

Online supplementary table 1: An example of the complete search strategy using PubMed database (title/abstract)

Used OR	Open search	Limited to 2006 – 2017/English/Arabic	Used AND
Perception Attitude Perspective Beliefs	72,629	41,226	
Electronic health record EHR Electronic medical record EMR Electronic record Digital record Digital medical record Digital health record Digitised record Digitized record Electronic health information system Health information system HIS Ehealth Digital health	459,445	242,944	1,884
GCC Gulf cooperation council Gulf Countries Bahrain Kuwait Oman Qatar Saudi Arabia United Arab Emirates UAE Middle East	263,762	154,859	95