

Table 3. Newcastle Ottawa scale assessment

Study	Selection				Comparability		Outcome	
	Adequacy of case definition	Representativeness of cases	Selection of controls	Definition of controls	Comparability (Grade/ Stage)	Assessment of outcome	Adequate follow-up period	Adequate follow-up
Ghebre et al., 2011	√	√	-	-	-/-	√	-	-
Mullen et al., 2021	√	-	-	-	-/-	√	√	√
Gans et al., 2023	√	-	-	-	--/-	-	-	-
Levine et al., 2023	√	-	-	-	--/-	--	-	-
Delli Carpini et al., 2025	√	-	-	-	--/-	-	-	-
Di Donato et al., 2019	√	-	-	-	-/-	√	√	√