

S5 Table. Risk of bias assessment of included cost-effectiveness analyses (based on the ECOBIAS checklist [45])

Reference	Andronis [57]	Bloomfield [58]	James [59]	Reed [60]	Studies that fulfilled the respective criterion (%)
Narrow perspective bias		✓	✓	✓	75%
Inefficient comparator bias	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Cost measurement omission bias	✓	✓	✓		75%
Intermittent data collection bias	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Invalid valuation bias	✓	✓	✓	(✓)	75%
Ordinal ICER bias	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
Double-counting bias	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	–
Inappropriate discounting bias	✓	✓	✓	(✓)	75%
Limited sensitivity analysis bias		(✓)	✓	(✓)	25%
Sponsor bias			✓	(✓)	25%
Reporting and dissemination bias	(✓)	(✓)	✓		25%
Criteria each study fulfilled (%)	60%	70%	100%	40%	

✓: Criterion fulfilled, (✓): criterion partially fulfilled, ECOBIAS: Bias in Economic Evaluation, n.a.: not applicable.