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Supplementary Material

Author (year)	Selection				Comparability		Outcome			- Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	rotal
Sproule (1988)¹	*	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	*	6
Mundt (1990) ²	*	*	*	-	-	-	-	*	*	5
Rich (1990) ³	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	*	5
Mauser (1992) ⁴	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	7
Leenaars (1993, 1994, 1996, 1997b, 2001, 2003) ⁵⁻¹⁰	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	6
Carrington (1994a) ¹¹	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	*	5
Carrington (1994b) ¹²	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	7
Leenaars (1997a) ¹³	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	7
Bridges (2004) ¹⁴	*	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	*	6
Caron (2004) ¹⁵	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	*	5
Cheung (2005) ¹⁶	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	*	5
Caron (2008) ¹⁷	-	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	6
Gagne (2010) ¹⁸	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	*	5
Blais (2011) ¹⁹	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	8
Langmann (2012) ²⁰	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	8
Linteau (2013) ²¹	-	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	7
McPhedran (2013) ²²	*	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	*	6
Langmann (2020) ²³	*	*	*	_	*	*	*	*	*	8

Articles were assessed using the NewCastle-Ottawa Scale (NOS) for case-control or cohort studies. High quality choices are identified with a star. A maximum of one star can be awarded to each item within the Selection and Outcome categories; a maximum of two stars can be awarded for Comparability. Overall NOS scores of 0–3, 4–6, and 7–9 were considered as low, moderate and high quality, respectively.

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