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Yunnan Baiyao Adjuvant Treatment for Patients with Hemoptysis: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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METHODS

Participant or population: Patients diagnosed with hemoptysis; patients in both test and control groups were given cough relief, expectorant, bed rest, anti-infection, phentolamine or pituitrin, and other conventional treatments.

Intervention: The YNBY group was treated with YNBY + CPT.

Comparator: The control group was treated with only the CPT.

Study designs to be included: Randomized controlled trials.

Eligibility criteria: Only RCTs (except Quasi-RCTs and cluster RCTs) will be included. Animal mechanism studies and non-randomised clinical trials will be excluded. Article that substantially overlaps with another published article in print or electronic media will be excluded. Duplicate publications produced by a single experiment and published as separate papers with different criteria for measuring results, priority will be given to original publications and other publications will be excluded. The language and time of publication will not be restricted.

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Main outcome(s): Effective rate for the treatment on hemoptysis.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: The two independent reviewers evaluated random sequence generation, allocation concealment, blinding of participants and personnel, blinding of outcome

assessments, incomplete outcome data, selective reporting, and other biases in each RCT. Each item was classified as low risk, high risk, or unclear risk. Any disagreements were resolved by a discussion among all reviewers.

Strategy of data synthesis: Statistical analyses were performed using RevMan 5.3 and Stata 14.0. Risk ratios (RR) and 95% confidence intervals were used for dichotomous data. Mean difference (MD) and 95% CIs were used for continuous data. The heterogeneity among the studies was assessed using the χ^2 test and I^2 statistics. If $P > .10$ and $I^2 < 50\%$, the study would be considered to have no statistical heterogeneity and a fixed-effect model would be used in the analysis. If $P < .10$ and $I^2 > 50\%$, a study would be considered to be statistically heterogeneous and a random-effects model would be used in the analysis. The results of the meta-analysis were presented as forest maps. If there were 10 or more studies in any group or subgroup, the Egger's test was performed and funnel plots were generated to assess publication bias.

Subgroup analysis: Subgroup analysis was used to determine any source of heterogeneity. Due to different efficacy evaluation criteria in the RCTs, we will conduct subgroup analyses based on predefined variables.

Sensitivity analysis: Sensitivity analysis (SA) will be conducted by excluding RCTs one by one and comparing analysis results with those before the RCTs' exclusions.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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