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## Comparison of drug-coated balloon angioplasty versus common balloon angioplasty for arteriovenous fistula stenosis: a Meta-analysis

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## METHODS

**Participant or population:** Hemodialysis patients.

**Intervention:** Percutaneous transluminal angioplasty.

**Comparator:** Common balloon (CB) in the treatment of AVF stenosis.common balloon.

**Study designs to be included:** RCTs.

**Eligibility criteria:** Children, pregnant women, and patients with a history of kidney transplantation were excluded.

**Information sources:** PubMed, Embase, and CNKI databases.

**Main outcome(s):** All-cause mortality at 6 months. All-cause mortality at 12 months. Primary patency rate of target lesion at 6 months after operation. Primary patency rate of target lesion at 12 months after operation.

**Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:** Two authors (ZY and GWJ) independently carried out the primary review to search for trials that met the inclusion criteria . Any discrepancy was resolved by discussion and consensus.

**Strategy of data synthesis:** STATA 16.0 (Stata Corp LP, College Station, TX, USA) was used to perform statistical analyses. Labbe plot and meta-regression were used for intuitive judgment of heterogeneity. For remaining circumstances, a random effect model was used for pooling the effect size to calculate for statistical heterogeneity. Heterogeneity was analyzed by I<sup>2</sup> and  $\chi^2$  statistics. If there was significant heterogeneity, a sensitivity analysis and

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**Country(ies) involved:** China.

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