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submission:** Preliminary  
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None declared.

## **INTRODUCTION**

**Review question / Objective:** To compare  
the efficacy and safety of percutaneous  
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## **Percutaneous local tumor ablation versus Stereotactic body radiotherapy for early-stage non- small cell lung cancer: a systematic review and meta-analysis**

Chen, D<sup>1</sup>; Zhao, M<sup>2</sup>; Xiang, X<sup>3</sup>.

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safety of percutaneous local tumor ablation with stereotactic  
body radiotherapy (SBRT) for early-stage non-small cell lung  
cancer (NSCLC).

**Condition being studied:** Early-stage non-small cell lung  
cancer.

**Eligibility criteria:** (1) studies including patients with early-  
stage primary NSCLC conformed by pathology, (2) studies  
including LTA and SBRT groups. (3) hazard ratio (HR) and  
corresponding 95% confidence interval (CI) can be obtained  
directly or indirectly by calculation.

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## METHODS

**Participant or population:** patients with early-stage primary NSCLC will be included.

**Intervention:** Patients were treated with SBRT or LTA.

**Comparator:** Stereotactic body radiotherapy.

**Study designs to be included:** Prospective or retrospective controlled studies were included.

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**Information sources:** Pubmed, Embase, Cochrane library, Ovid, Google scholar.

**Main outcome(s):** overall survival (OS, from the beginning of treatment to death or the last follow up), progress free survival(PFS), and adverse effects.

**Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:** Newcastle-Ottawa Scale will be used to assess the quality of included studies. Funnel plots will be used to assess publication bias.

**Strategy of data synthesis:** The meta-analysis was performed using RevMan Version 5.3.  $\tau^2$  test and  $I^2$  statistics was used to assess heterogeneity, which  $p > 0.10$  and  $I^2 < 25\%$  indicated no heterogeneity. The random-effects model was utilized to assess the effect size if the hypothesis of homogeneity was rejected. Correspondingly, the fixed-effects model was used assessing studies without significant heterogeneity.

**Subgroup analysis:** Subgroup analysis of overall survival/PFS for different tumor size

Subgroup analysis of overall survival/PFS for different pathology.

**Sensitivity analysis:** Sensitivity analysis will be conducted to analyze if subgroup analysis could not tell about the homogeneity.

**Language:** English.

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

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