

1. Scoring Logic

Each of the 98 candidate articles was evaluated by both authors independently against five Quality Assessment questions (QA1–QA5). A three-point scale was used for each question:

- **1.0:** The criterion is fully addressed.
- **0.5:** The criterion is partially addressed.
- **0.0:** The criterion is not addressed.
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- Each of the 98 studies from the full-text review stage was evaluated using five predefined quality assessment questions (QA1–QA5). These questions were intentionally mapped to the research questions (RQ1–RQ5) to ensure consistency between the quality evaluation and SLR objectives.
- A minimum cumulative score of **3.5 out of 5.0** was required for a study to be included in the final synthesis. This ensured that only studies with clear problem formulation, technical rigor, and sound evaluation practices were analyzed.

2. QA_Scoring_Master_List.pdf

This is the main file for this folder. It contains the scores for the **82 studies** that passed. And those that were excluded