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INTRODUCTION

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Condition being studied: The supporting institution of this study has the right to use CNKI, Cochrane and other databases to search relevant literatures. Most of the participants were front-line clinicians or data statisticians, with professional knowledge of IBD and data analysis ability.

METHODS

Participant or population: Patients with quiescent inflammatory bowel disease.

Intervention: The Low-FODMAP diet.

Comparator: Normal diet.

Study designs to be included: Randomized controlled trial.

Eligibility criteria: Inflammatory bowel disease diagnosed according to the standards of the American Gastrointestinal Association or the European Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy.

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Main outcome(s): The primary outcome measures will include the gut symptoms, patient quality of life, disease activity.

Additional outcome(s): The secondary outcome measures will include inflammatory markers fecal calprotectin.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: Two investigators will separately assess the risk of bias of the selected RCTs by the Cochrane risk of bias assessment tool. It consists 7 items: random sequence generation, allocation concealment, blinding of participants and personnel, blinding of outcome assessment, incomplete outcome data, selective reporting, and other bias. We will use Begg and Egger tests and set $P < .1$ as statistically significant, and we will use a funnel chart to assess publication bias.

Strategy of data synthesis: STATA software was used for registry analysis, and $I^2 > 50\%$ and $P < 0.1$ were considered as heterogeneity, heterogeneity selection random effect combined effect size, and heterogeneity selection fixed effect combined effect size.

Subgroup analysis: A subgroup analysis will be performed for ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease.

Sensitivity analysis: STATA software was used for sensitivity analysis, and the sensitivity of the literature was corrected by the change of effect size after deleting one of the literature.

Language: No language limits in the study.

Country(ies) involved: China.

Keywords: Inflammatory bowel disease; Ulcerative colitis; crohn disease; Low-FODMAP diet.

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