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Liu 2021	Kumar 2019	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	4 weeks	NR	NR	28/25	17/28	13/25	NR	NR	NR	NR	High	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	High	
	Sugimoto 2019	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	12 weeks	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	High	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	High	
	Masoodi 2018	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	4 weeks	NR	NR	28/28	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
	Banerjee 2017	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	12 weeks	NR	NR	22/25	12/22	5/25	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
				Endoscopic remission		NR	NR		5/22	0/25	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
	Kedia 2017	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	8 weeks	NR	NR	29/33	6/29	12/33	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		9/29	9/33	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
	Lang 2015	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	4 weeks	NR	NR	26/24	17/26	3/24	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		14/26	0/24	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
	Singla 2014	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	8 weeks	NR	NR	23/22	13/23	8/22	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		10/23	5/22	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
	Hanai 2006	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	24 weeks	NR	NR	45/44	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		41/45	31/44	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low	
	Rastegarpanah 2015	UC	St Mary's thistle	Clinical response	24 weeks	Symptoms	NR	42/38	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Some concerns	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Some concerns	
	Dryden 2013	UC	EGCG (green tea extract)	Clinical response	8 weeks	NR	NR	15/4	10/15	0/4	NR	NR	NR	NR	Some concerns	
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		8/15	0/4	NR	NR	NR	NR	Some concerns	

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Chandan 2020	Masoodi 2018	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	4 weeks	proportion with improvement in SCCAI		28/28	16/28	8/28	NR	NR	NR	Low
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low
	Banerjee 2017	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	12 weeks	Mayo score	decrease ≥ 3	22/25	12/22	5/25	NR	NR	NR	Some concerns
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Some concerns
				Endoscopic remission		Histology	score ≤ 1		5/22	0/25	NR	NR	NR	Low
	Kedia 2017	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	8 weeks	UCDAI	decrease ≥ 3	29/33	6/29	12/33	NR	NR	NR	Low
				Clinical remission		UCDAI	score ≤ 2		9/29	9/33	NR	NR	NR	Low
	Lang 2015	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	4 weeks	UCDAI	decrease ≥ 3	26/24	17/26	3/24	NR	NR	NR	Low
				Clinical remission		UCDAI	score <3		14/26	0/24	NR	NR	NR	Low
	Singla 2014	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	8 weeks	UCDAI	decrease ≥ 3	23/22	13/23	8/22	NR	NR	NR	Low
				Clinical remission		UCDAI	score <3		10/23	5/22	NR	NR	NR	Low
Coelho 2020*	Shivakumar 2011	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	8 weeks	NR	NR	18/18	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low
				Clinical remission		fecal calprotectin	improvement		15/18	9/18	NR	NR	NR	Low
	Hanai 2006	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	24 weeks	NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low
				Clinical remission		CAI	score ≤ 4		43/45	36/44	NR	NR	NR	Low
	Footnotes:													
Coelho 2020*	Sadeghi 2019	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	8 weeks	NR	NR	35/35	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low
				Clinical remission		SCCAI score	proportion with remission		83.90%	43.80%	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Low
				HRQoL		IBDQ-9	higher is better		NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Low
				Fecal urgency		proportion with reduced urgency			60%	28.60%	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Low

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Coelho 2020* cont'd	Masoodi 2018	UC	Curcumin	General wellbeing	4 weeks	proportion with improvement		28/28	64%	39.30%	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Low			
				Clinical response		SCCAI score	higher is worse		1.71 (NR)	2.68 (NR)	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Low			
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low			
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Gouliart 2020*	Sadeghi 2019	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	8 weeks	SCCAI score	proportion with decrease ≥ 3	35/35	30/35	18/35	RD 0.34 (0.014, 0.54)	NR	Favours intervention	Low			
				Clinical remission		SCCAI score	proportion with score ≤ 2		26/35	14/35	RD 0.34 (0.13, 0.56)	NR	Favours intervention	Low			
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Zheng 2020	Footnotes: Authors report PP results. Data not extracted here.																
Grammatikopoulou 2018*	Hanai 2006	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	24 weeks	DAI	end of treatment score	45/44	1.0 (2.0)	2.2 (2.3)	NR	NR	NR	Low			
				Endoscopic remission		Endoscopic index	end of treatment score		0.8 (0.6)	1.6 (1.6)	NR	NR	NR	Low			
	Lang 2015	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	4 weeks	DAI	end of treatment score	26/24	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low			
				Clinical remission		Endoscopic index	end of treatment score		1.35 (1.19)	2.25 (0.88)	NR	NR	NR	Low			
	Kedia 2017	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	8 weeks	UCDAI	end of treatment score	29/33	3.4 (3.1)	3.8 (2.8)	NR	NR	NR	Low			
				Clinical remission		Endoscopic index	end of treatment score		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Low			

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Banerjee 2017	Banerjee 2017	UC	Curcumin	Clinical response	12 weeks	DAI	end of treatment score	22/25	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Some concerns
				Clinical remission		Endoscopic index	end of treatment score		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Some concerns
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Kafil 2017	Madisch 2007	Collagenous colitis	Boswellia	Clinical remission	6 weeks	stool frequency < 3 per day	% with improvement	16/15	7/16 (43.8%)	4/15 (26.7%)	NR	0.25	No difference	Low
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Kim 2017*	Rastegarpanah 2015	UC	St Mary's thistle	Clinical remission	24 weeks	DAI failure to maintain remission	% with remission failure	42/38	7/42	17/38	RR 0.37 (0.17, 0.80)	NR	Favours intervention	High
	Lang 2015	UC	Curcumin	Clinical remission	4 weeks	failure to achieve remission	% with remission failure	26/24	12/26	24/24	RR 0.47 (0.31, 0.71)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
	Dryden 2013	UC	EGCG (green tea extract)	Clinical remission	8 weeks	failure to achieve remission	% with remission failure	16/4	8/16	4/4	RR 0.56 (0.32, 0.97)	NR	Favours intervention	High
	Sandbom 2013	UC	Andrographis extract	Clinical remission	8 weeks	failure to achieve remission	% with remission failure	149/75	96/149	56/75	RR 0.86 (0.72, 1.03)	NR	No difference	Some concerns
	Hanai 2006	UC	Curcumin	Clinical remission	24 weeks	failure to maintain remission	% with remission failure	45/44	2/45	8/44	RR 0.24 (0.05, 1.09)	NR	No difference	Low
	Langmead 2004	UC	Aloe vera gel	Clinical remission	4 weeks	failure to achieve remission	% with remission	30/14	21/30	13/14	RR 0.75 (0.57, 0.99)	NR	Favours intervention	Low
	Hallert 1991**	UC	Psyllium husk	Clinical response	8 weeks	self-reported symptoms	% with improvement	36 (NR/NR)	64%	24%	NR	<0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns

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Kim 2017* cont'd	Holtmeier 2011	Crohn's disease	Boswellia serrata resin extract	Clinical remission	52 weeks	failure to maintain remission	% with remission failure	42/40	19/42	19/40	RR 0.95 (0.60, 1.52)	NR	No difference	Low		
	Sandbom 2010	Crohn's disease	Andrographis extract	Clinical remission	8 weeks	failure to achieve remission	% with remission failure	51/50	36/51	43/50	RR 0.82 (0.67, 1.01)	NR	No difference	Some concerns		
	Omer 2007	Crohn's disease	Wormwood	Clinical remission	10 weeks	failure to achieve remission	% with remission failure	20/20	7/20	20/20	RR 0.37 (0.21, 0.65)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Footnotes:	*KIM 2017 reports the proportion of participants who fail to achieve (or maintain) remission. The data are inverted in our evidence synthesis to correlate with other reviews that report the proportion of participants who achieve or maintain remission.														
Langhorst 2015*	Langmead 2004	UC	Aloe vera gel	Disease activity	4 weeks	SCCAI score	higher is worse	30/14	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Low		
				HRQoL		IBDQ	higher is better		NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours comparator	Low		
	Holtmeier 2011	Crohn's disease	Boswellia serrata resin extract	Disease activity	52 weeks	CDAI	higher is worse	42/40	NR	NR	NR	>0.05	No difference	Low		
				HRQoL		IBDQ	higher is better		NR	NR	NR	>0.05	No difference	Low		
	Omer 2007	Crohn's disease	Wormwood	Disease activity	10 weeks	CDAI	higher is worse	20/20	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
				HRQoL		IBDQ	higher is better		NR	NR	NR	>0.05	No difference	Some concerns		
				Emotional wellbeing		HAM-D	higher is worse		NR	NR	NR	>0.05	No difference	Some concerns		
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WHM vs inactive control																
Kim 2017*	Fernández-Bañares 1999	UC	Psyllium seeds	Clinical remission	52 weeks	failure to maintain remission	% with remission failure	69 (NR/NR)	NR	NR	RR 0.85 (0.42, 1.72)	0.65	No difference	High		
	Krebs 2012	Crohn's disease	Wormwood	Clinical remission	6 weeks	failure to achieve remission	% with remission failure	20 (NR/NR)	NR	NR	RR 0.25 (0.07, 0.90)	NR	Favours intervention	High		

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Langhorst 2015*	Krebs 2012	Crohn's disease	Wormwood	Disease activity	6 weeks	CDAI	higher is worse	20 (NR/NR)	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	High		
				HRQoL		IBDQ	higher is better		NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	High		
				Emotional wellbeing		HAM-D	higher is worse		NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	High		
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WHM vs active control																
Langhorst 2015*	Tang 2011	UC	Andrographis extract vs mesalazine	Clinical remission	8 weeks	NR	NR	120 (60/60)	improvement over baseline	improvement over baseline	NR	NR	Noninferior	Low		
	Langhorst 2013	UC	Combination vs mesalazine	Clinical remission	6 weeks	NR	NR	97 (48/49)	NR	NR	NR	NR	Noninferior	Low		
				Clinical response		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	Noninferior	Low		
	Gerhardt 2001	Crohn's disease	Boswellia extract vs mesalazine	Symptom severity	8 weeks	CAI	higher is worse	102 (50/52)	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Low		
				Clinical remission		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Low		
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Rahimi 2013*	Tang 2011	UC	Andrographis extract vs mesalazine	Clinical remission	8 weeks	% with 100% improvement	120 (60/60)	11/53	9/55	NR	NR	Not reported	Low			
				Clinical response		% with some(>25%) improvement	120 (60/60)	40/53	45/55	NR	NR	Not reported	Low			
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Ernst 2008	Gerhardt 2001	Crohn's disease	Boswellia extract vs mesalazine	Symptom severity	8 weeks	CAI	higher is worse	102 (50/52)	192 (114)	163 (96)	NR	NR	Noninferior	Low		
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Abbreviations: C, Comparator; Confidence interval; CAI, Crohn's activity index; DAI, disease activity index; IBDQ-9, inflammatory bowel disease questionnaire; I, intervention; NR, not reported; RoB, risk of bias; SCCAI, simple clinical colitis activity index; SD, standard deviation; UC, ulcerative colitis

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Black 2020*	8 RCTs	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	4 to 12 weeks	Failure to achieve improvement in global IBS symptoms		442/382	NR	NR	RR 0.63 (0.48, 0.83)	NR	Favours intervention	Low
			Ispaghula husk					246/253	NR	NR	RR 0.78 (0.59, 1.02)	NR	No difference	Low
	8 RCTs	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	4 to 12 weeks	Failure to achieve improvement		442/382	NR	NR	RR 0.66 (0.48, 0.91)	NR	Favours intervention	Low
			Ispaghula husk					246/253	NR	NR	RR 0.88 (0.61, 1.27)	NR	No difference	Low
	Footnotes: *The authors conduct and report network meta-analysis results. Individual study data are not reported.													
Hawrelak 2020	Davis 2006	IBS	Aloe vera juice	Global improvement	4 weeks	% with changes in IBS-SSS	31/27	11/31	6/27	RR 1.60 (0.68, 3.74)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Hutchings 2011	IBS	Aloe vera juice	HRQoL	20 weeks	IBS quality of life		110	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns
				Global improvement		GI symptom rating scale			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns
	Storsrud 2015	IBS	Aloe vera juice	Global improvement	4 weeks	% with changes in IBS-SSS	68 (33/35)	18/33	11/35	RR 1.74 (0.97, 3.10)	0.09	Favours intervention	Low	
				Abdominal pain		IBS-SSS subscale pain severity		NR	NR	NR	0.011	Favours intervention	Low	
				Emotional functioning		Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale		NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Low	
				Bowel transit time		Bowel transit time		NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Low	
				Defecation frequency	3 weeks	changes in Stool frequency	18	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Low	
	Rees 1979	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement		% with changes in IBS symptom score		13/18	5/18	RR 2.6 (1.17, 5.78)	< 0.005	Favours intervention	Low	
	Evans 1982	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	2 weeks	Change in symptom score	20	NR	NR	NR	< 0.005	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Global improvement		% with changes in daily symptom score		24/29	5/29	RR 4.8 (2.13, 10.04)	< 0.01	Favours intervention	Low	

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Hawrelak 2020 cont'd	Dew 1984	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain or	2 weeks	% with Adequate relief		29/29	NR	NR	NR	<0.001	Not reported	Low	
				Defecation frequency		changes in Stool frequency			NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Low	
	Nash 1986	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	2 weeks	% with changes in IBS symptom score		41/41	13/41	17/41	RR 0.76 (0.43, 1.36)	NR	Favours comparator	Some concerns	
				Abdominal pain		% with improvement			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
				Defecation frequency		changes in Stool frequency			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
	Lawson 1988	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	4 weeks	% with improvement		25	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Low	
				Bloating		% with improvement			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Low	
				Defecation frequency		increase in Stool frequency			NR	NR	NR	< 0.05	Favours intervention	Low	
	Lech 1988	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	4 weeks	% with changes in IBS symptom score		23/24	13/23	6/24	RR 2.26 (1.04, 4.93)	0.02	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Abdominal pain		% with improvement			12/23	6/24	RR 2.09 (0.94, 4.63)	0.1	No difference	Some concerns	
				Defecation frequency		changes in defecation pattern			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
	Weiss 1988	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	3 weeks	% with changes in IBS symptom score		30/30	17/30	4/30	RR 4.25 (1.62, 11.15)	< 0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Wildgrube 1988	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	2 weeks	% with improvement		40	NR	NR	NR	< 0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Bloating		% with improvement			NR	NR	NR	< 0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Carling 1989	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	2 weeks	Changes in IBS symptoms score		30/14	NR	NR	NR	0.063	No difference	Some concerns	
				Global improvement		% with improvement			17/30	5/14	RR 1.59 (0.74, 3.42)	0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns	

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Hawrelak 2020 cont'd	Schneider 1990	IBS	Peppermint	Abdominal pain	6 weeks	Changes in abdominal symptoms		60	NR	NR	NR	0.02	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Global improvement		Changes in IBS symptoms score			NR	NR	NR	0.002	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Defecation frequency		changes in stool frequency			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
	Liu 1997	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	4 weeks	% with improvement in abdominal pain		55/55	41/55	21/55	RR 1.95 (1.35, 2.83)	< 0.05	Favours intervention	High	
				Defecation frequency		% with improvement			NR	NR	NR	< 0.05	Favours intervention	High	
	Kline 2001	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	2 weeks	% with change in IBS symptoms score		25/25	15/21	9/21	RR 1.67 (0.95, 293)	< 0.002	Favours intervention	High	
				Abdominal pain		% with improvement in abdominal pain			16/25	4/25	RR 4.0 (1.55, 10.29)	< 0.001	Favours intervention	High	
	Capanni 2005	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	12 weeks	% with change in overall symptoms		91/87	73/91	31/87	RR 2.25 (1.87, 3.04)	< 0.02	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Cappello 2007	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	4 weeks	% with change in IBS symptoms score		28/29	18/28	10/29	RR 1.88 (1.05, 3.31)	0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Abdominal pain		% with improvement in abdominal pain			NR	NR	NR	0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Merat 2010	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	8 weeks	% free from abdominal pain		90	NR	NR	NR	< 0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				HRQoL		SF-36 bodily pain, general health, social functioning,			NR	NR	NR	< 0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
Alam 2013	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	6 weeks	Improvement in pain scores	74	NR	NR	NR	< 0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns			
Cash 2016	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	4 weeks	Changes in IBS symptoms score	72	mean 40% reduction	mean 24.3% reduction	NR	0.0246	Favours intervention	Some concerns			
Mosaffa-Jahromi 2016	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	4 weeks	% with improvement in abdominal pain	40/40	NR	NR	NR	< 0.001	Favours intervention	Low			
			Bloating		% with improvement in abdominal pain		NR	NR	NR	0.004	Favours intervention	Low			
			Global improvement		Changes in IBS symptoms		21/40	14/40	RR 1.5 (0.90, 2.51)	NR	Favours intervention	Low			

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Hawrelak 2020 cont'd	Pedersen 1998	IBS	Appital	Global improvement	8 weeks	Changes in IBS symptoms score		59	NR	NR	NR	0.081	No difference	Some concerns	
	Madisch 2004	IBS	Iberogast	Abdominal pain	4 weeks	Abdominal pain scale		208	NR	NR	NR	0.0009	Favours intervention	Low	
				Global improvement		Changes in IBS symptoms score			NR	NR	NR	0.001	Favours intervention	Low	
			Iberogast-II	Abdominal pain		Abdominal pain scale			NR	NR	NR	0.0005	Favours intervention	Low	
				Global improvement		Changes in IBS symptoms score			NR	NR	NR	0.003	Favours intervention	Low	
				Global improvement		Changes in IBS symptoms score		106	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
	Brinkhaus 2005	IBS	Curcumin	Emotional functioning	18 weeks	psychological stress caused by IBS			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
				Abdominal pain		Changes in IBS related pain (VAS)			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
				Abdominal pain		Changes in abdominal pain		32	NR	NR	NR	0.016	Favours intervention	High	
	Vejdani 2006	IBS	Lemon balm+ Mentha spicata+ coriander	Bloating		Changes in bloating severity			NR	NR	NR	0.002	Favours intervention	High	
	Saito 2010	IBS	St. John's wort	Adequate relief	12 weeks	% with adequate relief		70	NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours comparator	Low	
				Global improvement		Changes in bowel symptom score			NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours comparator	Low	
	Bortolotti 2011	IBS	Capsicum	Abdominal pain	6 weeks	Changes in abdominal pain		50	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	High	
				Defecation frequency		Changes in defecation frequency			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	High	
				Bloating		Changes in bloating			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	High	

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Hawrelak 2020 cont'd	Tilburg 2014	IBS	Ginger	Adequate relief	4 weeks	Changes in Adequate Relief rating scale		45	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
				Global improvement		Changes in IBS severity Scale			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
	Brown 2015	IBS	Horse chestnut + peppermint + Schinopsis	Bloating	2 weeks	Changes in bloating score (7-point Likert scale)		16	NR	NR	NR	< 0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Constipation		Changes in constipation score (7-point Likert scale)			NR	NR	NR	0.0034	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Footnotes														
	Cappello 2007	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	4 weeks	Symptom score improvement		28/29	18/28	10/29	RR 1.86 (1.05, 3.31)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
Tari 2020	Davis 2006	IBS	Aloe vera	Global improvement	4 weeks	Symptom score improvement		31/27	11/31	6/27	RR 1.6 (0.68, 3.74)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Liu 1997	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	4 weeks	Improvement in abdominal pain		52/49	41/52	21/49	RR 1.84 (1.29, 2.62)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Mosaffa-Jahromi 2016	IBS	Anise oil	Global improvement	4 weeks	IBS symptom resolution		40/40	30/40	14/40	RR 2.14 (1.35, 3.39)	NR	Favours intervention	Low	
			Peppermint oil			IBS symptom resolution		40/40	21/40	14/40	NR	NR	Not reported	Low	
	Tilburg 2014	IBS	Ginger	Global improvement	4 weeks	Symptom score improvement		30/15	12/30	9/15	RR 0.67 (0.37, 1.22)	NR	Favours comparator	Some concerns	
	Portincasa 2016	IBS	Curcumin + fennel oil	Global improvement	4 weeks	Complete symptom free rate		60/61	15/60	4/61	RR 3.81 (1.34, 10.83)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				HRQoL		IBS quality of life			NR	NR	NR	0.003	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Vejdani 2006	IBS	Lemon balm+ Mentha spicata+ coriander	Global improvement	8 weeks	Overall relief of IBS symptoms		14/18	8/14	3/18	RR 3.43 (1.11, 10.59)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Abdominal pain		Relief of symptoms			NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Some concerns	
				Bloating		Relief of symptoms			NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Some concerns	

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Tan 2020 cont'd	Merat 2010	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	8 weeks	Free from pain/discomfort		45/45	14/45	6/45	RR 2.33 (0.98, 5.53)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns			
				HRQoL		SF-36			NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Some concerns			
	Storsrud 2015	IBS	Aloe vera	Global improvement	4 weeks	Symptom score improvement (≥ 50 point reduction)		33/35	18/33	11/35	RR 1.74 (0.97, 3.10)	NR	Favours intervention	Low			
				Emotional functioning		Hamilton Anxiety Depression Scale			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Low			
	Saito 2010	IBS	St. John's wort	Adequate relief	12 weeks	Adequate relief of symptoms		35/35	11/35	21/35	RR 0.52 (0.3, 0.92)	NR	Favours comparator	High			
				HRQoL		IBS quality of life			NR	NR	NR	0.7	No difference	High			
Footnotes:																	
Alammar 2019	Cash 2016	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	4 weeks	Improvement in global symptoms in IBS		34/37	13/34	7/37	RR 2.02 (0.92, 4.46)	NR	Favours intervention	High			
				Abdominal pain		Proportion of patients with improvement			14/34	8/37	RR 1.9 (0.91, 3.96)	NR	Favours intervention	High			
	Capanni 2005	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	12 weeks	Improvement in global symptoms in IBS		91/87	73/91	31/87	RR 2.25 (1.67, 3.04)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns			
				Abdominal pain		Proportion of patients with improvement			34/91	16/87	RR 2.03 (1.21, 3.41)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns			
	Cappello 2007	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	4 weeks	Improvement in global symptoms in IBS		28/29	18/28	10/29	RR 1.86 (1.05, 3.31)	NR	Favours intervention	High			
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Peppermint oil																	

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Alammar 2019 cont'd	Lech 1988	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	4 weeks	Improvement in global symptoms in IBS		23/24	13/23	6/24	RR 2.26 (1.04, 4.93)	NR	Favours intervention	High	
		IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain		Proportion of patients with improvement			12/23	6/24	RR 2.04 (0.94, 4.63)	NR	Favours intervention	High	
	Liu 1997	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	4 weeks	Proportion of patients with improvement	55/55	41/55	21/55	RR 1.95 (1.35, 2.83)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Merat 2010	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	8 weeks	Proportion of patients with improvement	45/45	19/45	16/45	RR 1.19 (0.71, 2.00)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Weiss 1988	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	3 weeks	Improvement in global symptoms in IBS	30/30	17/30	4/30	RR 4.25 (1.62, 11.15)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Schneider 1990	IBS	Peppermint oil	Abdominal pain	6 weeks	Proportion of patients with improvement	30/30	19/30	11/30	RR 1.73 (1.00, 2.97)	NR	Favours intervention	High		
	Rees 1979	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	3 weeks	Improvement in global symptoms in IBS	18/18	13/18	5/18	RR 2.6 (1.17, 5.78)	NR	Favours intervention	High		
	Footnotes:														
Hong 2018**	Davis 2006	IBS	Aloe vera	Global improvement	4 weeks	Improvement of ≥50 in IBS-SSS (mean)		26/23*	39.12 (77.45)	13.74 (85.03)	SMD 0.31 (-0.26, 0.87)	NR	Favours intervention	Moderate	
	Hutchings 2011	IBS	Aloe vera	Global improvement	20 weeks	Improvement in global symptoms in IBS		12/13*	3.5 (2.26)	2.49 (1.7)	SMD 0.49 (-0.31, 1.29)	NR	Favours intervention	High	
	Storsrud 2015	IBS	Aloe vera	Global improvement	4 weeks	Improvement of ≥50 in IBS-SSS (mean)		32/31*	58 (76.35)	23 (73.1)	SMD 0.46 (-0.04, 0.96)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Footnotes:	*data presented are per protocol numbers; ** Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here													

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Ng 2018	Brinkhaus 2005	IBS	Curcumin	Global improvement	18 weeks	Proportion of patients with improvement		106	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Moderate																		
	Portincasa 2016	IBS	Curcumin	Global improvement	4 weeks	Changes in IBS-SSS		121	NR	NR	NR	<0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns																		
				HRQoL		IBS quality of life			NR	NR	NR	< 0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns																		
Footnotes:																																
Anheyer 2017	Kline 2001	IBS	Peppermint oil	Global improvement	2 weeks	GI symptom rating scale		42	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns																		
	Shulman 2016	IBS	Pysllium fibre	Abdominal pain	6 weeks	Number pain episodes		103	NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns																		
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Black 2020*	Nigam 1984	IBS	Ispaghula husk OR Hyoscine OR Amitriptyline	Global improvement	Individual study data are not reported.																											
	Ritchien 1979	IBS	Lorazepam with hyoscine OR ispaghula husk	Global improvement	Individual study data are not reported.																											
	Footnotes:																															

Abbreviations: C, Comparator; Confidence interval; I, intervention; IBS, irritable bowel syndrome; IBS-SSS, IBS symptom severity scale; NR, not reported; RoB, risk of bias; SD, standard deviation; QoL, quality of life

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Sadeghi 2020	Moeini 2016	GORD	Hawthorn	improvement of GORD symptoms	4 weeks	NR	NR	39/41	NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Moderate																					
				Regurgitation		NR	NR		NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Moderate																					
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WHM vs placebo																
Negi 2021*	Jenabi 2013	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Rahnama 2012	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Abadi 2020	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 250 mg QID x 3 days	Pain duration	NR	NR	NR	50/50	1.61 (0.64)	2.12 (0.81)	NR	0.052	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Kashefi 2014	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 250 mg TID x 4 days	Pain severity	NR	VAS	Higher means more pain	47/45	3.08 (1.52)	6.95 (1.67)	MD -3.87 (-4.52, -3.22)	<0.001	Favours intervention	High		
	Footnotes:	*Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here														
Xu 2020*	Jenabi 2013	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Rahnama 2012	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Kashefi 2014	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Jaafarpour 2015	Dysmenorrhoea	Cinnamon 420 mg TID x 3 days	Pain intensity	1 cycle	VAS	Higher means more pain	38/38	NR	NR	WMD 2.10 (1.70, 2.50)	NR	Favours intervention	Low		
	Jahangirifar 2018	Dysmenorrhoea	Cinnamon 1000mg TID x 3 days	Pain intensity	2 cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	30/28	NR	NR	WMD 1.60 (1.45, 1.75)	NR	Favours intervention	Low		
	Footnotes:	*Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here														
Mollazadeh 2019	Shahhosseini 2005	Heavy menstrual bleeding	Vitex drops	Menstrual blood loss	3 months	Higham score	Higher means greater blood loss	30/30	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Low		
	Shobhei 2014*	Heavy menstrual bleeding	Vitex drops (group 2)	Menstrual blood loss	2 cycles	Higham score	Higher means greater blood loss	30/30	25.6 (11.4)	24.6 (13.5)	1.00 (-5.74, 5.75)	NR	No difference	High		
	Footnotes:	Shobhei 2014 also tested vitex vs mefenamic acid (group 3)														

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Pellow 2018	Jenabi 2013	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Rahnama 2012	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Kashefi 2014	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Younesy 2014	Dysmenorrhoea	Fenugreek 900 mg TID	Pain intensity	2 cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	51/50	NR	NR	NR	<0.001	Favours intervention	Unclear		
	Heshmati 2016	Dysmenorrhoea	Peppermint 990 mg	Pain severity	3 cycles	SF-MPQ	Higher means more pain	46/44	NR	NR	NR	0.008	Favours intervention	Unclear		
	Mirabi 2011	Dysmenorrhoea	Valerian	Pain intensity	2 cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	51/49	NR	NR	NR	<0.001	Favours intervention	Unclear		
	Footnotes:	*Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here														
Chen 2016	Jenabi 2013	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 500mg TID	Pain severity	1 menstrual cycle	VAS	Higher means more pain	35/34	4.81 (1.7)	7.11 (1.12)	MD -2.30 (-2.98, -1.62)	0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Rahnama 2012*	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger capsule 50 mg TID	Pain severity	2 menstrual cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	59/46	4.6 (2.6)	6 (2.7)	MD -1.4 (-2.4, -0.4)	0.017	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Kashefi 2014	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 50mg TID	Pain severity	2 menstrual cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	47/45	3.1 (1.5)	7 (1.7)	MD -3.87 (-4.54, -3.2)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Footnotes:	*it is unclear if the reported results are for patients following Protocol 1 or 2 within the study, or overall results														
	Jenabi 2013	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Rahnama 2012	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Kashefi 2014	See details reported by Chen 2016														

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Pattanittum 2016*	Akbari 2012	Dysmenorrhoea	Fenugreek	Pain intensity	2 menstrual cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	51/50	3.3 (1.3)	6 (1.9)	MD -2.71 (-3.33, -2.09)	NR	Favours intervention	Low		
	Akhavan Amjadi 2009	Dysmenorrhoea	Cinnamon	Pain intensity	2 menstrual cycles	0-3 scale	not clear	Data not extracted as details on the measure used was not clear.								
	Rahnama 2010	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 500 mg x 3 days	Pain intensity	2 menstrual cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	37/41	NR	NR	NR	<0.01	Favours intervention	High		
	Dolatian 2010	Dysmenorrhoea	Valerian root	Pain intensity	2 menstrual cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	51/49	2 (1.4)	4.4 (1.8)	MD -2.42 (-3.05, -1.79)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Footnotes:	*Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here														
Daily 2015*	Jenabi 2013	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Rahnama 2012	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Kashefi 2014	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Footnotes:	*Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here														
WHM vs control (no treatment, waitlist, standard care)																
Pattanittum 2016	Jenabi 2010	Dysmenorrhoea	Chamomile tea vs no intervention	Pain intensity	3 months	SF-MPQ	Higher means more pain	40/40	5.94 (6.01)	7.10 (10.39)	NR	<0.001	Favours intervention	High		
	Modaress 2011	Dysmenorrhoea	German chamomile vs no intervention (adjunct to mefenamic acid)	Pain severity	2 menstrual cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	80/80	0.4 (0.9)	4.2 (2.1)	MD -3.73 (-4.23, -3.23)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns		
	Footnotes:															

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Daily 2015	Gupta 2013	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 500 mg vs no intervention (adjunct to specified exercise)	Pain intensity	2 cycles	NRS (10 point)	Higher means more pain	34/30	2.91 (2.45)	4.13 (2.12)	NR	0.039	Favours intervention	High	
			Footnotes:												
WHM vs active control															
Negi 2021*	Pakniat 2019	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger vs mefenamic acid	Pain severity	NR	VAS	Higher means more pain	50/50	3.12 (1.28)	6 (0.7)	-2.88 (-3.28, -2.48)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Rad 2018	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger vs Novafen	Pain severity	NR	VAS	Higher means more pain	78/90	3.10 (2.69)	2.97 (2.69)	NR	<0.05	Not reported	Some concerns	
	Ozgoli 2009	See details reported by Chen 2016													
	Shirvani 2015	See details reported by Chen 2016													
	Footnotes:	*Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here													
Xu 2020*	Pakniat 2019	See details reported by Negi 2021													
	Footnotes:	*Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here													
Pattanittum 2016*	Jenabi 2012	Dysmenorrhoea	Valerian vs mefenamic acid	Pain severity	2 menstrual cycles	0 to 10 pain scale	Higher means more pain	49/50	3.7 (1.3)	3.1 (1.7)	0.62 (0.03, 1.21)	NR	Favours comparator	High	
	Kashefi 2014	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger vs zinc sulphate	Pain severity	2 menstrual cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	45/53	3.1 (1.5)	3.1 (1.2)	-0.04 (-0.59, 0.51)	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
	Footnotes:	*Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here													

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Chen 2016	Kashefi 2014	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 250mg TID vs Zinc	Pain severity	2 cycles	VAS	Higher means more pain	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Low		
	Ozgoli 2009	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 250 mg vs Ibuprofen	Pain severity	Unclear	VMS	Unclear	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	High		
			Ginger 250 mg vs mefenamic acid	Pain severity	Unclear	VMS	Unclear	50/50	NR	NR	SMD -0.18 (-0.040, 0.04)	NR	No difference	High		
	Shirvani 2015*	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 250 mg vs mefenamic acid	Worst pain severity	1 cycle	VAS	Higher means more pain	61/61	NR	NR	SMD 0.24 (-0.12, 0.59)	NR	No difference	High		
	Halder 2012	Dysmenorrhoea	Ginger 1000 mg BID vs PMR	Dysmenorrhoea severity	measured every 24 hours	Days in pain	Days in pain	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	High		
	Footnotes:	*there was differential use of extra analgesics between the ginger and NSAID groups in this study														
Daily 2015*	Shirvani 2015	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Kashefi 2014	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Ozgoli 2009	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Halder 2012	See details reported by Chen 2016														
	Footnotes:	*Only RCT data not included elsewhere are extracted here														
Abbreviations: BID, twice daily; C, Comparator; Confidence interval; I, intervention; NR, not reported; PMR, progressive muscle relaxation' QID, four times daily; RoB, risk of bias; SD, standard deviation; TID, three times daily; WMD, weighthed mean difference;																

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WHM vs placebo															
Chaderi 2020	Agha-Hosseini	PMS	Saffron (30mg/day)	Depressive symptoms	8 weeks	HDRS-D*	higher is worse	47 (24/23)	NR	NR	WMD 6.23 (5.21, 7.25)	NR	Favours intervention	Not reported	
	Footnotes:	*Not clear if the primary study measure other PMS-related outcomes.													
Shiniyo 2020	Behboodi Moghadam 2016	PMS	Valerian	Anxiety	3 menstrual cycles	Self-rated emotional state (anxiety)	not specified*	100 (NR)	NR	NR	Hedges' g 1.9 (1.44, 2.39)	NR	Favours intervention	High	
	Footnotes:	*The primary study measured PMS (emotional, behavioural and physical) symptoms, but only anxiety reported by the SR authors.													
Csupor 2019	He 2009	PMS	Chaste tree berry (40 mg)	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	Response rate	≥ 60% increase in total PMSD score	208 (104/104)	83/104 (80%)	52/104 (50)	RR 1.22 (1.29, 1.98)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Schellenberg 2001	PMS	Chaste tree berry 20 mg (ZE440)	Overall PMS symptoms	NR	Response rate	≥ 50% decrease in total TSS score	170 (86/84)	45/86 (52%)	20/84 (24%)	RR 2.20 (1.43, 3.39)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Schellenberg 2012*	PMS	Chaste tree berry (8mg)	Overall PMS symptoms	NR	Response rate	≥ 50% decrease in total TSS score	71 (36/35)	5/36 (14%)	4/35 (11%)	RR 1.22 (0.36, 4.16)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
			Chaste tree berry (20mg)	Overall PMS symptoms	NR	Response rate	≥ 50% decrease in total TSS score	70 (35/35)	28/35 (81%)	4/35 (11%)	RR 7.00 (2.74, 17.87)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
			Chaste tree berry (30mg)	Overall PMS symptoms	NR	Response rate	≥ 50% decrease in total TSS score	71 (36/35)	22/36 (61%)	4/35 (11%)	RR 5.35 (2.05, 13.94)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Csupor 2019 meta-analysis results*					Response rate		3 studies	Random effects		RR 2.57; 95% CI 1.52, 4.35; p=0.00004; I²=75%			Favours intervention	
	Footnotes:	*SR authors report the Schellenberg 2012 data separate - but placebo group is the same for each arm.													

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Khaleesi 2019	Najafi 2018	PMS	Chamomile	Overall PMS symptoms	NR	NR	NR	118 (NR)	SR authors did not report any data				Favours intervention	Not reported	
	Footnotes:														
Verkaik 2017*	He 2009	PMS	Chaste tree berry 40 mg (BNO1095)	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PMSD	higher is worse	217 (108/109)	NR	NR	-0.81 (-1.10, -.52)*	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Kaplanoglu 2015	PMS	Chaste tree berry	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PMS-VAS	higher is worse	120 (40/40/40)	NR	NR	-0.75 (-1.2, -3.0)*	NR	Favours intervention	High	
				Anxiety		VAS	higher is worse		NR	NR	-1.71 (-2.22, -1.20)*	NR	Favours intervention	High	
				Depressive symptoms		VAS	higher is worse		NR	NR	-1.12 (-1.58, -0.65)*	NR	Favours intervention	High	
	Mousavi 2015	PMS	Chaste tree berry	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PMS-VAS	higher is worse	72 (36/36)	NR	NR	-2.38 (-3.03, -1.73)*	NR	Favours intervention	High	
				Depressive symptoms		VAS	higher is worse		NR	NR	-2.30 (-2.95, -1.66)	NR	Favours intervention	High	
	Pakgohar 2009	PMS	Chaste tree berry	Overall PMS symptoms	2 menstrual cycles	Daily symptom rating	higher is worse	116 (49/50)	NR	NR	-1.21 (-1.63, -0.78)*	NR	Favours intervention	Low	
				Depressive symptoms		BDI	higher is worse		NR	NR	-1.07 (-1.48, -0.65)	NR	Favours intervention	Low	
Risoletti 2011	PMS	Chaste tree berry	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PMSD	higher is worse	72 (27/20)	NR	NR	-0.89 (-1.49, -0.29)*	NR	Favours intervention	Low		
Schellenberg 2001	PMS	Chaste tree berry 20 mg (ZE440)	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PMS-VAS	higher is worse	(178/170)	NR	NR	-0.28 (-0.58, 0.02)*	NR	No difference	High		

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Verkaik 2017* cont'd	Schellenberg 2012**	PMS	Chaste tree berry (8mg)	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PMS-VAS	higher is worse	162 (36/35/36/35)	NR	NR	-0.20 (-0.66, 0.26)*	NR	No difference	Some concerns
			Chaste tree berry (20mg)	Overall PMS symptoms			higher is worse		NR	NR	-3.36 (-4.08, -2.64)*	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
			Chaste tree berry (30mg)	Overall PMS symptoms			higher is worse		NR	NR	-2.66 (-3.30, -2.03)*	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
	Zamani 2012	PMS	Chaste tree berry	Overall PMS symptoms	6 menstrual cycles	PMS-VAS	higher is worse	134 (62/66)	NR	NR	-1.00 (-1.37, -0.64)*	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
				Anxiety (nervousness)		VAS (0-10)	higher is worse		NR	NR	-1.23 (-1.61, -0.85)*	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
				Depressive symptoms		VAS (0-10)	higher is worse		NR	NR	-0.77 (-1.13, -0.41)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
	Turner 1993	PMS	Chaste tree berry	Depressive symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	MDQ negative affect	higher is worse	217 (105, 112)	NR	NR	-0.06 (-0.32, 0.21)	NR	No difference	High
	Verkaik 2017					Overall PMS symptoms	8 studies	N=NR	SMD -1.31; 95% CI -1.82, -0.80; p=0.000; I²=92.6%				Favours intervention	
						Depressive symptoms	5 studies	N=NR	SMD -1.02; 95% CI -1.67, -0.38; p=0.000; I²=92.4%				Favours intervention	
						Anxiety symptoms	2 studies	N=NR	SMD -1.44; 95% CI -1.91, -0.97; p=0.137; I²=54.9%				Favours intervention	
van Die 2013	Footnotes:	*Data presented as Hedge's g (95% CI) **SR authors report the Schellenberg 2012 data separate - but placebo group is the same for each arm.												
		PMS	Chaste tree berry	Depression	6 menstrual cycles	VAS (0-10)	higher is worse	134 (62/66)	2.8 (1.8)	6.0 (1.5)	NR	<0.0001	Favours intervention	Low
	Zamani 2012#			Anxiety (nervousness)		VAS (0-10)	higher is worse		3.8 (2.0)	5.7 (2.1)	NR	<0.0001	Favours intervention	Low

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van Die 2013 cont'd	Ma 2010	PMS	Chaste tree berry 40 mg (BNO1095)	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PMSD	NR	67 (33/34)	4.28 (5.76)	11.79 (11.78)	NR	< 0.05	Favours intervention	Low	
				Overall PMS symptoms		PMTS	NR		8.71 (8.62)	14.44 (10.64)	NR	< 0.05	Favours intervention	Low	
				Overall PMS symptoms		Response rate	response rate (% improved)		84.85%	55.89%	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	He 2009	PMS	Chaste tree berry 40 mg (BNO1095)	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PMSD	NR	217 (108/109)	6.41 (7.94)	12.64 (10.35)	NR	<0.0001	Favours intervention	Low	
				Overall PMS symptoms		PMTS	NR		9.92 (9.01)	14.59 (10.69)	NR	< 0.05	Favours intervention	Low	
				Overall PMS symptoms		Response rate	response rate (% improved)		79.80%	50.00%	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Pakgohar 2009	PMS	Chaste tree berry 4.3-4.8 mg	Overall PMS symptoms	2 menstrual cycles	Daily symptom rating	higher is worse	116 (58/58)	13.28 (10.82)	24.57 (12.42)	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Overall PMS symptoms		Daily symptom rating	response rate (% improved)		60.73%	20.79%	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Psychological symptoms		DSR	higher is worse		12.01 (12.22)	21.73 (14.44)	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Psychological symptoms		DSR	response rate (% improved)		65.62%	28.19%	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Physical symptoms	DSR	higher is worse	response rate (% improved)	116 (58/58)	12.63 (10.62)	24.33 (12.02)	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Physical symptoms		DSR			57.98%	16.22%	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	

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van Die 2013 cont'd	Schellenberg 2001	PMS	Chaste tree berry 20 mg (ZE440)	Overall PMS symptoms **	3 menstrual cycles	VAS (0-10)	higher is worse	178 (91/87)	134.5*	177.9*	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Low	
				Overall PMS symptoms **		CGI severity	higher is worse		3.7*	4.02*	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Low	
				Overall PMS symptoms **		Response rate	≥ 50% decrease in total TSS score		52%	24%	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Turner 1993	PMS	Chaste tree berry 600mg tds	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	Moos MDQ	higher is worse	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	High	
				Overall PMS symptoms			response rate (% improved)		25/62	16/74	NR	NR	Favours comparator	High	
	Footnotes: #study also assessed headaches, restlessness, breast pain, bloating/tympanis (not extracted here [not critical or important outcomes]) *SD not reported ** inclusive of irritability, mood, anger, headache, bloating, breast fullnessss														

WHM vs control (no treatment, waitlist, standard care)

No RCTs reporting this comparison were identified by the eligible reviews

WHM vs 'other'

Talesi 2019	Sharifi 2014	PMS	Chamomile vs Mefenamic Acid (250 mg)	Emotional symptoms	NR	NR	NR	90 (NR)	SR authors did not report any data				Favours intervention	Not reported
	Karimian 2013	PMS	Chamomile vs Mefenamic Acid (250 mg)	Physical symptoms	NR	NR	NR	90 (NR)	SR authors did not report any data				Favours intervention	Not reported

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K	Modaress 2011	PMS	Chamomile vs Mefenamic Acid (250 mg)	Physical symptoms	NR	NR	NR	80 (NR)	SR authors did not report any data				Favours intervention	Not reported	
	Footnotes:														
Verkaik 2017*	Atmaca 2003	PMS	Chaste tree vs fluoxetine	Overall PMS symptoms Depressive symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	Daily symptom HAM-D	NR NR	19/19	NR	NR	0.05 (-0.57, 0.68)*	NR	No difference	Low	
	Ciotta 2011	PMDD	Chaste tree vs fluoxetine	Depressive symptoms	2 menstrual cycles	4 items of HAM-D	higher is worse	31/26	NR	NR	0.29 (-0.34, 0.92)	NR	No difference	Low	
	Di Pierro 2009	PMS	Chaste tree berry 40 mg vs magnesium 300 mg /day	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	VAS on 8 symptoms	NR	82 (42/40)	NR	NR	-3.68 (-4.39, -2.97)*	NR	Favours intervention	High	
	Kaplanoglu 2015	PMS	Chaste tree vs oral contraceptive	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	VAS on 15 symptoms	higher is worse	120 (40/40/40)	NR	NR	-0.21 (-0.65, 0.22)*	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Depressive symptoms		VAS	NR		NR	NR	-0.75 (-1.20, -0.30)*	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Anxiety		VAS	higher is worse		NR	NR	0.35 (-0.09, 0.78)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Lauritzen 1997	PMS	Chaste tree vs pyridoxine (Vit B6)	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PMTS-Response rate	≥10 point improvement	127 (61/66)	NR	NR	0.50 (-0.85, -0.15)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Onaran 2003	PMS	Chaste tree vs oral contraceptive	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	COPE	NR	124 (61/63)	NR	NR	0.01 (-0.36, 0.34)	NR	No difference	High	
				Anxiety		HADS	higher is worse		NR	NR	0.00 (-0.58, 0.49)	NR	No difference	High	
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	Risoletti 2011	PMS	Chaste tree vs oral contraceptive	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PM SD	NR	72 (27/25)	NR	NR	-0.04 (-0.58, 0.49)	NR	Favours intervention	High	
	Salehi 2013	PMS	Chaste tree vs Vitamin E	Overall PMS symptoms	2 cycles	PM SD	NR	225 (70/70)	NR	NR	-0.83 (-1.17, -0.49)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Scaldarella 2008	PMS	Chaste tree vs pyridoxine (Vit B6)	Overall PMS symptoms	3 cycles	PM TS	NR	60 (30/30)	NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours intervention	High	
	Footnotes:	*Data presented as Hedge's g (95% CI) (adjusted for small study bias)													
van Die 2013	Atmaca 2003	PMDD	Chaste tree berry ? mg vs fluoxetine (20-40 mg/day)	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	Daily symptom rating	higher is worse	41 (20/21)	82.8 (49.5)	85.6 (55.3)	0.05 (-0.57, 0.68)*	NR	No difference	High	
				Depressive symptoms		HAM-D	higher is worse		7.6 (4.3)	7.1 (3.8)	0.29 (-0.34, 0.92)	NR	No difference	High	
				Efficacy		CGI-Severity	higher is worse		1.2 (0.7)	1.5 (0.6)	NR	NR	No difference	High	
				Efficacy		CGI-Severity	% improved		57.90%	68.40%	NR	NR	Not reported	High	
	Ciotta 2011	PMDD	Chaste tree berry 20 mg vs fluoxetine (20-40 mg/day)	Depressive symptoms	2 menstrual cycles	HAM-D	higher is worse	57 (31/26)	69	36	NR	< 0.02	Favours comparator	Low	
				Work interest		HAM-D	higher is worse		58	26	NR	<0.05	Favours comparator	Low	
				Psychic anxiety		HAM-D	higher is worse		80	22	NR	<0.01	Favours comparator	Low	
				General somatic		HAM-D	higher is worse		37	14	NR	< 0.05	Favours comparator	Low	
	Lauritzen 1997	PMS	Chaste tree berry 3.5-4.2 mg vs pyridoxine B6	Overall PMS symptoms	3 menstrual cycles	PM TS	higher is worse	175 (61/66)	5.1 (6.6)	5.1 (6.6)	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Low	
				Overall PMS symptoms		CGI	% 'excellent'		24.50%	12.10%	NR	NR	Not reported	Some concerns	

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FIGURE 5
Funnel plot of included studies stratified by comparator

Verkaik. Treatment of premenstrual syndrome with preparations of Vitex agnus castus. Am J Obstet Gynecol 2017.

FIGURE 6
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Abbreviations: C, Comparator; COPE, Calendar of Premenstrual Experiences; CGI-SI, Clinical Global Impression Scale; DSR, daily symptom report; I, intervention; IBS, irritable bowel syndrome; HDRS-D, Hamilton Depression Rating Scale; MDQ, Menstrual Distress Questionnaire; NR, not reported; PMS; premenstrual syndrome; PMSD, premenstrual symptom diary; TSS, total symptom score;

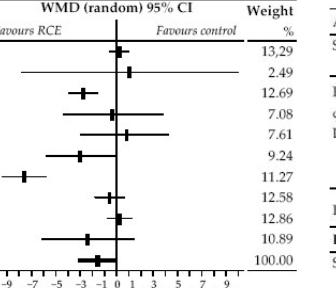
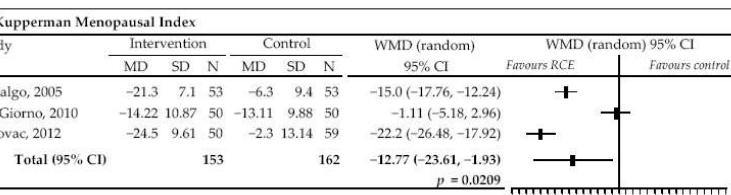
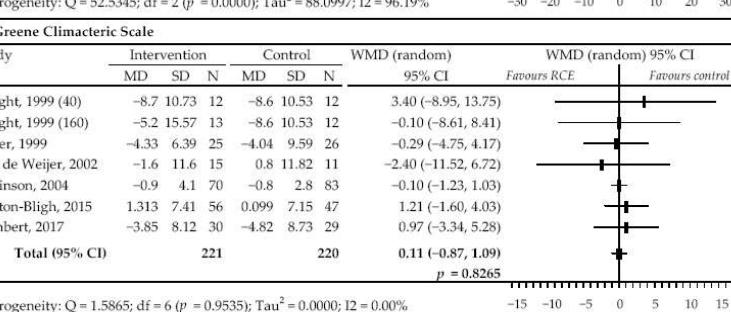
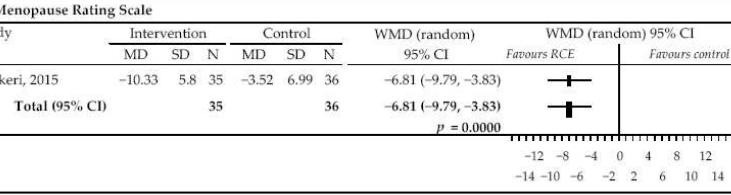
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	Li 2011	Menopausal symptoms	Black cohosh extract	Symptom severity	3 months	KMI	Higher is worse	45/32	NR	NR	SMD -0.792 (-1.246, -0.338)	NR	Favours intervention	High	
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	Osmers 2005	Menopausal symptoms	Black cohosh extract	Symptom severity	3 months	MRS total	Higher is worse	153/151	NR	NR	SMD -0.394 (-0.626, -0.162)	NR	Favours intervention	Low	
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	Stoll 1987	Menopausal symptoms	Black cohosh extract	Symptom severity	3 months	KMI	Higher is worse	30/20	NR	NR	SMD -1.020 (-1.586, -0.454)	NR	Favours intervention	Low	
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	Jacobson 2001	Menopausal symptoms	Black cohosh extract	Vasomotor symptoms	2 months	Hot flashes, daily frequency	Higher is worse	42/43	NR	NR	SMD -0.187 (-0.659, 0.285)	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
	Uevelhake 2006	Menopausal symptoms	Black cohosh extract + St John's Wort	Symptom severity	4 months	MRS total	Higher is worse	151/150	NR	NR	SMD -0.999 (-1.225, -0.773)	NR	Favours intervention	Low	
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		Symptom severity		12 months	GCS	Higher is worse	205 (NR)							Low
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No RCTs reporting this comparison were identified by the eligible reviews (see below)

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Bai 2007	Menopausal symptoms	black cohosh extract vs NR	Not reported	Not reported										
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Castelao-Branco 2021*	Huang 2013	Menopausal symptoms	black cohosh extract vs NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Not reported
	Liske 2002	Menopausal symptoms	black cohosh extract vs NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Not reported
	Nappi 2005	Menopausal symptoms	black cohosh extract vs NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Not reported
	Sun 2012	Menopausal symptoms	black cohosh extract vs NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Not reported
	Wang 2019	Menopausal symptoms	black cohosh extract vs NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Not reported
	Xi 2014	Menopausal symptoms	black cohosh extract vs NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Not reported
	Zhang 2015	Menopausal symptoms	black cohosh extract vs NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Not reported
	Footnotes:	*The review authors identify 10 RCTs comparing black cohosh extract with other interventions (such as hormone therapy, vitamins/minerals, or antidepressants) but details about these studies were not provided.												
Firoozeei 2021	Kamalifard 2017	Menopausal symptoms	Oral lavender vs oral bitter orange	Depression	8 weeks	BDI	Higher is worse	156 (NR)	NR	NR	NR*	NR	No difference	Low
	Footnotes:	*No further details provided.												

Abbreviations: C, Comparator; Confidence interval; I, intervention; NR, not reported; PGWBI, Psychological General Well-Being Index; RoB, risk of bias; SD, standard deviation

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Ghaderi 2020*	Jafarnia 2017	GAD	Saffron	Anxiety	4 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	20/20	NR	NR	WMD: -1.90 (-3.44, -0.36)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
	Mazidi 2016	Symptoms of Anxiety	Saffron	Anxiety	12 weeks	Beck Anxiety Inventory	higher is worse	30/24	NR	NR	WMD: -3.19 (-4.51, -1.87)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
				Depression	12 weeks	Beck Depression Inventory	higher is worse	30/24	NR	NR	WMD: -2.34 (-4.32, -0.36)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
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Janda 2020*	Akhondzadeh 2001	GAD	Passiflora	Anxiety	4 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	36 (18/18)	5.5 (0.75)	5.1 (1.28)	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
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Sayad 2020		Authors presented a network meta-analysis. Individual study data not provided.												
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Shinjyo 2020*	Andreatini 2002	GAD	Valerian extract	Anxiety	4 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	12/12	Total HAM-A score: significant reduction in all 3 groups. (No significant difference among the 3 groups.) No			No difference	Some concerns	
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Donelli 2019*	Kasper 2016	Symptoms of Anxiety	Lavender oil (Silexan)	Anxiety	NR	HAM-A	higher is worse	159/156	-10.8 (9.6)	-8.4 (8.9)	MD: -2.4 (-4.44, -0.36)	NR	Favours intervention	High
	Kasper 2017	Symptoms of Anxiety	Lavender oil (Silexan)	Anxiety	NR	HAM-A	higher is worse	103/102	-11.6 (8.1)	-11.4 (8)	MD: -0.20 (-2.40, 2.00)	NR	No difference	High
	Kasper 2010	Symptoms of Anxiety	Lavender oil (Silexan)	Anxiety	NR	HAM-A	higher is worse	104/108	-16 (8.3)	-9.5 (9.1)	MD: -6.5 (-8.84, -4.16)	NR	Favours intervention	Low
	Kasper 2014	GAD	Lavender oil (Silexan)	Anxiety	NR	HAM-A	higher is worse	135/136	-12.8 (8.7)	-9.5 (9)	MD: -3.30 (-5.41, -1.19)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns
	Kasper 2015	Symptoms of Anxiety	Lavender oil (Silexan)	Anxiety	NR	HAM-A	higher is worse	86/84	-11.8 (7.1)	-9.6 (9.1)	MD: -2.20 (-4.66, 0.26)	NR	No difference	High
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	Malsch 2001	GAD	Kava Kava	Anxiety	5 weeks	HAM-A#	higher is worse	20/20	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Some concerns																																																											
	Connor 2002	GAD	Kava Kava	Anxiety	3 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	17/18	14.2 (8.3)	10.3 (4.4)	MD: 3.90 (-0.47, 8.27)	0.08	Favours comparator	Some concerns																																																											
	Sarris 2013	GAD	Kava Kava	Anxiety	6 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	27/31	14 (7)	15.3 (6.2)	MD: -1.23 (-4.63, 2.17)	0.478	No difference	Low																																																											
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Baii	Rasper 2014 ^a	GAD	Lavender oil (Silexan) 160mg/day	Anxiety	10 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	121/135	-14.1 (9.3)	-9.5 (9)	MD: -4.6 (-6.9, -2.3)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Some concerns
	Amsterdam 2009	GAD	German chamomile	Anxiety	8 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	28/29	NR	NR	MD: -3.2 (-6.3, -0.45)	0.047	Favours intervention	High
	Mao 2016	GAD	German chamomile	Anxiety	8 weeks	CGI-S	higher is worse	46/47	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	High
	Andreatini 2002	GAD	Valerian extract	Anxiety	4 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	12/12	14.6 (9.8)	16.0 (6.1)	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns
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Ooi 2018 ^a	Connor 2006	GAD	Kava Kava	Anxiety	Study discontinued									
	Savage 2015	GAD	Kava Kava	Anxiety	Protocol only. Study not published NCT02219880									
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Smith 2018 ^a	Sarris 2009	Symptoms of Anxiety	Kava Kava	Anxiety	3 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	29/18	11.26 (4.47)	19.5 (7.26)	NR	0.0001	Favours intervention	Not reported
	Geier 2004	Symptoms of Anxiety	Kava Kava	Anxiety	7 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	25/25	14.8 (4.3)	16.8 (3.55)	NR	0.1	No difference	Not reported
	Lehrl 2004	Symptoms of Anxiety	Kava Kava	Anxiety	7 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	34/23	median 11	median 14	Median Diff 3.00 (IQR: 7 to -4)	0.1	No difference	Not reported
	Gastpar 2003	Symptoms of Anxiety	Kava Kava	Anxiety	7 weeks	ASI	higher is worse	71/70	39 (2.35)	40.6 (2.3)	NR	NS	No difference	Not reported
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Brondum 2013 ^a	Woelk 2007	GAD	Ginkgo	Anxiety	4 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	27/25/30	Authors note response rates (50% reduction in score) of 44% vs 31% vs 22% in high-dose,			significan	Favours intervention	Low
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Lopresti 2021 ^a	Lopresti 2019	Symptoms of Anxiety	Ashwganda	Anxiety	8 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	40/20	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Low
	Kyati 2013	GAD	Ashwganda	Anxiety	8 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	44/42	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Low
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Yu et al. 2015	-0.425	0.201	0.040	-0.819	-0.032	-2.119	0.034																																																																																																																																																		
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Esmaily et al. 2015	-2.532	0.483	0.233	-3.479	-1.586	-5.245	0.000																																																																																																																																																		
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Lopresti et al. 2017 (low dosage)	-4.713	0.610	0.372	-5.908	-3.517	-7.727	0.000																																																																																																																																																		
Lopresti et al. 2017 (high dosage)	-4.401	0.551	0.303	-5.481	-3.322	-7.994	0.000																																																																																																																																																		
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Khaksarian 2019 ^a	Akhondzadeh Basti 2007	Mild-Moderate Depression	Saffron	Depression	6 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	19/25	-12.18 (3.72)	-13.45 (4.84)	SMD 0.28 (-0.32, 0.88)	NR	No difference	Some concerns																																																			
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Marx 2019 ^a	Kashani 2013	Major Depressive Disorder	Saffron	Depression	4 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	34 (NR)	NR	NR	Hedges's g 0.363 (-0.299, 1.025)	0.283	Favours intervention	Some concerns																																																			
	Modabbernia 2012	Major Depressive Disorder	Saffron	Depression	4 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	30 (NR)	NR	NR	Hedges's g 0.485 (-0.222, 1.192)	0.179	Favours intervention	Some concerns																																																			
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Firoozzei 2021	Araj-Khodaei 2020	Mild-Moderate Depression	Lavender (oral) vs fluoxetine	Depression	8 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	NR	NR	NR	SMD 0.57 (-0.12, 1.26)	0.877	Favours comparator	High																																																			
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Figure 3 Meta-analyses of primary outcomes: (A) improvement of depression symptoms compared with placebo;

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Dai 2020	Kashani 2016	Postpartum depression	Saffron vs fluoxetine	Depression	6 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	32/17	NR	NR	MD 0.21 (-0.69, 1.11)	NR	Favours comparator	Some concerns					
	Akhondzadeh Basti 2007	Mild-Moderate Depression	Saffron vs fluoxetine	Depression	8 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	20/19	NR	NR	MD 1.5 (-1.30, 4.30)	NR	Favours comparator	Some concerns					
	Noorbala 2005	Mild-Moderate Depression	Saffron vs fluoxetine	Depression	6 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	20/20	NR	NR	MD 2.80 (-0.53, 6.13)	NR	Favours comparator	Low					
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Marx 2019 ^a	Akhondzadeh Basti 2004	Major Depression	Saffron vs Imipramine	Depression	6 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	30 (NR)	NR	NR	Hedges's g 0.606	0.096	Favours intervention	Some concerns					
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Khaksarian 2019 ^a	Akhondzadeh Basti 2007	Mild-Moderate Depression	Saffron vs fluoxetine	Depression	8 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	20/20	-12.00 (4.10)	-13.50 (4.91)	SMD 0.33 (-0.30, 0.95)	NR	Favours comparator	Some concerns					
	Noorbala 2005	Mild-Moderate Depression	Saffron vs fluoxetine	Depression	6 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	20/20	-12.20 (4.67)	-15.00 (5.88)	SMD 0.52 (-0.11, 1.15)	NR	Favours comparator	Low					
	Kashani 2016	Postpartum depression	Saffron vs fluoxetine	Depression	6 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	32/32	7.50 (1.97)	7.71 (1.69)	SMD -0.11 (-0.60, 0.38)	NR	No difference	Some concerns					
	Footnotes:																		
Yang 2019	Akhondzadeh Basti 2007	Mild-Moderate Depression	Saffron vs fluoxetine	Depression	8 weeks	HAM-D	B												
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	Ghajar 2017	Major Depression	Saffron vs citalopram	Depression	6 weeks	HAM-D	Akhondzadeh Basti et al (2007) ^{a3}	-12	4.1	19	-13.5	4.91	19	24.3	0.32 (-0.32, 0.97)				
	Noorbala 2005	Mild-Moderate Depression	Saffron vs fluoxetine	Depression	6 weeks	HAM-D	Akhondzadeh et al (2004) ^{a4}	-11.2	1.39	15	-10.41	1.38	15	20.6	-0.55 (-1.29, 0.18)				
	Footnotes:	Heterogeneity: $\chi^2=0.07$; $\chi^2=5.14$, $df=3$ ($P=0.16$); $I^2=42\%$ Test for overall effect: $Z=0.76$ ($P=0.44$)																	
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Toth 2019 ^a	Ghajar 2017	Major Depression	Saffron vs citalopram	Depression	6 weeks	HAM-D	higher is worse	66 (NR)	10.13 (SEM 1.09)	11.27 (SEM 0.67)	NR	NR	Not reported	Low
				Anxiety	6 weeks	HAM-A	higher is worse	66 (NR)	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Low
Footnotes: ^only RCT data not already extracted above reported here.														

Abbreviations: C, Comparator; Confidence interval; I, intervention; NR, not reported; RoB, risk of bias; SD, standard deviation

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WHM vs placebo															
Lopresti 2021	Langade 2019	Insomnia	Ashwaghanda	Sleep quality	10 weeks	PSQI	higher is worse	60 (40/20)	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Low	
				Symptoms of anxiety			HAM-A		higher is worse	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Low	
Shinjyo 2020	Taibi 2009	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	2 weeks	self-rated, measure not described; assumed VAS (higher is better)		32*	NR	NR	Hedges's g 0.11 (-0.59, 0.82)	NR	No difference	Low	
	Oxman 2007	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	2 weeks	self-rated, measure not described; assumed VAS (higher is better)		405	NR	NR	Hedges's g 0.22 (0.03, 0.42)	0.04	Favours intervention	Low	
	Donath 2000	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	2 weeks	VAS	higher is worse	32*	NR	NR	Hedges's g -0.11 (-0.82, 0.59)	NR	No difference	High	
	Coxeter 2003	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	3 weeks	VAS	higher is worse	24	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Low	
		Kava		Insomnia severity	4 weeks	ISI	change from baseline [▲]	(121/135)	NR	8.3	NR	NR	Not reported	Low	
				Symptoms of anxiety			STAI		11.8 (12.3)	14.4 (12.9) [▲]	MD 2.7 (-0.8, 6.2)	NR	Not reported	Low	
	Jacobs 2005	Insomnia	Valerian	Insomnia severity	4 weeks	ISI	change from baseline [▲]	222 (135/135)	NR	8.3	Hedges's g -0.06	NR	No difference	Low	
				Symptoms of anxiety			STAI		11.9 (11.9)	14.4 (12.9) [▲]	Hedges's g -0.20 (-0.47, 0.06)	NR	No difference	Low	
	Taavoni 2011	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	4 weeks	PSQI	higher is worse	100	NR	NR	Hedges's g 1.28 (0.85, 1.72)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Morin 2005	Insomnia	Combination (valerian + hops)	HRQoL	4 weeks	NR	higher is best	184	NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
				Sleep quality		self-rated, measure not described; assumed VAS (higher is better)			NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns	

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	Footnotes:	*Not clear, but N suggests results are after crossover (N=16 x 2) ^ retrieved from primary study													
Hieu 2019	Zick 2011	Insomnia	Chamomile	Insomnia severity	4 weeks	ISI	higher is worse	34 (17/17)	NR	NR	MD 0.3 (-2.79, 3.39)	0.85	No difference	Some concerns	
				Sleep quality			higher is worse		7.5 (3.3)	7.10 (2.7)	SMD 0.13 (-0.54, 0.8)	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
				Symptoms of depression		BDI	higher is worse		NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Some concerns	
				Fatigue			higher is worse		NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Some concerns	
				Symptoms of anxiety		FSS	higher is worse		35.5 (11)	40.8 (15.5)	SMD -0.39 (-1.06, 0.29)	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
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Leach 2015	Jacobs 2005	Insomnia	Valerian	Insomnia severity	4 weeks	ISI	change from baseline^	222	NR	8.3	MD 0.4 (-1.3, 2.1)	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
				Insomnia severity			change from baseline^		391	NR	8.3	MD 0.2 (-1.6, 1.9)	NR	No difference	Some concerns
	Zick 2011	Insomnia	Chamomile	Sleep quality	6 months	VAS	higher is worse	34	NR	NR	MD -0.4 (-1.07, 0.29)	0.26	No difference	Some concerns	
				Insomnia severity			higher is worse		NR	NR	MD 0.3 (-2.79, 3.39)	0.85	No difference	Some concerns	
	Coxeter 2003	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	3 weeks	self-rated, measure not described; assumed VAS		24	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Some concerns	
	Taibi 2009	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	2 weeks	self-rated, measure not described; assumed VAS		16 (8/8)	5.9 (1.8)	6.4 (1.4)	SMD -0.29 (-1.28, 0.69)	NR	No difference	Low	
	Taavoni 2011	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	4 weeks	PSQI	higher is worse	100 (50/50)	-6.02 (2.6)	-9.4 (3.9)	SMD 1.01 (0.59, 1.43)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Oxman 2007	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	2 weeks	self-rated, measure not described; assumed VAS		405 (202/203)	4.06 (1.52)	4.08 (1.29)	SMD -0.01 (-0.21, 0.18)	NR	No difference	Some concerns	
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Fernández-San-Martín 2010	Leathwood 1985	Sleep problems	Valerian	Sleep quality	18 days	VAS	higher is better	6	NR	NR	SMD 0.25 (-0.89, 1.39)	NR	No difference	Low														
	Vorbach 1996	Sleep problems	Valerian	Sleep quality	4 weeks	short form B	NR	121	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Low														
	Kuhlmann 1999	Sleep problems	Valerian	Sleep quality	23 days	short form B	NR	102	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Some concerns														
	Jacobs 2005	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	4 weeks	VAS	higher is better	270	NR	NR	SMD -0.12 (-0.36, 0.12)	NR	No difference	Low														
	Donath 2000	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	43 days	response rate	higher is better	16	NR	NR	NR	RR	Not reported	Low														
	Coxeter 2003	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	52 days	short form B	NR	21	NR	NR	NR	NR	Not reported	Low														
	Oxman 2007	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	4 weeks	VAS (1 to 7)*	higher is better	434	NR	NR	SMD -0.13 (-0.32, 0.07)	NR	No difference	Low														
	Taibi 2008	Insomnia	Valerian	Sleep quality	44 days	VAS (1 to 9)*	higher is better	16	NR	NR	SMD -0.3 (-1.0, 0.4)	NR	No difference	Low														
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Shinjiyo 2020	Ziegler 2002	Insomnia	Valerian vs Oxazepam	Patient reported improvement	6 weeks	Sleep questionnaire	NR	202	NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	High														
	Morin 2005	Insomnia	Valerian + Hops vs Diphenhydramine	HRQoL	4 weeks	NR	NR	184	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns														
						Sleep quality	Sleep diary		NR	NR	NR	NR	No difference	Some concerns														
	Maroo 2013	Insomnia	Valerian + Passiflora + Hops) vs Zolpidem	Insomnia severity	2 weeks	ISI	higher is worse	78	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns														
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Leach 2015	Ziegler 2002	Insomnia	Valerian vs Oxazepam	Insomnia severity	6 weeks	ISI*	higher is worse	186	NR	NR	SMD 0.13 (-0.16, 0.42)	0.37	No difference	High

Abbreviations: BDI, Beck Depression Inventory; C, Comparator; FSS, Fatigue severity scale; I, intervention; ISI, insomnia severity scale; NR, not reported; STAI, state trait anxiety index

STUDY RESULTS (as reported by the review authors)														
Review ID	RCT	Condition	Intervention	Outcome	Timing	Outcome measure	measure details	# participant s (I/C)	(intervention) n/N (%) or mean (SD)	(comparator) n/N (%) or mean (SD)	Point estimate (95% CI)	p -value	direction of effect	RoB
WHM vs placebo														
Batch 2016	Kim 2013	idiopathic chronic fatigue	Panax ginseng (1000 or 2000 mg per day)	Fatigue	end of treatment (4 wks)	NRS (0-100)	Higher means worse fatigue	58/29	41.8 (13.2)	48.8 (7.3)	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Low
	Etemadifar 2013	multiple sclerosis patients	Panax ginseng	Fatigue	end of treatment (12 wks)	Modified FIS (0-36)	Higher means greater impact on daily activities	26/26	23.65 (12.8)	23.69 (12.94)	NR	NR	Favours intervention	Low
	Footnotes: Not clear if results for intervention arm were for 2,000 mg/day or 1,000 mg/day. Presumed that results were based on cumulative mean for both.													
Kim 2020	Hartz 2000 ⁴	idiopathic chronic fatigue	Siberian ginseng 2000 mg vs placebo	Vitality	end of treatment (8 wks)	RVI (0-100)*	Higher means more energy	26/20	-11.8 (3.93)	-10.2 (3.93)	SMD -0.40 (-0.99, 0.19)	NR	no difference	Not assessed
	Footnotes: *presumed the direction of the scale has been reversed to fit with measures of fatigue.													
Hartz 2004	idiopathic chronic fatigue	Panax ginseng (800 mg bid po)	Fatigue severity	end of treatment (8 wks)	NR	NR		36/40	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns
				Vitality	end of treatment (8 wks)	RVI (0-100)*	Higher means more energy	36/40	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns
			Mood/ Anxiety	end of treatment (8 wks)	MASQ	NR		36/40	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns
Kim 2016	idiopathic chronic fatigue	Panax ginseng (50 mg bid po)	Fatigue	end of treatment (4 wks)	CIS	NR		72/77	NR	NR	NR	>0.05	no difference	Some concerns

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Jin 2020	Hyeong-Geug 2013	idiopathic chronic fatigue	Panax ginseng (1or 2 g qd po)	NR*	end of treatment (4 wks)	NRS	NR	90/30	NR	NR	NR	>0.05	no difference	Some concerns
					end of treatment (4 wks)	VAS	NR	90/30	NR	NR	NR	<0.05	Favours intervention	Some concerns
	Lee 2016	idiopathic chronic fatigue	EMGE (500 mg bid po)	Fatigue	end of treatment (4 wks)	VAS	Higher means more fatigue	26/26	NR	NR	NR	<0.01	Favours intervention	Low
					end of treatment (4 wks)	RPFS	Higher means more fatigue	26/26	NR	NR	NR	>0.05	no difference	Low
				HRQoL	end of treatment (4 wks)	SF-36	Higher means better HRQoL	26/26	NR	NR	NR	>0.05	no difference	Low
	Gal 1996	idiopathic chronic fatigue	Panax ginseng (1capsule bid po)	Fatigue score	end of treatment (6 wks)	NR	NR	109/109	NR	NR	NR	0.019	Favours intervention	Some concerns

Footnotes: *not clear if the measure is for fatigue, pain or other outcome

WHM vs control (no intervention, waitlist, usual care)

No RCTs reporting this comparison were identified by the eligible reviews

WHM vs other intervention

No RCTs reporting this comparison were identified by the eligible reviews

Abbreviations: bid, *bis in die* (twice daily); C, Comparator; CIS, checklist individual strength; EMGE, enzyme-modified ginseng extract; I, intervention; FIS, fatigue impact scale; MASQ, mood and anxiety symptoms questionnaire; mg, milligrams; NR, not reported; NRS, numeric rating scale; po, per oral; RPFS, revised Piper fatigue scale; qd, *quaque die* (once daily); RVI, Rand vitality index; VAS, visual analogue scale

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WHM vs placebo															
Kim 2021	Lu 2016	Acne vulgaris	Green tea (oral)	Disease severity	4 weeks	Inflammatory lesion count (higher is worse)		64 (33/31)	-3.4 (3.2)	-2 (0.3)	MD -1.40 (-2.5, -0.3)	0.01	Favours intervention	Low	
						Non-inflammatory lesion count (higher is worse)			0.00 (0.40)	-0.2 (0.40)	MD 0.2 (0.0, 0.40)	0.05	Not reported	Low	
	Sharquie 2006	Acne vulgaris	Green tea (2% tea lotion)	Disease severity	8 weeks	Inflammatory lesion count (higher is worse)		47 (25/24)	-15.7 (4.9)	-2.5 (2.7)	MD -13.20 (-15.40, -11)	NR	Favours intervention	Some concerns	
	Yoon 2013 (group a)*	Acne vulgaris	Green tea (1% EGCG)	Disease severity	8 weeks	revised Leeds score (mean change from		34 (17/17)	-3.3 (0.1)	-1.2 (0.2)	MD -2.1 (-2.21, -1.99)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Low	
				Disease severity		Inflammatory lesion count (higher is worse)			-8.9 (2.6)	-1.00 (1.10)	MD -7.90 (-9.24, -6.56)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Low	
				Disease severity		Non-inflammatory lesion count (higher is worse)			-38.2 (13.60)	1.90 (4.80)	MD -36.30 (-43.16, -29.44)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Low	
				Global improvement		VAS (0-10) (mean change from baseline)			-6.5 (1.1)	-1.2 (1.4)	MD -5.30 (-6.15, -4.45)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Low	
				Disease severity		revised Leeds score (mean change from			-3.5 (0.7)	-1.2 (0.2)	MD -2.30 (-2.65, -1.95)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Low	
Yoon 2013 (group b)*	Acne vulgaris	Green tea (5% EGCG)	Disease severity	8 weeks	Inflammatory lesion count (higher is worse)		35 (18/18)	-8.6 (1)	-1.00 (1.10)	MD -7.6 (-8.31, -6.89)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Low		
					Non-inflammatory lesion count (higher is worse)			-31.20 (10)	-1.90 (4.80)	MD -29.30 (-34.57, -24.03)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Low		
					VAS (0-10) (mean change from baseline)			-5.1 (1.3)	-1.2 (1.4)	MD -3.90 (-4.81, -2.99)	<0.001	Favours intervention	Low		
Footnotes:		*Yoon 2013 examined two different concentrations of green tea extract (1% EGCG and 5% EGCG) independently in a split-face trial design.													

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Vaughn 2016	Lalla 2001*	Acne vulgaris	Curcumin combination (oral+topical cream)	Disease severity	4 weeks	Leeds technique (4-point scale)	53 (NR)	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours intervention	High					
			Curcumin combination (oral+topical gel)	Disease severity				NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours intervention	High					
Footnotes: *The study appears to have several groups in varying combination of oral + topical gel, oral + topical cream, oral + placebo. There is only 1 participant in the placebo + placebo group.																			
WHM vs inactive control																			
Tuong 2015	Jung 2012	Acne vulgaris	Green tea extract (20mg/mL) vs no intervention	Disease severity	8 weeks	Total acne lesion count (higher is worse)	30 (NR)	NR	NR	NR	p<0.05	NR	Favours intervention	High					
Footnotes:																			
WHM vs active control																			
Waranuch 2019	Waranuch 2019	Acne vulgaris	Hydrogel* vs 1% clindamycin	Disease severity	4 weeks	Acne severity index	60 (30/30)	-2.00 (4.93)	-1.8 (7.12)	MD -1.30 (-4.9, 2.3)	0.48	No difference	No difference	Low					
						Inflammatory lesion count (higher is worse)		-2.00 (4.93)	1.2 (4.38)	MD -0.8 (-3.16, 1.56)	0.51	No difference	No difference	Low					
Kim 2021	Sharquie 2008	Acne vulgaris	Green tea (2% tea lotion) vs 5% zinc sulfate solution	Disease severity	8 weeks	Inflammatory lesion count (higher is worse)	40 (20/20)	-26.30 (3)	-9.3 (1.3)	MD -17 (-18.43, -15.57)	NR	Favours intervention	High						
Footnotes: * consists of aloe, mangosteen, green tea																			

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Ernst 2002	Basset 1990	Acne vulgaris	Tea tree oil vs benzoyl peroxide	Disease severity	3 months	Global improvement in inflammatory lesions (measure NR)		124	NR	NR	NR	p<0.05	Favours comparator	High
	Fulton 1990*	Acne vulgaris after dermabrasion	Aloe vera gel vs polyethylene oxide gel	Global improvement	5 days	Wound healing (reepithelialisation)		18	NR	NR	NR	NR	Favours intervention	High
	Footnotes:	*the study is a split-face trial design.												
Vogler 1999	Fulton 1990*	Acne vulgaris after dermabrasion	Aloe vera gel vs polyethylene oxide gel	Global improvement	5 days	Wound healing (reepithelialisation)		18	90% complete	40% to 50% complete	NR	NR	Favours intervention	High
	Footnotes:	*the study is a split-face trial design.												

Abbreviations: C, Comparator; I, intervention; IBS, irritable bowel syndrome; NR, not reported