

Supplementary Table 2. Risk of Bias of the included animal studies assessed using SYRCLEs RoB tool

	Selection bias			Performance bias		Detection bias	Attrition bias	Reporting bias	Other	Overall (# L)
	Sequence generation	Baseline characteristics	Allocation concealment	Random housing	Blinding	Blinding	Incomplete outcome data	Selective outcome reporting	Other sources of bias	
Barbier <i>et al.</i> , 1997	?	L	?	?	H	H	L	L	?	3
Celletti <i>et al.</i> , 1995	?	L	?	?	?	H	L	L	L	4
Jemt <i>et al.</i> , 2000	?	?	?	L	L	H	L	L	L	5

Note: The score 'H' indicates a high risk of bias, 'L' indicates a low risk of bias and '?' indicates an unclear risk of bias.