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Single-radius versus multi-radius femoral components in primary total knee arthroplasty: protocol for a systematic review and meta-analysis

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INTRODUCTION

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METHODS

Search strategy: The search criteria were as follows: (single radius OR constant radius OR Triathlon OR Scorpio OR NRG) AND (TKA, TKR, total knee arthroplasty,

total knee replacement) were used in key words for search.

Participant or population: TKA.

Intervention: Single-radius femoral components.

Comparator: Multi-radius femoral components.

Study designs to be included: RCTs.

Eligibility criteria: 1. Patients: Diagnosis of knee OA was defined using the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) criteria of classification of OA of the knee; 2. Intervention: single-radius femoral components; 3. Control: multi-radius femoral components; 4. Outcomes: Knee Society Score for the knee (KSS-knee), KSS-function, knee flexion, range of motion, complications, isometric peak torque of knee, and survival rate; 5. Study design: randomized controlled trials.

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Main outcome(s): Knee Society Score for the knee (KSS-knee), KSS-function, knee flexion, range of motion, complications, isometric peak torque of knee, and survival rate.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: Two researchers (Yuan Zhang and Lu Chen) independently assessed the quality of the included trials based on Cochrane risk of bias assessment tool. This tool mainly including 7 items: random sequence generation, allocation concealment, blinding of participants and personnel, blinding of outcome assessment, incomplete outcome data, selective reporting and other bias.

Strategy of data synthesis: The statistical analysis was performed using Review Manager 5.1 for Windows System (Cochrane Collaboration, Nordic Cochrane

Centre, Copenhagen, Denmark). Categorical dichotomous variables were analyzed with relative risks (RRs), continuous variables were assessed with the weighted mean difference, and $P < 0.05$ was considered statically significant; the 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were reported. Heterogeneity was considered significant if the P value was less than 0.1. The value of I^2 statistics was used to assess the degree of heterogeneity ($I^2 < 25\%$, no heterogeneity; $I^2 = 25\text{--}50\%$, moderate heterogeneity; $I^2 > 50\%$, large or extreme heterogeneity); if $I^2 > 50\%$, a fixed-effects model was used. The presence of publication bias was assessed by a visual inspection of a funnel plot and the Begg and Egger tests (with $P < 0.05$ considered statistically significant).

Subgroup analysis: None.

Sensitivity analysis: None.

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