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Associations Between Food Insecurity, and Key Metabolic Risk Factors for Diet-Sensitive Noncommunicable Diseases in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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Title & Abstract Level 1 Screening Form

1.	Author and Date
2.	Title
3.	Was this research article published between January 2015 - October 2019?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes No

4.	Does this research article present an abstract?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	◯ No
5.	Does this research study present evidence from sub-Saharan Africa?
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	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	○ No
6.	Does this research study present evidence on Food Insecurity?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	◯ No
7.	Does this research study present evidence on Obesity?
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	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	○ No
8.	Does this research study present evidence on Diabetes?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	◯ No

9.	Does this research study present evidence on Cardiovascular diseases?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	◯ No
10.	Does this research study present evidence on stunting, and underweight or wasting?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	No
11.	Does this research study present evidence on Metabolic syndrome or risk factors?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	No
12.	Who is the Screen-er?
	Mark only one oval.
	◯ PI
	Co-Screen-er

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Full Text Screening Level 2 Form (Preliminary Two)

1.	Author and Date
2.	Title
3.	Does this research study present evidence from sub-Saharan Africa? Mark only one oval.
	Yes No

4.	Does this research study present evidence on Food Insecurity?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	No
5.	Does this research study present evidence on Obesity?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	No
6.	Does this research study present evidence on Diabetes / higher fasting plasma glucose level?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	◯ No
7.	Does this research study present evidence on Cardiovascular diseases?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	◯ No

8.	Does this research study present evidence on Dyslipidemia?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	◯ No
9.	Does this research study present evidence on High Blood Pressure/Hypertension?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	No
10.	Does this research study present evidence on respiratory diseases/Asthma?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	No
11.	Does this research study present evidence on stunting/ wasting OR underweight/ Overweight?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	No

12.	Does this research study present evidence on Metabolic syndrome or risk factors?
	Mark only one oval.
	Yes
	No
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13.	Who is the Screen-er?
	Mark only one oval.
	3rd Co-Screen-er
	PI

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Data Extraction Form Level 3

1.	Author, Year	
2.	Title	
3.	Country	
4.	Geographic setting	
5.	Study design	

6.	Study setting
7.	Aim of the study
8.	Population Size
9.	Age (y)

10.	Sex (Female/Male, %)?
11.	Inclusion & Exclusion Criteria
12.	Sample Size
13.	Measured Exposure Definition - Food Insecurity
13.	Measured Exposure Definition - Food insecurity

14.	Ascertainment of Exposure
15.	Number of Exposed Participants
16.	Number of Unexposed participants/Comparators Size
17.	Definition & Ascertainment of Reported Primary Outcome 1: Obesity
18.	Number of exposed participants with the reported outcome
19.	Number of unexposed participants with the reported outcome

Number of exposed participants with the reported outcome
Number of unexposed participants with the reported outcome
Definition & Ascertainment of Reported Primary Outcome 3: Cardiovascula Diseases

Number of exposed participants with the reported outcome
Number of unexposed participants with the reported outcome
Definition & Ascertainment of Reported Primary Outcome 5: High Blood Pres Hypertension?
Number of exposed participants with the reported outcome
Number of unexposed participants with the reported outcome

Number of exposed participants with the reported outcome
Number of unexposed participants with the reported outcome
Definition & Ascertainment of Reported Primary Outcome 7: Overweight?
Number of exposed participants with the reported outcome
Number of unexposed participants with the reported outcome

38.	Definition & Ascertainment of Reported Primary Outcome 8: Other reported metabolic syndrome and outcome of interest
39.	Number of exposed participants with the reported outcome
40.	Number of unexposed participants with the reported outcome
41.	All systematic and random error adjusted?
	(e.g. confounding, adjusted covariates, effect medication etc.)

	Does the research study provide sufficient information for the FI-DSCDs Association				
(effect sizes - statistical tool usage)					
43. Does the research study provide 'Possible Mechanisms' of the FI-DSC Association?	CDs				
i.e mediating and moderating SDH factors that govern the relationship between FI-DSCDs the research study	as presented in				
44. Research study key findings					

45.	Conclusion
46.	Notes (Reflection)

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MIXED METHODS APPRAISAL TOOL (MMAT) VERSION 2018

User guide

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Part I: Mixed Methods Appraisal Tool (MMAT), version 2018

Category of study	Mothodological anality anitonia			Responses	
designs	Memodological quanty criteria	Yes	No	Can't tell	Comments
Screening questions	S1. Are there clear research questions?				
(for all types)	S2. Do the collected data allow to address the research questions?				
	Further appraisal may not be feasible or appropriate when the answer is 'No' or 'Can't tell' to one or both screening questions	question	1S.		
1. Qualitative	1.1. Is the qualitative approach appropriate to answer the research question?				
	1.2. Are the qualitative data collection methods adequate to address the research question?				
	1.3. Are the findings adequately derived from the data?				
	1.4. Is the interpretation of results sufficiently substantiated by data?				
	1.5. Is there coherence between qualitative data sources, collection, analysis and interpretation?				
2. Quantitative	2.1. Is randomization appropriately performed?				
randomized controlled	2.2. Are the groups comparable at baseline?				
trials	2.3. Are there complete outcome data?				
	2.4. Are outcome assessors blinded to the intervention provided?				
	2.5 Did the participants adhere to the assigned intervention?				
3. Quantitative non-	3.1. Are the participants representative of the target population?				
randomized	3.2. Are measurements appropriate regarding both the outcome and intervention (or exposure)?				
	3.3. Are there complete outcome data?				
	3.4. Are the confounders accounted for in the design and analysis?				
	3.5. During the study period, is the intervention administered (or exposure occurred) as intended?				
4. Quantitative	4.1. Is the sampling strategy relevant to address the research question?				
descriptive	4.2. Is the sample representative of the target population?				
	4.3. Are the measurements appropriate?				
	4.4. Is the risk of nonresponse bias low?				
	4.5. Is the statistical analysis appropriate to answer the research question?				
5. Mixed methods	5.1. Is there an adequate rationale for using a mixed methods design to address the research question?				
	5.2. Are the different components of the study effectively integrated to answer the research question?				
	5.3. Are the outputs of the integration of qualitative and quantitative components adequately interpreted?				
	5.4. Are divergences and inconsistencies between quantitative and qualitative results adequately addressed?				
	5.5. Do the different components of the study adhere to the quality criteria of each tradition of the methods involved?				



Mr Sphamandla Josias Nkambule (210501689) School Of Nurs & Public Health Howard College

Dear Mr Sphamandla Josias Nkambule,

Protocol reference number: 00002835

The Evidence on the Association Between Food Insecurity and Diet-sensitive Chronic Diseases in Project title:

Sub-Saharan Africa: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

Exemption from Ethics Review

In response to your application received on 29 July 2019, your school has indicated that the protocol has been granted **EXEMPTION FROM ETHICS REVIEW**.

Any alteration/s to the exempted research protocol, e.g., Title of the Project, Location of the Study, Research Approach and Methods must be reviewed and approved through an amendment/modification prior to its implementation. The original exemption number must be cited.

For any changes that could result in potential risk, an ethics application including the proposed amendments must be submitted to the relevant UKZN Research Ethics Committee. The original exemption number must be cited.

In case you have further queries, please quote the above reference number.

PLEASE NOTE:

Research data should be securely stored in the discipline/department for a period of 5 years.

I take this opportunity of wishing you everything of the best with your study.

Yours sincerely

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APPLICATION FOR ETHICS APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS

NAME OF RESEARCHER: Sphamandla Josias Nkambule

DEPARTMENT: Discipline of Public Health Medicine, School of Nursing and Public Health

TITLE OF STUDY: The Evidence on the Association Between Food Insecurity and Diet-sensitive

Chronic Diseases in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Systematic Review and Meta-

analysis

ETHICS REFERENCE NO: 00002835

DATE OF ETHICAL APPROVAL OF STUDY: 29 July 2019

DATE OF AMENDMENTS: 15 January 2020

AMENDMENTS REQUESTED:

1. TITLE OF STUDY:

Original protocol states:

The Evidence on the Association Between Food Insecurity and Diet-sensitive Chronic Diseases in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Systematic Review and Meta analysis

Amendments Requested:

Association Between Food Insecurity and Key Metabolic Risk Factors for Diet-Sensitive Non-communicable Diseases in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

Reason for amendment:

For classification purposes and interpretation "metabolic risk factors" is more in line with current literature and diagnostic definition of the study outcomes, when compared to "chronic diseases"

These amendments would not have any impact on participants or patient

- Itemise required amendments in following format:
 (i) original protocol states...... amendment requested...... etc.
- 2. Reason for amendment and the impact this will have on the participant or patient.
- 3. If additional investigators are added: Outline role and submit 2-page CV and proof of current HPCSA registration and GCP certification with the application.
- 4. If a new site is added, submit permission letter from the manager of the hospital/clinic/institution, if applicable.

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