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METHODS

Search strategy: #1 ("Myocardial infarction associated transcript") OR ("MIAT") | #2 ("Neoplasms"[Mesh]) OR ("cancer") OR ("tumor") OR ("neoplasia") OR ("malignancy") OR ("carcinoma") | #3 ("prognosis" [Mesh]) OR (prognos*) | #4 ("survival" [Mesh]) OR ("Mortality" [Mesh]) OR ("outcome") OR ("recurrence"[Mesh]) OR ("relapse") | #5 ("pathology" [Mesh]) OR (pathology*) | #6 #3 OR #4 OR #5 | #7 #1 AND #2 AND #6.

Participant or population: Human with diagnosed cancer.

Intervention: High expression of MIAT.

Comparator: Low or no expression of MIAT.

Study designs to be included: A case-control or cohort study.

Eligibility criteria: Inclusion criteria:(1) Study the roles of MIAT in human cancer, (2) Detected the expression levels of MIAT in cancer tissues, (3) Divided patients into two dichotomous groups according to the specific criteria of MIAT expression level, (4) Reported data were related to prognostic information or one of the following pathological characteristics: clinical stage, tumor size, histological grade, lymph node metastasis, and distant metastasis, (5)it should be a case-control or cohort study.(1) Study the roles of MIAT in human cancer, (2) Detected the expression levels of MIAT in cancer tissues, (3) Divided patients into two dichotomous groups according to the specific criteria of MIAT expression level, (4) Reported data were related to prognostic information or one of the following pathological characteristics: clinical stage, tumor size, histological grade, lymph node metastasis, and distant metastasis.

Information sources: We will search from 1948 to August 2021, the following databases for relevant English language literature: PubMed (MEDLINE), Web of Science, EMBASE, and The Cochrane Library. The searched keywords were as follows: "MIAT", "cancer", "prognosis", "pathology". Synonyms of these words will also be searched, and searched in different combinations. The reference lists of included studies were also checked to identify potentially relevant papers.

Main outcome(s): Relationship between clinicopathological characteristics and MIAT expression.

Additional outcome(s): Overall survival.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: The quality of included studies was evaluated by using the Newcastle-Ottawa Scale standard, which included selection (4 points), comparability (2 points), and outcome (3 points) with a score range of 0–

9. Studies with higher or equal to 6 points could be considered as high quality.

Strategy of data synthesis: The effect of MIAT expression on clinicopathological characteristics was described as a combined odds ratio (OR) and a matched 95% CI. A pooled HR with a corresponding 95% CI was used to estimate the relationship between MIAT expression and patient prognosis. Cochran's Q and I² tests are used to check the heterogeneity of results. A P value 50% indicates significant heterogeneity. When there are homogeneous data, the fixed-effects framework is adopted, otherwise, the random-effects model is adopted. In addition, possible publication biases were quantified by performing Begg's test and Egger's test, respectively. A sensitivity analysis was also performed to study the stability of the cumulative results. All analyses were performed using Revman 5 software. P value<0.05 is considered statistically significant.

Subgroup analysis: We will consider subgroups such as cancer type, tumor size.

Sensitivity analysis: After excluding a low-quality study, re-analyze the combined effect size and compare the new combined result with the combined result before the exclusion. If there is no major change between the two, it means that the sensitivity is low. The result of the meta-analysis is robust and credible; on the contrary, if the merged result after the exclusion is quite different from the original merged result or even the opposite conclusion is obtained, it indicates that the sensitivity is high, and the robustness of the results of this meta-analysis is low. At this time, we should be very cautious, and we need to further clarify the source of bias factors.

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