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INTRODUCTION

Review question / Objective: Therefore, we aimed to perform a systemic review and meta-analysis to evaluate the effect of vitamin D on major clinical outcomes in this patient population, including an exploration of the supplemental vitamin D-associated influence factors.

Condition being studied: Vitamin D supplementation in critically ill patients. The research team comes from the Department of Critical Care Medicine of a tertiary hospital in China, and all the team members have perfect clinical experience in treatments of nebulized antibiotics. Moreover, our team members have published more than 20 meta-analyses, which can guarantee the successful completion of the current research.

METHODS

Participant or population: Adult (≥18 years old) ICU patients.

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Intervention: The intervention group received vitamin D regardless of any regimen.

Comparator: The control group receives a placebo or no drug or usual care.

Study designs to be included: RCTs.

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Information sources: Articles available only in abstract form or meeting reports were also excluded.

Main outcome(s): Mortality.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: We evaluated potential evidence of bias using the Cochrane risk-of-bias tool for RCTs. We assigned a value of high, unclear, low to the following items:(1) sequence generation;(2) allocation concealment;(3) blinding;(4) incomplete outcome data;(5) selective outcome reporting; and (6) other sources of bias.

Strategy of data synthesis: An overall effect estimate for all data as risk ratio(RR)/mean difference(MD) with 95% CI will becalculated. The presence of statistical heterogeneity among the studies by using the Q statistics and the heterogeneity by using the I2 statistic was addressed. A p value of less than 0.10 or an I2 value of greater than 50% as indicative was considered of substantial heterogeneity.A random-effects model or a fixed-effects mode(DerSimonian-Laird) will be chosen when significant heterogeneity or nonsignificant heterogeneity was not observed, respectively.meta-analysis;metaregression,

Subgroup analysis: proportion of mechanical ventilation.

Sensitivity analysis: None.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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