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Aim

To assess the safety, effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of Sky Eye or Chung Cheng Far Infrared Ray Healthful Lamp or Far Infrared Lamp Radiator for numerous indications such as strains and sprains, soft tissue injuries, low blood circulation, tiredness, stress and bodyache, and various skin problems.

Conclusions and results

There was insufficient and poor level evidence of the effectiveness of the Sky Eye or Chung Cheng Far Infrared Ray Healthful Lamp or Far Infrared Lamp Radiator for the treatment of patients suffering from strains and sprains, soft tissue injuries, low blood circulation, tiredness, stress and bodyache and various skin problems. However, it has registered as a medical device and received premarket notification 510(k) from United State Food & Drug Administration (US FDA). There was no retrievable evidence on the CE mark, adverse events related to the use of this device from the available scientific databases or its cost-effectiveness.

Methods

Electronic databases searched included PubMed, Medline, Journal @ Ovid full text via OVID, OVID EBM Reviews - Cochrane central register of controlled trials, EBM Reviews - Cochrane database of systematic review, Horizon scanning databases - Centre, Birmingham, Australia and New Zealand Horizon scanning (ANZHSN), FDA website, MHRA website and from non scientific database - Google search engine. In addition, a cross-referencing of the articles retrieved was also carried out accordingly to the topic. Relevant articles were critically appraised and evidence graded using US/Canadian Preventive Services Task Force criteria.

Further research/reviews required

More research is needed to ascertain its safety, effectiveness and cost-effectiveness.

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