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INTRODUCTION

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METHODS

Search strategy: Name all sources that will be used to identify studies for the systematic review. Sources include (but are not limited to) bibliographic databases, reference lists of eligible studies and review articles, key journals, conference proceedings, trials registers, Internet resources and contact with study investigators, experts and manufacturers. Systematic reviews typically use more than one database. Examples of electronic bibliographic databases include Web of Science, PubMed, Embase. Other database sources include The Cochrane Library. Searches will be re-run prior to the final analysis. unpublished studies will not be sought.

Participant or population: Inclusions: Healthy adults (20-60 years). exclusion: patients.

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Study designs to be included: Randomized controlled trials.

Eligibility criteria: 1) The study was designed as an RCT (Randomized Control Experiment), regardless of whether blinding and allocation hiding were implemented or not; 2) The study subjects were healthy adults aged 18-60 years, regardless of training experience; 3) The included studies included at least two intervention groups: high-load (60%-90% 1RM) resistance training and one group of low-load (20%-50%1RM) BFR training; 4) The LL-BFR exercise regimen requires the same exercise mode as HLT (such as squats, biceps bends, etc.); 5) Outcome indicators include at least muscle strength, muscle circumference and other indicators; 6) Experimental interventions are long-term interventions.

Information sources: Electronic databases, contact with authors, trial registers, or grey literature.

Main outcome(s): Maximum strength: 1RM, Post-test; peak torque: Isokinetic tester, Post-test; muscle CSA: ultrasonic, Post-test; muscle girth: Soft ruler, Post-test.

Additional outcome(s): Muscle thickness.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: The final risk of bias assessment form consisted of Cochrane's risk of bias tool. The risk of bias assessment scores on reporting of judgment items were as follows: (1) Adequate (Bias, if present, is unlikely to alter the results seriously), (2) Unclear (A risk of bias that raises some doubt about the results), and (3) Inadequate (Bias may alter the results seriously) corresponding with (1) low, (2) unclear, and (3) high risk of bias, respectively. The risk of bias analysis comprised four main aspects of reporting: population recruitment, test description, exercise description, and reporting of outcomes.

Strategy of data synthesis: Random effects meta-analysis.

Subgroup analysis: Intervention cycle, Upper and lower limbs.

Sensitivity analysis: Change the merge model, Culling one by one, Excludes a class of literature, Clipping method.

Country(ies) involved: China.

Keywords: BFR, Blood Flow Restriction, KAATSU, occlusion training.

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