

ORBIT classifications (benefit outcomes)

The ORBIT classification system for missing or complete outcome reporting in benefit outcomes

Classification	Description	Level of reporting	Risk of bias*
<i>Clear that the outcome was measured and analysed</i>			
A	Trial report states that outcome was analysed but only reports that result was not significant (typically stating p-value>0.05).	Partial	High Risk
B	Trial report states that outcome was analysed but only reports that result was significant (typically stating p-value<0.05).	Partial	No Risk
C	Trial report states that outcome was analysed but insufficient data were presented for the trial to be included in meta-analysis or to be considered to be fully tabulated.	Partial	Low Risk
D	Trial report states that outcome was analysed but no results reported.	None	High Risk
<i>Clear that the outcome was measured</i>			
E	Clear that the outcome was measured. Judgment says outcome likely to have been analysed but not reported because of non-significant results.	None	High Risk
F	Clear that the outcome was measured. Judgment says outcome unlikely to have been analysed.	None	Low Risk
<i>Unclear whether the outcome was measured</i>			
G	Not mentioned but clinical judgment says likely to have been measured and analysed but not reported on the basis of non-significant results.	None	High Risk
H	Not mentioned but clinical judgment says unlikely to have been measured at all.	None	Low Risk
<i>Clear that the outcome was not measured</i>			
I	Clear that the outcome was not measured.	NA	No Risk

*Risk of bias arising from the lack of inclusion of non-significant results when a trial was excluded from a meta-analysis or not fully reported in a review because the data were unavailable.