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## Systematic review

### 1. \* Review title.

Give the working title of the review, for example the one used for obtaining funding. Ideally the title should state succinctly the interventions or exposures being reviewed and the associated health or social problems. Where appropriate, the title should use the PI(E)COS structure to contain information on the Participants, Intervention (or Exposure) and Comparison groups, the Outcomes to be measured and Study designs to be included.

Patient, carer and staff perceptions of robotics in rehabilitation: systematic review and qualitative meta-synthesis

### 2. Original language title.

For reviews in languages other than English, this field should be used to enter the title in the language of the review. This will be displayed together with the English language title.

### 3. \* Anticipated or actual start date.

Give the date when the systematic review commenced, or is expected to commence.

07/01/2019

### 4. \* Anticipated completion date.

Give the date by which the review is expected to be completed.

01/02/2020

### 5. \* Stage of review at time of this submission.

Indicate the stage of progress of the review by ticking the relevant Started and Completed boxes. Additional information may be added in the free text box provided.

Please note: Reviews that have progressed beyond the point of completing data extraction at the time of initial registration are not eligible for inclusion in PROSPERO. Should evidence of incorrect status and/or completion date being supplied at the time of submission come to light, the content of the PROSPERO record will be removed leaving only the title and named contact details and a statement that inaccuracies in the stage of the review date had been identified.

This field should be updated when any amendments are made to a published record and on completion and publication of the review. If this field was pre-populated from the initial screening questions then you are not able to edit it until the record is published.

The review has not yet started: No

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Review stage	Started	Completed
Preliminary searches	Yes	No
Piloting of the study selection process	Yes	No
Formal screening of search results against eligibility criteria	Yes	No
Data extraction	No	No
Risk of bias (quality) assessment	No	No
Data analysis	No	No

Provide any other relevant information about the stage of the review here (e.g. Funded proposal, protocol not yet finalised).

**6. \* Named contact.**

The named contact acts as the guarantor for the accuracy of the information presented in the register record.

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**9. Named contact phone number.**

Give the telephone number for the named contact, including international dialling code.

01522837407

**10. \* Organisational affiliation of the review.**

Full title of the organisational affiliations for this review and website address if available. This field may be completed as 'None' if the review is not affiliated to any organisation.

University of Lincoln

**Organisation web address:**

**11. \* Review team members and their organisational affiliations.**

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Give the title, first name, last name and the organisational affiliations of each member of the review team. Affiliation refers to groups or organisations to which review team members belong.

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#### 12. \* Funding sources/sponsors.

Give details of the individuals, organizations, groups or other legal entities who take responsibility for initiating, managing, sponsoring and/or financing the review. Include any unique identification numbers assigned to the review by the individuals or bodies listed.

None

#### 13. \* Conflicts of interest.

List any conditions that could lead to actual or perceived undue influence on judgements concerning the main topic investigated in the review.

None

#### 14. Collaborators.

Give the name and affiliation of any individuals or organisations who are working on the review but who are not listed as review team members.

#### 15. \* Review question.

State the question(s) to be addressed by the review, clearly and precisely. Review questions may be specific or broad. It may be appropriate to break very broad questions down into a series of related more specific questions. Questions may be framed or refined using PI(E)COS where relevant.

What are patients', their carers' and healthcare professionals' perceptions of robotic and robotic-assisted interventions in motor rehabilitation?

#### 16. \* Searches.

Give details of the sources to be searched, search dates (from and to), and any restrictions (e.g. language or publication period). The full search strategy is not required, but may be supplied as a link or attachment.

We will search the following electronic bibliographic databases: MEDLINE, CINAHL, Academic Search Complete, The Cochrane Library (Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews), PROSPERO, Scopus, IEEE Xplore, Knovel, ACM Digital Library, and Web of Science. All databases will be searched from inception and there will be no language restrictions. Database searches will be supplemented with internet searches (i.e. Google Scholar), and forward and backward citation tracking from included studies and review articles.

#### 17. URL to search strategy.

Give a link to a published pdf/word document detailing either the search strategy or an example of a search strategy for a specific database if available (including the keywords that will be used in the search strategies), or upload your search strategy. Do NOT provide links to your search results.

Alternatively, upload your search strategy to CRD in pdf format. Please note that by doing so you are consenting to the file being made publicly accessible.

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### 18. \* Condition or domain being studied.

Give a short description of the disease, condition or healthcare domain being studied. This could include health and wellbeing outcomes.

Patients', their carers' and healthcare professionals' experiences and perceptions of robotic and robotic-assisted interventions in delivery of motor rehabilitation.

### 19. \* Participants/population.

Give summary criteria for the participants or populations being studied by the review. The preferred format includes details of both inclusion and exclusion criteria.

Patients who have undergone motor rehabilitation that involved a robotic or robotic-assisted intervention. The views of the family carers of the patients and also of the healthcare professionals involved in the delivery of the intervention (such as physiotherapists, neurologists, occupational therapists, etc.).

### 20. \* Intervention(s), exposure(s).

Give full and clear descriptions or definitions of the nature of the interventions or the exposures to be reviewed.

Robotic interventions or robotic-assisted interventions in motor rehabilitation. The focus of the review and meta-synthesis will be the patients', their carers', and healthcare professionals' views and perceptions of such interventions.

### 21. \* Comparator(s)/control.

Where relevant, give details of the alternatives against which the main subject/topic of the review will be compared (e.g. another intervention or a non-exposed control group). The preferred format includes details of both inclusion and exclusion criteria.

Not applicable.

### 22. \* Types of study to be included.

Give details of the types of study (study designs) eligible for inclusion in the review. If there are no restrictions on the types of study design eligible for inclusion, or certain study types are excluded, this should be stated. The preferred format includes details of both inclusion and exclusion criteria.

Qualitative research, interviews, focus groups, ethnographic. Quantitative research studies will be excluded.

### 23. Context.

Give summary details of the setting and other relevant characteristics which help define the inclusion or exclusion criteria.

Participants (and their carers) and healthcare professionals involved in robotic and/or robotic-assisted interventions for motor rehabilitation.

### 24. \* Main outcome(s).

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Give the pre-specified main (most important) outcomes of the review, including details of how the outcome is defined and measured and when these measurement are made, if these are part of the review inclusion criteria.

Patients', carers' and healthcare professionals' views, opinions and perceptions of robotic interventions in delivery of motor rehabilitation.

#### Timing and effect measures

Not applicable.

#### 25. \* Additional outcome(s).

List the pre-specified additional outcomes of the review, with a similar level of detail to that required for main outcomes. Where there are no additional outcomes please state 'None' or 'Not applicable' as appropriate to the review

None.

#### Timing and effect measures

Not applicable.

#### 26. \* Data extraction (selection and coding).

Give the procedure for selecting studies for the review and extracting data, including the number of researchers involved and how discrepancies will be resolved. List the data to be extracted.

Titles and/or abstracts of studies retrieved using the search strategy and those from additional sources will be screened independently by two review authors to identify studies that potentially meet the inclusion criteria outlined above. The full text of these potentially eligible studies will be retrieved and independently assessed for eligibility by two review team members. Any disagreement between reviewers over the eligibility of a study will be resolved through discussion with a third reviewer. Extracted studies for assessment of study quality and evidence synthesis. Extracted information will include: study details (title, authors, date), methods (aims, objectives, research questions, study design, setting, data collection methods, outcomes, data analysis, context in terms of findings and relevant theory), and participants (demographics, inclusion/exclusion criteria, method of recruitment, sample selection and sample size). One review author will extract data and a second author will check for accuracy. Any discrepancies will be identified and resolved through discussion or in consultation with a third author, where necessary. Missing data will be requested from study authors.

#### 27. \* Risk of bias (quality) assessment.

State whether and how risk of bias will be assessed (including the number of researchers involved and how discrepancies will be resolved), how the quality of individual studies will be assessed, and whether and how this will influence the planned synthesis.

Two reviewers will independently assess the quality of the included studies using the CASP Qualitative Checklist (2018). Studies, however, will not be excluded on the basis of their quality. Any discrepancies will

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be identified and resolved through discussion or in consultation with a third author, where necessary.

#### 28. \* Strategy for data synthesis.

Give the planned general approach to synthesis, e.g. whether aggregate or individual participant data will be used and whether a quantitative or narrative (descriptive) synthesis is planned. It is acceptable to state that a quantitative synthesis will be used if the included studies are sufficiently homogenous.

We will use thematic synthesis to synthesise the data, following the Thomas and Harden (2008) approach.

Initially two reviewers will independently code each line of text according to its meaning and content and, consequently, these free codes of findings will be organised into 'descriptive' themes. Finally, based on the codes and 'descriptive themes', 'analytical' themes will be developed.

#### 29. \* Analysis of subgroups or subsets.

Give details of any plans for the separate presentation, exploration or analysis of different types of participants (e.g. by age, disease status, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, presence or absence or co-morbidities); different types of intervention (e.g. drug dose, presence or absence of particular components of intervention); different settings (e.g. country, acute or primary care sector, professional or family care); or different types of study (e.g. randomised or non-randomised).

It is not possible to specify the groups in advance.

#### 30. \* Type and method of review.

Select the type of review and the review method from the lists below. Select the health area(s) of interest for your review.

##### Type of review

Cost effectiveness

No

Diagnostic

No

Epidemiologic

No

Individual patient data (IPD) meta-analysis

No

Intervention

No

Meta-analysis

No

Methodology

No

Narrative synthesis

No

Network meta-analysis

No

Pre-clinical

No

Prevention

No

Prognostic

No

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Prospective meta-analysis (PMA)

No

Review of reviews

No

Service delivery

No

Synthesis of qualitative studies

Yes

Systematic review

Yes

Other

No

**Health area of the review**

Alcohol/substance misuse/abuse

No

Blood and immune system

No

Cancer

No

Cardiovascular

No

Care of the elderly

No

Child health

No

Complementary therapies

No

Crime and justice

No

Dental

No

Digestive system

No

Ear, nose and throat

No

Education

No

Endocrine and metabolic disorders

No

Eye disorders

No

General interest

No

Genetics

No

Health inequalities/health equity

No

Infections and infestations

No

International development

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No

Mental health and behavioural conditions

No

Musculoskeletal

Yes

Neurological

Yes

Nursing

No

Obstetrics and gynaecology

No

Oral health

No

Palliative care

No

Perioperative care

No

Physiotherapy

No

Pregnancy and childbirth

No

Public health (including social determinants of health)

No

Rehabilitation

Yes

Respiratory disorders

No

Service delivery

No

Skin disorders

No

Social care

No

Surgery

No

Tropical Medicine

No

Urological

No

Wounds, injuries and accidents

No

Violence and abuse

No

### 31. Language.

Select each language individually to add it to the list below, use the bin icon to remove any added in error.

English

There is not an English language summary



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#### 32. Country.

Select the country in which the review is being carried out from the drop down list. For multi-national collaborations select all the countries involved.

England

#### 33. Other registration details.

Give the name of any organisation where the systematic review title or protocol is registered (such as with The Campbell Collaboration, or The Joanna Briggs Institute) together with any unique identification number assigned. (N.B. Registration details for Cochrane protocols will be automatically entered). If extracted data will be stored and made available through a repository such as the Systematic Review Data Repository (SRDR), details and a link should be included here. If none, leave blank.

#### 34. Reference and/or URL for published protocol.

Give the citation and link for the published protocol, if there is one

Give the link to the published protocol.

Alternatively, upload your published protocol to CRD in pdf format. Please note that by doing so you are consenting to the file being made publicly accessible.

**No I do not make this file publicly available until the review is complete**

Please note that the information required in the PROSPERO registration form must be completed in full even if access to a protocol is given.

#### 35. Dissemination plans.

Give brief details of plans for communicating essential messages from the review to the appropriate audiences.

We will disseminate the findings of the study through peer reviewed conferences, public presentations, and a peer reviewed journal article.

#### Do you intend to publish the review on completion?

Yes

#### 36. Keywords.

Give words or phrases that best describe the review. Separate keywords with a semicolon or new line. Keywords will help users find the review in the Register (the words do not appear in the public record but are included in searches). Be as specific and precise as possible. Avoid acronyms and abbreviations unless these are in wide use.

Systematic review; meta-synthesis; robotic interventions; robotic-assisted interventions; motor rehabilitation; patients' experiences; informal carers' views and experiences; healthcare professionals' views.

#### 37. Details of any existing review of the same topic by the same authors.

Give details of earlier versions of the systematic review if an update of an existing review is being registered, including full bibliographic reference if possible.

#### 38. \* Current review status.

Review status should be updated when the review is completed and when it is published. For

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newregistrations the review must be Ongoing.

Please provide anticipated publication date

Review\_Ongoing

**39. Any additional information.**

Provide any other information the review team feel is relevant to the registration of the review.

**40. Details of final report/publication(s).**

This field should be left empty until details of the completed review are available.

Give the link to the published review.