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| **Author,Year** | **Did the Study Attempt to Enroll All (or a Random Sample of) Patients Meeting Inclusion Criteria, or a Random Sample (Inception Cohort)?** | **Were the Groups Comparable at Baseline on Key Prognostic Factors (e.g., by restriction or matching)?** | **Did the Study Use Accurate Methods for Ascertaining Exposures and Potential Confounders?** | **Were Outcome Assessors and/or Data Analysts** **Blinded to the Exposure Being Studied?** | **Did the Article Maintain Comparable Groups?** | **Did the Study Perform Appropriate Statistical Analyses on Potential** **Confounders?** | **Is There Important Differential Loss to Followup or Overall High Loss to Followup?** | **Were Outcomes Prespecified and Defined, and Ascertained Using Accurate Methods?** | **Quality Rating** |
| Armato, 2012165 | Yes | No; not age | Yes | Unclear | Yes | Unclear | No | Yes | Fair |