

Table S1 Detailed search strategy of PubMed as an example

Data base	Search terms	Results	Extraction of relevant publications
PubMed	(inability to burp or inability to belch[Title/Abstract]) OR (abelchia[Title/Abstract]) OR (retrograde cricopharynge* dysfunction[Title/Abstract])) OR (retrograde upper esophageal sphincter dysfunction[Title/Abstract] OR retrograde upper oesophageal - Search Results - PubMed	374 publications	All studies on fundoplication were excluded. A number of other studies, for instance those on aerophagia and RefluxStop, were also excluded