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INTRODUCTION

Review question / Objective: Population: Human or animal subjects treated with GOLDIC. Intervention: GOLDIC injection. Comparator: Placebo or another orthobiologic agent like Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP) or no control arm. Outcome: Radiological, function, or histological alterations observed after the intervention. Study design: Any study design.

Rationale: To collate the available evidence on GOLDIC and provide a systematic review of the literature.

GOLDIC therapy holds promise as an Orthobiologic agent: A systematic review of literature

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INPLASY registration number: This protocol was registered with the International Platform of Registered Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis Protocols (INPLASY) on 07 May 2023 and was last updated on 07 May 2023 (registration number INPLASY202350027).

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Condition being studied: Gold Induced Cytokine.

METHODS

Search strategy: In June 2022, all the authors performed an independent search of electronic databases - PubMed, Embase, Scopus, Cochrane, and the Web of Science.

Participant or population: Human or animal subjects treated with GOLDIC.

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Main outcome(s): Radiological, function, or histological alterations observed after the intervention.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: Risk of bias and quality assessment of the included studies were independently done by two authors using the SYRCLE's risk of bias tool for animal studies, MINORS (Methodological Index for Non Randomized Studies) tool for studies involving human subjects and RoB 2 tool from Cochrane for randomised studies.

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Subgroup analysis: Not performed.

Sensitivity analysis: Not performed.

Language restriction: English.

Country(ies) involved: India.

Keywords: GOLDIC; Gold; Orthobiologics; Gelsolin.

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