Guideline (Author, YEAR)	Domain Score, % (Average SD)**								
	Scope and Purpose	Stakeholder Involvement	Rigour of Development	Clarity of Presentation	Applicability	Editorial Independence	Guideline Quality		
Scottish Intercollegiate	89	81	94	94	96	100	High		
Guidelines Network (2013) [43]	(0.47)	(0.24)	(0.18)	(0.47)	(0.35)	(0.00)			
Bates (2012)[8]	94 (0.47)	94 (0.47)	81 (0.71)	100 (0.00)	48 (0.53)	96 (0.35)	High		
Whitlock (2012)[6]	72 (0.94)	83 (0.94)	79 (0.53)	94 (0.00)	48 (0.53)	100 (0.00)	High		
Linkins (2012)[15]	86 (1.18)	89 (0.94)	81 (0.35)	97 (0.24)	48 (0.53)	100 (0.00)	High		
Kearon (2016)[14]	92 (0.71)	75 (0.24)	86 (0.44)	97 (0.24)	15 (0.53)	71 (0.35)	High		
Fakck-Ytter (2012)[10]	83 (0.00)	89 (0.94)	84 (0.44)	94 (0.00)	44 (0.88)	100 (0.00)	High		
Gould (2012)[11]	92 (0.71)	94 (0.47)	85 (0.35)	94 (0.00)	50 (0.71)	100 (0.00)	High		
Kahn (2012)[13]	92 (0.71)	94 (0.47)	84 (0.44)	97 (0.24)	48 (0.53)	100 (0.00)	High		
Holbrook (2012)[12]	86 (0.71)	94 (0.47)	83 (0.53)	92 (0.24)	50 (0.35)	100 (0.00)	High		
Douketis (2012)[9]	89 (0.47)	97 (0.24)	84 (0.44)	94 (0.00)	46 (0.71)	100 (0.00)	High		
Lyman (2013)[36]	86 (0.71)	83 (0.47)	84 (0.62)	97 (0.24)	19 (0.53)	67 (0.71)	High		
Farge (2016)[3]	69 (0.71)	67 (0.00)	72 (0.44)	78 (0.47)	10 (0.18)	33 (0.00)	High		
Siragusa (2012)[28]	72 (0.47)	33 (0.47)	69 (0.71)	69 (0.71)	4 (0.35)	25 (1.41)	High		
Debourdeau (2013)[1]	64 (0.24)	50 (0.00)	69 (0.71)	69 (0.71)	2 (0.18)	33 (0.00)	High		
Streiff (2015)[31]	69 (0.71)	69 (0.71)	53 (0.80)	89 (0.47)	8 (0.00)	96 (0.35)	Moderate		
Liu (2015) [18]	72 (0.47)	72 (0.47)	40 (0.88)	97 (0.24)	8 (0.71)	71 (0.35)	Moderate		

S3 Table. Mean (SD) AGREE II scores by domain and overall guideline quality assessment results.

Guideline (Author, YEAR)	Domain Score, % (Average SD)* [¥]							
	Scope and Purpose	Stakeholder Involvement	Rigour of Development	Clarity of Presentation	Applicability	Editorial Independence	Guideline Quality	
Easaw (2015) [23]	72 (0.47)	56 (0.00)	51 (0.48)	94 (0.47)	4 (0.47)	46 (0.35)	Moderate	
Cardiovascular Disease Educational and Research Trust (2013) [38]	64 (0.24)	28 (0.47)	51 (0.62)	81 (0.24)	19 (0.53)	50 (0.00)	Moderate	
Carrier (2015) [37]	58 (1.18)	50 (0.94)	53 (0.80)	86 (0.24)	2 (0.18)	79 (0.35)	Moderate	
Easaw (2015) [25]	83 (0.00)	56 (0.00)	42 (0.53)	97 (0.24)	4 (0.35)	46 (0.35)	Low	
James (2017)[26]	69 (0.24)	25 (0.71)	23 (0.71)	69 (0.71)	4 (0.35)	0 (0.00)	Low	
Watson (2015)[5]	67 (0.00)	58 (0.71)	42 (0.71)	78 (0.94)	4 (0.94)	0 (0.00)	Low	
Mandala (2011)[33]	75 (0.71)	28 (0.00)	36 (0.62)	89 (0.47)	2 (0.18)	21 (0.35)	Low	
Keeling (2011)[4]	69 (0.71)	53 (0.71)	36 (0.80)	94 (0.47)	2 (0.18)	0 (0.00)	Low	
Chan (2014)[16]	83 (0.00)	50 (0.47)	33 (0.53)	92 (0.71)	4 (0.71)	4 (0.35)	Low	
Venous Thromboembolism Guideline Team (University of Michigan) (2014) [35]	61 (0.94)	28 (0.47)	34 (0.44)	86 (0.71)	10 (0.53)	8 (0.00)	Low	
Urbanek (2016) [42]	67 (0.94)	31 (0.24)	25 (0.71)	89 (0.47)	0 (0.00)	4 (0.35)	Low	

* Calculations were made using the Seven-point AGREE II Score Calculator[44]

^{*}Domain scores of ≥ 60% are coloured in green (domains were adequately addressed) and scores of < 60% (domains not adequately addressed) are coloured in red

Overall Guideline Quality: High = at least three of six AGREE II domains (including Domain 3) scored earned scores of >60%; **Moderate** = three or more AGREE II domains earned scores of >60%, except for Domain 3 OR at least two AGREE II domains earned scores of >60%, except for Domain 3, which earned a score of at least 50%; **Low** = any guideline not meeting the criteria for high or moderate quality.

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