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| Abstract (limited to 150 words) | A framework is presented that aims to improve transparency and consistency in how review teams plan, conduct and report the critical appraisal step in environmental management systematic reviews. The framework aims to strike a balance between being informative enough to guide a critical appraisal when no validated critical appraisal tools are available for a particular topic area; yet be sufficiently generic to be compatible with validated critical appraisal tools where these exist. As a minimum, review teams are encouraged to assess five core bias domains (selection bias, performance bias, detection bias, attrition bias and reporting bias) and to explore systematically whether further types of bias not covered by these domains exist in the evidence relevant to their review question. The framework is applicable to a range of study designs and includes a recording template to help ensure transparency and consistency in recording assessments of internal and external validity. |
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