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## Sleep interventions for amelioration of postoperative delirium and cognitive dysfunction: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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### INTRODUCTION

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## METHODS

**Participant or population:** Patients undergoing elective surgery.

**Intervention:** Sleep interventions during perioperative period.

**Comparator:** Sleep interventions vs. routine care.

**Study designs to be included:** RCTs.

**Eligibility criteria:** Inclusion criteria:(1) Patients aged 18 years or older;(2) Patients undergoing elective surgery;(3) Articles reporting the effect of sleep intervention on postoperative delirium;Exclusion criteria: We exclude studies which are case reports, reviews, comments, editorials, perspectives, erratum, unpublished manuscripts, conference abstracts.

**Information sources:** We searched the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials in the Cochrane Library, MEDLINE OvidSP and Embase OvidSP from the beginning of the database to December, 2022.

**Main outcome(s):** The incidence of postoperative delirium. Postoperative delirium was diagnosed using one of the validated diagnostic methods, such as the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) criteria, Confusion Assessment Method (CAM), CAM for the ICU (CAM-ICU), Intensive Care Delirium Screening Checklist (ICDSC), Neelon and Champagne (NEECHAM) Confusion Scale or NuDESC.

**Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:** Eligible reports will be independently assessed for quality assessment by at least two Authors. We deal with disagreements by a consensus meeting between the three authors. The quality of included RCTs will be evaluated by means of Cochrane ROB2. We assessed risk of bias separately for different domains, namely: random sequence generation, allocation concealment, blinding of participants, personnel and outcome assessors, blinding of outcome assessment; incomplete outcome data; and other biases such as reporting bias. Each domain was assessed as low, high or unclear risk of bias.

**Strategy of data synthesis:** The meta-analysis is performed with RevMan V5.4 software. Risk ratio (RR) is used for dichotomous outcomes and mean difference (MD) is adopted for continuous outcomes. Heterogeneity is examined using the  $I^2$  test. If the heterogeneity is significant ( $I^2 > 50\%$ ), a random-effects model will be applied, otherwise a fixed-effects model will be used. The confidence interval (CI) is established at 95%.  $P < 0.05$  were considered statistically significant. Publication bias will be assessed with a funnel plot if sufficient trials ( $\geq 10$  trials) are included in the meta-analysis.

**Subgroup analysis:** If possible, subgroup analysis will be carried out. We will conduct subgroup analysis based on type of sleep intervention (dexmedetomidine, melatonin, bright light therapy and other interventions).

**Sensitivity analysis:** If possible, sensitivity analysis will be carried out.

**Country(ies) involved:** China.

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