

SUPPLEMENT

Supplementary Table 1. Quality Assessment of the 17 Included Studies

Study	NIH Quality Assessment Tool for Case Series Studies Criteria Met									Quality Rating
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	
Abenza-Abildúa et al. [1]	V	V	V	NA	V	V	V	X	V	Good
Agarwal et al. [2]	V	X	NR	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Fair
Chougar et al. [3]	V	V	V	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Good
Eliezer et al. [4]	V	V	NR	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Good
Freeman et al. [5]	V	V	V	NA	V	V	V	X	V	Good
Grewal et al. [6]	V	V	V	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Good
Hernández-Fernández et al. [7]	V	V	V	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Good
Kandemirli et al. [8]	V	V	NR	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Fair
Klironomos et al. [9]	V	V	V	NA	V	V	V	X	V	Good
Kremer et al. [10]	V	V	NR	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Good
Lin et al. [11]	V	V	V	NA	V	V	V	X	V	Good
Nawabi et al. [12]	V	V	V	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Good
Paterson et al. [13]	V	V	NR	NA	V	V	V	X	V	Fair
Radmanesh et al. [14]	V	V	NR	NA	V	V	V	X	V	Fair
Radmanesh et al. [15]	V	V	V	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Good
Scullen et al. [16]	V	V	NR	NA	V	X	V	X	X	Fair
Yoon et al. [17]	V	V	NR	NA	V	V	V	V	V	Good

Fair = met 4–6 criteria, Good = met 7–9 criteria, NA = not applicable, NIH = National Institutes of Health, NR = not reported, Poor = met 0–3 criteria, Q1 = was the study question or objective clearly stated?, Q2 = was the study population clearly and fully described, including a case definition?, Q3 = were the cases consecutive?, Q4 = were the subjects comparable?, Q5 = was the intervention clearly described?, Q6 = were the outcome measures clearly defined, valid, reliable, and implemented consistently across all study participants?, Q7 = was the length of follow-up adequate?, Q8 = were the statistical methods well-described?, Q9 = were the results well-described?

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