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METHODS

Search strategy: Two investigators will individually conduct the search on three databases (OVID MEDLINE, Embase, and Cochrane CENTRAL). The search terms included maximized coverage of heart failure and sodium-glucose transporter-2 inhibitors. Only records in the English language will be included.

Participant or population: Patients with heart failure with preserved ejection fraction(HFpEF) who participated in clinical trials comparing SGLT2 inhibitors to placebo or other diabetic medication.

Intervention: SGLT2 inhibitors.

Comparator: Placebo or other diabetic medication.

Study designs to be included: Randomized controlled trial(RCTs) or post-hoc analysis of RCTs.

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Information sources: Three electronic databases will be used. (OVID MEDLINE, Embase, and Cochrane CENTRAL). Additional searching will be conducted by manually screening the included studies' reference lists.

Main outcome(s): Cardiovascular outcome (CV death, Hospitalization for heart failure(HHF), urgent visit for heart failure(HF), all-cause death, total HHF) and health status (KCCQ compare to baseline, increase KCCQ >= 5 points). Data management: The data were extracted by standardized data collection form independently by the same two authors and verified by the third author. The following information was collected; the name of the first author, year of publication, median follow-up time, intervention, baseline patient characteristics, and reported outcome of interest. All data will be stored in a spreadsheet.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: The Cochrane Risk of Bias 2 will be used to evaluate the quality of included studies.

Strategy of data synthesis: The Review Manager 5.4 software from the Cochrane Collaboration was used for all statistical analyses. The inverse variance approach and the random-effects model were used in the meta-analysis to pool Hazard ratios, Odd ratios, mean difference, and 95% confidence intervals.

Subgroup analysis: We plan to do subgroup analyses on left ventricular ejection fraction ranges, diabetes status, baseline renal function, and NYHA functional classification.

Sensitivity analysis: None.

Country(ies) involved: Thailand.

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