Articles excluded:

- Obvious irrelevance (n=1014)
- Literature search in PubMed (n=771), Embase (n=238), Springer link (n=677)
- Articles after duplicates removed (n=1037)
- Articles excluded (n=5):
  - 1 participants were not patients of type 2 diabetes
  - 3 data was not available
  - 1 duplicated populations
- Articles included for Meta-analysis (n=8)
  - Articles abstract reviewed (n=23)
  - Articles excluded (n=10):
    - 3 without control group
    - 1 outcome was not incidence of cataract
    - 6 did not investigated the relationship between type 2 diabetes and cataract
  - Articles full-text reviewed (n=13)
    - Articles excluded (n=5):
      - 1 participants were not patients of type 2 diabetes
      - 3 data was not available
      - 1 duplicated populations