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Information sources: Pubmed, Wanfang, the China National Knowledge Infrastructure (CNKI) Spring, and so on.

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INTRODUCTION

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METHODS

Search strategy: We will search the following databases for relevant English

language literature: PubMed (MEDLINE), CNKI, the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (CENTRAL) and Web of Science. The search string will be built as follows: Xuanfei Baidu Formula and COVID-19, The electronic database search will be supplemented by a manual search of the reference lists of included articles.

Participant or population: COVID-19(as diagnosed by a clinician, or using any recognized diagnostic criteria), with a comparison between a combination of Xuanfei Baidu Formula combined with conventional drug and conventional drug therapy only.

Intervention: Xuanfei Baidu Formula combined with conventional drug.

Comparator: The control group was only treated with conventional drug.

Study designs to be included: Randomized controlled trials (RCTs) will be included.

Eligibility criteria: (1) Patients in RCTs were diagnosed with 2019-nCoV the criteria of **Diagnostic Criteria of New Coronavirus Pneumonia Diagnosis and Treatment** Program. (2) All trails mentioned were described as RCTs. (3) Patients in experimental group receivedXuanfei Baidu Formula combined with conventional drug, whereas patients in control group received conventional drug therapy only. (4) Outcome measurements of each study must have included a minimum of two of the following indices: Total effective rate, disappearance rate of main clinical features (e.g., fever, cough, myalgia or fatigue), disappearance rate of minor symptoms (e.g., headache, dizziness, diarrhea, nausea and so on.), leukocyte (WBC), lymphocytope(LYM), C-reactive protein(CRP), lung CT, adverse events(AE).

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Main outcome(s): Total Efficacy Rate, Disappearance rate of main clinical, Disappearance rate of minor symptoms a n d were regarded as dichotomous variables and presented as the odds ratio with 95% confidence intervals (95% CI), and the risk ratio with 95% confidence intervals (95% CI), Contents of inflammatory cytokinesn (WBC,LYM,CRP) were continuous variables that presented as the mean difference with 95% CI.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: Random sequence generation (selection bias); Allocation concealment (selection bias); Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias); Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias); Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias); Selective reporting (reporting bias).

Strategy of data synthesis: "Low risk" of bias means the description of methods or procedures was adequate, "High risk" indicates the description of methods or procedures was not adequate or incorrect while "Unclear risk" of bias means there was no description of methods and/or procedures.

Subgroup analysis: Disappearance rate of main clinical features (Fever, Cough and Weakness) Disappearance rate of minor symptoms (Muscle pain, Expectoration, Shortness of breath, Chest tightness and so on).

Sensibility analysis: Not given.

Language: English.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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