Records identified through database searching (n = 800)

Additional records identified through other sources (n = 10)

Duplicates removed (n = 232)

Records screened (n = 578)

Records excluded (n = 446)

Full-text articles assessed for eligibility (n = 132)

Studies included in qualitative synthesis (n = 39)

Studies included in quantitative synthesis [i.e. meta-analysis] (n = 39)

Full-text articles excluded, (n = 93), for reasons as shown:

- Systematic literature reviews (n=11)
- Population/samples other than the cancers of interest (n=36)
- No data on HPV prevalence (n=7)
- Narrative reviews (n=2)
- HPV prevalence studies in countries outside of Europe (n=37)