## **Characteristics of studies**

## **Characteristics of included studies**

#### Alexander 2008

| Methods       | RCT  |  |  |  |
|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| Participants  | 7 randomised, ET+RT=10, ET=10, drop out= 7   |  |  |  |
| Interventions | -10 weeks of training (16 exercise sessions) |  |  |  |
| Outcomes      | MWT, muscle strength                         |  |  |  |
| Notes         |  |  |  |  |

#### Risk of bias table

| Bias  | Authors' judgement | Support for judgement   |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Unclear risk       | Not described   |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk       | Not described   |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | High risk          | Blinding not possible   |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk       | Not described   |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | High risk          | 7/20 dropped out, 5 in intervention group versus 2 in control group |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Low risk           | Not detected  |
| Other bias  | Low risk           | Not detected  |

#### Aquino 2016

| Methods       | Study design: Randomized controlled trial<br>Study grouping: Parallel group  |  |  |
|---------------|--|--|--|
| Participants  | Baseline Characteristics         Intervention 1         • COPD severity (GOLD/MRC): 67.71 (11.77) FEV1%, pred., 2.57 (0.97) MRC         • Male (%):         • Age (range): 65.0 (8.26) age, years  |  |  |
|               | Intervention 2<br>• COPD severity (GOLD/MRC):<br>• Male (%):<br>• Age (range):   |  |  |
|               | Control<br>• COPD severity (GOLD/MRC): 69.14 (10.38) FEV1, pred., 2.85 (0.69) MRC<br>• Male (%):<br>• Age (range): 69.42 (7.39) age, years   |  |  |
|               | Overall<br>• COPD severity (GOLD/MRC): 68.42 (11.54) FEV1, pred., 2.70 (0.95) MRC<br>• Male (%):<br>• Age (range): 67.21 (7.87) age, years   |  |  |
|               | <ul> <li>Included criteria: The inclusion criteria for the enrollment were as follows: age .50years; former smokers, Tiffenau index (forced expiratory volume in the first second [FEV1]/forced vital capacity [FVC]) .70% and FEV1 postbronchodi-lator .80% of predicted value, reversibility of FEV1.12% of basic value and .200mL of absolute value (30minutes after 400mg salbutamol inhalation), and stable COPD diagnosis.</li> <li>Excluded criteria: The exclusion criteria were as follows: contrain-dication for physical activity practice; usage of oxygen therapy; evidence of dementia, evaluated by Mini-Mental State Evaluation;15 history of brain injury; history of stroke; history of alcoholism; presence of anxiety and depressive symptoms, evaluated, respectively, by Hamilton Rating Scale for Anxiety16,17 and Beck Depression Inventory;18,19usage of medication influencing cognition; and presence of comorbidity incompatible with the experimental protocol practice.</li> <li>Pretreatment: The two groups were homogeneous in terms of age, instruction levels, functional status, Medi-cal Research Council Scale scores, severity of the COPD, comorbidities, medications, and cognitive scores</li> </ul> |  |  |
| Interventions | Intervention Characteristics         Intervention 1         • Description: Combined training: a training protocol composed by high-intensity aerobic and resistance exercises, associated with respiratory, balance, and mobility exercises; and the second group         • Length (weeks): 4 weeks         • Longest follow-up (after end of treatment): After end of treatment   |  |  |
|               | Intervention 2<br>• Description:<br>• Length (weeks):<br>• Longest follow-up (after end of treatment):<br>Control  |  |  |

|          | <ul> <li>Description: Aerobic training: a training protocol composed by high-intensity aerobic exercises, asso-ciated with respiratory, balance, and mobility exercises</li> <li>Length (weeks): 4 weeks</li> <li>Longest follow-up (after end of treatment): After end of treatment</li> </ul> |
|----------|---|
| Outcomes | Dropout, n  Outcome type: DichotomousOutcome  |
|          | Muscle strength, SD   |
|          | Outcome type: ContinuousOutcome   |
|          | Walk test (6-min or SWT), SD  |
|          | Outcome type: ContinuousOutcom  |
| Notes    | Country: Italy  |
|          | Setting: Patients from nursing home   |
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#### Risk of bias table

| Bias  | Authors'<br>judgement | Support for judgement  |
|---|-----------------------|--|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Low risk              | Quote: "Participants' randomization into the two groups was per- formed using a random number list, generated using the online software (https://www.random.org/sequences/, Dublin, Ireland). The procedure described was as follows: a progressive number was assigned to each of the participants in alphabetical order according to their surname; a random number list was subsequently generated; and, in accordance with this random number list order, the participants were allo- cated in blocks of two participants per group in the order CT and AT." |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk          | Quote: "The procedure described was as follows: a progressive number was assigned to each of the participants in alphabetical order according to their surname; a random number list was subsequently generated; and, in accordance with this random number list order, the participants were allo- cated in blocks of two participants per group in the order CT and AT. After"<br>Judgement Comment: Unclear if this was an open random allocation schedule  |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | Unclear risk          | Nothing mentioned  |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk          | Nothing mentioned  |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | Low risk              | No apparent sources of bias  |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Low risk              | No apparent sources of bias  |
| Other bias  | Low risk              | No apparent sources of bias  |

#### Bernard 1999

| Methods       | RCT  |  |  |
|---------------|--|--|--|
| Participants  | 5 randomised, ET+RT=21, ET=15, drop out=9            |  |  |
| Interventions | 2 weeks of training                                  |  |  |
| Outcomes      | HRQoL(CRQ), 6MWT, C-P exercise test, muscle strength |  |  |
| Notes         |  |  |  |

| Bias  | Authors'<br>judgement | Support for judgement  |
|---|-----------------------|--|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | High risk             | Toss of a coin   |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Low risk              | Block randomisation  |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | High risk             | Blinding not possible  |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk          | Not described  |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | Low risk              | 5 patients in intervention group and 4 in control group dropped out, likely unrelated to intervention according to reasons stated.   |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Low risk              | Not detected   |
| Other bias  | High risk             | Uneven sex distribution, 11/4 males/females in contriol grpoup versus 17/4 in intervention group. Also higher BMI in intervention group and higher intensity training, 38/28 Watts |

## Covey 2014

| Methods       | Study design: Randomized controlled trial<br>Study grouping: Crossover  |  |  |
|---------------|---|--|--|
| Participants  | Baseline Characteristics         Intervention 1         • COPD severity (GOLD/MRC): 41 (10) FEV1, % of pred.         • Male (%): 24/4 (male/female)         • Age (range): 68 (8) age, years         Intervention 2   |  |  |
|               | <ul> <li>COPD severity (GOLD/MRC):</li> <li>Male (%):</li> <li>Age (range):</li> </ul>  |  |  |
|               | Control<br>• COPD severity (GOLD/MRC): 39 (9) FEV1, % of pred.<br>• Male (%): 25/2 (male/female)<br>• Age (range): 68 (7) age, years  |  |  |
|               | Overall <ul> <li>COPD severity (GOLD/MRC):</li> <li>Male (%):</li> <li>Age (range):</li> </ul>  |  |  |
|               | Included criteria: The eligibility criteria included: forced expiratory volume in one second (FEV1)/forced vital capacity0.7<br>and FEV155% predicted, age45 years,and currently in stable clinical condition (eg, no exacerbations within two months of<br>enrollment or recent change in medical therapy). Screening procedures included: pulmonary function tests, medical history<br>and physical examination, chest X-ray, resting electrocardiogram, bloodchemistries, hematology and urinalysis.<br>Excluded criteria:<br>Pretreatment: There were no significant differences in sample characteristics between the three groups |  |  |
| Interventions | Intervention Characteristics<br>Intervention 1<br>• Description: Aerobic and resistance training<br>• Length (weeks): 8 weeks<br>• Longest follow-up (after end of treatment): After end of treatment   |  |  |
|               | Intervention 2<br>• Description:<br>• Length (weeks):<br>• Longest follow-up (after end of treatment):  |  |  |
|               | Control<br>• Description: Aerobic training<br>• Length (weeks): 8 weeks<br>• Longest follow-up (after end of treatment): After end of treatment   |  |  |
| Outcomes      | Quality of life, SD  • Outcome type: ContinuousOutcome Dropout, n   |  |  |
|               | Outcome type: DichotomousOutcome  ADL, SD  Outcome type: ContinuousOutcome  |  |  |
|               | Muscle strength, SD  • Outcome type: ContinuousOutcome  Walk test (6 min or SIMT), CD   |  |  |
|               | Walk test (6-min or SWT), SD  Outcome type: ContinuousOutcome   |  |  |
| Notes         | Sponsorship source: The source of support for this research was The National Institute of Nursing Research<br>R01-NR10249 and the Department of Veterans Affairs, United States of America. The contents of this paper are solely the<br>responsibility of the authors and do not necessarily represent the official views of the National Institutes of Health or the<br>Depart-ment of Veterans Affairs<br>Country: USA   |  |  |
|               | Comments: ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT01058213.<br>Authors name: Margaret K. Covey<br>Institution: Department of Biobehavioral Health Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL,United States<br>Email: mkcovey@uic.edu, margaretcovey@gmail.com<br>Address: University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Biobehavioral Health Science, M/C 802, 845 S. Damen<br>Avenue,Chicago, IL 60612, United States.   |  |  |
|               | Outcomes<br>Dropout: unknown when in the process the patients dropped out (cross over design)Muscle strength: 1RMWalk test:<br>6-minADL: CHAMPS, activity questionaire for Older adults.  |  |  |

## Risk of bias table

| Bias   | Authors'<br>judgement | Support for judgement  |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)                  | Low risk              | Quote: "Randomization to group was stratified by gender (strata: male, female) and disease severity (strata: FEV 1 30%e55% predicted, FEV 1 < 30% predicted) with a software program (biased coin algorithm to ensure equivalent groups) [7]." |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                      | Unclear risk          | Judgement Comment: Nothing mentioned   |
| Blinding of participants and personnel<br>(performance bias) | Unclear risk          | Quote: "patients were not informed of the intent of the three group research design or the expected outcomes of the study."<br>Judgement Comment: It is unclear if personnel was blinded   |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)              | Low risk              | Quote: "Data collectors were blinded to group assignment and"  |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                     | Unclear risk          | Judgement Comment: There are the same number of patients who dropped out during training. Yet it is not explained during which type of training the dropout took place (cross-over design)   |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                         | Low risk              | Judgement Comment: Matches study protocol  |
| Other bias   | Low risk              | No other apparent sources of bias  |

## Daabis 2017

| Methods        | Study design: Randomized controlled trial<br>Study grouping: Parallel group  |  |  |
|----------------|--|--|--|
| Participants   | Baseline Characteristics<br>Intervention 1<br>• COPD severity (GOLD/MRC): 2.62 (0.76) mMRC; 53.2 (9.5) FEV1%<br>• Male (%):<br>• Age (range): 58 (7), age  |  |  |
|                | Intervention 2<br>• COPD severity (GOLD/MRC):<br>• Male (%):<br>• Age (range):   |  |  |
|                | Control<br>• COPD severity (GOLD/MRC): 2.62 (0.76) mMRC, 53.2 (9.5) FEV1%<br>• Male (%):<br>• Age (range): 61 (8), age   |  |  |
|                | Overall <ul> <li>COPD severity (GOLD/MRC):</li> <li>Male (%):</li> <li>Age (range):</li> </ul>   |  |  |
|                | Included criteria: Patients admitted to chest diseases department, Alexandria Main University Hospital with a primary diagnosis of acute exacerbation of COPD.<br>Excluded criteria: Exclusion criteria:(1) Hypoxemic patients at rest or exercise.(2) Comorbidity that could limit exercise training like car-diovascular, musculoskeletal or neuromuscular diseases.(3) Patients who attended a pulmonary rehabilitation pro-gram in the preceding year<br>Pretreatment: No significant differences were found between groupsin terms of age, BMI, airflow obstruction, or arterial bloodgases         |  |  |
| Interventions  | Intervention Characteristics         Intervention 1         • Description: The CT consisted of 30 min of ST which consisted of exer-cises performed on weight training machines, for pectoralismajor, deltoid, biceps brachii, triceps and quadriceps muscles.Patients were submitted to three sets of 12 repetitions with a 2-min rest between sets and with a workload at 50–80% of thatachieved on the 1-RM test. The 1-RM test was repeated every2 weeks to reestablish the workload.         • Length (weeks): 8 weeks         • Longest follow-up (after end of treatment): After end of treatment |  |  |
|                | Intervention 2<br>• Description:<br>• Length (weeks):<br>• Longest follow-up (after end of treatment):   |  |  |
|                | <ul> <li>Control</li> <li>Description: Exercise training programs lasted for 8 weeks, in the form of three sessions per week. The ET consisted of 30 minutes of treadmill training at an intensity of 75% of the results of the6MWT and an additional 30-min of low-intensity resistancetraining with free weights. The number of repetitions usedwas based on physiologic endurance principles, including ahigh number of repetitions with a low load</li> <li>Length (weeks): 8 weeks</li> <li>Longest follow-up (after end of treatment): After end of treatment</li> </ul>                           |  |  |
| Outcomes       | Quality of life, SD  • Outcome type: ContinuousOutcome   |  |  |
| Review Manager | Muscle strength, SD  |  |  |

|       | Outcome type: ContinuousOutcome   |
|-------|---|
|       | Walk test (6-min or SWT), SD  • Outcome type: ContinuousOutcome   |
| Notes | Country: Eqypt<br>Setting: Patients admitted to chest disease department at Alexandria Main University Hospital.<br>Authors name: Rasha Daabis<br>Institution: Department of Chest Diseases, Faculty of Medicine, Alexandria University, Alexandria, Egypt<br>Email: rgdaabis@yahoo.com; rgdaabis@gmail.com<br>Address: Department of Chest Diseases, Faculty of Medicine, Alexandria University, Alazarita, Alkhartoom Square, Egypt<br>Outcomes<br>Quality of life: Sct. georges respiratory Questionnaire for COPD SGRQ%Muscle strength: Quadracips strength (1RM,<br>kg)Walk test: 6-min, meter |

#### Risk of bias table

| Bias  | Authors'<br>judgement | Support for judgement  |
|---|-----------------------|--|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Unclear risk          | Quote: "Before being discharged on optimal medical treatment, patients were randomly allo-<br>cated to three groups."<br>Judgement Comment: Unclear how this was done      |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk          | Judgement Comment: Nothing mentioned, no description   |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | Unclear risk          | Judgement Comment: Nothing mentioned   |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk          | Judgement Comment: Nothing mentioned   |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | Unclear risk          | Judgement Comment: 45 patients were admitted to the study. 30 completed. It is unknown what happened to the remaining 15 patients and in which groups they were allocated. |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Low risk              | No other apparent sources of bias  |
| Other bias  | Low risk              | No other apparent sources of bias  |

## Dourado 2009

| Methods       | RCT   |  |
|---------------|---|--|
| Participants  | i1 randomised, total drop out n 13, ET+RT=11, control=13 (RT only=11) |  |
| Interventions | 2 weeks of training   |  |
| Outcomes      | Adverse events, HRQoL, 6MWT, muscle strength                          |  |
| Notes         | part of ET vs RT  |  |

## Risk of bias table

| Bias  | Authors' judgement | Support for judgement  |
|---|--------------------|------------------------|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Unclear risk       | Not described          |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk       | Not described          |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | High risk          | Blinding not possible  |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk       | Not stated             |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | High risk          | Almost 1/3 dropped out |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Low risk           | Not detected           |
| Other bias  | Low risk           | Not detected           |

#### Mador 2004

| Methods       | RCT  |  |
|---------------|--|--|
| Participants  | 32 randomised, ET+ET+education=11, ET+education=13, 4 drop out in each group |  |
| Interventions | 3 weeks of training  |  |
| Outcomes      | HRQoL(CRQ), 6MWT, muscle strength, C-P exercise test                         |  |
| Notes         |  |  |

| Bias  | Authors' judgement | Support for judgement                             |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias) Unclear risk  |                    | Randomised in blocks of 3-5, method not described |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Low risk           | Opaque, sealed envelopes                          |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | High risk          | Blinding not possible                             |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Low risk           | Assessors blinded                                 |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | Low risk           | Few dropouts, four in each group                  |

| Selective reporting (reporting bias) | Low risk  | Not detected   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|--|
| Other bias                           | High risk | Patients were significantly older in intervention group, 68 versus 74 years. |

#### Nakamura 2008

| Methods       | RCT  |  |
|---------------|--|--|
| Participants  | 42 randomised, ET+RT=10, ET=13, drop out=9                             |  |
| Interventions | 12 weeks of training   |  |
| Outcomes      | 6MWT, HRQoL(SF 36), C-P exercise test, muscle strength(grip strength?) |  |
| Notes         |  |  |

#### Risk of bias table

| Bias  | Authors' judgement | Support for judgement           |
|---|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Unclear risk       | Not described                   |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk       | Not described                   |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | High risk          | Blinding not possible           |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk       | Not reported                    |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | High risk          | Uneven distribution of dropouts |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Low risk           | Not detected                    |
| Other bias  | Low risk           | Not detected                    |

## Ortega 2002

| Methods       | RCT   |  |
|---------------|---|--|
| Participants  | 4 randomised, ET=16, ET+RT=14 (RT only=17) 7 dropouts |  |
| Interventions | 2 weeks of training                                   |  |
| Outcomes      | HRQoL, SWT, C-P exercise test, muscle strength        |  |
| Notes         | part of RT vs ET                                      |  |

#### Risk of bias table

| Bias  | Authors' judgement | Support for judgement |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Unclear risk       | Not described         |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk       | Not described         |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | High risk          | Blinding not possible |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk       | Not stated            |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | Low risk           | Small dropout rate    |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Low risk           | Not detected          |
| Other bias  | Low risk           | Not detected          |

#### Panton 2003

| Methods       | RCT                                     |  |
|---------------|---|--|
| Participants  | 8 randomised, ET+RT=9, ET=8, drop out=1 |  |
| Interventions | 2 weeks of training                     |  |
| Outcomes      | ADL, 12MWT, muscle strength             |  |
| Notes         |   |  |

| Bias  | Authors' judgement | Support for judgement  |
|---|--------------------|--|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias) High risk               |                    | Two patients were ascribed to the control group "due to time restraints" |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias) Unclear risk                |                    | Not described  |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) High risk |                    | Blinding not possible  |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)                     | Unclear risk       | Not described  |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                            | Low risk           | One drop out in control group, dropped out due to cancer recurrence      |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                                | Low risk           | Not detected   |
| Other bias  | Low risk           | Not detected   |

## Philips 2006

| Methods       | RCT   |  |
|---------------|---|--|
| Participants  | 24 randomised, ET+RT=9, ET=10, drop outs=5? only 4 reported |  |
| Interventions | 8 weeks of training   |  |
| Outcomes      | Adverse events, 6MWT, muscle strength                       |  |
| Notes         |   |  |

#### Risk of bias table

| Bias  | Authors'<br>judgement | Support for judgement  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Unclear risk          | Not described  |  |  |  |  |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk          | Not described  |  |  |  |  |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | High risk             | Blinding not possible  |  |  |  |  |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk          | Not described  |  |  |  |  |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | Low risk              | Two drop outs  |  |  |  |  |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Low risk              | Not detected   |  |  |  |  |
| Other bias  | High risk             | One patient crossed over from intervention to control group due to low back pain and one was excluded from the control group due to "anomalous change in strength" |  |  |  |  |

#### **Ries 1988**

| Methods       | RCT  |
|---------------|--|
| Participants  | 45 randomised, ET+RT=9, ET=11, drop out=17 |
| Interventions | 6 weeks of training                        |
| Outcomes      | ADL, C-P exercise test                     |
| Notes         |  |

#### Risk of bias table

| Bias  | Authors' judgement | Support for judgement                   |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Unclear risk       | Not described                           |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk       | Not described                           |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | High risk          | Blinding not possible                   |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk       | Not described                           |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | High risk          | High drop out rate, 17/45               |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | High risk          | VO2 max not reported, though meassured. |
| Other bias  | Low risk           | Not detected                            |

### Vonbank 2012

| Methods       | RCT  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Participants  | 36 patients with COPD - stable outpatients with COPD   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interventions | Three arms ET only, ST only or ST and ET, three months |  |  |  |  |  |
| Outcomes      | HRQoL, C-P exercise test,                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Notes         |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Bias  | Authors' judgement | Support for judgement   |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Unclear risk       | not stated  |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk       | not stated  |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | High risk          | Blinding not possible   |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk       | not stated  |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | Low risk           | 7 of 43 randomised dropped out, but all due to exacerbations. Not clear from which groups |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Low risk           | none detected   |
| Other bias  | Low risk           | none detected   |

#### Wurtemberger 2001

| Methods       | RCT in German  |
|---------------|--|
| Participants  | 69 COPD patients. Subgroups: with or without supplemental oxygen |
| Interventions | ET plus RT and ET alone (and RT alone)                           |
| Outcomes      | 6MWT, C-P exercise test, ADL                                     |
| Notes         |  |

#### Risk of bias table

| Bias  | Authors' judgement | Support for judgement |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Random sequence generation (selection bias)               | Unclear risk       | not descriebed        |
| Allocation concealment (selection bias)                   | Unclear risk       | not descriebed        |
| Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) | Unclear risk       | not descriebed        |
| Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)           | Unclear risk       | not descriebed        |
| Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)                  | Unclear risk       | not descriebed        |
| Selective reporting (reporting bias)                      | Unclear risk       | not descriebed        |
| Other bias  | Unclear risk       | not descriebed        |

Footnotes

#### **Characteristics of excluded studies**

Footnotes

#### Characteristics of studies awaiting classification

Footnotes

## **Characteristics of ongoing studies**

Footnotes

## Summary of findings tables

### **Additional tables**

## **References to studies**

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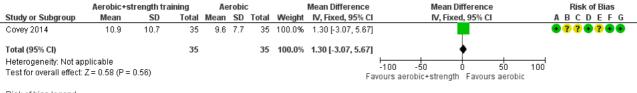
## **Data and analyses**

#### 1 Strength plus endurance training versus endurance training only for COPD. final and change combined

| Outcome or Subgroup                                   | Studies | Participants | Statistical Method                        | Effect Estimate      |  |
|---|---------|--------------|---|----------------------|--|
| 1.1 Quality of life. End of treatment.<br>(CRQ+SGRQ)) | 7       | 238          | Std. Mean Difference (IV, Random, 95% CI) | 0.02 [-0.24, 0.27]   |  |
| 1.3 ADL. End of treatment (CHAMPS)                    | 1       | 70           | Mean Difference (IV, Fixed, 95% CI)       | 1.30 [-3.07, 5.67]   |  |
| 1.4 Walking test. End of treatment (6MWT))            | 9       | 268          | Mean Difference (IV, Random, 95% CI)      | 3.00 [-26.86, 32.85] |  |
| 1.5 Muscle strength. End of treatment                 | 11      | 322          | Std. Mean Difference (IV, Random, 95% CI) | 0.56 [0.34, 0.79]    |  |
| 1.6 Dropout   | 8       | 281          | Risk Ratio (M-H, Random, 95% CI)          | 1.13 [0.70, 1.82]    |  |

## **Figures**

### Figure 1 (Analysis 1.3)



Risk of bias legend

(A) Random sequence generation (selection bias)
 (B) Allocation concealment (selection bias)

(C) Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias)

(D) Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)

(E) Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)

(F) Selective reporting (reporting bias)

(G) Other bias

Forest plot of comparison: 1 Strength plus endurance training versus endurance training only for COPD, outcome: 1.3 ADL. End of treatment (CHAMPS).

## Figure 2 (Analysis 1.4)

|                                      | Experimental Control |              |          |          |              |       |        | Mean Difference   | Mean Difference                             | Risk of Bias     |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------|----------|--------------|-------|--------|---|---|------------------|--|--|
| Study or Subgroup                    | Mean                 | SD           | Total    | Mean     | SD           | Total | Weight | IV, Random, 95% Cl  | IV, Random, 95% Cl                          | ABCDEFG          |  |  |
| Alexander 2008                       | 365                  | 105          | 10       | 375      | 112          | 10    | 6.9%   | -10.00 [-105.15, 85.15]                                       |   | ?? 🗣 ? 🗣 🗣       |  |  |
| Bernard 1999                         | 499                  | 68           | 21       | 454      | 50           | 15    | 16.6%  | 45.00 [6.45, 83.55]   |   |                  |  |  |
| Covey 2014                           | 398                  | 89           | 35       | 356      | 115          | 35    | 14.4%  | 42.00 [-6.18, 90.18]  |   | • ? ? • ? • •    |  |  |
| Daabis 2017                          | 348                  | 97.3         | 15       | 347      | 89.3         | 15    | 10.7%  | 1.00 [-65.83, 67.83]  | -+-   | ??????++         |  |  |
| Dourado 2009                         | 559                  | 52           | 11       | 592      | 76           | 13    | 13.7%  | -33.00 [-84.49, 18.49]  | +   | ?? 🔴 ? 🛑 🕂       |  |  |
| Mador 2004                           | 410                  | 126.0317     | 11       | 415      | 115.3776     | 13    | 6.7%   | -5.00 [-102.37, 92.37]  | <b>_</b> _                                  | ? • • • • • •    |  |  |
| Nakamura 2008                        | 499                  | 64.52        | 10       | 573.2    | 84.5         | 13    | 11.8%  | -74.20 [-135.10, -13.30]                                      |   | ?? 🔴 ? 🔴 🕂 🛨     |  |  |
| Philips 2006                         | 339                  | 113.842      | 10       | 352      | 69           | 9     | 8.2%   | -13.00 [-96.73, 70.73]  | <b>_</b>                                    | ?? 🔴 ? 🗣 🗣 🛑     |  |  |
| Wurtemberger 2001 (1)                | 377.2                | 65.3         | 10       | 335      | 88.9         | 12    | 11.1%  | 42.20 [-22.36, 106.76]  | +   | <b>???????</b> ? |  |  |
| Total (95% CI)                       |                      |              | 133      |          |              | 135   | 100.0% | 3.00 [-26.86, 32.85]  | •   |                  |  |  |
| Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = 10 | 07.48; Cł            | ni² = 16.45, | df = 8 ( | P = 0.04 | l); I² = 51% |       |        |   | teo to to                                   | <del></del>      |  |  |
| Test for overall effect: Z =         | 0.20 (P =            | : 0.84)      |          |          |              |       |        | For   |   | 500              |  |  |
|                                      | •                    |              |          |          |              |       |        | Fav   | vours aerobic+strength Favours control      |                  |  |  |
| Footnotes                            |                      |              |          |          |              |       |        |   | Risk of bias legend                         |                  |  |  |
| (1) subgroup with supple             | mental o             | xvaen        |          |          |              |       |        |   | (A) Random sequence generation (selec       | tion bias)       |  |  |
|                                      |                      |              |          |          |              |       |        |   | (B) Allocation concealment (selection bias) |                  |  |  |
|                                      |                      |              |          |          |              |       |        | (C) Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) |   |                  |  |  |
|                                      |                      |              |          |          |              |       |        |   | (D) Blinding of outcome assessment (det     |                  |  |  |
|                                      |                      |              |          |          |              |       |        |   | (E) Incomplete outcome data (attrition bia  |                  |  |  |
|                                      |                      |              |          |          |              |       |        |   | (F) Selective reporting (reporting bias)    | <i>,</i>         |  |  |
|                                      |                      |              |          |          |              |       |        |   | (r) belective reporting (reporting blas)    |                  |  |  |

(G) Other bias

Forest plot of comparison: 1 Strength plus endurance training versus endurance training only for COPD, outcome: 1.4 Walking test. End of treatment (6MWT)).

### Figure 3 (Analysis 1.6)

| Experimental Control              |                          | ol      |           | Risk Ratio | Risk Ratio             | Risk of Bias        |   |   |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|-----------|------------|------------------------|---------------------|---|---|
| Study or Subgroup                 | Events                   | Total   | Events    | Total      | Weight                 | M-H, Random, 95% Cl | M-H, Random, 95% Cl   | ABCDEFG                                       |
| Alexander 2008                    | 5                        | 15      | 2         | 12         | 10.9%                  | 2.00 [0.47, 8.56]   | _ <b>+</b> •  | ??  |
| Aquino 2016                       | 0                        | 14      | 0         | 14         |                        | Not estimable       |   | $\bullet$ ? ? ? $\bullet$ $\bullet$ $\bullet$ |
| Bernard 1999                      | 5                        | 17      | 4         | 19         | 17.6%                  | 1.40 [0.45, 4.37]   |   |   |
| Covey 2014                        | 6                        | 35      | 7         | 35         | 23.7%                  | 0.86 [0.32, 2.29]   |   | $\bullet ? ? \bullet ? \bullet \bullet$       |
| Dourado 2009 (1)                  | 4                        | 15      | 6         | 19         | 20.1%                  | 0.84 [0.29, 2.46]   |   | ??  |
| Mador 2004                        | 4                        | 15      | 4         | 17         | 16.0%                  | 1.13 [0.34, 3.76]   | _ <b>_</b>  | <b>? • • • • • •</b>                          |
| Ortega 2002                       | 4                        | 18      | 2         | 18         | 9.4%                   | 2.00 [0.42, 9.58]   |   | ??  |
| Panton 2003                       | 0                        | 9       | 1         | 9          | 2.4%                   | 0.33 [0.02, 7.24]   |   | •?•?••  |
| Total (95% CI)                    |                          | 138     |           | 143        | 100.0%                 | 1.13 [0.70, 1.82]   | •   |   |
| Total events                      | 28                       |         | 26        |            |                        |                     |   |   |
| Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = | = 0.00; Chi <sup>a</sup> | = 2.43, | df = 6 (P | = 0.88     | ); I <sup>2</sup> = 0% |                     |   |   |
| Test for overall effect           |                          |         |           |            |                        | Fav                 | 0.001 0.1 1 10 1000<br>vours aerobic+strength Favours control |   |
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Footnotes
Risk of bias legend
(1) "The final sample was composed of 47 patients".OBS: I RevMan står der n=51Der er..(A) Random sequence generation (selection bias)

(B) Allocation concealment (selection bias)

(C) Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias)

(D) Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)

- (E) Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)
- (F) Selective reporting (reporting bias)
- (G) Other bias

Forest plot of comparison: 1 Strength plus endurance training versus endurance training only for COPD, outcome: 1.6 Dropout.

#### Figure 4 (Analysis 1.1)

|                          | Aerob    | ic+ strei         | ngth     | 1        | Aerobic            |       | 9      | Std. Mean Difference | Std. Mean Difference                 | Risk of Bias         |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|-------|--------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Study or Subgroup        | Mean     | SD                | Total    | Mean     | SD                 | Total | Weight | IV, Random, 95% Cl   | IV, Random, 95% Cl                   | ABCDEFG              |
| Bernard 1999             | 1        | 0.8               | 21       | 1.1      | 0.8                | 15    | 15.0%  | -0.12 [-0.79, 0.54]  |                                      |                      |
| Covey 2014               | 4.5      | 1.2               | 35       | 4        | 1.2                | 35    | 29.2%  | 0.41 [-0.06, 0.89]   | <b>⊢</b> ∎                           | • ? ? • ? • •        |
| Daabis 2017              | 46.4     | 17.7              | 15       | 49.4     | 17.7               | 15    | 12.8%  | -0.16 [-0.88, 0.55]  |                                      | ??????               |
| Dourado 2009             | 33       | 17                | 11       | 39       | 17                 | 13    | 10.1%  | -0.34 [-1.15, 0.47]  |                                      | ?? \varTheta ? 🕒 🛨 🛨 |
| Mador 2004               | 4.2      | 0.995             | 11       | 4.7      | 0.7211             | 13    | 9.8%   | -0.56 [-1.39, 0.26]  |                                      | ? • • • • • •        |
| Ortega 2002              | 4.3      | 1.2               | 14       | 4.3      | 1.1                | 16    | 12.8%  | 0.00 [-0.72, 0.72]   |                                      | ?? 🛑 ? 🗣 🗣           |
| Vonbank 2012             | 31.6     | 54.39             | 12       | 19.1     | 50.58              | 12    | 10.2%  | 0.23 [-0.57, 1.03]   |                                      | ?? \varTheta ? 🖢 😧   |
| Total (95% CI)           |          |                   | 119      |          |                    | 119   | 100.0% | 0.02 [-0.24, 0.27]   | •                                    |                      |
| Heterogeneity: Tau² =    | 0.00; Ch | i <b>²</b> = 6.03 | , df = 6 | (P = 0.4 | 2); <b>I2</b> = 09 | Хо    |        | -                    |                                      |                      |
| Test for overall effect: | Z = 0.11 | (P = 0.9)         | 1)       |          |                    |       |        | Favo                 | urs Aerobic+Strength Favours aerobic |                      |

<u>Risk of bias legend</u> (A) Random sequence generation (selection bias)

(B) Allocation concealment (selection bias)

(C) Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias)

(D) Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)

(E) Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)

(F) Selective reporting (reporting bias)
 (G) Other bias

Forest plot of comparison: 1 Strength plus endurance training versus endurance training only for COPD. final and change combined, outcome: 1.1 Quality of life. End of treatment. (CRQ+SGRQ)).

## Figure 6 (Analysis 1.5)

|                                   | Experimental Control |               |           |           |                         | 1     | Std. Mean Difference | Std. Mean Difference | Risk of Bias                       |                      |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Study or Subgroup                 | Mean                 | SD            | Total     | Mean      | SD                      | Total | Weight               | IV, Random, 95% Cl   | IV, Random, 95% Cl                 | ABCDEFG              |
| Alexander 2008                    | 108                  | 36            | 10        | 99        | 40                      | 10    | 6.6%                 | 0.23 [-0.65, 1.11]   |                                    | ??                   |
| Aquino 2016                       | 37.29                | 13.34         | 14        | 37.36     | 13.21                   | 14    | 9.3%                 | -0.01 [-0.75, 0.74]  | -+-                                | ••???•••             |
| Bernard 1999                      | 67                   | 21            | 21        | 55        | 15                      | 15    | 11.0%                | 0.63 [-0.05, 1.31]   |                                    | •••                  |
| Covey 2014                        | 387                  | 118           | 35        | 341       | 97                      | 35    | 22.7%                | 0.42 [-0.05, 0.90]   |                                    | • ? ? • ? • •        |
| Daabis 2017                       | 24.1                 | 2.1           | 15        | 22        | 3.6                     | 15    | 9.3%                 | 0.69 [-0.05, 1.43]   |                                    | ??????++             |
| Dourado 2009                      | 116                  | 32            | 11        | 85        | 20                      | 13    | 6.6%                 | 1.14 [0.27, 2.02]    |                                    | ?? \varTheta ? 🕒 🗣   |
| Mador 2004                        | 55                   | 19.8997       | 11        | 45        | 11.8983                 | 13    | 7.5%                 | 0.60 [-0.22, 1.43]   | +                                  | ? • • • • • •        |
| Ortega 2002                       | 55                   | 10            | 14        | 47        | 9                       | 16    | 9.0%                 | 0.82 [0.07, 1.57]    |                                    | ?? 🛑 ? 🖶 🗣           |
| Panton 2003                       | 841                  | 342           | 9         | 460       | 176                     | 8     | 4.4%                 | 1.30 [0.23, 2.38]    |                                    | • ? • ? • •          |
| Philips 2006                      | 102                  | 41.1096       | 10        | 76        | 27                      | 9     | 5.8%                 | 0.71 [-0.23, 1.64]   | +                                  | ?? \varTheta ? 🕒 🗭 🛑 |
| Vonbank 2012                      | 136.2                | 139.6033      | 12        | 94.9      | 90.4131                 | 12    | 7.8%                 | 0.34 [-0.47, 1.15]   | +                                  | ?? \varTheta ? 🖶 🕈 🗣 |
| Total (95% CI)                    |                      |               | 162       |           |                         | 160   | 100.0%               | 0.56 [0.34, 0.79]    | •                                  |                      |
| Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = | = 0.00; C            | hi² = 7.68, c | if = 10 ( | (P = 0.6) | 3); I <sup>2</sup> = 0% |       |                      | -                    | -4 -2 0 2 4                        | _                    |
| Test for overall effect           | : Z = 4.89           | ) (P < 0.000  | 01)       |           |                         |       |                      |                      | Favours control Favours aerobic+st | renath               |
|                                   |                      |               |           |           |                         |       |                      |                      |                                    | rengin               |

Risk of bias legend

(**B**) Random sequence generation (selection bias) (**B**) Allocation concealment (selection bias) (**C**) Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias)

(D) Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)

(E) Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias) (F) Selective reporting (reporting bias) (G) Other bias

Forest plot of comparison: 1 Strength plus endurance training versus endurance training only for COPD, outcome: 1.5 Muscle strength. End of treatment.