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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

A Systematic Review of the Predictors of Severe and Critical COVID-19, by Emile et al., 2020. This is a systematic review of the predictors of COVID-19.   After having searched in 3 databases, authors retrieved 541 articles, but only 5 articles were retained for the review.   The study has adhered to the methodology of PRISMA and assessed the quality of articles through MINORS. This article contributes to the quantitative view of potential predictors of worse outcome among those patients infected with COVID-19. All 5 retained studies have came from China, but the non-overlap of the samples' participants should be stated.   Minor points: There are more limitations of study execution and article selection that preclude more solid interpretations. Please fix the Zhou et al., 2002 by 2020 in Tables 1, 2, and 3.