Table 3 Prioritization of outcomes and outcome measures in health technology assessments (HTAs) of Alzheimer's disease (AD) drugs

Outcome	ENGLAND	GERMANY	THE NETHERLANDS
Cost-	Prioritized	Not prioritized	Not prioritized
effectiveness	Economic modelling conducted	No economic modelling conducted	No economic modelling conducted
Quality of life	Prioritized	Not prioritized	Not prioritized
	Derived from outcomes measured with clinical scales to inform the economic modelling	Method requirements (e.g. 70% follow up rate) prevented influence of outcome on decisions	No assessment
Outcomes measured with clinical scales	Prioritized	Prioritized	Prioritized
	Cognition (including Mini-Mental State Examination; MMSE), Activities of daily living (ADL) and multi-domain change prioritized	Global assessment outcomes less prioritized	Mini-Mental State Examination (MMSE) less prioritized / not accepted
Adverse effects	Not prioritized	Prioritized	Prioritized
	Formally included but not referred to in decision	Included and referred to in decision	Included and referred to in decision
Outcomes	Not prioritized	Not prioritized	Not prioritized
relevant to people with Alzheimer's Disease	Focus on evidence from randomised controlled trials that measure outcomes with clinical scales	Focus on evidence from randomised controlled trials that measure outcomes with clinical scale	Focus on evidence from randomised controlled trials that measure outcomes with clinical scale
Carers' outcomes	Prioritized	Not prioritized	Not prioritized
	Included as primary endpoint but lower priority than outcomes for person with AD; methodological challenges prevent influence of outcome on decisions	Not considered responsibility of health care system; relevant only if impact on patient outcomes	Potential role in economic modelling but not carried out so far for AD drugs
Institutionalizati on	Prioritized	Not prioritized	Not prioritized
	Included in economic modelling (by linking outcomes with clinical scales to non-AD data sets)	Absence of trial evidence; method requirements also prevent influence of outcome on decisions	Not included due to absence of trial evidence