

Supplementary Table 3. Newcastle-Ottawa scale of bias risk for the included studies

Study	Adequate case definition	Representativeness of cases	Selection of controls	Definition of controls	Comparability	Ascertainment of exposure	Method of ascertainment	Nonresponse rate	Score/10
Ito, et al. ⁷⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		7
Sugitani, et al. ¹³⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		7
Kwon, et al. ¹⁵⁾	*	*	*	*	**	*	*		8
Tuttle, et al. ¹⁴⁾	*	*	*	*	**	*	*		8
Oh, et al. ¹⁶⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		7
Miyauchi, et al. ²¹⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		7
Sakai, et al. ¹⁷⁾	*	*	*	*	**	*	*		8

Asterisks are the star rating as per the Newcastle-Ottawa Scale