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METHODS

Search strategy: Three databases (PubMed, the Cochrane Library, and Embase) were systematically searched for randomized clinical trials (RCTs).

Participant or population: Patients under the age of 18 or with hematological malignancies (leukemia, lymphoma, multiple myeloma) and none-melanoma skin cancers were excluded.

Intervention: Immune-checkpoint inhibitors.

Comparator: Standard of care chemotherapy or placebo or targeted therapy.

Study designs to be included: Phase II/III RCT trails.

Eligibility criteria: First author, year of publication, study design, phase, type of therapy, line of therapy, underlying malignant neoplasm, analysis type, duration of therapy, dose of drug, age, sex, smoking, stage, BMI.ECOG-PS, region, numbers of patients who have dermatologic adverse events (rash, pruritus, alopecia) will be extracted.

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Main outcome(s): The incidence of dermatologic adverse events from immune-checkpoint inhibitors combination with chemotherapy or targeted therapy.

Additional outcome(s): The incidence of dermatologic adverse events from PD-1/PD-L1 combination therapy.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:

Risk of bias assessment will be carried out using the Cochrane Risk of Bias tool and completed by the two authors independently.

Strategy of data synthesis: The proportion of patients who developed treatment related cardiotoxicity from ICI or chemotherapy will be operationalized as an unadjusted odds ratio(OR) and 95% confidence interval(CI).

Subgroup analysis: The incidence of dermatologic adverse events from PD-1/PD-L1 combination therapy.

Sensibility analysis: Immune checkpoint inhibitors; dermatological toxicities; adverse events; network meta-analysis.

Country(ies) involved: China.

Keywords: Immune immune-checkpoint inhibitors; dermatological toxicities; adverse events; meta-analysis.

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