# Quality of report of published articles in Revista Médica de Chile between 2017 – 2021.

**Background:** Revista médica de Chile is the Chilean journal of health science with the highest indexes h5 (26) and m5 (40) in the year 2021 according to SCImago Journal Rank (SJR), but a systematic evaluation of the reporting quality is lacking for its published articles.

We aimed to asses the quality of report of the articles published on the Revista Médica de Chile using the EQUATOR network guidelines and the SANRA guideline for narrative reviews. A secondary objetive was to associate the research area and the reporting quality.

## Methods

### Scoping review

Articles published in Revista Médica de Chile between 2017-2021

Article selection

Assement of the reporting quality score and mean score by research area

Determination of differences between reporting quality score means by research area with ANOVA

#### **Inclusion criteria:**

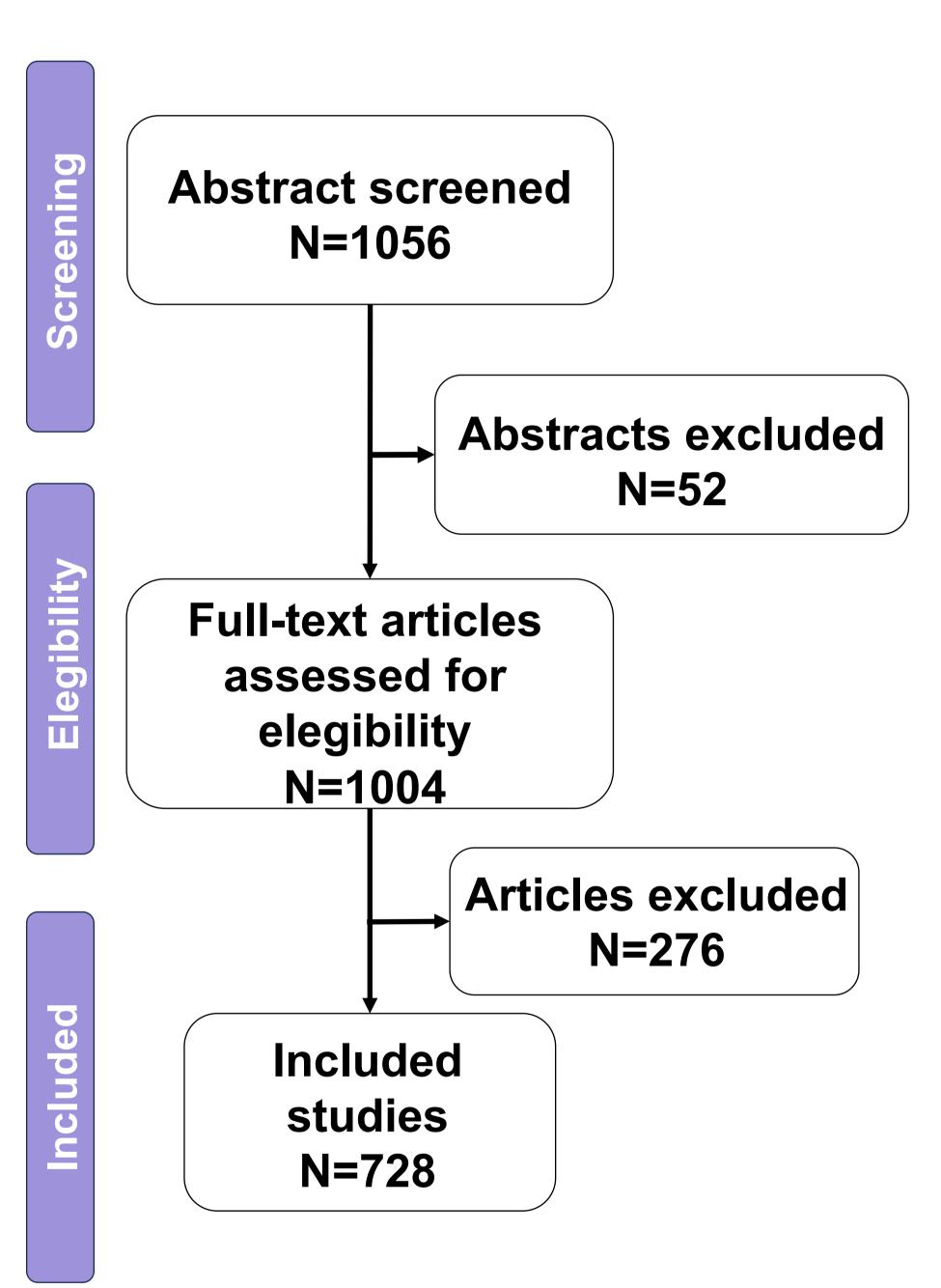
- 1. Primary or secondary clinical studies.
- 2. Primary or secondary preclinical studies.

#### **Exclusion criteria:**

• Any other article classified as: "Medical Education", "Documents", "Declaration", "Economic evaluation", "History of Medicine", "Veredicts", "Medical Ethics" or "Health administration".

Reporting quality score was calculated by dividing the number of accomplished items with the total number of ítems of the reporting guideline.

## Results



Reporting guidelines applied	
Guideline	N
CONSORT	7
TREND	7
PRISMA	10
CARE	192
STROBE	358
ARRIVE	4
STARD	10
AGREE	3
SANRA	135
PRISMA-ScR	2
Total	728

**Limitations:** We used a completeness ratio, assuming that all items were equally important. The assessment of the report quality score was realized by a single author, only a significant sample received a counter review by a second author.

Overall results		
N	728	
Mean (SD)	0.77 (0.14)	
Number of research areas	41	
Number of articles with reporting score of 1	6	

Highest reporting quality score related to investigation

areas		
Research area	N	Mean reporting quality score (SD)
Clinical lab	2	0.88 (0.13)
Coloproctology	2	0.88 (0.06)
Physical medicine and rehabilitation	3	0.87 (0.07)
Transplant medicine	2	0.85 (0.11)
Urology	5	0.84 (0.05)
Pulmonology	25	0.83 (0.12)
COVID-19	22	0.82 (0.12)
Geriatrics	8	0.81 (0.19)

**Conclusions:** The authors of Revista Médica de Chile did not fully report their findings according to the EQUATOR network guidelines and the SANRA reporting guideline, on average only 75 % of the aspects were accomplished. No association was found between the reporting quality and the research area.



