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Supplementary Table I. Quality assessment of cohort studies

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1	Mandal et al[24], 2022	*Provided	*Yes	*Somewhat representative	Hospital	*Yes	*Secure record	*Reference to secure records	Not provided	*Yes	*Yes	8
2	Gokhale et al[25], 2014	*Provided	*Yes	* Somewhat representative	Not included	*Yes	*Secure record	*Reference to secure records	*Provided	*Yes	*Yes	9
3	Pande et al[27], 2008	*Provided	*Yes	* Somewhat representative	Not included	*Yes	*Secure record	*Independent assessment	*Provided	*Yes	*Yes	9
4	Kumar et al[30], 2015	*Provided	*Yes	* Somewhat representative	Not included	NA	*Secure record	* Reference to secure records	*Provided	*Yes	NA	7
5	Sathish et al[32], 2004	*Provided	*Yes	* Somewhat representative	Hospital	*Yes	*Secure record	* Reference to secure records	*Provided	*Yes	*Yes	9
6	Negi et al[34], 2021	*Provided	*Yes	* Somewhat representative	Not included	NA	*Secure record	* Reference to secure records	*Provided	*Yes	NA	7
7	Pillai et al[37], 2009	*Provided	*Yes	* Somewhat representative	Not included	NA	*Secure record	* Reference to secure records	*Provided	*Yes	NA	7
8	Mane et al[40], 2020	*Provided	*Yes	* Somewhat representative	Hospital	*Yes	*Secure record	*Independent assessment	*Provided	*Yes	*Yes	9
9	Mane et al[41], 2022	*Provided	*Yes	*Somewhat representative	Hospital	*Yes	*Secure record	*Independent assessment	*Provided	*Yes	*Yes	9
10	Mane et al[42], 2022	*Provided	*Yes	*Somewhat representative	Hospital	*Yes	*Secure record	*Independent assessment	*Provided	*Yes	*Yes	9

List of items: 1. Source of information, 2. Endpoint appropriate to study aim, 3. Representativeness of exposed cohort, 4. Selection of unexposed cohort, 5. Contemporary groups, 6. Ascertainment of exposure, 7. Assessment of outcome 8. Patient exclusion from analysis,9. Unbiased evaluation of endpoints, 10. Statistical analysis adapted to study design