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Dear Iveta,

Transparent and accurate reporting is key to demonstrating the quality of the methods and conduct of any research. It is essential that systematic reviews and the studies included in them are of the highest quality as they underpin clinical and health and social care policy decisions.

The Centre for Reviews and Dissemination (CRD) strongly supports the EQUATOR Network in all its activities to highlight the major issues of poor reporting and provide a focus for efforts internationally to improve the standard of reporting through awareness raising and providing easy access to information, support and assistance.

CRD therefore endorses the excellent work the EQUATOR-Network.

Yours sincerely,

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