

Identified all primary studies within
one meta-analysis

Identified outlier
primary studies
(more likely to contain
errors)

Identified non-outlier
primary studies

Random sample of
outlier primary studies
($k = \sim 10$)

Random sample of
non-outlier primary
studies
($k = \sim 10$)

Resampled from
remaining outlier
primary studies within
the same meta-
analysis if full text
was not available

Resampled from
remaining non-outlier
primary studies within
the same meta-
analysis if full text
was not available

Total number of
outlier primary studies
over all meta-
analyses
($k = 180$)

Total number of
non-outlier primary
studies over all meta-
analyses
($k = 320$)