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METHODS

Search strategy: PubMed、Embase、Web of Science、Cochrane Library.

Participant or population: Obese people (body mass index \ge 30). The study subjects were obese people, the control measure was normal-weight people, and the outcome measure was the presence or absence of premature retirement behavior. The type of research used in this study is an observational study.

Intervention: None.

Comparator: People with normal body mass index.

Study designs to be included: Observational study (cohort studies, case-control studies, cross-sectional studies).

Eligibility criteria: Inclusion criteria: According to the standard definition of the World Health Organization (WTO), obesity was defined using the Body Mass Index (BMI) as a universal index. The guidelines recommend that all obese patients should calculate BMI and measure waist circumference when necessary. WHO defines BMI \geq 25 as overweight, including pre-obesity ($25 \le BMI < 30$) and obesity (BMI \geq 30). The premature retirement population in this study refers to the behavior of employees who retire before reaching the age or service period stipulated by the state or the company. The exposure group in this study was an obese population (BMI≥30), and the control group was a non-obese population.Exclusion criteria: This observational study only focuses on the samples of early retirement related to the exposure measure "obesity", others will be included in the exclusion scope. In the literature search, conference abstracts, newspapers or letters to the editor in the research literature will also be excluded.

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Main outcome(s): Risk of all-cause premature retirement in obese patient.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: The Newcastle Ottawa Scale (NOS), designed for nonrandomized studies, will be used to assess the quality of the included studies. The NOS considers a maximum of 9 points to each cohort study.

Strategy of data synthesis: Stata.

Subgroup analysis: We will undertake statistical analysis by using Stata 16 software. We will extract the odds ratio (OR) or risk ratio (HR) and 95% confidence intervals (CI) from each study to assess the association between obesity and risk of fractures. The magnitude of statistical heterogeneity among the included articles will be checked="checked" value="1" by ?2 test and l² statistics and values of 75, 50, and 25% were considered as high, medium, and low quality respectively. Subgroup and sensitivity analyses will be conducted to assess the possible sources of the heterogeneity. The symmetry of the Funnel plot, Egger's tests will be performed to evaluate publication bias. Differences with a P 0.05 indicate statistically significance.

Sensitivity analysis: The Newcastle Ottawa Scale (NOS), designed for nonrandomized studies, will be used to assess the quality of the included studies. The NOS considers a maximum of 9 points to each cohort study.

Language: None restriction.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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