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# Mitigating Racial and Ethnic Bias and Advancing Health Equity in the Development, Evaluation, and Deployment of Clinical Algorithms in Healthcare: A Scoping Review and Implications for Policy

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# Abstract

In July 2022, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued a notice of proposed rulemaking prohibiting covered entities, which include health care providers and health plans, from discriminating against individuals when using clinical algorithms in decision-making, but it did not provide specific guidelines on how covered entities should prevent discrimination. We conducted a scoping review of literature published from 2011 to 2022 to identify practical strategies, frameworks, reviews and perspectives, and assessment tools that identify and mitigate bias in clinical algorithms, with a specific focus on racial and ethnic bias. Our scoping review encompassed 109 articles comprising forty-five empirical health care applications that included tools tested in health care settings, sixteen frameworks, and forty-eight reviews and perspectives. We identified a wide range of technical, operational, and systemwide bias mitigation strategies for clinical algorithms, but there was no consensus in the literature on a single best practice that covered entities could employ to meet the HHS requirements. Future research should identify optimal bias mitigation methods for various scenarios, depending on factors such as patient population, clinical setting, algorithm design, and types of bias to be addressed.

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In July 2022, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued a notice of proposed rulemaking that would revise the interpretation of Section 1557 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.<sup>1</sup> This notice includes a new provision stating that covered entities, which include health care providers and health plans,<sup>2</sup> must not discriminate against any individual through the use of clinical algorithms in decision making —however, it does not specify what measures covered entities should take to ensure this. Instead, it solicits comments on practices to ensure that algorithms are not discriminatory and requests resources and recommendations on identifying and mitigating discrimination that results from the use of clinical algorithms.

In response to concerns about algorithmic bias, other federal agencies and nonprofit organizations have recently taken action to regulate algorithms or support governance and oversight measures aimed at making algorithms safe, fair, and transparent.<sup>3,4</sup> These efforts are reflected in the Food and Drug Administration's final guidance on the principles of software validation<sup>5</sup>; the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's research protocol on healthcare algorithms on racial and ethnic disparities<sup>6</sup>; the National Institute of Standards and Technology's artificial intelligence risk-management framework<sup>7</sup>; the Coalition for Health AI's "Blueprint for trustworthy AI implementation guidance and assurance for healthcare," version 1.0<sup>8</sup>; and the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy's "Blueprint for an AI bill of rights.<sup>9</sup>

These publications join a growing body of academic and professional literature in defining, describing, and providing ways to measure algorithmic bias harmonized around the articulation of principles to guide the development of algorithms, such as safety, fairness, and transparency. Although there is broad agreement on the need to remove harmful bias from clinical algorithms, there is little consensus on how to achieve this critical objective. As health care systems develop and implement these technologies, researchers, developers, and clinicians who build and deploy clinical algorithms need concrete strategies, methods, and tools that enable them to identify and mitigate bias.

Anticipating that many covered entities will actively assess whether their clinical algorithms comply with the proposed new Section 1557 provision and attempt to correct any biases they uncover, we identified practical strategies, frameworks, and tools for identifying and mitigating bias in clinical algorithms, focusing on racial and ethnic bias. Our study expanded on previous reviews<sup>10–13</sup> to capture the full breadth of published resources. We incorporated articles from journals focused on clinical practice, public health, ethics, law, public policy, data science, computer science, machine learning, and artificial intelligence. This comprehensive, multidisciplinary scope allowed us to summarize a full suite of mitigation approaches that can be applied to the HHS directive to prevent discrimination arising from use of algorithms in clinical decision making.

# **Study Data And Methods**

#### Design

We followed the JBI scoping review methodology and are reporting the Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic reviews and Meta-Analyses extension for Scoping Reviews (PRISMA-ScR).<sup>14–16</sup>

#### Information Sources

The databases searched were Medline (PubMed), Embase (Elsevier), Web of Science (Clarivate), and ProQuest Computer Science Database and ProQuest Dissertation and Theses Global.

#### Search Strategy

The search was developed and conducted by a medical librarian, with input from the other coauthors, and included a mix of keywords and subject headings, including algorithm, bias, mitigation and assessment, health care, and race and ethnicity. The original searches were conducted on August 24, 2022, and we found 18,028 citations. The searches were independently peer reviewed by another medical librarian, using a modified Peer Review of Electronic Search Strategies (PRESS) checklist. The author team also assessed several sources of grey literature through a targeted web search of government entities, including the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Full reproducible search strategies for all included databases are detailed in online appendix exhibit A1.<sup>17</sup>

#### **Study Selection**

After the search, all identified studies were uploaded into Covidence, a software system for managing systematic reviews. Duplicates were removed by the software (n = 6,381). A final set of 11,647 citations was left to be screened in the study title and abstract phase.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

We systematically screened papers to include applications, frameworks, reviews and perspectives, and tools that dealt with racial and ethnic bias mitigation in algorithms used either to guide care decisions for individual patients or to inform decisions for achieving population health goals, such as efficiently allocating health care resources; mitigation strategies could be applied at any stage in the algorithm development lifecycle, from pre- to postdeployment. We excluded conference abstracts and dissertations.

After study titles and abstracts were screened for relevance, full texts of publications were reviewed to verify that they met inclusion and exclusion criteria. All aspects of screening were performed by at least two independent reviewers. At each stage, disagreements between reviewers were resolved by a third reviewer. The study selection process is represented in appendix exhibit A2.<sup>17</sup>

#### **Data Extraction And Synthesis**

Before extracting studies, we tested the extraction matrix on four studies—one for each study type: applications, tools, reviews and perspectives, and frameworks. We revised the matrix to reflect consensus among reviewers and developed an extraction manual to ensure coding consistency. Because there were relatively few tool articles and we extracted the same data elements from the tools and applications articles, we then combined applications and tools into one category. Two reviewers independently extracted data from the full text of all eligible articles. Conflicts between reviewers were resolved by a third reviewer.

#### Limitations

Our study had several limitations. First, our review was limited to clinical algorithms used by health care providers and excluded rule-based algorithms. Second, our search returned few to no examples of mitigation methods for text-based algorithms and generative artificial intelligence, and we cannot speak to the best mitigation methods for these types of algorithms. Other limitations included restrictions imposed on our sample (English-language only, 2011–22 study interval). Despite our efforts to implement best practices for a comprehensive and inclusive search strategy, we may have missed some relevant studies during data extraction if specific mitigation strategies were missed or misclassified by independent reviewers.

## Study Results

Of the remaining 11,579 articles, 11,233 were excluded during title and abstract screening. A total of 346 papers were sought for retrieval; one was unavailable and the full texts of the remaining 345 papers (plus an additional nine papers identified from other methods via targeted web searches) were assessed for eligibility on the basis of the study criteria. After excluding 245 articles that did not meet study criteria, a final total of 109 articles were included, comprising 106 from the database search plus three identified from other sources (a full list of the studies included in our review is available in appendix exhibit A3).<sup>17</sup>

Of the three article types (applications and tools, frameworks, and reviews and perspectives), the most common types were reviews and perspectives (n = 48 [44 percent]) and health care applications and tools (n = 45 [47 percent]). The least common type was framework (n = 16 [15 percent]). Most articles (n = 101 [93 percent]) identified were published within the last four years (exhibit 1).

#### Mitigation Strategies By Article Type

To facilitate interpretation of our findings, we classified mitigation strategies into three strategy categories (exhibit 2): technical (such as data collection, algorithm design, preprocessing, processing, not monitoring postdeployment), operational (governance, design principles, and interdisciplinary multistakeholders), and systemwide (training and education, collaborative platforms, standards, incentives, and regulation).

There were notable differences in the kinds of mitigation strategies discussed across article types. Most applications and tool articles focused on technical solutions to bias mitigation,

such as better selection of prediction targets and reweighting sample data to resemble the target population. Frameworks and reviews and perspectives, in contrast, more often included discussions of nontechnical solutions, such as the role of governance and need for systemwide standards.

#### **Technical Strategies**

Technical strategies were grouped into six categories on the basis of the point in the algorithmic lifecycle at which bias was addressed: data collection (strategies that involved the collection of higher-quality data from representative patient populations), algorithm design (strategies related to the selection of the outcome, predictor variables, and algorithms used for the prediction problem), preprocessing (strategies that occurred before training the algorithm—that is, the process of teaching it to make predictions or decisions based on a data set—including changing the data via weighting 18-22 or sampling 18,23-25 methods to make it more representative of the population in which the algorithm would be used), processing (strategies that alter the training of the algorithm, including adjusting the algorithm's objective function to incorporate some aspect fairness in addition to statistical fit<sup>24–31</sup>; this could include a mathematical formula that attempts to maximize or minimize the algorithm's goal-for instance, to minimize the errors while ensuring that error rates across race groups are similar), postprocessing (strategies that update the results after prediction through recalibration<sup>32</sup> or varying cut points or thresholds at which the model output is used to define a category of risk or recommend that a clinician take action to achieve fairness<sup>20,33–35</sup>), and monitoring postdeployment (strategies related to tracking the performance of the algorithm after it has been trained, such as checking that the algorithm's performance is not degrading over time and measuring the impact on treatment allocation and health outcomes).

In exhibit 3 we summarize some of the most common technical strategies for mitigating racial and ethnic bias. These include stratifying or calibrating algorithms by race, weighting methods, and adjusting the algorithm's objective function. These strategies span clinical applications and algorithms. Almost every article reported some success in mitigating bias using these strategies, although this sometimes came at a cost to other statistical performance measures.<sup>21</sup>

#### **Operational Strategies**

Operational strategies were those applied across algorithms deployed within organizations. These included governance of algorithms, incorporation of design principles (including accountability, explainability, interpretability, transparency, and usability) into algorithm development and maintenance, and the engagement of interdisciplinary teams and varied stakeholders.

Operational strategies reflect the need for technical expertise, as well as institutional knowledge regarding potential sources of bias. For example, in health care settings, it is often not possible or feasible to measure the outcome of interest, such as the need for care, so a proxy for that outcome, such as cost of care or number of health care visits, must be used. Given well-documented disparities in access and care, proxy variables such as

cost reflect these differences and may exacerbate disparities.<sup>36</sup> Interdisciplinary teams and multistakeholder engagement can bring necessary perspective and debate to decisions about what outcomes to use and the potential risks of bias. For example, the inclusion of race in clinical algorithms requires careful consideration: Some studies found benefit in removing race and ethnicity from clinical algorithms,<sup>8,27,37–39</sup> whereas others concluded that it was preferable to include them.<sup>27,37,40</sup> Different algorithms have different objectives, data inputs, and intended applications, all of which can influence the decision to include or exclude race. Governance boards can help monitor these complicated decisions, and design principles such as transparency ensure that all algorithm users know when predictor variables such as race are included in algorithms, and the rationale for their conclusion.

#### Systemwide Strategies

Articles presenting systemwide strategies were largely authored by researchers, industry leaders, and government officials, and were often written collaboratively by authors affiliated with different institutions and oriented toward broader health and social policy issues. Systemwide strategies included updates to training and education about risks for algorithmic bias, collaborative platforms to aid organizations with algorithmic auditing, the creation of algorithm standards, increased incentives for bias mitigation, and regulation of algorithms.

#### Gaps In The Literature

Of the sixteen articles that presented frameworks for addressing bias in clinical algorithms, only five identified health equity as a key component, and only three tested frameworks in real-world clinical settings.<sup>41-45</sup>

Of the forty-five health care applications and tools tested in health care settings, nearly all addressed bias-mitigation strategies used during predeployment, such as sampling and weighting techniques and regularization methods. There was less evidence regarding clinical algorithms that had been deployed (a central component discussed in the frameworks), and only one article<sup>26</sup> presented a mitigation strategy applied in clinical practice. We did not identify any prospective studies. Only eighteen of forty-five health care applications included links to code used to implement the mitigation methods.

Although the articles presented numerous techniques that could be used to mitigate racial and ethnic bias in algorithms, most did not address the specific and complex questions of when and how they should be used. Only seven articles compared the performance of different techniques to mitigate racial and ethnic bias specifically.<sup>19,21,31,34,37,39,46</sup> We also found minimal or no information regarding the involvement of no-physician stakeholders in the design, evaluation, or deployment of or reporting on clinical algorithms.

### Discussion

This scoping review included 109 articles describing empirical applications, frameworks, reviews and perspectives, and tools related to mitigating racial and ethnic bias in algorithms used to guide health care decisions. Although other related reviews have been conducted,<sup>6,10</sup>

we believe that this review is the largest, most comprehensive summary of bias-mitigation strategies and methods in the academic and grey literatures to date.

The bias-mitigation approaches we reviewed tended to be either highly specific technical guidance or high-level, nontechnical surveys of strategies. This dichotomy is particularly challenging because bias in clinical algorithms, depending on mitigation category, requires solutions based on statistical expertise, social science expertise, clinical expertise, or some combination of the three, underscoring the need for a professionally diverse, appropriately trained workforce. For example, social scientists tend to conceive of bias as cognitive dispositions or inclinations in human thinking and reasoning, to be addressed during algorithmic design or preprocessing. Statisticians and data scientists, however, often consider bias as estimate errors to be programmatically addressed during the preprocessing and processing stages. Further downstream, clinicians view bias as a contributing factor to health inequities, which can be exacerbated by disparities in health care access, allocation, and outcomes. Increasing use of clinical algorithms has resulted in the need for new competencies among health professionals,<sup>47</sup> who can identify sources of bias across the algorithmic lifecycle and apply a health equity lens to evaluate and inform their use.<sup>48</sup>

In our review, we identified mitigation techniques that specifically address racial and ethnic bias. This requires special consideration, because the data used to train algorithms often reflect structural inequities in health care systems arising from racism and its interactions with social determinants of health. The topic of whether to include race and ethnicity as a predictor was an important focus. Although some study authors included race and ethnicity as predictors, others opted to remove them. In most studies, it is important to acknowledge that race and ethnicity are not biological factors but, rather, social constructs historically used to categorize and differentiate groups. Therefore, the decision to include or exclude race or ethnicity in a clinical model must be considered carefully in every context, and its impact on health equity should be thoroughly examined.<sup>49</sup> When feasible, relying on more direct measures, rather than proxies, of the outcomes being studied can prevent biases associated with the use of race and ethnicity as predictors.

Our review highlights the numerous choices required during the process of mitigating bias in clinical algorithms, encompassing the choice of variables to include as predictors, the selection of fairness metrics used to measure bias, and the choice of mitigation method. Even quantifying algorithmic bias (often measured using fairness metrics) can be difficult. Fairness metrics involve inherent trade-offs, and static fairness criteria may lead to delayed long-term harm.

Finally, mitigation methods are numerous, and few studies address the selection of appropriate methodologies, which depends on factors including the type of clinical algorithm, the specific clinical or research question being addressed, data availability, and ethical or legal considerations. Continued evaluation of these choices is needed to help determine in what clinical scenarios one strategy may work better than another.

Researchers, algorithm developers, and clinicians should follow procedures, document their results, and adhere to recognized standards for bias mitigation in clinical algorithms. A

trustworthy organizational culture encourages clinicians and developers to prevent bias and reduce inequities by reporting discrimination so that root cause analysis can be performed and identified risks can be removed from the system. This not only helps ensure that algorithms are safe, fair, and transparent but also provides needed evidence on what strategies are effective in practice.

Health equity should be fundamental to designing, evaluating, and deploying clinical algorithms in real-world clinical settings to ensure that their use does not result in discrimination. One promising approach, recently articulated by the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, is health equity by design.<sup>50,51</sup> Analogous to the concept of quality by design that undergirds the principles of good clinical and regulatory practice,<sup>52</sup> health equity by design is a multifaceted approach in which equity is a core feature that can be used to deliberately mitigate discriminatory effects of clinical algorithms across pre- and postprocessing stages. In this scoping review, we found few examples of such principles operationalized in practice, and we hope that this will be a focus for organizations moving forward.

## **Policy Implications**

On the basis of our findings, we offer the following concrete recommendations for bias mitigation in clinical algorithms.

#### **Ensure Professional Diversity**

Developers who build algorithms and health care organizations that deploy and monitor them should cultivate and sustain professionally diverse, appropriately trained workforces that comprise the different areas of expertise (clinical, social science, technical) needed to identify and mitigate bias.

#### **Require Auditable Clinical Algorithms**

Developers and end users of algorithms must provide clear and accurate information about the intended use and risks of clinical algorithms.

#### Foster Transparent Organizational Culture

Developers, health care organizations, and journals should openly disclose limitations as part of communicating algorithmic outputs, acknowledge biases, and report the results of mitigation strategies.

#### Implement Health Equity By Design

Developers should incorporate principles of health equity by design throughout the development and deployment of clinical algorithms to mitigate discriminatory effects across pre- and postprocessing stages.

#### Accelerate Research

Funding agencies and health care organizations should increase research efforts focused on bias mitigation methodologies to expand the empirical evidence base informing choices regarding mitigation strategies.

#### **Establish Governance Structures**

Policy makers should encourage covered entities to establish governance structures and evaluation schemes to prevent harms arising from algorithmic bias.

#### **Amplify Patient Voices**

Developers must engage diverse patients and local communities in the design and preprocessing of clinical algorithms to inform patient-centered and culturally affirming care.

In the context of HHS's proposed rule, these recommendations provide the path forward for researchers, developers, health professionals, and policy makers to identify and mitigate harmful bias and prevent discrimination amid increasing use of clinical algorithms in health care decision making.

Many of the articles in our review include specific examples of patient harms, however inadvertent, that can result from bias in algorithms designed to support clinical decision making.<sup>26</sup> Given the risks posed by the rapid implementation of algorithms in health care, regulatory measures aimed at ensuring that patients do not face discrimination as a result of clinical algorithms are appropriate. However, despite evidence of the potential for harm from biased algorithms, our review demonstrates that bias mitigation remains a nascent field of research: Most of the articles we reviewed were published in the last few years. Furthermore, we observed wide variation among published mitigation strategies meant to be applied at various stages across the entire algorithm development life cycle. Some are as general as recommendations to assemble diverse team members for algorithm development, whereas others are as specific as a weighting methodology that includes published code for replication. Given the real risks posed by algorithms being rapidly deployed in health care, we believe HHS is right to revise Section 1557 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to ensure that patients do not face discrimination because of clinical algorithms.

Our review demonstrates that researchers, algorithm developers, and health care professionals have a broad range of available methods to identify and mitigate algorithmic bias. At the same time, there is no single or discrete set of approaches that HHS could require covered entities to use to eliminate algorithmic bias. Therefore, more research is needed to determine which bias mitigation methods are optimal and in what scenarios, depending on factors such as patient population, clinical setting, algorithm design, and types of bias to be addressed. Regulators and policy makers should promote sharing of resources for identifying and mitigating bias and support further research to generate empirical evidence to inform the selection of effective mitigation strategies. Policy makers should also encourage covered entities to draw from the principles and approaches presented in the literature we reviewed to establish governance structures and evaluation regimens to ensure that the algorithms they deploy do not harm patients.

# Conclusion

Our scoping review serves as a significant response to the HHS notice of proposed rulemaking. It provides stakeholders, including developers, health professionals, and policy makers, with a comprehensive, up-to-date analysis of strategies, resources, and recommendations for mitigating harmful racial and ethnic bias in algorithms used in clinical decision-making. By conducting an extensive and wide-ranging review, we have gathered valuable insights across various technical, operational, and systemwide strategies. Our review encompasses a wide range of approaches and interventions that address racial and ethnic bias specifically, but can be applied more generally to prevent algorithmic discrimination.

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# Appendix Exhibit A1.: PRISMA Diagram of the Literature Search and Selection Process



#### Initial Search Results

#### **Database Search**

- 18,028 references imported for screening
  - O 6446 duplicates removed
- 11,582 studies screened against title and abstract
  - O 11,233 studies excluded
- 1 could not retrieve
- 345 studies assessed for full-text eligibility

#### Other Sources

- 9 from other sources
- O 3 duplicates removed
- · 6 retrieved and full text reviewed
  - $\bigcirc$  3 studies excluded
- O 2 wrong study type
- $\bigcirc$  1 no discussion of bias mitigation

#### Initial Search Results

#### Database Search

#### O 239 studies excluded

#### Other Sources • 3 included into the final review

- 73 no discussion of bias mitigation
- 62 not reviews, guidelines, position statements, or commentaries
- 48 not related to healthcare
- 15 wrong study design
- 12 not specific to racial bias
- 9 wrong outcomes
- 9 wrong setting
- 4 not algorithm-based
- 4 published prior to 2011
- Abstract
- Not peer reviewed
- O 106 studies included

COMBINED TOTAL = 109

#### **Original Exported from Covidence**

- 18,037 references imported for screening as 18,037 studies
  - O 6449 duplicates removed
- 11,588 studies screened against title and abstract
  - O 11233 studies excluded
- 355 studies assessed for full-text eligibility
  - O 246 studies excluded
    - 74 no discussion of bias mitigation
    - 66 not reviews, guidelines, position statements, or commentaries
    - 48 not related to healthcare
    - 17 wrong study design
    - 12 not specific to racial bias
    - 9 wrong outcomes
    - 9 wrong setting
    - 4 not algorithm-based
    - 4 published prior to 2011
    - 1 abstract
    - 1 not peer reviewed
    - 1 could not retrieve
  - O 0 studies ongoing
  - O 0 studies awaiting classification
- 109 studies included

#### **Reasons for Exclusion**

#### Original Out of Covidence

- 74 no discussion of bias mitigation
- · 66 not reviews, guidelines, position statements, or commentaries
- 48 not related to healthcare
- 15 wrong study design
- 12 not specific to racial bias
- 9 wrong outcomes
- 9 wrong setting
- 4 not algorithm-based
- 4 published prior to 2011
- 1 abstract
- 1 not peer reviewed
- 1 not retrievable

#### Combined

- wrong study type (n = [66 + 15 + 1 + 1 =] 83)
- no discussion of bias mitigation (n = 74)
- not related to health care (n = 48 + 9 = 57)
- not specific to racial bias (n = 12)
- wrong outcomes (n = 9)
- not algorithm-based (n = 4)
- published prior to 2011 (n = 4)
- not retrievable (n = 1)

# Appendix Exhibit A2.: Search Strategies

Mitigating Bias and Advancing Health Equity Throughout the Development, Evaluation, and Deployment of Clinical Algorithms in Healthcare: A Scoping Review and Implications for Policy

Librarian Searcher: Leila Ledbetter

Peer-Reviewer: Steph Hendren

Date of completed search: August 24, 2022

#### Date of updated search: N/A

Total number of articles (before de-duplication): 18,028

Total number of articles (after de-duplication): 11,647

Database / Study Registry (including vendor/platform): Medline (via PubMed)

Set #	Search Strategy	Results
1 Algorithms	"Algorithms" [Mesh] OR "Artificial Intelligence" [Mesh:NoExp] OR "Machine Learning" [Mesh] OR "Deep Learning" [Mesh] OR Algorithm[tiab] OR Algorithms[tiab] OR Algorithmic[tiab] OR "Artificial Intelligence" [tiab] OR "Machine Learning" [tiab] OR "neural network" [tiab] OR "neural networks" [tiab] OR "deep learning" [tiab] OR "neural network" [tiab] OR "deep metric learning" [tiab] OR "Predictive model" [tiab] OR "predictive models" [tiab] OR "prediction model" [tiab] OR "prediction models" [tiab] OR "risk score" [tiab] OR "risk scores" [tiab] OR "risk model" [tiab] OR "risk models" [tiab]	752,687

Set #	Search Strategy	Results
2 Bias	"Bias" [Mesh] OR "Health Inequities" [Mesh] OR "Healthcare Disparities" [Mesh] OR "Health Status Disparities" [Mesh] OR "Race Factors" [Mesh] OR "Systemic Racism" [Mesh] OR "Racism" [Mesh] OR "Biases[tiab] OR biased[tiab] OR debias[tiab] OR debiased[tiab] OR "de-bias" [tiab] OR biased[tiab] OR racism[tiab] or racial[tiab] or racist[tiab] OR prejudice[tiab] OR prejudiced[tiab] OR discriminated[tiab] OR discriminates[tiab] OR discriminatory[tiab] OR discriminated[tiab] OR discrimination[tiab] OR stereotype[tiab] OR stereotypes[tiab] OR stereotyped[tiab] OR stereotype[tiab] OR profiling[tiab] OR discrimination[tiab] OR stereotype[tiab] OR profiling[tiab] OR discrimination[tiab] OR stereotype[tiab] OR profiling[tiab] OR disparity[tiab] OR disparities[tiab] OR inequities[tiab] OR equity[tiab] OR equality[tiab] OR inequalities[tiab] OR equities[tiab] OR ethically[tiab] OR unethical[tiab] OR unethically [tiab] OR accountable[tiab] OR accountability[tiab]	1,079,154
3 healthcare	"Insurance, Health"[Mesh] OR "hospitals"[MeSH Terms] OR "Risk Assessment"[Mesh] OR "Risk Management"[Mesh] OR "Disease Management"[Mesh] OR "Medical Records Systems, Computerized"[Mesh] OR "Electronic Health Records"[Mesh] OR "Decision Support Systems, Clinical"[Mesh] OR "Delivery of Health Care"[Mesh] OR "Health Services"[Mesh] OR "Medicare"[Mesh] OR "Medicaid"[Mesh] OR Health[tiab] OR "health care"[tiab] OR healthcare[tiab] OR hospitals[tiab] OR hospital[tiab] OR "medical center"[tiab] OR "health-care"[tiab] OR "Health systems"[tiab] OR "Health system"[tiab] OR "health-care"[tiab] OR medical[tiab] OR clinical[tiab] OR "Health system"[tiab] OR "health-care"[tiab] OR medical[tiab] OR clinical[tiab] OR "Health system"[tiab] OR "health-care"[tiab] OR "Health Services"[tiab] OR "disease management"[tiab] OR "disease prevention"[tiab] OR "health insurance"[tiab] OR (dectronic[tiab] OR computerized[tiab] OR automated[tiab] OR administrative[tiab] OR (medical[tiab] OR computerized[tiab] OR necords[tiab] OR records[tiab]) AND (medical[tiab]	10,437,508
4 Mitigation/ Assessment/ tools/ frameworks	"Checklist" [Mesh] OR mitigate[tiab] OR mitigates[tiab] OR mitigated[tiab] OR mitigating[tiab] OR mitigate[tiab] OR reduccip[tiab] OR diminisheld[iab] OR diminishing[tiab] OR diminishing[tiab] OR diminishing[tiab] OR diminisheld[tiab] OR diminishing[tiab] OR alleviates[tiab] OR alleviates[tiab] OR alleviates[tiab] OR alleviates[tiab] OR alleviates[tiab] OR aretificial] OR correcting[tiab] OR rectify[tiab] OR revents[tiab] OR revents[tiab] OR preventing[tiab] OR nerver[tiab] OR nervents[tiab] OR revents[tiab] OR preventing[tiab] OR nerver[tiab] OR ensures[tiab] OR nerverting[tiab] OR limitation[tiab] OR limit[tiab] OR limits[tiab] OR limited[tiab] OR avoids[tiab] OR avoids[tiab] OR removes[tiab] OR avoids[tiab] OR removes[tiab] OR avoids[tiab] OR avoids[tiab] OR combate[tiab] OR decrease[tiab] OR decreases[tiab] OR minimizes[tiab] OR evaluates[tiab] OR evaluates[tiab] OR decreases[tiab] OR decreases[tiab] OR evaluates[tiab] OR minimizes[tiab]	22,393,661

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5 Race/ ethnicity	"Ethnicity" [Mesh] OR "Minority Health" [Mesh] OR "Ethnic and Racial Minorities" [Mesh] OR "Blacks" [Mesh] OR "African Americans" [Mesh] OR "Mexican Americans" [Mesh] OR "Hispanic or Latino" [Mesh] OR "Indigenous Peoples" [Mesh] OR "African Americans" [Mesh] OR "Indigenous Peoples" [Mesh] OR "Asian Americans" [Mesh] OR "Indigenous Peoples" [Mesh] OR "Transients and Migrants" [Mesh] OR "Emigrants and Immigrants" [Mesh] OR "Transients and Migrants" [Mesh] OR "Emigrants and Immigrants" [Mesh] OR "minority group" [tiab] OR ethnic[tiab] OR ethnicity[tiab] OR "minority groups" [tiab] OR "minority population" [tiab] OR "minority populations" [tiab] OR "people of color" [tiab] OR "person of color" [tiab] OR BIPOC[tiab] OR "minority health" [tiab] OR "African Americans" [tiab] OR "African ancestry" [tiab] OR Black[tiab] OR "African Americans" [tiab] OR "African ancestry" [tiab] OR Black[tiab] OR "Hispanic-Americans" [tiab] OR "Hispanic Imericans" [tiab] OR "Hispanic-Americans" [tiab] OR "Hispanic[tiab] OR "Mexican Americans" [tiab] OR "Mexican-Americans" [tiab] OR "Mexican Americans" [tiab] OR "Mexican-Americans" [tiab] OR "Cuban American" [tiab] OR "Cuban-American" [tiab] OR "Cuban Americans" [tiab] OR "Latin Americans" [tiab] OR "Cuban Americans" [tiab] OR "Latin-Americans" [tiab] OR "Cuban Americans" [tiab] OR "Latin-Americans" [tiab] OR "Latines[tiab] OR "Latinas[tiab] OR Latina[tiab] OR Latins[tiab] OR Latinos[tiab] OR Latinos[tiab] OR Latinas[tiab] OR Latina[tiab] OR Latins[tiab] OR Latinos[tiab] OR "Latinos[tiab] OR "Spanish-speakers" [tiab] OR Mexican[tiab] OR "Spanish speakers" [tiab] OR "Spanish-speakers" [tiab] OR "Japanese Americans" [tiab] OR "Asian Americans" [tiab] OR "Chinese Americans" [tiab] OR "Himong Americans" [tiab] OR "Himong Americans" [tiab] OR "Korean Americans" [tia	1,056,938
6	#1 AND #2 AND #3 AND #4 AND #5	4,024
7 Remove animal studies	#6 NOT (animals[MeSH Terms] NOT humans[MeSH Terms])	4,012

2<sup>nd</sup> Database: Embase (via Elsevier)

Set #	Search Strategy	Results
1 Algorithms	'Algorithm'/de OR 'Algorithm bias'/de OR 'Artificial Intelligence'/de OR 'automated reasoning'/de OR 'Machine Learning'/exp OR 'Deep Learning'/de OR 'predictive model'/de OR 'risk model'/de OR Algorithm:ti,ab OR Algorithms:ti,ab OR Algorithmic:ti,ab OR 'Artificial Intelligence':ti,ab OR 'Machine Learning':ti,ab OR 'deep learning':ti,ab OR 'augmented intelligence':ti,ab OR 'deep metric learning':ti,ab OR 'Predictive model':ti,ab OR 'predictive models':ti,ab OR 'prediction model':ti,ab	921,128

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5 Race/ ethnicity	Ethnicity/de OR 'Minority Health'/de OR 'Ethnic group'/de OR 'minority group'/de OR 'Black person'/exp OR 'African Americans'/de OR 'Mexican Americans'/de OR 'Hispanic'/exp OR 'Puerto Rican'/de OR 'Asian Americans'/de OR 'American Indian'/de OR 'Alaska Native'/de OR 'Indigenous People'/de OR 'First Nation'/de OR 'Migrant'/exp OR 'demographics'/exp OR 'Polynesian'/exp OR 'Pacific Islander'/exp OR 'minority group':ti,ab OR ethnic:ti,ab OR ethnicity:ti,ab OR 'minority groups':ti,ab OR 'minority population':ti,ab OR 'minority populations':ti,ab OR 'people of color':ti,ab OR 'person of color':ti,ab OR BIPOC:ti,ab OR 'minority health':ti,ab OR race:ti,ab OR races:ti,ab OR BIPOC:ti,ab OR 'minority health':ti,ab OR race:ti,ab OR 'Hispanic Americans':ti,ab OR Hispanics.ti,ab OR 'African Americans':ti,ab OR 'Hispanic Americans':ti,ab OR Hispanics.ti,ab OR 'Hispanic Americans':ti,ab OR Hispanic-Americans:ti,ab OR Hispanics.ti,ab OR 'Mexican Americans':ti,ab OR Mexican-Americans:ti,ab OR 'Cuban American':ti,ab OR 'Mexican Americans':ti,ab OR Cuban-Americans:ti,ab OR 'Cuban-American:ti,ab OR 'Mexican Americans':ti,ab OR Latino-Americans':ti,ab OR Cuban-American:ti,ab OR 'Latin American':ti,ab OR Latin-Americans':ti,ab OR 'Cuban Americans':ti,ab OR Spanish-speaking:ti,ab OR Spanish speakers':ti,ab OR Spanish speaking':ti,ab OR Spanish-speaking:ti,ab OR 'Spanish speakers':ti,ab OR Spanish-speakers:ti,ab OR 'Japanese American':ti,ab OR 'Japanese Americans':ti,ab OR 'Puerto Ricans':ti,ab OR 'Asian American':ti,ab OR 'Japanese Americans':ti,ab OR 'Vietnamese American':ti,ab OR 'Asian Indian Americans':ti,ab OR 'Soanish speakers':ti,ab OR 'Sorean American':ti,ab OR 'Sanan Americans':ti,ab OR 'Vietnamese American':ti,ab OR 'Asian Indian Americans':ti,ab OR 'Native People's':ti,ab OR 'Mative People':ti,ab OR 'Sorean American':ti,ab OR 'Korean American':ti,ab OR 'Indigenous People':ti,ab OR 'Indigenous Population':ti,ab OR 'Mative People':ti,ab OR 'First Nation':ti,ab OR 'Indigenous Population':ti,ab OR 'Mative People':ti,ab OR 'Fir	1,548,451
6	#1 AND #2 AND #3 AND #4 AND #5	8,230
7	#6 AND [humans]/lim	7,951

3rd Database: Web of Science (Clarivate)

Set #	Search Strategy	Results
1 Algorithms	TS=("Artificial Intelligence" OR "Machine Learning" OR "Deep Learning" OR Algorithm OR Algorithms OR Algorithmic OR "augmented intelligence" OR "deep metric learning" OR "Predictive model" OR "predictive models" OR "prediction model" OR "prediction models" OR AI OR "risk score" OR "risk scores" OR "risk model" OR "risk models")	2,913,410
2 Bias	TS=("Health Status Disparities" OR "Race Factors" OR Biases OR bias OR biased OR debias OR debiased OR "debias" OR "de-biased" OR racism OR racial OR racist OR prejudice OR prejudices OR prejudiced OR discriminate OR discriminating OR discriminates OR discriminatory OR discriminated OR discrimination OR stereotype OR stereotypes OR stereotyped OR stereotyping OR stereotypical OR profiling OR disparity OR disparities OR inequities OR inequity OR inequalities OR equities OR equity OR equality OR equalities OR ethical OR ethically OR unethical OR unethically OR accountable OR accountability)	3,804,114

Set #	Search Strategy	Results
3 Healthcare	TS=("Health Insurance" OR "Risk Assessment" OR "Risk Management" OR "Disease Management" OR "Medical Records Systems" OR "Delivery of Health Care" OR "Health Services" OR Health OR "health care" OR healthcare OR hospitals OR hospital OR "medical center" OR "medical centers" OR "Health systems" OR "Health system" OR health-care OR medical OR risk OR clinical OR "care management" OR "disease prevention" OR Medicare OR Medicaid OR uninsured OR insured OR "Electronic Health Records" OR ((electronic OR computerized OR automated OR administrative) AND (medical or health) AND (record OR records))))	10,034,108
4 Mitigation/ Assessment	TS=(mitigate OR mitigates OR mitigated OR mitigating OR mitigation OR reduce OR reduction OR reduced OR reduces OR reducing OR diminish OR diminished OR diminishing OR diminishes OR diminishment OR alleviate OR alleviates OR alleviated OR alleviating OR amend OR amends OR amended OR amending OR correct OR corrects OR corrected OR correcting OR correction OR rectify OR rectifies OR rectified OR rectifying OR rectification OR reform OR reforms OR reformed OR reforming OR reformation OR ameliorate OR strategy OR strategies OR prevent OR prevents OR preventing OR prevention OR ensures OR ensures OR ensuring OR ensured OR detect OR detects OR detected OR detecting OR detection OR limit OR limits OR limited OR limiting OR limitation OR limitations OR avoid OR avoids OR avoided OR avoiding OR remove OR removes OR removed OR removing OR removal OR decrease OR decreases OR decreased OR decreasing OR address OR addresses OR addressed OR addressing OR combat OR combats OR combated OR combatted OR combatting OR eliminates OR eliminates OR eliminated OR eliminating OR elimination OR minimize OR minimizes OR minimized OR minimizing OR minimise OR minimises OR minimizes OR minimized OR evaluated OR evaluating OR evaluation OR framework OR frameworks OR validate OR validates OR validated OR validating OR validation OR measures OR measured OR measuring OR measurement OR monitor OR monitors OR monitored OR monitoring OR report OR reports OR reported OR reporting OR compares OR screening OR report OR reports OR reported OR reporting OR compares OR compares OR compared OR comparing OR comparison OR diagnoses OR diagnosed OR diagnosing OR diagnostic OR diagnosis OR audition OR checklist OR validate OR validates OR validated OR validation OR checklist OR validate OR validates OR validated OR validating OR standard OR standards OR method OR methods OR methodology OR methodologies OR checkpoint OR checkpoints OR recommendation OR recommendations OR benchmarks OR regulation OR regulations OR regulatory OR generalizable OR generalizabil	43,307,162
5 Race	TS=("minority group" OR ethnic OR ethnicity OR "minority groups" OR "minority population" OR "minority populations" OR "people of color" OR "person of color" OR BIPOC OR "minority health" OR race OR races OR racial OR racially OR Blacks OR "African Americans" OR "African ancestry" OR Black OR "African American" OR "Mexican Americans" OR "Hispanic or Latino" OR "Hispanic American" OR Hispanic- American OR "Hispanic Americans" OR Hispanic Americans OR Hispanic- American OR "Mexican American" OR Mexican-Americans OR Hispanics OR Hispanic OR "Mexican Americans" OR Mexican-American OR "Mexican Americans" OR Mexican-Americans OR "Cuban American" OR Cuban-American OR "Cuban Americans" OR Cuban-Americans OR Latino OR Latina OR "Cuban Americans" OR Cuban-Americans OR Latinos OR Latino OR Latinas OR Latina OR Latinx OR latine OR latines OR "Spanish speaking" OR Spanish-speaking OR "Spanish speakers" OR Spanish-speakers OR Mexican OR Mexicans OR "Uerto Rican" OR "Puerto Ricans" OR "Japanese Americans" OR "Chinese Americans" OR "Chinese Americans" OR "Japanese Americans" OR "Chinese Americans" OR "Asian Indian Americans" OR "Asian Indian American" OR "Chinese Americans" OR "Korean Americans" OR "Asian Indian Americans" OR "Cambodian Americans" OR "Chinese Americans" OR "Asian Indian Americans" OR "Hibipino Americans" OR "Merican Indiagences Population" OR "Indigenous Peoples" OR "Indigenous People" OR "Indigenous Population" OR "Indigenous Peoples" OR Trabedan Americans" OR Caribbean American" OR "Indigenous Populations" OR Trabedan Americans" OR Caribbean American" OR Caribbean-American OR "Caribbean Americans" OR Caribbean American" OR Caribbean Americans OR "Indigenous People" OR "Indigenous Population" OR "Indigenous Populations" OR Trabedan Americans" OR Caribbean Americans OR migrant OR mative perso	1,968,002

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	demographics OR Polynesian OR Polynesians OR "Pacific Islander" OR "Pacific Islanders" OR Hawaiian OR Hawaiians)	
6	#1 AND #2 AND #3 AND #4 AND #5	5,173

4th Database: Proquest Computer Science Database

Set #	Search Strategy	Results
1 Algorithms	NOFT("Artificial Intelligence" OR "Machine Learning" OR "Deep Learning" OR Algorithm OR Algorithms OR Algorithmic OR "Artificial Intelligence" OR "augmented intelligence" OR "deep metric learning" OR "Predictive model" OR "predictive models" OR "prediction model" OR "prediction models" OR AI OR "risk score" OR "risk scores" OR "risk model" OR "risk models")	410,974
2 Bias	NOFT("Health Status Disparities" OR "Race Factors" OR Biases OR bias OR biased OR debias OR debiased OR "de-bias" OR "de-biased" OR racism OR racial OR racist OR prejudice OR prejudices OR prejudiced OR discriminate OR discriminating OR discriminates OR discriminatory OR discriminated OR discrimination OR stereotype OR stereotypes OR stereotyped OR stereotyping OR stereotypical OR profiling OR disparity OR disparities OR inequities OR inequality OR inequalities OR equities OR equity OR equality OR equalities OR ethics OR ethical OR ethically OR unethical OR unethically OR accountable OR accountability)	192,745
3 Healthcare	NOFT("Health Insurance" OR "Risk Assessment" OR "Risk Management" OR "Disease Management" OR "Medical Records Systems" OR "Delivery of Health Care" OR "Health Services" OR Health OR "health care" OR healthcare OR hospitals OR hospital OR "medical center" OR "medical centers" OR "Health systems" OR "Health system" OR health-care OR medical OR clinical OR risk OR "care management" OR "disease prevention" OR Medicare OR Medicaid OR uninsured OR insured OR "Electronic Health Records" OR ((electronic OR computerized OR automated OR administrative) AND (medical or health) AND (record OR records)))	774,748
4 Mitigation/ assessment	NOFT(mitigate OR mitigates OR mitigated OR mitigating OR mitigation OR reduce OR reduction OR reduced OR reduces OR reducing OR diminish OR diminished OR diminishing OR diminishes OR diminishment OR alleviate OR alleviated OR alleviating OR amende OR amended OR amendide OR antending OR correct OR corrects OR corrected OR correcting OR correction OR rectify OR rectifies OR rectified OR rectifying OR rectification OR reform OR reforms OR reformed OR reforming OR reformation OR ameliorate OR strategy OR strategies OR prevent OR prevents OR preventing OR prevention OR ensure OR ensures OR ensuring OR ensured OR detect OR detects OR detected OR detecting OR detection OR limit OR limits OR limited OR limiting OR limitation OR limitations OR avoid OR avoids OR avoided OR avoiding OR remove OR removes OR removed OR removing OR removal OR decrease OR decreases OR decreased OR decreasing OR address OR addresses OR addressed OR addressing OR combat OR combats OR combated OR combatted OR combatting OR eliminate OR eliminates OR eliminating OR elimination OR minimize OR minimizes OR minimized OR minimizing OR minimise OR minimised OR minimizes OR waluated OR evaluating OR evaluation OR framework OR evaluate OR evaluates OR evaluated OR evaluating OR validation OR measure OR measures OR measured OR measuring OR measurement OR monitor OR monitors OR monitored OR monitoring OR analyzes OR analyzed OR analyzing OR analysis OR analyse OR analyzes OR analyzed OR analyzing OR analysis OR analyse OR report OR reports OR reported OR reporting OR compare OR compares OR compared OR comparing OR comparison OR diagnose OR diagnoses OR diagnosed OR diagnosing OR diagnostic OR diagnosis OR audit OR anditis OR auditing OR analyse OR analyzes OR analyzed OR analyzing OR analysis OR analyse OR analyzes OR analyzed OR analyzing OR analysis OR analyse OR reported OR reporting OR compliace OR validate OR validates OR validated OR validation OR checklist OR "algorithmic hygiene" OR "algorithmic playbok" OR "algorithmic bias playbook" OR checklis	4,758,704

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6	1 AND 2 AND 3 AND 4 AND 5	161			

5th Database: Proquest Dissertation & Theses Global

Set #	Search Strategy	Results		
1 Algorithms	NOFT("Artificial Intelligence" OR "Machine Learning" OR "Deep Learning" OR Algorithm OR Algorithms OR Algorithmic OR "augmented intelligence" OR "deep metric learning" OR "Predictive model" OR "predictive models" OR "prediction model" OR "prediction models" OR AI OR "risk score" OR "risk scores" OR "risk model" OR "risk models")			
2 Bias	NOFT("Health Status Disparities" OR "Race Factors" OR Biases OR bias OR biased OR debias OR debiased OR "de-bias" OR "de-biased" OR racism OR racial OR racist OR prejudice OR prejudices OR prejudiced OR discriminate OR discriminating OR discriminates OR discriminatory OR discriminated OR discrimination OR stereotype OR stereotypes OR stereotyped OR stereotyping OR stereotypical OR profiling OR disparity OR disparities OR inequities OR inequality OR inequalities OR equities OR equity OR equality OR equalities OR ethics OR ethical OR ethically OR unethical OR unethically OR accountable OR accountability)			
3	NOFT("Health Insurance" OR "Risk Assessment" OR "Risk Management" OR "Disease Management" OR "Medical Records Systems" OR "Delivery of Health Care" OR "Health Services" OR Health OR "health care" OR healthcare OR hospitals OR hospital OR "medical center" OR "medical centers" OR "Health systems" OR "Health system" OR health-care OR medical OR risk OR clinical OR "care management" OR "disease prevention" OR Medicare OR Medicaid OR uninsured OR "Isectronic Health Records" OR ((electronic OR computerized OR automated OR administrative) AND (medical or health) AND (record OR records)))			
4 Mitigation/ assessment	NOFT(mitigate OR mitigates OR mitigated OR mitigating OR mitigation OR reduce OR reduction OR reduced OR reduces OR reducing OR diminish OR diminished OR diminishing OR diminishes OR diminishment OR alleviate OR alleviates OR alleviated OR alleviating OR amend OR amends OR amended OR amending OR correct OR corrects OR corrected OR correcting OR correction OR rectify OR rectifies OR rectified OR rectifying OR rectification OR reform OR reforms OR reformed OR reforming OR reformation OR ameliorate OR strategy OR strategies OR prevent OR prevents OR preventing OR prevention OR ensure OR ensures OR ensuring OR ensured OR detect OR detects OR detected OR detecting OR detection OR limit OR limited OR limiting OR limitation OR removed OR removing OR removal OR decrease OR	3,783,315		

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5	NOFT("minority group" OR ethnic OR ethnicity OR "minority groups" OR "minority population" OR "minority populations" OR "people of color" OR "person of color" OR BIPOC OR "minority health" OR race OR races OR racial OR racially OR Blacks OR "African Americans" OR "African ancestry" OR Black OR "African American" OR "Mexican Americans" OR "African ancestry" OR Black OR "African American" OR "Mexican Americans" OR "Hispanic or Latino" OR "Hispanic Americans OR Hispanic-Americans OR "Hispanic or Latino" OR "Hispanic Americans OR Hispanics OR Hispanic OR "Mexican American" OR Mexican-American OR "Mexican Americans" OR Mexican-Americans OR "Cuban American" OR Cuban-American OR "Cuban Americans" OR Latin-Americans OR "Latin American" OR Latina OR Latinx OR Latine OR latines OR "Spanish speaking" OR Spanish-speaking OR "Spanish speakers" OR Spanish-speakers OR Mexican OR Mexicans OR "Puerto Rican" OR "Puerto Ricans" OR "Asian American" OR "Chinese Americans" OR "Japanese Americans" OR "Japanese American" OR "Chinese Americans" OR "Chinese Americans" OR "Nietnamese American" OR "Cambodian Americans" OR "Chinese Americans" OR "Asian Indian American" OR "Cambodian Americans" OR "Cambodian Americans" OR "Asian Indian American" OR "Cambodian Americans" OR "Asian American" OR "Hmong Americans" OR "Indigenous Peoples" OR "Indigenous People" OR "Indigenous Population" OR "Indigenous Populations" OR "Ative People" OR "Indigenous Population" OR "Indigenous Populations" OR "Ative People" OR "Indigenous Population" OR "Indigenous Populations" OR Revision Americans" OR "Ative People" OR "Indigenous Populations" OR "Caribbean Americans" OR "Ative People" OR "Indigenous Populations" OR Polynesian OR emigrant OR emigrant OR migrant OR migrant OR more and Caribbean-Americans" OR	449,815
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# Notes

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## Exhibit 1:

Number of articles by article type (empirical health care application, framework, review or perspective, tool), from a review of studies on bias in clinical algorithms, 2011–22 **Source:** SOURCE Authors' analysis of studies that identify and mitigate bias in clinical algorithms.





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#### Exhibit 2:

Number of articles on bias mitigation strategies by category (technical, operational, and systemwide) by article type, from a review of studies on bias in clinical algorithms, 2011–22 **Source**: SOURCE Authors' analysis of studies that identify and mitigate bias in clinical algorithms.

#### exhibit 3:

Bias mitigation strategies reported in empirical health care applications by category, from a review of studies on bias in clinical algorithms, 2011–22

Category	Strategies Reported	Studies
Algorithm design	New outcome variable	Obermeyer 2019, Landy 2021, Pierson 2021
	Remove race and ethnicity and social determinants of health from the model	Samorani 2020, Gama 2021, Park 2021, Buckley 2022, Huang 2022
	Add race and ethnicity and social determinants of health to the model	Hammond 2020, Weissman 2021, Segar 2022
	Determining when to add or remove sensitive variables	Yan 2022
	Use different algorithm	Pierson 2021, Segar 2022
	Stratify models by race	Shores 2013, Akbilgic 2018, Do 2020, Borgese 2021, Thompson 2021, Afrose 2022, Puyol-Anton 2022, Segar 2022, Foryciarz 2022
	Weighting methods	Coston 2019, Radovanovic 2019, Allen 2020, Park 2021, Mosteiro 2022
	Sampling methods	Afrose 2022, Puyol-Anton 2022, Park 2022, Reeves 2022
	Data augmentation	Burlina 2021
Pre-processing	Disparate impact remover to debias variables	Park 2022
	Adjust the algorithm's objective function <sup>a</sup>	Samorani 2020, Adeli 2021, Park 2021, Pfohl 2021, Foryciarz 2022, Mosteiro 2022, Puyol-Anton 2022, Perez 2022
	Bias correction	Afrose 2022
Processing	Adversarial and transfer learning	Radovanovi 2019, Gao 2020, Toseef 2022
	Varying cutoff points/thresholds	Radovanovi 2019, Gianattasio 2020, Thompson 2021, Rodolfa 2021
Postprocessing	Recalibration	Barda 2021

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