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Title: Efficacy of vitamin D supplementation in depression in adults: a systematic review protocol

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Dear Editors,

Please find our manuscript entitled ‘Efficacy of vitamin D supplement in depression in adults: a systematic review protocol’ by Guowei Li, Lawrence Mbuagbaw, Samaan Zainab, Shiyuan Zhang, Jonathan D. Adachi, Alexandra Papaioannou and Lehana Thabane who all substantially contributed to this study.

This manuscript has not been published elsewhere in whole or part, and is not under review for publication elsewhere. There is no conflict of interest that could inappropriately influence (bias) our work.

This is a protocol for systematic review of randomized controlled trials examining the efficacy of vitamin D in depression. Treatment or prevention of depression with vitamin D is an idea worth testing. Emerging randomized controlled trials investigated the efficacy of vitamin D supplementation in depression, but reported inconsistent findings. We are summarizing the evidence of randomized controlled trials to identify the efficacy of vitamin D supplementation and help establish guidelines for implementation of vitamin D for depression in general practice and other relevant settings.

We would greatly appreciate for your considering this manuscript for publication in your journal, Systematic Reviews.

Yours Sincerely,

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