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Table S1. Long list of countries with reasons for inclusion/exclusion

Country	Payers (multiple/single)	DRG-based payment combined with	Reason for inclusion / exclusion
		Included	
Denmark	Common payment system (with adjustments)	Global Budgets	Recent large-scale changes in hospital-structure, systematic pathways for stroke patients
England	Single payer	Global budget (GB), additional payments	Transparent DRG system, no language barrier
Estonia	Single payer	Fee for Service (FFS) (33%), per diems (28%)	Combination of FFS and DRG-based payments
France	Multiple payers, common payment system	GB, additional payments	Similarity to Belgian system concerning private hospitals (e.g. FFS-payments for doctors)
Germany	Multiple payers, common payment system	GB, additional payments, per diems	Transparent DRG system, no language barrier, datadriven exclusion of services and patient-groups
USA-Medicare Part A	Multiple payer, common payment system	Depends on hospital	Separate FFS payments for physicians and FFS adjustments
		Excluded	
Sweden	Multiple payers, multiple (regional) payment systems	Differs by council	Exclusion list varies widely between counties.
Switzerland	Multiple payers, common payment system, negotiated prices	Additional payments	Non-transparent negotiations about prices
Austria	Multiple payers, common payment system	Differs by state, budgets, per diems	DRG-based payment differs by states
Finland	Multiple payers, multiple payment systems	Differs by district	DRG-based payment differs by hospital districts
Israel	Multiple payers, common payment (possibly with adjustments)	DRGs, per diems and FFS	Payment system varies by insurer
Italy	Single payer, common payment (with regional tariffs)	Per diems (for long stay outliers), global budget, additional payments	Very fragmented system with great variation between regions
The Netherlands	Multiple payers, common payment system, negotiated prices	Global budget, additional payments	DRG-like payment system is too different from other DRG-based payment systems