

Supplementary appendix 5. Risk of bias of the included studies.

Judgements about each risk of bias item for each included study.

1977 ALTIA	+	+	+	+	+
1978 Canadian Coop	+	+	+	+	+
1982 Guiraud-Chaumeil	-	-	-	-	-
1983 AICLA	+	+	+	+	+
1983 Danish coop	+	+	+	+	+
1984 Tohji	-	-	-	-	-
1985 ACCSG	+	+	+	+	+
1987 Swedish Coop	+	+	+	+	+
1989 CATS	+	+	+	+	+
1989 TASS	+	+	+	+	+
1990 ESPS	+	+	+	+	-
1991 Dutch TIA	+	+	+	+	+
1991 SALT	+	+	+	+	+
1991 UK-TIA	+	+	+	+	+
1996 CAPRIE stroke	+	+	+	+	+
1996 ESPS2	+	+	+	+	+
1998 Alvarez Sabín	-	-	-	-	-
2000 CSPS	+	+	+	+	+
2003 AAASPS	+	+	+	+	+
2003 TOPALS	+	+	-	-	-
2003 TACIP	+	+	-	-	-
2004 TAPIRSS	+	+	+	+	+
2004 MATCH	+	+	+	+	+
2006 ESPRIT	+	+	-	-	-
2007 FASTER	+	+	+	+	+
2008 Fukuchi	+	+	+	+	+
2008 CASISP	+	+	+	+	+
2008 ProfESS	+	+	+	+	+
2009 Uehiyama Phase IIIa	+	+	+	+	+
2010 CSPS2	+	+	+	+	+
2011 CHARISMA	+	+	+	+	+
2011 TOSS2	+	+	+	+	+
2011 CAIST	+	+	+	+	+
2011 JASAP	+	+	+	+	+
2012 SPSS3	+	+	+	+	+
2013 ECLIPse	+	+	+	+	+
	Random sequence generation (selection bias)				
	Allocation concealment (selection bias)				
	Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias)				
	Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)				
	Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)				
	Selective reporting (reporting bias)				

“+” indicates low risk of bias; “?” indicates unclear risk of bias; “-” indicates high risk of bias.

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Judgements about each risk of bias item presented as percentages across all included studies.

