## **GRADE Table 3:**

## Yellow fever vaccine-associated viscerotropic disease in travellers aged 60 years and older

**Population:** Travellers receiving yellow fever vaccination **Intervention**: Yellow fever vaccination ≥ 60 years of age **Comparison:** Yellow fever vaccination < 60 years of age

Outcome: Yellow fever vaccine-associated viscerotropic disease

Are elderly travelers over 60 years of age at greater risk of Yellow fever vaccine-associated viscerotropic disease (YF-AVD)?

			Pating	Adjustment to rating
	No of studies (starting ration		Rating	
Quality Assessment	No. of studies/starting rating		2/ observational <sup>7</sup>	2
	Factors decreasing confidence	Limitation in study design	Serious <sup>8</sup>	-1
		Inconsistency	None serious	0
		Indirectness	None serious	0
		Imprecision	None Serious	0
		Publication bias	None serious	0
	Factors increasing confidence	Large effect	Applicable <sup>9</sup>	1
		Dose-response	Not applicable	0
		Antagonistic bias and confounding	Not applicable	0
	Final numerical rating of quality of evidence			2
Summary of Findings	Statement on quality of evidence			Our confidence in the estimate of the effect on the outcome is limited.
	Conclusion			Age-related data showing an association between higher rates of serious adverse events after yellow fever vaccination in travelers can be seen. Yet the evidence to support association between older age and YF-AVF in travelers is limited. Further research is needed to support the hypothesis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Two observational studies measured reporting rate ratio of YF-AVD in travellers over 60 years (Khormava et al.2005, Lindsey et al.2008). Some additional trials included reports of YF-AVD in travelers over 60 years, but these were either in endemic settings or provided no age-related analysis (Martin et al.2001, Martins RdM et al. 2010, Monath et al.2005; Lawrence et al 2004;, Fitzner et al. 2004; Martins et al. Struchiner et al. 2004; Whittembury et al.2009).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Source of data was passive public health surveillance. Reporting rate ratio has possibly been overestimated if the true rate for travellers over 60 has increased since 1998.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> RRR significantly higher compared to reference group (5.9 (95%CI 1.6-22.2)for 60-69 years of age and 10.4(95%CI 2.7-40.2) for ≥70 years) (Khormava et al.2005)

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