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Efficacy and Safety of Thrombopoietin Receptor Agonists in Adults with Immune Thrombocytopenia: A Systematic Review and Network Meta-analysis

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Information sources: Medline, PubMed, Embase, web of science, CHKD-CNKI, CINAHL, WANFANG, and the Cochrane Library.

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INTRODUCTION

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METHODS

Participant or population: Male or female patients (≥ 18 years old) with Immune thrombocytopenia (ITP)

Intervention: Avatrombopag, lusutrombopag, eltrombopag, romiplostim, hetrombopag, recombinant human thrombopoietin Avatrombopag, lusutrombopag, eltrombopag, romiplostim, recombinant human thrombopoietin.

Comparator: Placebo; indirect comparison.

Study designs to be included: published randomized controlled trial.

Eligibility criteria: The inclusion criteria include:(1) Patients were adults (≥ 18 years old) with Immune thrombocytopenia (ITP); (2) Studies were published randomized controlled clinical trials, comprising any of the following interventions: avatrombopag, lusutrombopag, eltrombopag, romiplostim, hetrombopag, recombinant human thrombopoietin, or in combination with other drugs.(3) Studies revealed at least one of the following three outcomes: the number of patients who achieved platelet response (platelet counts ≥ 30 or $50 \times 10^9 / L$) as originally defined by each study, therapy-related serious adverse events, and incidence of bleeding episodes.The exclusion criteria include:(1) Studies were reviews, meeting summaries, letters, etc.) (2) There was missing or incomplete information on the trial;(3) Patients with diseases related to the blood systemThe inclusion criteria include:(1) Patients were adults (≥ 18 years old) with Immune thrombocytopenia (ITP); (2) Studies were published randomized controlled clinical trials, comprising any of the following interventions: avatrombopag, lusutrombopag, eltrombopag, romiplostim, recombinant human thrombopoietin, or in combination with other drugs.(3) Studies revealed at least one of the following three

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Main outcome(s): Platelet response (platelet counts ≥ 30 or $50 \times 10^9 / L$) during therapeutic or observational period.

Additional outcome(s): Incidence of any or severe bleeding events; Incidence of Adverse Events

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: GRADE system is used to assess quality, including: selection bias: random sequence generation; allocation concealment; performance bias: blinding of participants and personnel; detection bias: blinding of outcome assesment; attrition bias: incomplete outcome data; reporting bias: selective reporting.

Strategy of data synthesis: A network meta-analysis on random effects was performed virtually using the STATA software. Evidence from both direct (head-to-head trials) and indirect (using common comparators without actual head-to-head trials) comparisons was combined. Moreover, all treatment effects were measured as dichotomous data and presented as the summary of risk ratios with 95% confidence intervals. We also calculated the surface under the cumulative ranking curve(SUCRA) to determine the hierarchy of the efficacy and risk of severe AEs, where SUCRA values of 100% indicated the most effective treatment or the treatment with the highest risk of AEs, and values of 0% indicated the least effective or least risky treatment.

Publication bias was assessed using a funnel plot, Egger's test, and Begg's test.

Subgroup analysis: None.

Sensitivity analysis: Analysis with/without low-quality studies.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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