**Supplementary Table 6.** The Newcastle-Ottawa Scale scores for all the included studies

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| Articles | **Selection** | | | | **Comparability** | **Exposure** | | | NOSa Scores |
| Is the case definition adequate? | Representativeness of the cases | Selection of Controls | Definition of Controls | Ascertainment of exposure | Same method of ascertainment for cases and controls | Non-Response rate |
| Chao-Yuan Huang 2018 | \* | \* | \* | \* | \*\* | \* | \* | \* | 9 |
| Corina Lesseur 2012 | \* | \* |  | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | 7 |
| Jennifer L Beebe-Dimmer 2012 | \* | \* |  | \* | \*\* | \* | \* | \* | 8 |
| Rosemarie de la Rosa 2017 | \* | \* |  | \* | \*\* | \* | \* | \* | 8 |
| Ying-Chin Lin 2018 | \* | \* |  | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | 7 |

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