

APPENDIX 2: QUALITY CRITERIA CHECKLIST

Legenda:

Ran Roos

G Bosch

Smith, D. Loewenstein, G. Jepson, C. Jankovich, A. Feldman, H. Ubel, P. Mispredicting and Misremembering: Patients With Renal Failure Overestimate Improvements in Quality of Life After a Kidney Transplant. *Health Psychology* 2008, Vol. 27, No. 5, 653-658

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, Quality Assessment Tool for Observational Cohort and Cross-Sectional Studies

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1. Was the research question or objective in this paper clearly stated?	X		
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4. Were all the subjects selected or recruited from the same or similar populations (including the same time period)? Were inclusion and exclusion criteria for being in the study prespecified and applied uniformly to all participants?	X	X	
5. Was a sample size justification, power description, or variance and effect estimates provided?		X	
6. For the analyses in this paper, were the exposure(s) of interest measured prior to the outcome(s) being measured?	X		
7. Was the timeframe sufficient so that one could reasonably expect to see an association between exposure and outcome if it existed?	X		

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8. For exposures that can vary in amount or level, did the study examine different levels of the exposure as related to the outcome (e.g., categories of exposure, or exposure measured as continuous variable)?			NA
9. Were the exposure measures (independent variables) clearly defined, valid, reliable, and implemented consistently across all study participants?	X		
10. Was the exposure(s) assessed more than once over time?	X		
11. Were the outcome measures (dependent variables) clearly defined, valid, reliable, and implemented consistently across all study participants?	X		
12. Were the outcome assessors blinded to the exposure status of participants?			NA
13. Was loss to follow-up after baseline 20% or less?		X	
14. Were key potential confounding variables measured and adjusted statistically for their impact on the relationship between exposure(s) and outcome(s)?	X		

Quality Rating (Good, Fair, or Poor)
Rater #1 initials: RAN ROOS: predominantly GOOD
Rater #2 initials: G BOSCH: predominantly GOOD
Additional Comments (If POOR, please state why):

Damsgaard, J.B. Jorgensen, L.B. Norlyk, A. Birkelund, R. Spinal fusion surgery: From relief to insecurity. *International Journal of Orthopaedic and Trauma Nursing* (2016). Doi: 10.1016/j.ijotn.2016.06.001

Quality assessment for the systematic review of qualitative evidence on basis van Hawker S, Payne S, Kerr C, Hardey M, Powell J. Appraising the evidence: reviewing disparate data systematically. *Qual Health Res* 2002;12:1284–99. 10.1177/1049732302238251.

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Good

2. *Introduction and aims.* Was there a good background section and clear statement of the aims of the research?

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Ran Roos: Good

G Bosch: Fair (no objectives including research questions)

3. *Method and data.* Is the method appropriate and clearly explained?

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Fair

4. *Sampling.* Was the sampling strategy appropriate to address the aims?

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Ran Roos: Fair (small sample size)

G Bosch: fair (small sample size, some information missing (on time onset disease))

5. *Data analysis.* Was the description of the data analysis sufficiently rigorous?

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Fair

6. *Ethics and bias.* Have ethical issues been addressed and has necessary ethical approval been gained? Has the relationship between researchers and participants been adequately considered?

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Good

7. *Results*. Is there a clear statement of the findings?

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Fair (more explanation could be given)

8. *Transferability or generalisability*. Are the findings of this study transferable (generalisable) to a wider population?

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Ran Roos: Good

G Bosch: Fair

9. *Implications and usefulness*. How important are these findings to policy and practice?

Good: contributes something new and/or different in terms of understanding/insight or perspective; suggests ideas for further research; suggests implications for policy and/or practice. Fair: two of the above. Poor: only one of the above. Very poor: none of the above.

Fair

RAN ROOS: Fair

G BOSCH: Fair

Nan-hi Lee, C. Pignone, M.P. Deal, A.M. Blizard, L. Hunt, C. Huh, R. Liu, Y-J. Ubel, P.A. Accuracy of Predictions of Patients With Breast Cancer of Future Well-being AFTER Immediate Breast Reconstruction. *JAMA Surg.* 2018 Apr;153(4):e176112.

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Quality Rating (Good, Fair, or Poor)
Rater #1 initials: ROOS RAN: GOOD
Rater #2 initials: G BOSCH: GOOD
Additional Comments (If POOR, please state why):

Riis, J. Baron, J. Loewenstein, G. Jepson, C.: Ignorance of Hedonic Adaptation to Hemodialysis: A Study Using Ecological Momentary Assessment. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General* 2005, Vol. 134, No. 1, 3-9

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Smith, D.M. Damschroder, L. Sherriff, R.L. Loewenstein, G. Misremembering Colostomies? Former Patients Give Lower Utility Ratings Than Do Current Patients. *Health Psychology* 2006, Vol. 25, No. 6, 688-695.

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Peeters, Y. Vliet Vlieland, T.P.M. Stiggelbout, A.M. Focusing illusion, adaptation and EQ-5D health state descriptions: the difference between patients and public. *Health Expectations*, 15, pp.367-378. DOI:10.1111/j.1369-7625.2011.00667.x

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G Bosch: FAIR (research questions stated clearly in methods, but not in introductions)

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FAIR (why patients with RA?)

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Goranson, A. Ritter, R.S. Waytz, A. Norton, M.I. Gray, K. Dying is Unexpectedly Positive. *Psychological Science* 2017, Vol. 28(7) 988-999 (Study I)

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