)	OR-1 favours tofacitinib 5mg OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg OR-1 favours tofacitinib; Efficacy of tofacitinib comparable with bDMARDs OR-1 favours tofacitinib; Network meta-analysis OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib	Moderate	Low
						Tofacitinib 10mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.76 (2.24-6.50)			
						Tocilizumab 4mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.94 (2.19-7.48)			
						Abatacept	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.15 (2.58-7.00)			
						Rituximab	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.73 (3.14-7.27)			
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	9.04 (5.15-17.08)			
						Tofacitinib	Placebo	ACR70 response	12W	3.80 (2.05-6.80)			
								ACR70 response	24W	5.77 (3.26-9.84)			
							Abatacept	ACR70 response	12W	ns			
								ACR70 response	24W	ns			
	Golimimumab	ACR70 response	14W	ns									
		ACR70 response	24W	1.50 (0.70-3.25)									
	Tocilizumab	ACR70 response	12W	ns									
		ACR70 response	24W	ns									
	Rituximab	ACR70 response	12W	ns									
		ACR70 response	24W	0.53 (0.27-1.02)									

Alternative TNFI vs alternative TNFI																	
Alverini, 2009	SLR; RCTs 4; non-RCTs 5	5030	Failure of ≥1 TNFI	NR	NR	Adalimumab after failure of infliximab or etanercept	-	-	-	ACR70 response	13%	Efficacy, irrespective of mode of action, in reaching ACR70 response ≥ 5-15% for alternative TNFI, rituximab, abatacept and tocilizumab (except in two studies).	High	NR			
Chatzidionysi ou, 2013	Non-RCT	328	Failure of 1 TNFI	NR	6.9Y	DAS28 4.95 (Infliximab/adalimumab 4.87 (1.27); Etanercept 4.86 (1.21); Rituximab 5.3 (1.29); p=0.06 infliximab/adalimumab vs DAS28 4.91 (Infliximab 5.0 (±1.3); etanercept 5.1 (±1.4); adalimumab 4.7 (±1.4); p=0.001); HAQ: 1.1	Infliximab or adalimumab	161	Etanercept	98	EULAR good/moderate response	6M	12 (13.8%)	16 (33.3%)	38 (43.7%)	32 (66.7%)	High
Chatzidionysi ou, 2015	Non-RCT	952	Failure of 1 TNFI	NR	8.6Y	Infliximab (no high disease activity at BL)	31	Etanercept (no high disease activity at BL)	184	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-0.67 (1.36)	-1.4 (1.51)	ns			
						Etanercept (no high disease activity at BL)	184	Adalimumab (no high disease activity at BL)	199	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-0.07 (0.51)	-0.23 (0.41)	ns			
						Adalimumab (no high disease activity at BL)	199	Infliximab (no high disease activity at BL)	31	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-0.4 (1.3)	-0.6 (1.4)	p=0.09			
						Infliximab (high disease activity at BL)	28	Etanercept (high disease activity at BL)	188	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-1.8 (1.3)	-1.9 (1.5)	p=0.05			
						Etanercept (high disease activity at BL)	188	Adalimumab (high disease activity at BL)	136	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-1.9 (1.5)	-1.4 (1.6)	p=0.05			
						Adalimumab (high disease activity at BL)	136	Infliximab (high disease activity at BL)	28	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-1.4 (1.6)	-1.8 (1.3)	p=0.05			
						Infliximab → etanercept	242	Infliximab → adalimumab	101	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-1.6 (1.5)	-2.1 (1.6)				
						Etanercept → infliximab	58	Etanercept → adalimumab	329	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-1.2 (1.6)	-0.7 (1.5)				
						Adalimumab → infliximab	16	Adalimumab → etanercept	206	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M	-0.6 (0.9)	-1.2 (1.6)				
						Alternative TNFI (etanercept or infliximab)	38										
Cohen, 2005	Non-RCT	38	Failure of 1 TNFI (etanercept or infliximab)	NR	13.5Y	DAS28 5.7 (1.7)	Infliximab to etanercept (25mg 2/W, subcutaneous)	24	Etanercept to infliximab (3mg/kg at W0, 2 and 4, then q8w, intravenous)	14	EULAR good response	3M	15 (40%)		3.87	High	
Smolen, 2016	RCT	122	Primary non-response to either certolizumab pegol or adalimumab at 12W	NR	HAQ-DI 1.4	DAS28-ESR 6.0; CDAI 33.4;	Certolizumab pegol (400mg at W0, 2 and 4, then 200mg q2w)	57	Adalimumab (40mg q2w) + placebo at W0, 2 and 4	65	ACR20 response	52W	33.3%	38.5%	Low		
Zhang, 2018	Non-RCT	48	Inadequate response to TNFI	NR	5.24Y	TNFI: Intra-articular injection in knee joints	8	TNFI: Subcutaneous injection (etanercept 2/W)	20	DAS28-ESR	Change from BL until 4W	(95%CI 0.04-0.38)	(95%CI 0.29-0.57)	p=0.081	High		
						TNFI: Intra-articular injection in knee joints	8	TNFI: Combination of intra-articular and subcutaneous injections	20	DAS28-ESR	Change from BL until 4W	(95%CI 0.04-0.38)	(95%CI 0.23-0.47)	p=0.182			
						TNFI: Subcutaneous injection (etanercept 2/W)	20	TNFI: Combination of intra-articular and subcutaneous injections	20	DAS28-ESR	Change from BL until 4W	(95%CI 0.29-0.57)	(95%CI 0.23-0.47)	p=0.656			

Alternative TNFI vs non-TNFI bDMARD																		
Alverini, 2009	SLR; RCTs 4; non-RCTs 5	5030	Failure of ≥1 TNFI	NR	NR	Adalimumab after failure of infliximab or etanercept	-	-	-	ACR70 response	13%	Efficacy, irrespective of mode of action, in reaching ACR70 response ≥ 5-15% for alternative TNFI, rituximab, abatacept and tocilizumab (except in two studies).	High	NR				
Gonzalez-Vacarezza, 2014	SLR; RCTs 24	6357	Failure of TNFI	NR	0.9-13Y (range)	Rituximab	-	Placebo	-	ACR70 response	10.2%	1.5%	Appropriate to introduce tocilizumab in the coverage and remove infliximab.	Moderate	NR			
						Rituximab	-	Placebo	-	ACR70 response	12.4%							
						Rituximab	Etanercept		ACR70 response									
						Tocilizumab	Infliximab		ACR70 response									
Gotteberg, 2016	RCT	300	Insufficient response to TNFI	NR	10.0Y	DAS28-ESR 5.1 (1.1); HAQ 1.3 (0.6)	Non-TNFI biologic (abatacept 33 (23%), rituximab 41 (28%), tocilizumab 70 (48%))	146	Alternative TNFI (adalimumab 57 (39%), certolizumab 23 (16%), etanercept 53 (36%), infliximab 8 (5%))	146	EULAR good/moderate response	52W	78 (60%)	57 (43%)	1.99 (1.22-3.25)	17.0% (-5.1-28.9)	High	

Kim, 2014	SLR: RCTs 6 1524	Failure of TNFI	HAQ 1.6-1.9	9.6-21.6Y (range)	Golimumab + DMARD		153	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	15.5%	2.577 (1.518-4.496)	-0.02 (-0.13-0.09)	p=0.75	Adjusted for baseline difference	Switching to non-TNF biologics was more effective than cycling TNF inhibitor in TNF-IR patients; Probability (OR>1): 0.001; OR>1 favours golimumab	Moderate	Low-Moderate										
					Abatacept + DMARD			256	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	43.7%	15.5%							4.226 (2.606-7.023)	Probability (OR>1): 0.028; OR>1 favours golimumab								
					Abatacept + DMARD				256	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR50 response	6M	23.1%							4.2%	6.865 (2.900-20.870)	Probability (OR>1): 0.014; OR>1 favours golimumab							
					Abatacept + DMARD					256	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR70 response	6M							9.9%	1.3%	8.574 (2.312-56.850)	Probability (OR>1): 0.176; OR>1 favours abatacept						
					Abatacept + DMARD						256	Placebo + DMARD	NR	HAQ							Change from BL until 6M					Probability (OR>1): 0.000; OR>1 favours golimumab				
					Rituximab + DMARD							298	Placebo + DMARD	NR							ACR20 response	6M	47.0%	15.5%	4.822 (3.176-7.492)	Probability (OR>1): 0.021; OR>1 favours abatacept				
					Rituximab + DMARD								298	Placebo + DMARD							NR	ACR50 response	6M	24.0%	4.2%	7.231 (3.1812-15.490)	Probability (OR>1): 0.192; OR>1 favours abatacept			
					Rituximab + DMARD									298							Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR70 response	6M	17.3%	1.3%	16.220 (4.575-121.800)	Probability (OR>1): 0.169; OR>1 favours rituximab		
					Rituximab + DMARD																298	Placebo + DMARD	NR	HAQ	Change from BL until 6M					Probability (OR>1): 0.473; OR>1 favours rituximab
					Tocilizumab + DMARD																	170	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	62.4%	15.5%	9.060 (5.064-17.000)	Probability (OR>1): 0.005; OR>1 favours rituximab
					Tocilizumab + DMARD																		170	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR50 response	6M	32.2%	4.2%	10.83 (4.731-29.690)
Tocilizumab + DMARD		170	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR70 response	6M	14.4%								1.3%	12.900 (3.474-86.120)	Probability (OR>1): 0.611; OR>1 favours tocilizumab													
Tocilizumab + DMARD			170	Placebo + DMARD	NR	HAQ	Change from BL until 6M											Probability (OR>1): 0.337; OR>1 favours tocilizumab												
Golimumab + DMARD				153	Abatacept	256	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%						43.7%	1.639 (0.786-3.408)	Probability (OR>1): 0.204; OR>1 favours tocilizumab													
Golimumab + DMARD					153	Abatacept	256	ACR50 response	6M	15.7%					23.1%	1.623 (0.454-6.247)	Probability (OR>1): 0.907; OR>1 favours abatacept													
Golimumab + DMARD						153	Abatacept	256	ACR70 response	6M	5.1%				9.9%	2.048 (0.361-16.470)	Probability (OR>1): 0.772; OR>1 favours abatacept													
Golimumab + DMARD							153	Rituximab	298	HAQ	Change from BL until 6M							Probability (OR>1): 0.784; OR>1 favours abatacept												
Golimumab + DMARD								153	Rituximab	298	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%		47.0%	1.871 (0.937-3.725)	Probability (OR>1): 1.000; OR>1 favours abatacept													
Golimumab + DMARD									153	Rituximab	298	ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	24.0%	1.702 (0.558-5.087)	Probability (OR>1): 0.962; OR>1 favours rituximab													
Golimumab + DMARD										153	Rituximab	298	ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	17.3%	3.876 (0.685-35.370)	Probability (OR>1): 0.830; OR>1 favours rituximab												
Golimumab + DMARD											153	Tocilizumab	170	HAQ	Change from BL until 6M					Probability (OR>1): 0.935; OR>1 favours rituximab										
Golimumab + DMARD												153	Tocilizumab	170	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	62.4%	3.520 (1.567-7.946)	Probability (OR>1): 0.982; OR>1 favours rituximab										
Golimumab + DMARD		153											Tocilizumab	170	ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	32.2%	2.552 (0.752-9.100)	Probability (OR>1): 0.999; OR>1 favours tocilizumab										
Golimumab + DMARD			153										Tocilizumab	170	ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	14.4%	3.107 (0.532-25.490)	Probability (OR>1): 0.933; OR>1 favours tocilizumab										
Golimumab + DMARD				153									Tocilizumab	170	HAQ	Change from BL until 6M					Probability (OR>1): 0.892; OR>1 favours tocilizumab									
Nam, 2017	SLR: SLRs 2; RCTs 2				RCTs: 431								Failure of TNFI	NR	Second TNFI or non-TNFI	Other bDMARD		Efficacy										Moderate	Low	
Wei, 2017	Non-RCT				613	Failure of TNFI							DAS28-ESR 3.8 (1.3)	NR	Alternative TNFI (adalimumab 23%)	332	bDMARD with different mechanism of action (rituximab 14.7%)	281	CDAI		Change from BL until 1Y	-4.81	-7.54		p=0.037, ns after adjustment for rNAs +†		High			
[Alternative TNFIs abatacept]																														
Akiyama, 2016	Non-RCT				63	Failure of tocilizumab	CDAI: 24.2 (1.5)	11.4Y (1.2)					TNFI (19 infliximab, 3 adalimumab, 8 etanercept, 9 golimumab, 3 certolizumab-pegol) for 24W	42	Abatacept for 24W	21	CDAI≤10 (remission or LDA)	24W	64.3%	23.8%			p=0.003		High					
Harrold, 2015c	Non-RCT				1177	Failure of TNFI	CDAI 22.1; mHAQ 0.6 (ABA 0.7, TNFI 0.6, p=0.047)	12.5Y	Abatacept				431	TNFI	746	mACR20 response	12M							OR>1 favours abatacept; Adjusted for number of prior anti-TNF medications, baseline disease activity, rheumatoid arthritis disease severity and concomitant medications	High					
													mACR50 response	12M							OR>1 favours abatacept; Adjusted for number of prior anti-TNF medications, baseline disease activity, rheumatoid arthritis disease severity and concomitant medications									
											mACR70 response		12M							OR>1 favours abatacept; Adjusted for number of prior anti-TNF medications, baseline disease activity, rheumatoid arthritis disease severity and concomitant medications										
											mDAS	Change from BL until 12M						1.03	1.03				p=0.93							
											mCDAI	Change from BL until 12M												-1.64 (-3.47-0.19)						

Author, Year	Study Design	Failure of TNFi	HAQ 1.6-1.9	9.6-21.6Y (range)	DMARD	153	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	15.5%	2.577 (1.518-4.496)	Improvement of ≥0.25 in mHAQ	12M	0.74 (0.48-1.15, -)	OR-1 favours abatacept; Adjusted for number of prior anti-TNF medications, baseline disease activity, rheumatoid arthritis disease severity and concomitant medications	Moderate	Low-Moderate						
Kim, 2014	SLR; RCTs 6	1524	Failure of TNFi	HAQ 1.6-1.9	9.6-21.6Y (range)	Golimumab + DMARD	153	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	15.5%	2.577 (1.518-4.496)	Change from BL until 6M	12M	0.74 (0.48-1.15, -)	OR-1 favours abatacept; Adjusted for number of prior anti-TNF medications, baseline disease activity, rheumatoid arthritis disease severity and concomitant medications	Moderate	Low-Moderate					
										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	4.2%	4.254 (1.947-10.550, -)											
										ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	1.3%	4.211 (1.605-13.460)											
										HAQ	6M	-0.140 (-0.255, -)													
										Abatacept + DMARD	256	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response							6M	43.7%	15.5%	4.236 (2.606-7.023)	Probability (OR-1): 0.028; OR-1 favours golimumab
														ACR50 response							6M	23.1%	4.2%	6.866 (2.900-20.870)	Probability (OR-1): 0.021; OR-1 favours abatacept
														ACR70 response							6M	9.9%	1.3%	8.574 (2.312-56.850)	Probability (OR-1): 0.176; OR-1 favours abatacept
										HAQ	6M	-0.400 (-0.499, -)													
										Rituximab + DMARD	298	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response							6M	47.0%	15.5%	4.822 (3.176-7.492)	Probability (OR-1): 0.039; OR-1 favours rituximab
														ACR50 response							6M	24.0%	4.2%	7.231 (3.1812-15.490)	Probability (OR-1): 0.169; OR-1 favours rituximab
														ACR70 response							6M	17.3%	1.3%	16.220 (4.575-121.800)	Probability (OR-1): 0.473; OR-1 favours rituximab
										HAQ	6M	-0.300 (-0.397, -)													
Tocilizumab + DMARD	170	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	62.4%	15.5%	9.060 (5.064-17.000)	Probability (OR-1): 0.939; OR-1 favours tocilizumab																
				ACR50 response	6M	32.2%	4.2%	10.83 (4.731-29.690)	Probability (OR-1): 0.611; OR-1 favours tocilizumab																
				ACR70 response	6M	14.4%	1.3%	12.900 (3.474-86.120)	Probability (OR-1): 0.337; OR-1 favours tocilizumab																
HAQ	6M	-0.340 (-0.453, -)																							
Golimumab + DMARD	153	Abatacept	256	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	43.7%	1.639 (0.786-3.408)	Probability (OR-1): 0.907; OR-1 favours abatacept																
				ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	23.1%	1.623 (0.454-6.247)	Probability (OR-1): 0.772; OR-1 favours abatacept																
				ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	9.9%	2.048 (0.361-16.470)	Probability (OR-1): 0.784; OR-1 favours abatacept																
HAQ	6M	-0.260 (-0.411, -)																							
Golimumab + DMARD	153	Rituximab	298	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	47.0%	1.871 (0.937-3.725)	Probability (OR-1): 0.962; OR-1 favours rituximab																
				ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	24.0%	1.702 (0.558-5.087)	Probability (OR-1): 0.830; OR-1 favours rituximab																
				ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	17.3%	3.876 (0.685-35.370)	Probability (OR-1): 0.935; OR-1 favours rituximab																
HAQ	6M	-0.160 (-0.310, -)																							
Golimumab + DMARD	153	Tocilizumab	170	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	62.4%	3.520 (1.567-7.946)	Probability (OR-1): 0.999; OR-1 favours tocilizumab																
				ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	32.2%	2.552 (0.752-9.100)	Probability (OR-1): 0.933; OR-1 favours tocilizumab																
				ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	14.4%	3.107 (0.532-25.490)	Probability (OR-1): 0.892; OR-1 favours tocilizumab																
HAQ	6M	-0.200 (-0.360, -)																							
Alternative TNFi vs rituximab																									
Brown, 2018	RCT	122	Failure of ≥1 TNFi	DAS28 6.1 (1.1), CDAI 38.3 (13.31), SDAI 40.2 (14.04)	6.7Y	41	TNFi (etanercept, adalimumab, certolizumab pegol, golimumab, infliximab)	41	Rituximab (1000mg at days 1 en 15, intravenous)	40	ACR20 response	48W	54.8%	42.9%	Reduction from BL until 24W	1.47 (0.85-2.08)	1.17 (0.56-1.77)	0.30 (95% confidence interval (CI) -0.45 to 1.05)	p=0.436	High					
ACR50 response	48W	29.0%	20.7%																						
ACR70 response	48W	16.1%	0%																						
EULAR good response	48W	26.8%	5.0%																						
CDAI	48W	19.3 (5.7-28.8), median (IQR)	20.3 (5.3-32.3), median (IQR)																						
SDAI	48W	20.1 (7.9-27.2), median (IQR)	20.1 (5.3-34.0), median (IQR)																						
Chatzidionysi ou, 2013	Non-RCT	328	Failure of 1 TNFi	DAS28 4.95 (Infliximab/adalimumab 4.87 (1.27); Etanercept 4.86 (1.21); Rituximab 5.3 (1.29); p=0.06 infliximab/adalimumab vs rituximab), HAQ: 1.19	6.9Y	Etanercept	98	Rituximab	69	EULAR good response	6M	16 (33.3%)	8 (22.9%)	Change from BL until 6M	-1.4 (1.51)	-1.7 (1.18)	ns	High							
										EULAR good/moderate response	6M	32 (66.7%)	27 (77.1%)												
						Rituximab	69	Infliximab or adalimumab	161	EULAR good response	6M	8 (22.9%)	12 (13.8%)	Change from BL until 6M	-0.23 (0.41)	-0.16 (0.54)	ns								

Study	Year	Design	N	Primary Outcome	Intervention	Comparator	Events (n/N)	Events (n/N)	OR (95% CI)	p-value	Notes	Quality												
Emery, 2015	Non-RCT	728	Failure of TNFi	(infliximab/adalimumab 1.14(0.65); Etanercept 1.14(0.62); Rituximab 1.43(0.57); p=0.007 DAS28-ESR 5.02 (Rituximab 5.2 (1.2); alternative TNFi 4.8 (1.3); p<0.0001); HAQ-DI 1.4	Rituximab	405	Alternative TNFi	EULAR good/moderate response	6M	27 (77.1%)	38 (43.7%)		High											
								Change from BL until 6M	6M	-1.7 (1.18)	-0.67 (1.36)	p<0.0001												
								Change from BL until 6M	6M	-0.16 (0.54)	-0.07 (0.51)	ns												
Gomez-Reino, 2012	Non-RCT	1124	Failure of TNFi	DAS28 5.3 (RTX 5.5; TNFi 5.0; p<0.0001)	Rituximab	591	Alternative TNFi	EULAR good/moderate response	12M	64%	60%		High											
								Change from BL until 12M	12M	-1.81 (1.60)	-1.66 (1.49)	ns												
								Change from BL until 12M	12M	-0.6 (0.2)	-0.5 (0.2)	p=0.007												
Gonzalez-Vacarezza, 2014	SR; RCT; 24	6357	Failure of TNFi	NR	Rituximab Rituximab Rituximab	121 121	Etanercept Adalimumab Etanercept	ACR50 response	6M	0.475 (0.253-0.892)	0.231 (0.0590-0.902)	0.475 (0.253-0.892)	0.231 (0.0590-0.902)	Appropriate to introduce tocilizumab in the coverage and remove infliximab. OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours rituximab	Moderate	NR								
								Change from BL until 12M	12M	-1.81 (1.60)	-1.66 (1.49)	p=0.06												
								Change from BL until 12M	12M	-0.6 (0.2)	-0.5 (0.2)	p=0.36												
								Change from BL until 12M	12M	-1.81 (1.60)	-1.55 (1.49)	p=0.05												
Harrold, 2015a	Non-RCT	1002	Failure of ≥1 TNFi	CDAI 25.8; mHAQ 0.68	Rituximab	265	TNFi	mACR20 response	1Y	36.6%	28.7%	1.66 (1.17-2.36, -)	p=0.02	OR-1 favours rituximab; Adjusted for baseline demographics,disease activity, comorbidity and medication use (past and current) OR-1 favours rituximab; Adjusted for baseline demographics,disease activity, comorbidity and medication use (past and current) OR-1 favours rituximab; Adjusted for baseline demographics,disease activity, comorbidity and medication use (past and current) OR-1 favours rituximab; Adjusted for baseline demographics,disease activity, comorbidity and medication use (past and current) OR-1 favours rituximab; Adjusted for baseline demographics,disease activity, comorbidity and medication use (past and current) OR-1 favours rituximab; Adjusted for baseline demographics,disease activity, comorbidity and medication use (past and current)	High									
								mACR50 response	1Y	21.1%	17.4%	1.53 (1.01-2.30, -)	p=0.17											
								mACR70 response	1Y	10.2%	8.8%	1.59 (0.92-2.76, -)	p=0.46											
								CDAI low disease activity/emission	1Y	34.3%	33.7%	1.35 (0.95-1.91, -)	p=0.82											
								Improvement of ≥0.25 in mHAQ	1Y	33.2%	24.2%	1.46 (1.01-2.12, -)	p=0.004											
								Kekow, 2012	Non-RCT	196	Failure of TNFi	DAS28 5.5	Rituximab (1000mg, 2-4 infusions, intravenous)			90	Alternative TNFi (etanercept 44.3%, adalimumab 40.6%, infliximab 15.1%)	EULAR good response	End of observation (median 189D)	27 (30%)	16 (15.1%)		p=0.0216	High
																		EULAR good/moderate response	End of observation (median 189D)	70 (77.8%)	69 (65.1%)		p=0.0216	
DAS28-CRP	Change from BL until end of observation (median 189D)	-1.64 (-, -1.92- -1.36)	-1.19 (-, -1.42- -0.96)	p=0.013																				
Kim, 2014	SR; RCT; 6	1524	Failure of TNFi	HAQ 1.6-1.9	Golimumab + DMARD	153	Placebo + DMARD	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	15.5%	2.577 (1.518-4.496)		Switching to non-TNF biologics was more effective than cycling TNFα inhibitor in TNF-IR patients; Probability (OR>1): 0.001; OR>1 favours golimumab Probability (OR<1): 0.028; OR<1 favours golimumab Probability (OR<1): 0.014; OR<1 favours golimumab Probability (OR<1): 0.000; OR<1 favours golimumab Probability (OR<1): 0.021; OR<1 favours abatacept Probability (OR<1): 0.192; OR<1 favours abatacept Probability (OR<1): 0.176; OR<1 favours abatacept Probability (OR<1): 0.744; OR<1 favours abatacept Probability (OR<1): 0.039; OR<1 favours rituximab Probability (OR<1): 0.169; OR<1 favours rituximab Probability (OR<1): 0.473; OR<1 favours rituximab Probability (OR<1): 0.05; OR<1 favours rituximab Probability (OR<1): 0.939; OR<1 favours tocilizumab Probability (OR<1): 0.611; OR<1 favours tocilizumab Probability (OR<1): 0.337; OR<1 favours tocilizumab	Moderate	Low-Moderate								
								ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	4.2%	4.254 (1.947-10.550, -)												
								ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	1.3%	4.211 (1.605-13.460)												
								HAQ	Change from BL until 6M	-0.140 (-, -0.255, -)														
								Abatacept + DMARD	256	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M				43.7%	15.5%	4.226 (2.606-7.023)					
								ACR50 response	6M	23.1%	4.2%	6.866 (2.900-20.870)												
								ACR70 response	6M	9.9%	1.3%	8.574 (2.312-56.850)												
								HAQ	Change from BL until 6M	-0.400 (-, -0.499, -)														
								Rituximab + DMARD	298	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M				47.0%	15.5%	4.822 (3.176-7.492)					
								ACR50 response	6M	24.0%	4.2%	7.231 (3.1812-15.490)												
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HAQ	Change from BL until 6M	-0.300 (-, -0.397, -)																						
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													ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	23.1%	1.623 (0.454-6.247)	Probability (OR-1): 0.907; OR-1 favours abatacept												
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													Change from BL until 6M																	
													153	Rituximab	298	ACR20 response	6M		32.1%	47.0%	1.871 (0.937-3.725)	-0.260 (-0.411 -)	Probability (OR-1): 1.000; OR-1 favours abatacept	-	-					
																										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	24.0%	1.702 (0.558-5.087)
	ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	17.3%	3.876 (0.685-35.370)	Probability (OR-1): 0.830; OR-1 favours rituximab																								
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	153	Tocilizumab	170	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	62.4%	3.520 (1.567-7.946)	-0.160 (-0.310 -)	Probability (OR-1): 0.933; OR-1 favours tocilizumab	-	-																		
																		ACR50 response								6M	15.7%	32.2%	2.552 (0.752-9.100)	Probability (OR-1): 0.982; OR-1 favours rituximab
													ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	14.4%	3.107 (0.532-25.490)	Probability (OR-1): 0.999; OR-1 favours tocilizumab												
													Change from BL until 6M																	
387													Alternative TNFi	941	EULAR good response	6M	17.1%	13.5%	-	-0.200 (-0.360 -)	Probability (OR-1): 0.993; OR-1 favours tocilizumab	-	-							
																								EULAR good/moderate response	6M	54.8%	46.3%	1.31 (1.02-1.69, 0.04)	Adjusted by propensity score including Disease Activity Score in 28 joints, comorbidities, the failed anti-TNF therapy, and interaction between age and reasor for switching (Response vs non-response)	
	Change from BL until 6M																													
	54	Alternative TNFi (Etanercept 23 (47%); Adalimumab 16 (32%); Infliximab 10 (20%))	49	EULAR good response	6M	21.6%	25.7%	-	-	-	-	-																		
																								EULAR good/moderate response	6M	64.8%	60.0%	-1.3 (95%CI -1.5--1.2)	-1.2 (95%CI -1.3--1.1)	pe=0.12
																								Change from BL until 6M						
54													Alternative TNFi (Etanercept 23 (47%); Adalimumab 16 (32%); Infliximab 10 (20%))	49	EULAR good response	6M	21.6%	25.7%	-	-	-	-	-							
																								EULAR good/moderate response	6M	64.8%	60.0%	-0.13 (95%CI -0.17--0.08)	-0.11 (95%CI -0.13--0.08)	pe=0.51
																								Change from BL until 6M						
	54	Alternative TNFi (Etanercept 23 (47%); Adalimumab 16 (32%); Infliximab 10 (20%))	49	EULAR good response	6M	21.6%	25.7%	-	-	-	-	-																		
																								EULAR good/moderate response	6M	64.8%	60.0%	4.2 (2.1)	4.76 (1.9)	pe=0.298
																								Change from BL until 6M						
54													Alternative TNFi (Etanercept 23 (47%); Adalimumab 16 (32%); Infliximab 10 (20%))	49	EULAR good response	6M	21.6%	25.7%	-	-	-	-	-							
																								EULAR good/moderate response	6M	64.8%	60.0%	0.82 (0.68)	0.59 (0.69)	pe=0.960
																								Change from BL until 6M						
	Alternative TNFi vs tocilizumab																													
	Gonzalez-Vacarezza, 2014	SLR, RCTs	6357	Failure of TNFi	NR	0.9-13V (range)	Rituximab	Etanercept	ACR50 response		0.475 (0.253-0.892)	OR-1 favours RTX												Appropriate to introduce tocilizumab in the coverage and remove infliximab.	Moderate	NR				
							Rituximab	Etanercept	ACR70 response		0.231 (0.0590-0.902)	OR-1 favours RTX																		
Tocilizumab							Infliximab	ACR70 response		2.42 (1.36-4.34)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab																			
Rituximab							Tocilizumab in third line treatment	ACR20 response		1.79 (1.01-3.18)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab																			
Harrold, 2018	Non-RCT	1073	Failure of TNFi	CDAI 27.2-28.1 (range); mHAQ 0.7	11.5-12.9V (range)	TNFi + MTX ≤10mg	108	Tocilizumab (96% intravenously every 4 weeks; 4% subcutaneously (7 every 2 weeks, 3 every week, 2 missing information))	283 (trmm ed popula tion)	mACR20 response	6M		1.16 (0.69-1.97)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.	High															
										mACR50 response	6M		1.42 (0.75-2.70)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.																
										Change from BL until 6M																				
										CDAI	Change from BL until 6M			-0.15 (-2.92-2.62)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.														
										mHAQ	Change from BL until 6M			-0.02 (-0.12-0.08)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.														

			TNFi + MTX >10 to ≤15mg	186	Tocilizumab (96% intravenously every 4 weeks; 4% subcutaneously (7 every 2 weeks, 3 every week, 2 missing information))	300 (trimmed population)	mACR20 response	6M		0.98 (0.63-1.52)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
							mACR50 response	6M		1.19 (0.70-2.03)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
							CDAI	Change from BL until 6M		-0.30 (-2.83-2.22)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
							mHAQ	Change from BL until 6M		0.01 (-0.07-0.09)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
			TNFi + MTX >15 to ≤20mg	273	Tocilizumab (96% intravenously every 4 weeks; 4% subcutaneously (7 every 2 weeks, 3 every week, 2 missing information))	292 (trimmed population)	mACR20 response	6M		1.68 (1.10-2.56)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
							mACR50 response	6M		1.70 (1.00-2.89)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
							CDAI	Change from BL until 6M		-1.65 (-3.84-0.54)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
							mHAQ	Change from BL until 6M		-0.02 (-0.10-0.06)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
			TNFi + MTX >20mg	107	Tocilizumab (96% intravenously every 4 weeks; 4% subcutaneously (7 every 2 weeks, 3 every week, 2 missing information))	285 (trimmed population)	mACR20 response	6M		0.99 (0.59-1.69)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
							mACR50 response	6M		1.57 (0.78-3.15)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
							CDAI	Change from BL until 6M		-1.43 (-5.12-2.25)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
							mHAQ	Change from BL until 6M		0.02 (-0.09-0.12)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab; Adjusted for age, sex, race (white vs. nonwhite), disabled/retired, baseline CDAI, baseline mHAQ, baseline patient pain, baseline prednisone use/dose, baseline BMI, prior biologic use, prior TNFi use, and ACR functional class.						
Hirabara, 2014	Non-RCT	89	Inadequate efficacy of TNFi		DA528-CRP 4.6 (1.2); CDAI 22.4 (11.0); SDAI 24.8 (11.6)		9.8Y	Etanercept	26	Tocilizumab	38	CDAI ≤10	52W	70.6%	68.2%	ns	High

Kim, 2014	SLR: RCTs 6	1524	Failure of TNFi	HAQ 1.6-1.9	9.6-21.6Y (range)	Golimumab + DMARD	153	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	15.5%	2.577 (1.518-4.496)			Switching to non-TNF biologics was more effective than cycling TNFi inhibitor in TNF-IR patients. Probability (OR-1): 0.001; OR-1 favours golimumab Probability (OR-1): 0.028; OR-1 favours golimumab Probability (OR-1): 0.014; OR-1 favours golimumab Probability (OR-1): 0.000; OR-1 favours golimumab Probability (OR-1): 0.021; OR-1 favours abatacept Probability (OR-1): 0.192; OR-1 favours abatacept Probability (OR-1): 0.176; OR-1 favours abatacept Probability (OR-1): 0.744; OR-1 favours abatacept Probability (OR-1): 0.039; OR-1 favours rituximab Probability (OR-1): 0.169; OR-1 favours rituximab Probability (OR-1): 0.473; OR-1 favours rituximab Probability (OR-1): 0.05; OR-1 favours rituximab Probability (OR-1): 0.939; OR-1 favours tocilizumab Probability (OR-1): 0.611; OR-1 favours tocilizumab Probability (OR-1): 0.337; OR-1 favours tocilizumab Probability (OR-1): 0.204; OR-1 favours tocilizumab Probability (OR-1): 0.907; OR-1 favours abatacept Probability (OR-1): 0.772; OR-1 favours abatacept Probability (OR-1): 0.784; OR-1 favours abatacept Probability (OR-1): 1.000; OR-1 favours abatacept Probability (OR-1): 0.962; OR-1 favours rituximab Probability (OR-1): 0.830; OR-1 favours rituximab Probability (OR-1): 0.935; OR-1 favours rituximab Probability (OR-1): 0.982; OR-1 favours rituximab Probability (OR-1): 0.999; OR-1 favours tocilizumab Probability (OR-1): 0.933; OR-1 favours tocilizumab Probability (OR-1): 0.892; OR-1 favours tocilizumab Probability (OR-1): 0.993; OR-1 favours tocilizumab	Moderate	Low-Moderate
										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	4.2%	4.254 (1.947-10.550,-)					
										ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	1.3%	4.211 (1.605-13.460)					
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.140 [-, -0.255 -]				
						Abatacept + DMARD	256	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	43.7%	15.5%	4.226 (2.606-7.023)					
										ACR50 response	6M	23.1%	4.2%	5.865 (2.900-20.870)					
										ACR70 response	6M	9.9%	1.3%	8.574 (2.312-56.850)					
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.400 [-, -0.499 -]				
						Rituximab + DMARD	298	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	47.0%	15.5%	4.822 (3.176-7.492)					
										ACR50 response	6M	24.0%	4.2%	7.231 (3.1812-15.490)					
										ACR70 response	6M	17.3%	1.3%	16.220 (4.575-121.800)					
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.300 [-, -0.397 -]				
						Tocilizumab + DMARD	170	Placebo + DMARD	NR	ACR20 response	6M	62.4%	15.5%	9.060 (5.064-17.000)					
										ACR50 response	6M	32.2%	4.2%	10.83 (4.731-29.690)					
										ACR70 response	6M	14.4%	1.3%	12.900 (3.474-86.120)					
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.340 [-, -0.453 -]				
						Golimumab + DMARD	153	Abatacept	256	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	43.7%	1.639 (0.786-3.408)					
										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	23.1%	1.623 (0.454-6.247)					
										ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	9.9%	2.048 (0.361-16.470)					
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.260 [-, -0.411 -]				
						Golimumab + DMARD	153	Rituximab	298	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	47.0%	1.871 (0.937-3.725)					
										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	24.0%	1.702 (0.558-5.087)					
										ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	17.3%	3.876 (0.685-35.370)					
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.160 [-, -0.310 -]				
						Golimumab + DMARD	153	Tocilizumab	170	ACR20 response	6M	32.1%	62.4%	3.520 (1.567-7.946)					
										ACR50 response	6M	15.7%	32.2%	2.552 (0.752-9.100)					
										ACR70 response	6M	5.1%	14.4%	3.107 (0.532-25.490)					
										HAQ	Change from BL until 6M				-0.200 [-, -0.360 -]				
Lauper, 2018	Non-RCT	8608	Failure of bDMARD (not further specified)	DAS28 4.2; CDAI 23.75	8.95Y	Tocilizumab monotherapy	771	TNF combination therapy	4660	CDAI	Change from BL until 1Y				-3.54	-3.68	Coeff 0.17 (95%CI -1.33-1.66, p=0.83), adjusted by age, gender, disease duration, seropositivity, number of previous bDMARDs, GCs at BL, HAQ at BL	High	
						TNF monotherapy	1404	TNF combination therapy	4660	CDAI	Change from BL until 1Y				-3.58	-3.68	Coeff -0.23 (95%CI -1.06-0.60, p=0.59), adjusted by age, gender, disease duration, seropositivity, number of previous bDMARDs, GCs at BL, HAQ at BL		
						Tocilizumab monotherapy	771	Tocilizumab combination therapy	1773	CDAI	Change from BL until 1Y				-3.54	-3.34	Coeff -0.21 (95%CI -1.24-0.83, p=0.70), adjusted by age, gender, disease duration, seropositivity, number of previous bDMARDs, GCs at BL, HAQ at BL		
						Tocilizumab monotherapy	771	TNF monotherapy	1404	CDAI	Change from BL until 1Y				-3.54	-3.58	Coeff -0.47 (95%CI -1.60-0.66, p=0.41), adjusted by age, gender, disease duration, seropositivity, number of previous bDMARDs, GCs at BL, HAQ at BL		
						Tocilizumab combination therapy	1773	TNF combination therapy	4660	CDAI	Change from BL until 1Y				-3.34	-3.68	Coeff 0.09 (95%CI -0.56-0.74, p=0.79), adjusted by age, gender, disease duration, seropositivity, number of previous bDMARDs, GCs at BL, HAQ at BL		

		Tocilizumab combination therapy		1773	TNF i monotherapy	1404	CDAI	Change from BL until 1Y		-3.34	-3.58	Coeff 0.21 (95%CI -0.74-1.16, p=0.67), adjusted by age, gender, disease duration, seropositivity, number of previous bDMARDs, GCs at BL, HAQ at BL		High			
Vial, 2017^a	Non-RCT	152	Failure of rituximab	DAS28-ESR 4.8 (1.3)	NR	TNFI	47	Tocilizumab	57	EULAR good/moderate response	12M	7 (70%)	21 (75%)	p=0.95	High		
Walker, 2015	Non-RCT	265	Failure of rituximab	DAS28-ESR 5.7, median; CDAI 25.1, median; HAQ-DI 1.38-1.56, range of medians	12.0Y	TNFI	89	Tocilizumab	86	DAS28-ESR EULAR good response DAS28-ESR CDAI HAQ-DI	12M 6M	31%	65%	p=0.04 p<0.001 p<0.001 p<0.01 p=0.63	High		
Abatacept vs rituximab																	
Brown, 2018	RCT	122	Failure of ≥1 TNFI	DAS28 6.1 (1.1), CDAI 38.3 (13.31); SDAI 40.2 (14.04)	6.7Y	Abatacept (125mg/W, subcutaneous)	41	Rituximab (1000mg at days 1 en 15, intravenous)	40	ACR20 response ACR50 response ACR70 response EULAR good response DAS28 CDAI SDAI	48W 48W 48W 48W 24W 48W 48W	35.5% 18.8% 12.5% 4.9%	42.9% 20.7% 0 5.0%	1.20 (0.62-1.78) 1.17 (0.56-1.77) 0.04 (-0.72-0.79)	p=0.927	High	
Gottenberg, 2019	non-RCT	3162	Failure of ≥1 TNFI	DAS28-ESR 5.35	10.0-12.0Y (range of medians)	Abatacept	620	Rituximab	1548	EULAR good/moderate response	24M	125 (22.7%)	322 (34.6%)	0.55 (0.19-0.78)	OR-1 favours abatacept	High	
Lee, 2016	SLR: RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFI	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.05 (0.47-2.39)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg; Tocilizumab highest performance regarding early good response based on ACR 20 response, followed by rituximab, abatacept and tofacitinib.	Moderate	Low	
						Abatacept		Tocilizumab 4mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.06 (0.46-2.28)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Abatacept		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.10 (0.54-2.31)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Rituximab		Abatacept		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.59-2.15)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tofacitinib 10mg		Rituximab		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.71-1.86)		OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg			
						Rituximab		Tocilizumab 4mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.56-2.50)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tocilizumab 4mg		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.54-2.75)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg			
						Rituximab		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.64-2.46)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Abatacept		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.61-2.63)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Rituximab		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.44 (0.73-2.82)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Rituximab		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.92 (0.93-4.04)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Abatacept		ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.17 (1.01-4.89)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Tocilizumab 4mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.29 (1.47-3.61)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.40 (1.09-5.41)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.74 (1.26-6.27)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
						Tofacitinib 5mg		Placebo		ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.30 (1.95-5.66)		OR-1 favours tofacitinib 5mg			
						Tofacitinib 10mg		Placebo		ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.76 (2.24-6.50)		OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg			
						Tocilizumab 4mg		Placebo		ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.94 (2.19-7.48)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg			
						Abatacept		Placebo		ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.15 (2.58-7.00)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Rituximab		Placebo		ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.73 (3.14-7.27)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tocilizumab 8mg		Placebo		ACR20 response	24W-6M	9.04 (5.15-17.08)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
Abatacept vs tocilizumab																	
Das, 2014	Non-RCT	51	Failure of rituximab	DAS28-ESR 5.73	12Y	Abatacept (<60 kg: 500 mg; ≥60 kg≤100kg: 750 mg; >100 kg: 1000 mg on days 1, 15, 29 and then q28d)	16	Tocilizumab (8mg/kg, q4w)	35	DAS28-ESR	6M	4.94 (0.44)	3.28 (0.26)		High		
Elmedany, 2019	Non-RCT	132	Failure of ≥1 TNFI	DAS28 5.61; HAQ 0.96	7.5Y	Tocilizumab 8mg	68	Abatacept (W0, 2, 4, then q4w, intravenous; <60kg 500mg, 60-100kg	64	DAS28-ESR at 24W HAQ at 24W		2.4 (0.84)	2.8 (0.78)	ns	High		
Gottenberg, 2016	RCT	300	Insufficient response to TNFI	DAS28-ESR 5.1 (1.1); HAQ 1.3 (0.6)	10.0Y	Tocilizumab	70	Abatacept	33	EULAR good/moderate response	24W	56 (80%)	22 (67%)	1.78 (0.59-5.37)	ns	High	
Gottenberg, 2019	Non-RCT	3162	Failure of ≥1 TNFI	DAS28-ESR 5.35	10.0-12.0Y (range of medians)	Abatacept	620	Tocilizumab	964	EULAR good/moderate response	24M	125 (22.7%)	272 (44.2%)	0.37 (0.21-0.63)	OR-1 favours abatacept	High	
Harróld, 2016	Non-RCT	528	Failure of ≥1 TNFI	CDAI 28.0; mHAQ 0.7 (0.5), mean (SD)	10.5Y	Abatacept	264	Tocilizumab	264	CDAI (trimmed mHAQ)	Change from BL until 6M	-11.3 (14.7)	-9.9 (14.1)	-1.27 (-, 3.65-1.11)	p=0.30	High	
Hirabara, 2014	Non-RCT	89	Inadequate efficacy of TNFI	DAS28-CRP 4.6 (1.2); CDAI 22.4 (11.0); SDAI 24.8 (11.6)	9.8Y	Abatacept	25	Tocilizumab	38	DAS28-CRP CDAI s1D	52W 52W	49.8%	68.2%	3.22 (1.11)	2.51 (1.12)	p=0.016	High
Lee, 2016	SLR: RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFI	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.05 (0.47-2.39)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg; Tocilizumab highest performance regarding early good response based on ACR 20 response, followed by rituximab, abatacept and tofacitinib.	Moderate	Low	
						Abatacept		Tocilizumab 4mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.06 (0.46-2.28)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Abatacept		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.10 (0.54-2.31)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Rituximab		Abatacept		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.59-2.15)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tofacitinib 10mg		Rituximab		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.71-1.86)		OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg			
						Rituximab		Tocilizumab 4mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.56-2.50)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tocilizumab 4mg		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.54-2.75)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg			
						Rituximab		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.64-2.46)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Abatacept		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.61-2.63)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Rituximab		Tofacitinib 5mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.44 (0.73-2.82)		OR-1 favours rituximab			

Lee, 2016	SLR: RCT; 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFi	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.05 (0.47-2.39)					OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg; Tocilizumab highest performance regarding early good response based on ACR20 response, followed by rituximab, abatacept and tofacitinib. OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg OR-1 favours tofacitinib 5mg OR-1 favours tocilizumab 10mg OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg	Moderate	Low		
						Abatacept	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.06 (0.46-2.28)									
						Abatacept	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.10 (0.54-2.31)									
						Rituximab	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.59-2.15)									
						Tofacitinib 10mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.71-1.86)									
						Rituximab	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.56-2.50)									
						Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.54-2.75)									
						Rituximab	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.64-2.46)									
						Abatacept	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.61-2.63)									
						Rituximab	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.44 (0.73-2.82)									
						Abatacept	Rituximab	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.92 (0.93-4.04)									
						Rituximab	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.17 (1.01-4.89)									
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.29 (1.47-3.61)									
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.40 (1.09-5.41)									
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.74 (1.26-6.27)									
						Tofacitinib 5mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.30 (1.95-5.66)									
						Tofacitinib 10mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.76 (2.24-6.50)									
						Tocilizumab 4mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	3.94 (2.19-7.48)									
						Abatacept	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.15 (2.58-7.00)									
						Rituximab	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	4.73 (3.14-7.27)									
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	9.04 (5.15-17.08)									
Ogata, 2018	RCT	41	Inadequate response to tocilizumab intravenously	DAS28 5.7 (1.3), CDAI 33.5 (15.0)	8.4Y	Tocilizumab (162mg q1w, subcutaneous)	Tocilizuma(162mg q2w, subcutaneous)	ACR20 response ACR50 response ACR70 response	12W 12W 12W	11 (52.4%) 8 (38.1%) 3 (14.3%)	4 (20.0%) 3 (15.0%) 3 (15.0%)								
								Change from BL until 12W					-2.1	-0.89	-1.21 (-	pr=0.0108			
								CDAI	Change from BL until 12W				-16.0	-8.7	-7.26 (-	pr=0.0979			
														15.93-1.40)					
Secukinumab vs secukinumab (different doses)																			
Huang, 2019	SLR (3 RCT)	1292	Failure of ≥1 TNFi	NR	NR	Secukinumab 150mg (Subcutaneous at BL, W1, W2, W3, W4 and then q4W; or Intravenous 10mg/kg at BL, W2, W4 and then _mg q4W)	Secukinumab 75mg (Subcutaneous at BL, W1, W2, W3, W4 and then q4W; or Intravenous 10mg/kg at BL, W2, W4 and then _mg q4W)	ACR20	24W	1.03 (0.85-1.24)							RR-1 favours secukinumab 150mg	Moderate	Low-moderate
								ACR50	24W	1.06 (0.78-1.44)									
								ACR70	24W	1.32 (0.42-4.18)									
Other BDMARD vs BDMARD																			
Genovese, 2014c	RCT	221	Failure of TNFi	DAS28-CRP 5.77, CDAI 38.80 (14.3-71.2), median (range)	9.99Y	Olokizumab (all doses, subcutaneous)	Tocilizumab (8mg/kg q4w)	ACR20 response ACR50 response	12W 12W				ns						Low
						Olokizumab (60mg q4w, subcutaneous)	Tocilizumab (8mg/kg q4w, subcutaneous)	ACR20 response ACR50 response DAS28-ESR	12W 12W Change from BL until 12W	12 (75.0%) 6 (37.5%)	27 (65.9%) 10 (24.4%)								
								CDAI	Change from BL until 12W										
								HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W										
						Olokizumab (60mg q2w, subcutaneous)		ACR20 response ACR50 response DAS28-ESR	12W 12W Change from BL until 12W	6 (35.3%) 3 (17.6%)									
								CDAI	Change from BL until 12W										
								HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W										
						Olokizumab (120mg q4w, subcutaneous)		ACR20 response ACR50 response DAS28-ESR	12W 12W Change from BL until 12W	11 (61.1%) 3 (16.7%)									
								CDAI	Change from BL until 12W										
								HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W										
						Olokizumab (120mg q2w, subcutaneous)		ACR20 response ACR50 response DAS28-ESR	12W 12W Change from BL until 12W	10 (50.0%) 5 (25.0%)									
								CDAI	Change from BL until 12W										
								HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W										
						Olokizumab (240mg q4w, subcutaneous)		ACR20 response	12W	7 (33.3%)									

Study	Design	N	Intervention	Comparator	Outcome	Time	Events	OR (95% CI)	OR (95% CI)	OR (95% CI)	OR (95% CI)									
Weinblatt, 2018	RCT	63	Inadequate response to TNFi	DAS28-CRP 6.1	7.2Y	Mavrilimumab (100mg q2w, subcutaneous)	22	ACR50 response	12W	3 (1.43%)	-1.59 (0.25) (LS mean (SE)) -12.99 (-42.9-4.0) (median (range)) 0.00 (-1.0-0.5) (median (range))	High								
								DAS28-ESR	Change from BL until 12W											
								CDAI	Change from BL until 12W											
								HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W											
								ACR20 response	12W	11 (52.4%)										
								ACR50 response	12W	5 (23.8%)										
								DAS28-ESR	Change from BL until 12W											
								CDAI	Change from BL until 12W											
								HAQ-DI	Change from BL until 12W											
								ACR20 response	24W	22 (72.3%)			20 (61.2%)							
								ACR50 response	24W											
								ACR70 response	24W											
DAS28-CRP	24W																			
CDAI s2.8	24W	6.7%	9.0%																	
SDAI s3.3	24W	10.1%	12.1%																	
JAKi vs bDMARD																				
JAKi vs (alternative) TNFi																				
Fleischmann, 2019	non-RCT	410	Failure of adalimumab or upadacitinib (switch to other treatment option)	NR	NR	Adalimumab (40mg q2w)	251	Upadacitinib (15mg/D)	159	Change in DAS28-CRP from BL until 6M	-2.40 (-2.58--2.22)	-2.88 (-3.11--2.65)	High							
Vieira, 2016	SLR: RCTs 5	2136	Inadequate response to TNFi	NR	9.6-13.0Y (range)	Tofacitinib	Placebo	ACR70 response	12W	3.80 (2.05-6.80)	-0.58 (-0.66--0.49)	-0.73 (-0.83--0.63)	OR-1 favours tofacitinib; Efficacy of tofacitinib comparable with bDMARDs OR-1 favours tofacitinib; Network meta-analysis	Moderate	Low					
								ACR70 response	24W	5.77 (3.26-9.84)										
								ACR70 response	12W	ns										
								ACR70 response	24W	ns										
								ACR70 response	14W	ns										
								ACR70 response	24W	1.50 (0.70-3.25)										
								ACR70 response	12W	ns										
								ACR70 response	24W	ns										
								ACR70 response	12W	ns										
								ACR70 response	24W	0.53 (0.27-1.02)										
Tofacitinib vs abatacept																				
Lee, 2016	SLR: RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFi	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.05 (0.47-2.39)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg; Tocilizumab highest performance regarding early good response based on ACR 20 response, followed by rituximab, abatacept and tofacitinib.	Moderate	Low					
Lee, 2016	SLR: RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFi	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg		Tofacitinib 10mg		ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.05 (0.47-2.39)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg; Tocilizumab highest performance regarding early good response based on ACR 20 response, followed by rituximab, abatacept and tofacitinib.	Moderate	Low					
																Abatacept	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.06 (0.46-2.28)
																Abatacept	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.10 (0.54-2.31)
																Rituximab	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.59-2.15)
																Tofacitinib 10mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.71-1.86)
																Rituximab	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.56-2.50)
																Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.54-2.75)
																Rituximab	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.64-2.46)
																Abatacept	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.61-2.63)
																Rituximab	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.44 (0.73-2.82)
																Tocilizumab 8mg	Rituximab	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.92 (0.93-4.04)
																Tocilizumab 8mg	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.17 (1.01-4.89)
																Tocilizumab 8mg	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.29 (1.47-3.61)
																Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	2.40 (1.09-5.41)
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																Tocilizumab 8mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M	9.04 (5.15-17.08)

Vieira, 2016 SLR: RCTs 5 2136	Inadequate response to TNFI	NR	9.6-13.0Y (range)	Tofactinib	Placebo	ACR70 response	12W	3.80 (2.05-6.80)	OR-1 favours tofacitinib; Efficacy of tofacitinib comparable with bDMARDs OR-1 favours tofacitinib; Network meta-analysis OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib OR-1 favours tofacitinib	Moderate	Low															
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					Golimumab	ACR70 response	14W	ns																		
					Tocilizumab	ACR70 response	24W	1.50 (0.70-3.25)																		
					Rituximab	ACR70 response	12W	ns																		
					Rituximab	ACR70 response	24W	0.53 (0.27-1.02)																		
Tofacitinib vs rituximab																										
Lee, 2016 SLR: RCTs 4 1796	Inadequate response to TNFI	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.05 (0.47-2.39)	OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg; Tocilizumab highest performance regarding early good response based on ACR 20 response, followed by rituximab, abatacept and tofacitinib. OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours abatacept OR-1 favours rituximab OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg	Moderate	Low															
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					Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.10 (0.54-2.31)																		
					Rituximab	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.59-2.15)																		
					Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.14 (0.71-1.86)																		
					Rituximab	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.56-2.50)																		
					Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.20 (0.54-2.75)																		
					Rituximab	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.26 (0.54-2.46)																		
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					Tocilizumab 8mg	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M				2.17 (1.01-4.89)														
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					Tocilizumab 8mg	Tocilizumab 8mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M				2.74 (1.26-6.27)														
					Tofacitinib 5mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M				3.30 (1.95-5.66)														
					Tofacitinib 10mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M				3.76 (2.24-6.50)														
					Tocilizumab 4mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M				3.94 (2.19-7.48)														
					Abatacept	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M				4.15 (2.58-7.00)														
					Rituximab	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M				4.73 (3.14-7.27)														
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													Tofacitinib vs tocilizumab													
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Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M	1.06 (0.46-2.28)																							
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					Golimumab	ACR70 response	14W	ns																		
					Tocilizumab	ACR70 response	24W	1.50 (0.70-3.25)																		
					Rituximab	ACR70 response	12W	ns																		
					Rituximab	ACR70 response	24W	0.53 (0.27-1.02)																		

						Rituximab		ACR20 response	24W		ns		OR-1 favours tofacitinib			
								ACR20 response	12W		ns		OR-1 favours tofacitinib			
								ACR20 response	24W		0.53 (0.27-1.02)		OR-1 favours tofacitinib			
Tofacitinib - different doses																
Lee, 2016	SLR; RCTs 4	1796	Inadequate response to TNFI	NR	NR	Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.05 (0.47-2.39)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg; Tocilizumab highest performance regarding early good response based on ACR20 response, followed by rituximab, abatacept and tofacitinib.	Moderate	Low	
						Abatacept	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.06 (0.46-2.28)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Abatacept	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.10 (0.54-2.31)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Rituximab	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.14 (0.59-2.15)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tofacitinib 10mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.14 (0.71-1.86)		OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg			
						Rituximab	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.20 (0.56-2.50)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tocilizumab 4mg	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.20 (0.54-2.75)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg			
						Rituximab	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.26 (0.64-2.46)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Abatacept	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.26 (0.61-2.63)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Rituximab	Tofacitinib 5mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.44 (0.73-2.82)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Rituximab	ACR20 response	24W-6M		1.92 (0.93-4.04)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Abatacept	ACR20 response	24W-6M		2.17 (1.01-4.89)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Tocilizumab 4mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		2.29 (1.17-4.51)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Tofacitinib 10mg	ACR20 response	24W-6M		2.40 (1.09-5.41)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
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						Tofacitinib 5mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M		3.30 (1.95-5.66)		OR-1 favours tofacitinib 5mg			
						Tofacitinib 10mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M		3.76 (2.24-6.50)		OR-1 favours tofacitinib 10mg			
						Tocilizumab 4mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M		3.94 (2.19-7.48)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 4mg			
						Abatacept	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M		4.15 (2.58-7.00)		OR-1 favours abatacept			
						Rituximab	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M		4.73 (3.14-7.27)		OR-1 favours rituximab			
						Tocilizumab 8mg	Placebo	ACR20 response	24W-6M		9.04 (5.15-17.08)		OR-1 favours tocilizumab 8mg			
Other																
Al-Gareeb, 2018	RCT	110	Failure of entanercept	DAS28-ESR 5.22 (intervention 5.51, comparator 4.89, p<0.001)	-	Nicosamide (2 capsules one daily for 8 weeks), in addition to etanercept	48	Placebo (2 capsules one daily for 8 weeks), in addition to etanercept	41	Change in DAS28-ESR from BL until 8W		-10.16% (SEM 1.89)	5.11% (SEM 2.28)	p<0.001	Moderate	
EFFICACY OF B/TSDMARDS BY NUMBER OF PREVIOUS FAILED BDMARDS																
TNFI																
Smolen, 2014	Subanalysis RCT (Subanalysis)	461	Failure of ≥1 TNFI	DAS28 median 6.1-6.3; HAQ-DI median 1.5-1.8	8.7-9.8Y, median	Failure of 1 TNFI: Golimumab (50 or 100mg q4w, subcutaneous)	137	Failure of 2 TNFIs: Golimumab (50 or 100mg q4w, subcutaneous)	47	ACR20 response	24W	61 (44.5%)	17 (36.2%)		High	
										ACR50 response	24W	30 (21.9%)	11 (23.4%)			
										EULAR good/moderate response	24W	82 (59.9%)	24 (51.1%)			
										HAQ-DI ≥0.25-unit improvement	24W	73 (53.3%)	22 (46.8%)			
						Failure of 1 TNFI: Golimumab (50 or 100mg q4w, subcutaneous)	137	Failure of 3 TNFIs: Golimumab (50 or 100mg q4w, subcutaneous)	17	ACR20 response	24W	61 (44.5%)	4 (23.5%)			
										ACR50 response	24W	30 (21.9%)	1 (5.9%)			
										EULAR good/moderate response	24W	82 (59.9%)	10 (58.8%)			
										HAQ-DI ≥0.25-unit improvement	24W	73 (53.3%)	7 (41.2%)			
Abatacept																
Schiff, 2009	Subanalysis RCT (Subanalysis)	1046	Failure of TNFI	DAS28-CRP 6.2 (0.7); HAQ-DI 1.7 (0.6)	11.6Y	Failure of 1 TNFI: Abatacept (10mg/kg on days 1, 15 and 29, then q4w)	488	Failure of ≥2 TNFIs: Abatacept (10mg/kg on days 1, 15 and 29, then q4w)	540	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M		-2.1 (95%CI -2.2 -2.0)	-2.0 (95%CI -2.1 -1.8)		High
						Failure of 1 TNFI: Abatacept (10mg/kg on days 1, 15 and 29, then q4w)	488	Failure of 3 TNFIs: Abatacept (10mg/kg on days 1, 15 and 29, then q4w)	200	DAS28	Change from BL until 6M		-2.1 (95%CI -2.2 -2.0)	-1.7 (95%CI -1.9 -1.5)	s	
Rituximab																
Harrod, 2015b	Non-RCT	265	Failure of TNFI	CDAI: Previous 1 TNFI: 17.5; Previous ≥2 TNFI: 24.4 (p<0.001)	13Y	Rituximab: Previous exposure 1 TNFI	114 (trimmed population)	Rituximab: Previous exposure ≥2 TNFI	151 (trimmed population)	CDAI	12M	13.2	18.3		High	
Tocilizumab																
Emery, 2008	Subanalysis RCT (Subanalysis)	176	Failure of 2 TNFIs		NR	Tocilizumab (8mg/kg, q4w, intravenous)	52	Placebo	64	ACR20 response	24W	26 (50.0%)	7 (10.9%)		High	
										ACR50 response	24W	16 (30.8%)	1 (1.6%)			
										ACR20 response	24W	8 (15.4%)	0 (0.0%)			
						Tocilizumab (4mg/kg, q4w, intravenous)	60	Placebo	64	ACR20 response	24W	17 (28.3%)	7 (10.9%)			
										ACR50 response	24W	8 (13.3%)	1 (1.6%)			
										ACR20 response	24W	2 (3.3%)	0 (0.0%)			
						Tocilizumab (8mg, kg, q4w, intravenous)	26	Placebo	18	ACR20 response	24W	14 (53.8%)	1 (5.6%)			
										ACR50 response	24W	5 (19.2%)	0 (0.0%)			
										ACR20 response	24W	2 (7.7%)	0 (0.0%)			
						Tocilizumab (4mg/kg, q4w, intravenous)	18	Placebo	18	ACR20 response	24W	4 (22.2%)	1 (5.6%)			
										ACR50 response	24W	4 (22.2%)	0 (0.0%)			
										ACR20 response	24W	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)			
Tofacitinib																
Burmester, 2013	Subanalysis RCT (Subanalysis)	399	Inadequate response to 1 TNFI		NR	Tofacitinib (5mg 2/D, oral)	83	Placebo	85	ACR20 response	3M	36 (43.4%)	26 (30.6%)		High	
						Inadequate response to 2 TNFI	NR	NR	37	ACR20 response	3M	14 (37.8%)	4 (10.8%)			
						Inadequate response to ≥3 TNFI	NR	NR	11	ACR20 response	3M	4 (36.4%)	2 (22.2%)			
						Inadequate response to 1 TNFI	NR	NR	89	ACR20 response	3M	43 (48.9%)	26 (30.6%)			
						Inadequate response to 2 TNFI	NR	NR	30	ACR20 response	3M	16 (53.3%)	4 (10.8%)			
						Inadequate response to ≥3 TNFI	NR	NR	12	ACR20 response	3M	5 (41.7%)	2 (22.2%)			

Charles-Schoeman, 2017* (Subanalysis of see also below, failure ≥1bDMARD)	Subanalysis 838 RCT	Failure of 1bDMARD	NR	NR	Tofacitinib (5mg, 2/D, oral)	NR	Placebo	NR	ACR20 response	3M	45.3%	27.2%	p<0.05	High				
					DAS28-ESR ≤3.2	NR	Placebo	NR	ACR20 response	3M	11.9%	5.8%	ns					
					Failure of ≥2bDMARDs	Tofacitinib (5mg, 2/D, oral)	NR	Placebo	NR	ACR20 response	3M	40.6%	20.0%		p<0.05			
					Failure of 1bDMARD	Tofacitinib (10mg, 2/D, oral)	NR	Placebo	NR	DAS28-ESR ≤3.2	3M	14.0%	3.4%		p<0.05			
					Failure of ≥2bDMARDs	Tofacitinib (10mg, 2/D, oral)	NR	Placebo	NR	ACR20 response	3M	50.6%	27.2%		p<0.0001			
					Tofacitinib (10mg, 2/D, oral)	NR	Placebo	NR	DAS28-ESR ≤3.2	3M	15.7%	5.8%	p<0.05					
					Tofacitinib (10mg, 2/D, oral)	NR	Placebo	NR	ACR20 response	3M	50.6%	20.0%	p<0.0001					
					Tofacitinib (10mg, 2/D, oral)	NR	Placebo	NR	DAS28-ESR ≤3.2	3M	16.5%	3.4%	p<0.05					
Baricitinib Genovese, 2018a (Subanalysis of Genovese, 2016 (see also below, failure	Subanalysis 211 RCT	Failure of 1 TNF α	NR	NR	Baricitinib (2mg/D, oral)	102	Placebo	104	ACR20 response	12W	54 (53%)	31 (30%)	p<0.001	High				
					CDAI \leq 10	12W	25 (25%)	16 (15%)	p<0.01									
					Baricitinib (4mg/D, oral)	104	Placebo	104	ACR20 response	12W	58 (56%)	9 (18%)	p<0.001					
					CDAI \leq 10	12W	34 (33%)	16 (15%)	p<0.001									
					211	Failure of ≥2 TNF α	NR	NR	Baricitinib (2mg/D, oral)	43	Placebo	69	ACR20 response		12W	19 (38%)	6 (13%)	p<0.001
									CDAI \leq 10	12W	1 (2%)	9 (18%)	p<0.01					
									Baricitinib (4mg/D, oral)	54	Placebo	69	ACR20 response		12W	24 (53%)	6 (13%)	p<0.001
					Baricitinib (4mg/D, oral)	54	Placebo	69	CDAI \leq 10	12W	1 (2%)	9 (20%)	p<0.05					
Upadactinib Weinblatt, 2019* (Subanalysis Genovese, 2018b)	Subanalysis 235 RCT	Failure of 1 bDMARD	NR	NR	Upadactinib 15mg/D	86	Placebo	83	ACR20 response	12W	61.6%	28.9%	p<0.001	High				
					ACR50 response	12W	32.6%	0.12	p<0.01									
					ACR70 response	12W	14.0%	7.2%	ns									
					DAS28-CRP ≤3.2	12W	0.43	16.9%	p<0.001									
					CDAI \leq 10	12W	32.6%	15.7%	p<0.01									
										CDAI \leq 2.8	12W	9.3%	6.0%		ns			
					Upadactinib 30mg/D	66	Placebo	83	ACR20 response	12W	57.6%	28.9%	p<0.001					
					ACR50 response	12W	39.4%	0.12	p<0.001									
					ACR70 response	12W	27.3%	7.2%	p<0.001									
					DAS28-CRP ≤3.2	12W	0.47	16.9%	p<0.001									
					CDAI \leq 10	12W	39.4%	15.7%	p<0.001									
										CDAI \leq 2.8	12W	18.2%	6.0%		ns			
					137	Failure of 2 bDMARDs	NR	NR	Upadactinib 15mg/D	40	Placebo	46	ACR20 response		12W	70.0%	32.0%	p<0.001
									ACR50 response	12W	32.5%	14.2%	ns					
									ACR70 response	12W	5.0%	8.7%	ns					
									DAS28-CRP ≤3.2	12W	45.0%	13.0%	p<0.01					
									CDAI \leq 10	12W	27.5%	17.4%	ns					
									CDAI \leq 2.8	12W	5.0%	4.3%	ns					
									Upadactinib 30mg/D	51	Placebo	46	ACR20 response		12W	58.8%	32.6%	p<0.01
					ACR50 response	12W	35.3%	14.2%	p<0.05									
					ACR70 response	12W	21.6	8.7%	ns									
DAS28-CRP ≤3.2	12W	37.3%	13.0%	p<0.01														
CDAI \leq 10	12W	31.4%	17.4%	ns														
CDAI \leq 2.8	12W	5.9%	4.3%	ns														
125	Failure of ≥3 bDMARD	NR	NR	Upadactinib 15mg/D	38	Placebo	40	ACR20 response	12W	65.8%	22.5%	p<0.001						
				ACR50 response	12W	39.5%	7.5%	p<0.01										
				ACR70 response	12W	13.2%	2.5%	ns										
				DAS28-CRP ≤3.2	12W	42.1%	10.0%	p<0.01										
				CDAI \leq 10	12W	34.2%	7.5%	p<0.01										
				CDAI \leq 2.8	12W	7.9%	2.5%	ns										
				Upadactinib 30mg/D	47	Placebo	40	ACR20 response	12W	51.1%	22.5%	p<0.01						
				ACR50 response	12W	29.8%	7.5%	p<0.01										
				ACR70 response	12W	17.0%	2.5%	p<0.05										
				DAS28-CRP ≤3.2	12W	40.4%	10.0%	p<0.01										
				CDAI \leq 10	12W	27.7%	7.5%	p<0.05										
CDAI \leq 2.8	12W	8.5%	2.5%	ns														
Fingolimod Genovese, 2019	Subanalysis 448 RCT	Failure of 1 bDMARD	NR	NR	Fingolimod (100mg/D)	86	Placebo	77	ACR20 response	12W	57.0%	36.4%	p<0.001	Moderate				
					Fingolimod (200mg/D)	73	Placebo	77	ACR20 response	12W	61.6%	36.4%	p<0.01					
					Fingolimod (100mg/D)	33	Placebo	36	ACR20 response	12W	57.6%	33.3%	ns					
					Fingolimod (200mg/D)	37	Placebo	36	ACR20 response	12W	70.3%	33.3%	p<0.01					
					Fingolimod (100mg/D)	119	Placebo	114	ACR20 response	12W	57.1%	35.1%	p<0.05					
					Fingolimod (200mg/D)	110	Placebo	114	ACR20 response	12W	64.5	35.1%	p<0.001					
					Fingolimod (100mg/D)	34	Placebo	34	ACR20 response	12W	58.8%	17.6%	p<0.001					
Fingolimod (200mg/D)	37	Placebo	34	ACR20 response	12W	70.3%	17.6%	p<0.001										

ACR, American College of Rheumatology; bDMARD: biological disease modifying antirheumatic drug; BL: baseline; CDAI: clinical disease activity index; CI: confidence interval; CRP: reactive protein C; cDMARD: conventional synthetic disease modifying antirheumatic drug; D: day(s); DAS28: disease activity score assessing 28 joints; DMARD: disease modifying antirheumatic drug; ESR: erythrocyte sedimentation rate; EULAR: European League Against Rheumatism; HAQ(D): health assessment questionnaire (-disability index); LSM: least square mean; M: month(s); mACR: modified American College of Rheumatology response (\geq ...% improvement in tender jointcount and swollen joint count, as well as two or more of the four remaining ACR response components, including physician's global assessment, patient's global assessment, patient's global pain and mHAQ.); mDAS: modified disease activity score (which is calculated without results of acute phase reactants as well as achievement of remission using the mDAS28 cut-off of <2.6 (eg, baseline mDAS—follow-up mDAS)); mg: milligram; mHAQ: modified Health Assessment Questionnaire; n: number; NR: not reported; (n)-RCT: (non)-randomised controlled trial; ns: not significant; OR: odds ratio; q: w: every... weeks; RA: rheumatoid arthritis; SD: standard deviation; SDAI: simplified disease activity index; SLR: systematic literature review; TNF: TNF inhibitor; tDMARD: targeted synthetic disease modifying antirheumatic drug; W: week(s); Y: year(s); -: abstract.

1. Composite scores: Change over time, otherwise fixed time point, otherwise LDA, otherwise remission; 2. Latest time point during treatment period that was reported; 3. According to Cochrane Collaboration's tool for individual studies: highest risk of bias as found; According to AMSTAR2 tool for SLRs: Low-zero or one non-critical weakness; Moderate-more than one non-critical weakness; High-one critical flaw with or without non-critical weaknesses; Critically high-more than one critical flaw with or without non-critical weaknesses; 4. Only applicable for SLRs: Summary of RoB of individual studies, as assessed in SLR