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#### INTRODUCTION

Review question / Objective The aim of this study was to investigate the prognostic value of the ratio of visceral fat area to subcutaneous fat area in colorectal cancer.

**Condition being studied** Body composition, including factors such as muscle mass and fat distribution, can serve as important predictors of prognosis in colorectal cancer patients.

## **METHODS**

**Participant or population** (1) patients with colorectal cancer who met the pathologic criteria (2) VFA and SFA data were available.

Intervention Operative treatment.

**Comparator** The prognosis of patients was compared according to the level of VFA/SFA.

Study designs to be included Randomized controlled trials.

**Eligibility criteria** Inclusion criteria: (1) provided survival data in the distant future such as OS or DFS; (2) the literature published in English (3) Data such as HR and 95% CI can be obtained in the literature directly or indirectly. Exclusion criteria: (1) articles such as abstracts, conferences, case reports, reviews, etc. will be excluded (2) there is data reuse (3) the literature fails to provide complete raw data information.

**Information sources** Pubmed、Embase 、the cochrane library.

**Main outcome(s)** Overall survival (OS) and disease-free survival (DFS).

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis Newcastle-Ottawa Scale (NOS) for quality assessment; Funnel plot, egger's test and begger's' test were used to assess the risk of bias.

**Strategy of data synthesis** We will search, with no time restrictions, the following databases for relevant English language literature: pubmed; Embase; cochrane library. The search string will be built as follows:(visceral subcutaneous Fat ratio) AND ((colorectal cancer) OR (rectal cancer) OR (colon cancer)).

**Subgroup analysis** We considered a subgroup analysis of patient age, region, and sample size of the article.

**Sensitivity analysis** The sensitivity was analyzed by excluding one article one by one.

Country(ies) involved China.

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