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### Efficacy and safety of Wenxin keli combined with metoprolol tartrate in the treatment of premature ventricular contractions: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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### **METHODS**

Participant or population: Patients with premature ventricular contractions.

**Intervention:** Wenxin keli Combined with Metoprolol TartrateTreatment.

Comparator: Metoprolol Tartrate Treatment.

Study designs to be included: RCT.

Eligibility criteria: Patients with premature ventricular contractions need to be diagnosed by electrocardiogram or dynamic electrocardiogram, in line with the "Expert Consensus on Ventricular Arrhythmia" jointly issued by the European Heart Rhythm Association (EHRA), the American Heart Rhythm Society (HRS) and

the Asia Pacific Heart Rhythm Society (APHRS).

Information sources: The following data bases were searched:Pvbmed(from database establishment to April 2022), EMBASE (from database establishment to April 2022), The Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (from database establishment to April 2022), Web of Science(from database establishment to April 2022), CNKI(from database establishment to April 2022), Wan Fang(from database establishment to April 2022), and VIP(from database establishment to April 2022).

Main outcome(s): With reference to the "Guidelines for Clinical Research of Cardiovascular Drugs" formulated by the Ministry of Health's cardiovascular system drugs and clinical pharmacology base, and the efficacy standards formulated by the Conference of Integrated Traditional Chinese and Western Medicine. Significant effect: 24-hour dynamic electrocardiogram showed no premature beats or the number of premature beats decreased by more than 90% compared with before treatment, conscious clinical symptoms were completely relieved, palpitations disappeared, chest tightness, chest pain and other clinical symptoms disappeared or improved significantly. Effective: 24-hour dynamic electrocardiogram showed that the number of premature beats was reduced by 50% to 90% compared with that before treatment, and conscious clinical symptoms were basically relieved, palpitations were significantly relieved, or other symptoms such as chest tightness and chest pain were partially relieved; Invalid: The 24-hour dynamic electrocardiogram showed that the number of premature beats decreased by less than 50% compared with that before treatment, the subjective clinical symptoms were not relieved, and the symptoms such as chest tightness and chest pain were not significantly improved or even aggravated. Summary Bureau indicators: total effective rate = (the number of markedly effective cases + the number of effective cases) the total number of cases × 100%. Adverse

reactions: Subjective discomfort caused by taking the drug, including bradycardia, atrioventricular block, hypotension, malignant vomiting, dizziness and fatigue.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: Cochrane Collaboration's tool.

Strategy of data synthesis: Revman was selected for data analysis, I<sup>2</sup>>50% and P<0.1 were considered to have heterogeneity, and there was heterogeneity to select random effect combined effect size, and no heterogeneity to select fixed effect model combined effect size.

Subgroup analysis: Subgroup analysis according to age ≥75 years old and <75 years old.

Sensitivity analysis: Revman software was selected for sensitivity analysis, and the sensitivity of the article was reflected by the change in effect size after deleting one of the articles.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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