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# Relationship between Obstructive Sleep Apnea and Sport - Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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**Amendments -** This protocol was registered with the International Platform of Registered Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis Protocols (INPLASY) on 31 May 2024 and was last updated on 31 May 2024.

### INTRODUCTION

eview question / Objective To analyze and compare the effect of sport on patients with obstructive sleep apnea.

**Condition being studied** Is there any relationship between obstructive sleep apnea and sport?

#### **METHODS**

**Participant or population** Patients with obstructive sleep apnea and practicing sport.

**Intervention** Patients with obstructive sleep apnea and practicing sport.

Comparator Apnea-hipoapnea index (AHI).

**Study designs to be included** Prospective and retrospective randomized clinical trials retrospective and transversal observational studies.

Eligibility criteria The inclusion criteria will be as follows: Studies registered in impact journals and databases such as prospective and retrospective randomized clinical trials (RCT) with a small-time range referred to obstructive sleep apnea and its relationship with sport (last ten years) and with a somewhat larger range to contrast what refers to the chang-es of this condition, diagnostic methods and related aspects. In addition, the search for articles will be carried out in both Spanish and English, the latter having a greater weight due to the greater number of studies and information that exists in this language. Stud-ies were not restricted by language or year of publication. The exclusion criteria were as follows: systematic literature

reviews, systematic literature reviews, clinical cases, cases series, and editorials. The following data will be recorded: author, year, title, jour-nal, sample size (n). The results obtained from studies that analyzed the relationship between physical exercise and improvement in OSA patients.

**Information sources** An electronic search will be carried out using the following databases: PubMed, Sco-pus, Cochrane, and Web of Sciences.

**Main outcome(s)** An aerobic exercise program combined with Resistance exercises, pro-duce an improvement in apnea-hypopnea indices.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis The quality assessment will be performed through JADAD scale/ Risk of bias analysis will be analyzed by Trim and Fill analysis.

**Strategy of data synthesis** Data related to Apneahipoapnea index (AHI) will be registered, recorded and measured through the random effects model.

**Subgroup analysis** Analysis of subgroups will not be performed.

**Sensitivity analysis** Sensitivity analysis will be assessed through the One Study Removed.

Country(ies) involved Spain.

**Keywords** Obstructive sleep apnea; sport; exercise; physical activity; fitness.

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