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Risk of Mortality Associated with Anti-thyroid Drugs, Radioactive Iodine, and Surgery for Hyperthyroidism: A Systematic Review and Network Meta-analysis

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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INTRODUCTION

Review question / Objective Hyperthyroidism can be treated with antithyroid drugs (ATD), radioactive iodine (RAI), or surgery. We aimed to evaluate the longterm outcomes of these treatments through systematic review and network meta-analysis.

Condition being studied Hyperthyroidism (elevated levels of thyroid hormone).

METHODS

Search strategy PubMed, EMBASE, Web of Science, and the Cochrane Library were searched from inception to March 20, 2024.

Participant or population Adults with hyperthyroidism.

Intervention Anti-thyroid drugs (ATD), radioactive iodine (RAI), or surgery.

Comparator Comparison between the treatment options (interventions) listed above.

Study designs to be included Cohort studies, clinical trials.

Eligibility criteria Eligible studies compared at least two treatments in adults with hyperthyroidism and reported outcomes of interest.

Information sources PubMed, EMBASE, Web of Science, and the Cochrane Library.

Main outcome(s) Primary outcome is all-cause mortality. Secondary outcomes are cancer mortality and MACE.

Data management Covidence online software.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis Newcastle-Ottawa Scale.

Strategy of data synthesis Two reviewers will have independently screened, extracted data, and

assessed risk of bias, with conflicts resolved by a third reviewer. Hazard ratios (HR) and confidence intervals (CI) will be extracted. A random effects network meta-analysis will be used to synthesize the effect sizes.

Subgroup analysis N/A.

Sensitivity analysis N/A.

Country(ies) involved USA, Taiwan, China.

Keywords Hyperthyroidism, Radioactive Iodine, Thyroidectomy, Anti-thyroid Drugs.

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