

Supplementary Table 2.

Risk Assessment of Publication Bias for Included Studies

Criteria	Pihlstrom et al. (1981) ⁷	Lindhe et al. (1982) ⁴	Isidor and Karring (1986) ¹³	Ramfjord et al. (1987) ⁸	Kaldahl et al. (1988) ⁶	Becker et al. (2001) ⁵	Serino et al. (2001) ¹⁰
Random sequence generation	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
Allocation concealment	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Masking of participants and personnel	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Masking of outcome assessment	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Incomplete outcome data	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
Selective outcome reporting	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Other sources of bias	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Estimated potential risk of bias	High	High	High	High	High	High	High

Y = Yes; N = No.