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# Laparoscopic Versus Conventional Open Treatment of Liver Hydatid: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis of Cohort Studies

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### INTRODUCTION

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advantages and disadvantages of laparoscopy and traditional laparotomy with a Meta-analysis. To compare the efficacy and safety of laparoscopic with that of traditional laparotomy.

Rationale: Statistical analyses of the data were conducted using the Manager5.3 software. Two classification variables were

expressed by odds ratio (OR) and 95% confidence interval (CI). Continuous variables were expressed by standardized mean difference (SMD) and 95% CI. According to I- square value, the heterogeneity between different studies is low when tested with the fixed-effect model, I2 < 50%;  $I2 \ge 50\%$  suggests that the heterogeneity between studies is high. The causes of heterogeneity were analyzed, and the pooled estimates were calculated using random-effects models to take into account potential inter-study heterogeneity and to adopt a more conservative approach.

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#### **METHODS**

Participant or population: Patients with hepatic echinococcosis who must undergo laparoscopic surgery or open surgery.

Intervention: No.

Comparator: Manager5.3.

Study designs to be included: Studies type is the case-control studies, prospective or retrospective cohort study comparing laparoscopic surgery and open surgery.

Eligibility criteria: (i) participants: patients with hepatic echinococcosis who must undergo laparoscopic surgery or open surgery; (ii) studies type is the case-control studies ,prospective or retrospective cohort study comparing laparoscopic surgery and open surgery; (iii) outcomes: studies reporting the operation time, time of the analgesic drugs in postoperative, the incidence of postoperative complications (such as bile leakage and residual cavity infection), recurrence rate, postoperative time of abdominal drainage tube removal, etc.

Information sources: CNKI, Wanfang Database, CBM, PubMed, Embase,

Medline, The Cochrane Library, Web of Science.

Main outcome(s): Time to surgery, time to analgesic medication, the recovery time to gastrointestinal function, complications (bile leak, biliary fistula, incisional wound infection, residual cavity infection), length of stay, hospitalization fee, time to abdominal drainage tube removal, and the number of recurrent cases.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: The Newcastle-Ottawa Scale (NOS) was used to assess the quality of included studies.

Strategy of data synthesis: We extracted the data and analyzed it with Manager5.3 software

Subgroup analysis: If the heterogeneity of articles is large, subgroup analysis is used when necessary

Sensitivity analysis: Changing inclusion criteria (especially controversial studies), excluding low-quality studies, using different statistical methods/models to analyze the same data, etc.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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