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## Revealing the prognostic and clinicopathological significance of systemic immune-inflammation index in prostate cancer patients: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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### INTRODUCTION

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## METHODS

**Participant or population:** Prostate cancer patients.

**Intervention:** Patients with higher SII.

**Comparator:** Patients with lower SII.

**Study designs to be included:** Randomized controlled studies, cohort studies, or observational studies

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**Information sources:** PubMed, EMBASE, and the Cochrane Library.

**Main outcome(s):** Overall survival (OS), progression-free survival (PFS), or biochemical recurrence-free survival (BFS).

**Additional outcome(s):** Adverse clinicopathology.

**Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:** The quality of all included studies was estimated using the Newcastle-Ottawa scale (maximum score 9). In the current study, we considered a study with a score of 7 or higher as a high-quality study.

**Strategy of data synthesis:** We calculated the HRs with 95% CI to evaluate the association between SII and survival outcomes. The heterogeneity level was quantified using Cochrane Q tests and I<sup>2</sup> statistics. In the case of a 25% I<sup>2</sup>, 50%, and 75% I<sup>2</sup>, the variance was low, moderate, and considerable, respectively. Random effects models were employed to estimate pooled effect sizes in order to reduce

possible bias. In addition, a sensitivity analysis, in which individual studies could be omitted sequentially to detect their impact on the overall estimates, was conducted. For the relationship between SII and clinicopathological factors, the pooled odds ratios (ORs) and CIs were performed. The statistical significance of a study was defined as a 2-sided P value less than 0.05. All data processing and statistical analyses were conducted using Stata v.15.0 (Stata Corp, College Station, TX, USA).

**Subgroup analysis:** Ethnicity, treatment method, cut-off value, or sample size.

**Sensitivity analysis:** The sensitivity analysis was conducted by omitting the individual studies sequentially to detect their impact on the overall estimates.

**Language restriction:** Only in English.

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