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METHODS

Participant or population: Neurodermatitis.

Intervention: Acupuncture.

Comparator: Other treatments.

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

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Information sources: A total of 8 databases were searched including PubMed, Cochrane Library, EMBASE, Web of Science, China Knowledge Infrastructure (CNKI), China Biomedicine (CBM), Wanfang Database, and China Science and Chinese Science Journal Database (VIP).

Main outcome(s): Evaluation of the safety and effectiveness of acupuncture and moxibustion in the treatment of neurodermatitis.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: Two authors independently included and excluded the literature. Use Review Manager 5.4 software to screen the literature, extract data and evaluate the quality of the literature.

Strategy of data synthesis: Use RevMan 5.4 software downloaded from the Cochrane

website to analyze the data included in the literature.

Subgroup analysis: Medicine and acupuncture Subgroup analysis was performed where necessary.

Sensitivity analysis: Sensitivity analysis was performed where necessary.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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