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## Effects of mental fatigue on technical performance in soccer players: a systematic review with a meta-analysis

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### METHODS

**Participant or population:** Soccer players.

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**Intervention:** Cognitive tasks used to induce mental fatigue.

**Comparator:** Mental fatigue vs. low/non mental fatigue.

**Study designs to be included:** RCT.

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**Main outcome(s):** Effects of mental fatigue on technical performance in soccer players.

**Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:** Rob 2.

**Strategy of data synthesis:** bring all data about soccer technical performance together.

**Subgroup analysis:** The type of technical performance; soccer players' competitive level.

**Sensitivity analysis:** Apply in CMA.

**Country(ies) involved:** China.

**Keywords:** mental fatigue; soccer; technical performance.

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