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INTRODUCTION

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METHODS

Participant or population: Pediatric and adults patients.

Intervention: i-gel airway.

Comparator: Laryngeal Mask Airway ProSe.

Study designs to be included: RCT.

Eligibility criteria: Only published prospective RCTs that compared i-gel™ with LMA ProSeal™ were included. Case reports, correspondence, reviews, manikin research, animal studies, and non-English articles were excluded.

Information sources: Eligible studies were made by searching e-databases EMBASE, CENTRAL, PubMed, and the ScienceDirect.

Main outcome(s): Oropharyngeal leak pressure (OLP).

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: Cochrane Collaboration standards were

used to evaluate the risk of bias in RCTs. The standards were as follows: randomization, allocation concealment, blinding, incomplete outcome data, selective reporting, and other bias. A judgment of high, unclear, or low risk of material bias was assigned for each item.

Strategy of data synthesis: Review Manger 5.3 software was used to count data. Weighted mean differences (MD), relative ratio (RR), and associated 95% confidence intervals were applied to pool data. An $I^2 > 50\%$ denotes heterogeneity, and the random-effects model was used.

Subgroup analysis: Subgroups were analyzed considering confounding factors, such as age, surgery type, neuromuscular blocker (NMB) use, and the possible effect of the measurement method on the OLP.

Sensitivity analysis: Sensitivity analysis was used to search for possible explanations for significant heterogeneity.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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