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Prevalence and Risk Factors for ICU Acquired Weakness: A Protocol for a Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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METHODS

Participant or population: The ICU-AW patients.

Intervention: The diagnosis of ICU-AW is reliable and have high accuracy.

Comparator: The studies reported the prevalence and risk factors of the ICU-AW.

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Information sources: We will search the PubMed, Embase, Web of Science and the cochrane library from the inception to the August 2020.

Main outcome(s): The studies reported the prevalence and risk factors of the ICU-AW.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:

Two reviewers will independently assess the quality of included studies by using the Newcastle-Ottawa Scale (NOS) for nonrandomized studies.

Strategy of data synthesis: We will use the STATA 15.0 (Stata Corp LP, College Station, TX) to analysis. Odds ratios (ORs) will be used for quantitative analyses. We will make a forest plot to visually evaluate the ORs and corresponding 95% confidence intervals (CIs) of each risk factor, and use the chi-square test for hypothesis testing (P <0.05, considered statistically significant). Sensitivity analysis will be also conducted to assess the impact of a single

study on a comprehensive estimate of each risk factor. The degree of heterogeneity will be assessed using the I2 statistic. I2 values of 25%, 50%, and 75% indicate low, moderate, and high heterogeneity, respectively.

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Country(ies) involved: China.

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