

Supplementary Data 2. Newcastle-Ottawa quality assessment scale for observational studies

Study reference (author, year)	Selection	Comparability	Outcome/Exposure
Cohort studies			
Schnohor, 1995 (8)	***	**	***
Ford, 1996 (9)	***	**	***
Lotufo, 2000 (10)	***	**	***
Case-control studies			
Lesko, 1993 (11)	**	**	**
Miric, 1998 (12)	***	**	**
Shahar, 2008 (13)	****	**	**