

Table 1. SAGER guidelines checklist - studies with human participants			
Section/ Topic	Item number	Checklist item	Reported on page number
General	1	The terms sex/gender used appropriately	
Title	2	Title specifies the sex/gender of participants if only one included	
Abstract	3a	Abstract specifies the sex/gender of participants if only one included	
	3b	Study population described with gender/sex breakdown*	
Introduction	4a	If relevant, previous studies that show presence or lack of sex/gender differences or similarities are cited	
	4b	Mention of whether sex/gender might be an important variant and if differences might be expected	
	4c	The demographics of the study population with regard to sex/gender (eg, disease prevalence among male/female study participants) are outlined*	
Methods	5a	Method of definition of sex/gender (eg, self-report, genetic testing)	
	5b	Description of how sex/gender was considered in the design, whether authors ensured adequate representation of male and female study participants, justification of the reasons for any exclusion of male or female participants, or explanation if not considered. Justification of other sex/gender-specific interventions of study designs (ie, mandating contraception for women). * Explicit reporting of the scientific rationale for contraception requirements and exclusions for pregnancy and lactation should be required*	
Results	6a	Study population description with complete gender/sex breakdown for all categories considered*	
	6b	Where appropriate, data presented disaggregated by sex/gender, and sex/gender differences and similarities are described	
	6c	Sex- and gender-based analyses reported regardless of outcome (in main paper if pre-specified; otherwise in appendix)*	
	6d	For clinical trials, adverse event data disaggregated by sex/gender (in main paper if pre-specified; otherwise in appendix)*	
	6e	Patient-reported outcome data disaggregated by sex/gender (in main paper if pre-specified; otherwise in appendix)*	
	6f	For epidemiological studies, the effects of other exposures on health problems examined for all genders and analysed critically from a gender perspective	
	6g	Table 1 includes separate rows for male sex/gender, female sex/gender and other categories if collected*	
Discussion	7a	Potential implications of sex/gender on the study results and analyses, including the extent to which the findings can be generalized to all sexes/genders in a population	
	7b	If a sex/gender analysis not done, a rationale is given and implications of the lack of such analysis on the interpretation of the results are discussed	
Adapted from SAGER guidelines. Sex and Gender Equity in Research: rationale for the SAGER guidelines and recommended use. Research Integrity and Peer Review 1, Article number: 2 (2016) https://researchintegrityjournal.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s41073-016-0007-6 . *These points extend beyond the original SAGER table.			