

e-Appendix 5

Risk of bias assessment results (for individual studies)

Table A5.1 Risk of bias assessment results for studies which estimate a prevalence ratio

Table A5.2 Risk of bias assessment results for studies which estimate a prevalence odds ratio

Study	Signalling questions								
	A: Selection of participants			B: Ascertainment		C: Analysis methods		D: Other	
	A1: Representativeness of study population	A2. Selection of exposed individuals	A3. Selection of unexposed individuals	B1. Ascertainment of exposure	B2. Assessment of outcome	C1.Appropriate adjustment for confounding	C2. Adequate sample size/statistical power	C4. Missing data (appropriate handling)	D1 Other
Cazzola, 2012	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
Curkendall, 2006	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
de Lucas-Ramos, 2012	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	?	?	✓	✓
Feeary, 2010	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
Finkelstein, 2009	✓	✓	✓	✗	?	?	✓	✓	✓
Jo, 2015	✗	✗	?	✓	?	✗	✓	✓	✗
Lin, 2010	✓	✗	✓	✓	?	✗	✓	✓	✓
Lindberg, 2011	✓	✓	✓	✓	?	✓	✓	✓	✓
Nagorni-Obradovic, 2014	✓	?	✓	✗	?	?	✓	✓	✓
Schneider, 2010	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
Sidney, 2005	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	?	✓	✓	?

Table A5.3 Risk of bias assessment results for studies which estimate incidence (as either a hazard ratio, incidence rate ratio, risk ratio, or an odds ratio)

	A. Selection of participants			B. Ascertainment			C. Analysis methods			D. Other	
	A1: Representativeness of study population	A2. Selection of exposed individuals	A3. Selection of unexposed individuals	B1. Ascertainment of exposure	B2. Assessment of outcome (stroke)	B3. Follow up long enough for outcomes to occur	C1. Appropriate adjustment for confounding	C2. Adequate sample size/statistical power	C3. Outcome of interest not present at start of study	C4. Missing data (appropriate handling)	D1 Other
Curkendall, 2006	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	?	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Feeary, 2010	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Guerra, 2010	✓	✗	?	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	?	✓
Huiart, 2005	✓	?	?	?	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Knuiman, 1999	✓	?	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	?	✓	?	✓
Lin, 2015	✓	?	✓	✓	✓	?	?	✓	✓	✓	✓
Portegies, 2015	?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Schneider, 2010 (cohort)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	?	✓	✓	✓	?
Schneider, 2010 (case-control)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	?	✓	✓	?
Sidney, 2005	?	✓	✓	?	✓	?	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Soderholm, 2016	✗	?	?	✓	✓	?	✓	✓	✓	✓	?
Yin, 2014	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	?	✓	✓	✓	✓	?