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## Effects of DRP1 on tumor metastasis: a systematic review

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**Rationale:** Given the important role of DRP1 in the metastatic cascade, a molecular understanding of how DRP1 controlled in tumor cells migrating is of critical importance. In this context, it would be interesting to investigate the correlation between DRP1 and tumor metastasis.

## METHODS

**Search strategy:** terms: "Dynamamin-related protein 1", "DRP1", "DNM1L", "Metastasis" and "Metastases" databases: pubmed, web of science, ovid, embase, chinese biomedical database and cochrane library.

**Participant or population:** Patients, animals or cell lines.

**Intervention:** The key to regulate the dynamic changes of mitochondrial morphology are so-called "mitochondria-shaping" proteins. The dynamamin-related protein 1 (DRP1) is one of the most related proteins that initiate mitochondrial fission by forming loops and loops. DRP1 is a cytosolic protein, then phosphorylation at Ser616 or dephosphorylation at Ser637 promote DRP1 translocate to mitochondria and induce mitochondrial division. The high expression of DRP1 is found in cancers such as rectal cancer, oncocyctic thyroid tumors and melanoma. DRP1 up-regulation might be an early event in some types of cancers, and also support a crosstalk between mitochondrial fragmentation and tumor growth and metastasis.

**Comparator:** Normal tissue, adjacent normal tissue or normal cells.

**Study designs to be included:** No study designs limited.

**Eligibility criteria:** Studies that quantitatively or semi-quantitatively evaluated the expression of DRP1 and explored the relevant pathogenesis between DRP1 and tumor metastasis were considered. In vivo and in vitro studies were included, as were animal models and human trials.

**Information sources:** Databases (PubMed, Web of science, Embase, OVID, Chinese Biomedical Database and Cochrane library); contact with authors; trial registers; references.

**Main outcome(s):** The primary outcome was that DRP1 regulated the migration and invasion of cancer cells.

**Additional outcome(s):** The second outcome was that the mechanism of DRP1 regulated the motility of cancer cells.

**Data management:** Firstly, deletion duplicate records; secondly, removing publications with inclusion criteria-ineligible after reading titles and abstracts; finally, clear included papers after reading full texts.

**Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:** Not applicable.

**Strategy of data synthesis:** We will provide a narrative synthesis of the findings from the included studies.

**Subgroup analysis:** This is a qualitative synthesis; subgroup analysis is not planned.

**Sensibility analysis:** Not applicable.

**Language:** English.

**Country(ies) involved:** China.

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**Author 4 - Shuangwu Feng - screened literatures.**

**Author 5 - Yichao Geng - screened literatures.**

**Author 6 - Lina Wang - search publications.**

**Author 7 - Xueshan Zhao - search publications.**

**Author 8 - Kehu Yang - guide the writing practice.**

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