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## INTRODUCTION

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### **METHODS**

Search strategy: PubMed, Cochrane, SCOPUS, Web of sciences.

Participant or population: Patients with obstructive sleep apnea.

Intervention: Mandibular advance device.

**Comparator: CPAP.** 

Study designs to be included: Randomized clinical trials.

Eligibility criteria: Results showed as media and standard deviation numbers.

**Information sources: Electronic Databases** and grey literature.

Main outcome(s): All the data of the selected studies are included in an excel table to be analyzed by a statistician. At the same time, an analysis of the quality of the articles and the risk of bias should be carried out. Once the entire process has been completed, it will be possible to conclude whether or not the MADs produce a drop in blood pressure with the current data.

Additional outcome(s): As additional outcomes, to evaluate if the decrease in blood pressure is only at night time or is mantained during day time.

**Data management:** The data has been classified in an excel table and will be entered into a statistical software.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: It has not be done yet the quality assessment of the studies included but all are randomized and blinded.

**Strategy of data synthesis: Comparative and descriptive statistical analysis.** 

Subgroup analysis: Not done yet.

Sensitivity analysis: Not done yet.

Country(ies) involved: Spain.

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