

Supplement Table 1. Patient and health system TB treatment related costs. *			
Variable	Base-Case Value	SD	Source
Hourly wage (INT\$) §	3.14	0	World Bank [1]
Health system costs			
<i>Cost per outpatient visit (INT\$)</i>	20.40	20.67	HFQ (see methods)
<i>Cost per DOT/pill-collection visit (INT\$)</i>	6.79	7.88	HFQ (see methods)
<i>Cost per inpatient bed-day (INT\$)</i>	123.82	229.75	HFQ (see methods)
Initial Std	13.62	0	Global Drug Facility
Initial EMB	18.28	0	Global Drug Facility
Retreat Std	35.77	0	Global Drug Facility
Retreat Str	157.05	0	Global Drug Facility
MDR Std	637.60	0	Global Drug Facility
Patient visits and costs during pre-treatment period			
<i>Average number of outpatient visits per patient</i>	4.8	4.3	PCQ
<i>Average direct cost per outpatient visit (INT\$)</i>	40.84	52.23	PCQ
<i>Average time lost per outpatient visit (hours)</i>	3.91	4.61	PCQ
<i>Average total cost per outpatient visit (INT\$)</i>	53.12	54.20	PCQ
Patient visits and costs during treatment period			
<i>Number of DOT/pill-collection visits per patient</i>			
Initial Std/Initial EMB	88	0	WHO [2]
Retreat Std/Retreat Str	120	0	WHO [2]
MDR Std	500	0	5 days/week for 23 months
<i>Number of outpatient/follow-up visits per patient</i>			
Initial Std/Initial EMB	6	0	Assumed 1 visit/month
Retreat Std/Retreat Str	8	0	Assumed 1 visit/month
MDR Std	23	0	Assumed 1 visit/month
<i>Average direct cost per DOT/pill-collection visit (INT\$)</i>	1.83	6.69	PCQ
<i>Average time lost per DOT/pill-collection visit (hours)</i>	0.8	1.1	PCQ
<i>Average total cost per DOT/pill-collection visit (\$)</i>	4.35	7.54	PCQ
Patient visits and costs during treatment period (cont'd)			
<i>Average direct cost per outpatient/follow-up visit (INT\$)</i>	13.29	36.73	PCQ
<i>Average time lost per outpatient/follow-up visit (hours)</i>	1.8	4.6	PCQ
<i>Average total cost per outpatient/follow-up visit (\$)</i>	18.86	39.47	PCQ

Patient bed-days and costs during hospitalization period			
<i>Average number of bed-days per patient (days)</i>			
Non-MDR regimen [⌘]	16.3	28.2	PCQ
MDR Std	43.8	24.6	PCQ
<i>Average direct cost per inpatient bed-day (INT\$)</i>	1.83	6.69	PCQ
<i>Average family time lost per inpatient bed-day (hours)</i>	3.47	5.08	PCQ
Patient bed-days and costs during hospitalization period (continued.)			
<i>Average patient time lost per inpatient bed-day (hours)</i>	8	0	Assumed 8h workdays
<i>Average total cost per inpatient bed-day (hours)</i>	55.92	29.10	PCQ
Total treatment-related costs per patient			
Initial Std	4530.04	5391.73	(see methods)
Initial EMB	4534.71	5391.73	(see methods)
Retreat Std	4987.51	5469.73	(see methods)
Retreat Str	5108.79	5469.73	(see methods)
MDR Std	15341.82	11989.62	(see methods)

*All costs are expressed at 2010 international US dollars (INT\$), which is the PPP-adjusted value of local currency converted into US dollars, and are taken from surveys and data in Ecuador. PCQ = Patient cost questionnaire; HFQ = Health facility cost questionnaire.

§ Hourly wages are based on average working hours of 48h/week

⌘ Non-MDR regimens include: standardized initial regimen (*Initial Std*), initial regimen with EMB (*Initial EMB*), 1st-line retreatment regimen (*Retreat Std*) and 1st/2nd-line Retreatment regimen (*Retreat Str*).

Supplement Table 2. Additional sensitivity analyses †			
Treatment Strategy	Cost per MDR case Averted (INT\$) Range (low-high) ⌘	Cost per TB Death averted (INT\$) Range (low-high) ⌘	Cost per DALY gained (INT\$) Range (low-high)⌘
<u>S2A: Probability of blindness after 6-8 months treatment with EMB (0.0% – 0.6%)</u>			
<i>5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Dominant to less effective (>0.1%)
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	588,854 – 583,956	47,108 – 47,348	5,744 – 5,753
<i>15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Dominant to less effective (>0.1%)
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	723,470 – 717,458	40,193 – 39,859	4,861 – 4,859
<i>5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Dominant to less effective (>0.1%)
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	2,967,543 – 2,943,036	23,515 – 23,357	2,862 – 2,850
<i>15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Dominant to less effective (>0.1%)
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	2,607,569 – 2,586,032	23,527 – 23,368	2,864 – 2,852
<u>S2B: Relative efficacy of Initial EMB regimen compared to Initial Std (1.3– 4.0 times)*</u>			
<i>5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	586,978 – 586,978	46,988 – 46,988	5,745 – 5,745
<i>15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Less effective to dominant (>2.7)
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	721,168 – 721,168	39,697 – 39,697	4,867 – 4,867
<i>5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB</i>			

Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	2,958,162 – 2,958,162	23,477-23,477	2,857-2,857
<i>15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Less effective to dominant (>2.9)
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	2,599,325 – 2,599,325	23,488 – 23,488	2,860 – 2,860

S2C: Relative efficacy of Retreat Str compared to Retreat Std retreatment (1.3 – 4.0times)*

5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB

Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	14,565 to dominant (>2.0)	40,052 to dominant (>2.0)	5,826 to dominant (>2.0)
MDR-Failures	586,978 – 586,978	46,958 -46,958	5,745 – 5,745

15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB

Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	721,168 – 721,168	39,697 – 39,697	4,867 – 4,867

5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB

Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	13,767 to dominant (>1.9)	34,417 to dominant (>1.9)	4,831 to dominant (>1.9)
MDR-Failures	2,958,162 – 2,958,162	23,478 – 23,478	2,857 – 2,857

15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB

Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	2,599,325 – 2,599,325	23,488 – 23,488	2,860 – 2,860

S2D: Duration of hospitalization during standardized MDR treatment (0 – 6 months)

5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB

Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	7,929 to dominant (>1)	19,517 to dominant (>1)	2,788 to dominant (>1)
MDR-Failures	190,956 – 2,558,634	15,276 – 204,691	1,869 – 25,044

15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB

Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	222,039 – 3,206,153	12,222 – 176,485	1,499 – 21,639

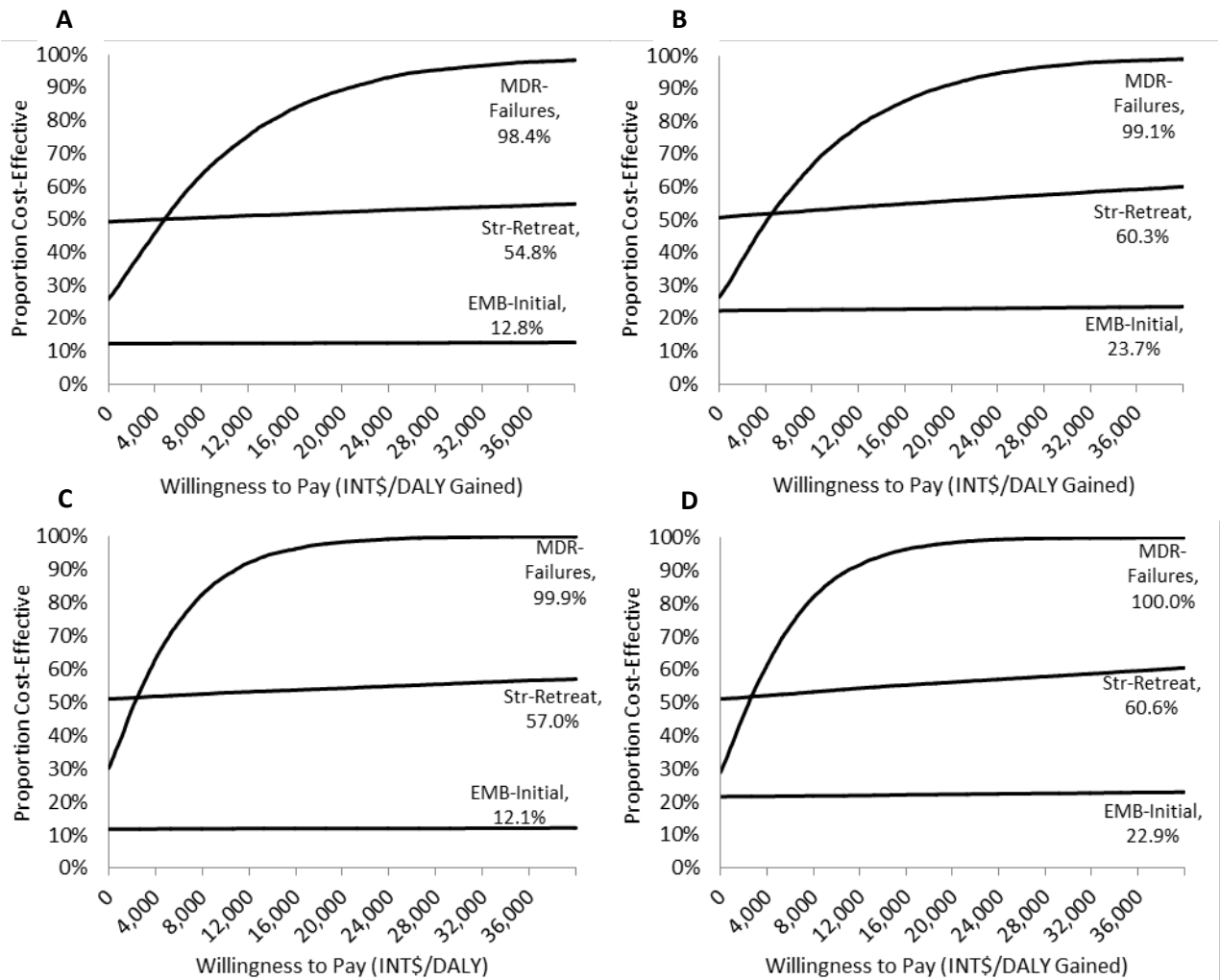
<i>5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	7,386 to dominant (>1)	17,045 to dominant (>1)	2,435 to dominant (>1)
MDR-Failures	687,158 – 14,264,687	5,454 – 113,212	664 – 13,777
<i>15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always less effective
Str-Retreat	Always dominant	Always dominant	Always dominant
MDR-Failures	603,716 – 12,534,759	5,455 – 113,266	664 – 13,790
S2E: Using WHO-recommended discount rates ◆			
<i>5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Dominant	Dominant	Less effective
Str-Retreat	1,774	3,903	552
MDR-Failures	669,808	48,537	4,651
<i>15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 1% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Dominant	Dominant	Less effective
Str-Retreat	Dominant	Dominant	Dominant
MDR-Failures	687,391	40,835	3,951
<i>5% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Dominant	Dominant	Less effective
Str-Retreat	Dominant	Dominant	Dominant
MDR-Failures	2,848,846	23,701	2,358
<i>15% Mono-INH resistant TB; 10% MDR-TB</i>			
Standard	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
EMB-Initial	Dominant	Dominant	Less effective
Str-Retreat	Dominant	Dominant	Dominant
MDR-Failures	2,503,256	23,690	2,359

†A strategy was dominant if it was more effective and less costly. The ICER ranges correspond to results when the input parameter is varied from low to high. If the incremental cost-effectiveness changes from a number to either “dominant” or “less effective”, or vice versa, the threshold values of the corresponding input parameter are indicated in parentheses.

⌘ Ecuador treatment costs were used for estimating the average cost.

*For details on efficacy assumptions, see Methods.

◆ WHO recommends annual discounting of 6% for costs and 0% for health outcomes



Supplement Figure 1. Cost-effectiveness acceptability curves of individual treatment strategies in four hypothetical settings

Results from PSA performed using 10,000 second-order Monte Carlo simulation trials are represented in three cost-effectiveness acceptability curves, each compares one of three individual treatment strategies (*EMB-Initial*, *Str-Retreat* and *MDR-Failures*) to *Standard*. The four settings are: **A**) 5% mono-INH resistant TB, 1% MDR-TB; **B**) 15% mono-INH resistant TB, 1% MDR-TB; **C**) 5% mono-INH resistant TB, 10% MDR-TB; and **D**) 15% mono-INH resistant TB, 10% MDR-TB. Depending on the willingness to pay or threshold ICER (INT\$/DALY Gained), the curves show the likelihood that each strategy would be cost-effective compared to *Standard*.

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