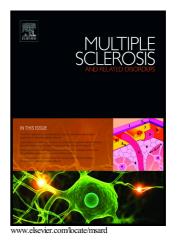
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Abstract

Background

Clinical trials examining the therapeutic benefit of modafinil in MS fatigue provide conflicting data. The goal of this study was to systematically evaluate the efficacy of modafinil using a meta-analytic method.

Methods

A systematic literature search was performed on published peer reviewed articles from 2000 to 2017 using the Cochrane Library, PubMed, and EMBASE. This review included double blind, randomized controlled trials, which evaluated modafinil in MS fatigue. The primary outcome measure was the estimated treatment difference in the

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