

Supplemental Appendix for:
Is There a Role for Oral or Intravenous Ascorbate (Vitamin C) in Treating Patients With Cancer? A Systematic Review
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Appendix S3: Summary of Risk of Bias Assessments

Supplemental Material: Jadad Scale Risk of Bias Assessment of Randomized Controlled Trials								
Study	Study described as randomized? Adequate details provided?	Study described as double – blinded? Adequate detail provided?	Withdrawals appropriately accounted for?	Allocation concealment considered adequate, inadequate, or unclear?				
Studies of oral ascorbate								
Creagan 1979	Yes / No	Yes / Yes	Yes	Adequate				
Moertel [1985	Yes / No	Yes / Yes	Yes	Adequate				
Goel [1999	Yes / No	No	No	Inadequate				
Studies of IV ascorbate								
Ma 2014	Yes / No	No	Yes	Unclear				
Studies of combined oral and IV ascorbate								
Zemskov 2000	Yes / No	Yes / No	No	Unclear				
Supplemental Material: Newcastle Ottawa Risk of Bias Assessment of Observational Studies – cohort studies								
Study	Representativeness of the intervention cohort	Selection of the non intervention cohort	Ascertainment of intervention	Demonstration of outcome of interest not present initially	Comparability of cohorts	Assessment of outcome	Follow up long enough	Adequacy of cohort follow up
Studies of oral ascorbate								
Harris 2013	Truly representative	Drawn from same community as intervention	Written self report	Yes	Yes	Self report	Yes	<20% lost to follow up
Studies of IV ascorbate								

Vollbr acht 2011	Selected group of patients	No description of derivation of non intervention cohort	Secure record	No	Not compara ble	Record linkage	Yes	No statem ent
Studies of combined oral and IV ascorbate								
Came ron 1991	Selected group of patients	Drawn from a different source	Secure record	No	Not compara ble	Record linkage	Yes	No statem ent
Supplemental Material: Newcastle Ottawa Risk of Bias Assessment of Observational Studies – case control studies								
Study year	Case definition adequate	Representat iveness of cases	Selectio n of controls	Definitio n of controls	Compara bility	Ascertain ment of exposur e	Same method ascertai nment cases and controls	Non respon se rate
Studies of combined oral and IV ascorbate								
Came ron 1976	Yes with record linkage	Potential for selection bias not stated	Hospital controls	No history of endpoint	Some compara bility	Secure record	No	No design ation
Came ron 1978	Yes with record linkage	Potential for selection bias not stated	Hospital controls	No history of endpoint	Some compara bility	Secure record	No	No design ation
Mura ta 1982	Yes with record linkage	Potential for selection bias not stated	Hospital controls	No descriptio n of source	Some compara bility	Secure record	No	Non respon dents describ ed