

## APPENDIX 1. Search strategy for critical appraisal tool manuscripts and webpages.

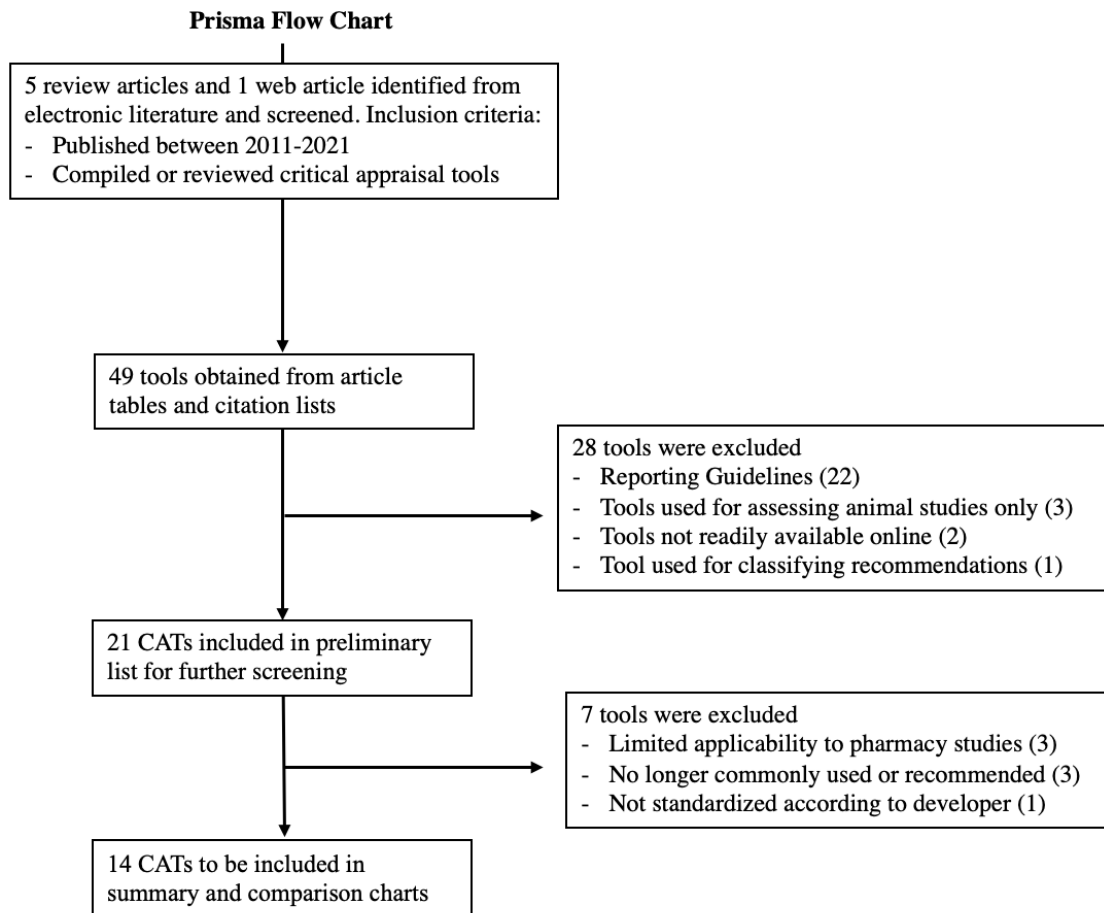
Tool <sup>a</sup>	Search Strategy
RoB	Original manuscript obtained from citation list of Zeng et al. <sup>1</sup> Tool obtained from Tables 1 and 2 of original manuscript. Link for tool: <a href="https://www.bmj.com/content/343/bmj.d5928">https://www.bmj.com/content/343/bmj.d5928</a>
RoB 2	Original manuscript obtained from citation list of Haile. <sup>2</sup> Tool obtained through Google search using "ROB 2 Tool"; a link to the tool on the Cochrane Collaboration's risk-of-bias Google site was available on the first page of results. Link for tool: <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/riskofbiastool/welcome/rob-2-0-tool?authuser=0">https://sites.google.com/site/riskofbiastool/welcome/rob-2-0-tool?authuser=0</a>
NOS	Tool webpage obtained from citation list of Zeng et al. <sup>1</sup> Link for tool: <a href="http://www.ohri.ca/programs/clinical_epidemiology/oxford.asp">http://www.ohri.ca/programs/clinical_epidemiology/oxford.asp</a>
ROBINS-I	Original manuscript obtained from citation list of Ma et al. <sup>3</sup> Tool obtained through Google search using "ROBINS-I Tool"; a link to the tool on the Cochrane Collaboration's risk-of-bias Google site was available on the first page of results. Link for tool: <a href="https://www.riskofbias.info/welcome/home/current-version-of-robins-i">https://www.riskofbias.info/welcome/home/current-version-of-robins-i</a>
MINORS	Original manuscript obtained from citation list of Zeng et al. <sup>1</sup> Tool obtained from Table 2 of original manuscript. Link for tool: <a href="https://www.unisa.edu.au/contentassets/72bf75606a2b4abcaf7f17404af374ad/6f--minors1.pdf">https://www.unisa.edu.au/contentassets/72bf75606a2b4abcaf7f17404af374ad/6f--minors1.pdf</a>
AMSTAR 2	Original manuscript obtained from citation list of Haile. <sup>2</sup> Tool obtained from manuscript "Data Supplement". Link for tool: <a href="https://www.bmj.com/content/358/bmj.j4008/related">https://www.bmj.com/content/358/bmj.j4008/related</a>
ROBIS	Original manuscript obtained from citation list of Ma et al. <sup>3</sup> Tool obtained through Google search using "ROBIS Tool"; a link to the tool on University of Bristol's webpage was available on the first page of results. Link for tool: <a href="https://www.bristol.ac.uk/population-health-sciences/projects/robis/robis-tool/">https://www.bristol.ac.uk/population-health-sciences/projects/robis/robis-tool/</a>
AGREE II	Tool webpage obtained from citation list of Zeng et al. <sup>1</sup> Link for tool: <a href="https://www.agreetrust.org/resource-centre/agree-ii/">https://www.agreetrust.org/resource-centre/agree-ii/</a>
GRACE	Original manuscript obtained from citation list of Ma et al. <sup>3</sup> Tool obtained through Google search using "GRACE Checklist"; a link to the tool on the Grace Principles website was available on the first page of results. Link: <a href="https://www.graceprinciples.org/doc/GRACE-Checklist-031114-v5.pdf">https://www.graceprinciples.org/doc/GRACE-Checklist-031114-v5.pdf</a>
CASP checklists	Tool webpage obtained from citation list of Zeng et al. <sup>1</sup> Link for tool: <a href="https://casp-uk.net/casp-tools-checklists/">https://casp-uk.net/casp-tools-checklists/</a>
CEBM guides	Tool webpage obtained from citation list of Twells. <sup>4</sup> Link for tool: <a href="https://www.cebm.ox.ac.uk/resources/ebm-tools/critical-appraisal-tools">https://www.cebm.ox.ac.uk/resources/ebm-tools/critical-appraisal-tools</a>
JBI critical appraisal tools	Tool webpage obtained from citation list of Buccheri and Sharifi. <sup>5</sup> Link for tool: <a href="https://jbi.global/critical-appraisal-tools">https://jbi.global/critical-appraisal-tools</a>
SIGN	Tool webpage obtained from citation list of Zeng et al. <sup>1</sup> Link for tool: <a href="https://www.sign.ac.uk/what-we-do/methodology/checklists/">https://www.sign.ac.uk/what-we-do/methodology/checklists/</a>
CCAT	Tool obtained from Table 3 of Bashir and Dziemidowicz <sup>6</sup> Link: <a href="https://conchra.com.au/2015/12/08/crowe-critical-appraisal-tool-v1-4/">https://conchra.com.au/2015/12/08/crowe-critical-appraisal-tool-v1-4/</a>

<sup>a</sup>The full name of each tool is provided in Table 1 of the main article.

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## APPENDIX 3. Risk-of-bias (RoB) domains assessed by tools.

### Cochrane RoB<sup>1</sup>

- Selection bias (random sequence generation, allocation concealment)
- Performance bias (blinding of participants and personnel)
- Detection bias (blinding of outcome assessment)
- Attrition bias (incomplete outcome data)
- Reporting bias (selective reporting)
- Other bias (anything else, ideally prespecified)
- Overall RoB

### Cochrane RoB 2<sup>2</sup>

- RoB arising from the randomization process
- RoB due to deviations from the intended interventions (effect of assignment to intervention and effect of adhering to intervention)
- Missing outcome data
- RoB in measurement of the outcome
- RoB in selection of the reported result
- Overall RoB

### Cochrane ROBINS-I<sup>3</sup>

- Bias due to confounding
- Bias in selection of participants into the study
- Bias in classification of interventions
- Bias due to deviations from intended interventions
- Bias due to missing data
- Bias in measurement of outcomes
- Bias in selection of the reported result
- Overall bias

### ROBIS<sup>4</sup>

- Concerns regarding specification of study eligibility criteria
- Concerns regarding methods used to identify and/or select studies
- Concerns regarding methods used to collect data and appraise studies
- Concerns regarding the synthesis and findings

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