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# **Efficacy and safety of Tenofovir** alafenamide in blocking mother-tochild transmission of hepatitis B virus: a meta-analysis

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#### **METHODS**

Participant or population: Pregnant women who had chronic HBV infection, were HBeAg-positive.

Intervention: TAF treatment.

Comparator: None(single-arm clinical trail).

Study designs to be included: randomized controlled trial (RCT), or case-control study, or cohort study.

Eligibility criteria: Pregnant women who had chronic HBV infection, were HBeAgpositive and a new-born infant.

Information sources: The Cochrane Library, Embase, PubMed China National Knowledge Infrastructure (CNKI). Wanfang and China Biomedical Literature Database (CBM).

Main outcome(s): mother to child transmission rate, maternal HBV-DNA levels, maternal and infant safety outcomes.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:

The quality of non-randomized studies was assessed using a modified Newcastle-Ottawa scale (NOS).

Strategy of data synthesis: The present meta-analysis was conducted using the RevMan 5.3 software offered by Cochrane Collaboration. The Relative risk ratio (RR) was used as the effect size for dichotomous variables, and their pooled effect size and its 95% Confidence (CI) Interval were calculated. Heterogeneity noted across all study results was evaluated using the x2 test, and the size of heterogeneity was quantitatively determined in combination with I2. If there was no statistical heterogeneity across the study results (P>0.10, I2≤50%), a fixed effect model was used for the meta-analysis. However, when

there was statistical heterogeneity across the study results (I2>50%), a random-effect model was used for the meta-analysis.

Subgroup analysis: None reported.

Sensitivity analysis: Sensitivity analysis was performed on the included indicators The results of the new Meta-analysis, in which a certain study was excluded one by one, were unchanged, which proved that the results of Meta-analysis were relatively stable.

Country(ies) involved: China.

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