

Supplementary Table 2.

Risk Assessment of Publication Bias for the Included RCTs.

Criteria ²⁹	Romeo et al. (2005) ¹⁶	Aghazadeh et al. (2012) ⁴³	Schwarz et al. (2012) ²¹	Wohlfart et al. (2012) ¹⁹	de Waal et al. (2013) ⁴⁴
Representative population group	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Defined inclusion/exclusion	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Allocation concealment method	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Examiner masked	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Intervention different only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
All patients accounted for at end of study	No	No	No	Yes	No
Analysis accounts for patient losses	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes
Estimated potential risk of bias	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate

NA = Not applicable.