

## Appendix 1

1# "Fecal Incontinence" OR "Fecal Incontinence" OR "Incontinence, Fecal" OR "Bowel Incontinence" OR "Fecal Soiling" OR "Low anterior resection syndrome" OR "LARS" OR "Faecal incontinence" OR "Sphincter function" OR "Bowel function"

2# "Biofeedback" OR "BF"

3# "Colorectal Surgery" OR "Proctocolectomy" OR "Anal preservation" OR "Sphincter-sparing" OR "Sphincter-saving" OR "Sphincter sparing" OR "Sphincter saving" OR "Low anterior resection" OR "Anterior resection" OR "Intersphincteric resection" OR "Resection"

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((((((((((((((Fecal Incontinence[MeSH Terms]) OR (Fecal Incontinence)) OR (Incontinence, Fecal)) OR (Bowel Incontinence)) OR (Incontinence, Bowel)) OR (Fecal Soiling)) OR (Soilings, Fecal)) OR (Low anterior resection syndrome)) OR (Bowel dysfunction)) OR (Bowel function)) OR (Sphincter function)) OR (intestinal dysfunction)) OR (intestinal function)) AND ((biofeedback) OR (feedback))) AND (((((((((((((((Rectal Neoplasms[MeSH Terms]) OR (Rectal Neoplasms)) OR (Neoplasm, Rectal)) OR (Rectal Neoplasm)) OR (Rectum Neoplasms)) OR (Neoplasm, Rectum)) OR (Rectum Neoplasm)) OR (Rectal Tumors)) OR (Rectal Tumor)) OR (Tumor, Rectal)) OR (Neoplasms, Rectal)) OR (Cancer of Rectum)) OR (Rectum Cancers)) OR (Rectal Cancer)) OR (Cancer, Rectal)) OR (Rectal Cancers)) OR (Rectum Cancer)) OR (Cancer, Rectum)) OR (Cancer of the Rectum))
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<input type="checkbox"/> #4	#1 AND #2 AND #3			101
<input type="checkbox"/> #3	biofeedback OR feedback			222,672
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<input type="checkbox"/> #1	'feces incontinence'/exp OR (low AND anterior AND resection AND syndrome) OR (bowel AND dysfunction) OR (intestinal AND function) OR (sphincter AND function) OR (bowel AND function) OR (fecal AND incontinence)			114,166

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### Cochrane Library

-	+	#1	Rectal Neoplasms	S	MeSH	Limits	2788
-	+	#2	fecal incontinence			Limits	1460
-	+	#3	Soilings, Fecal OR Fecal Soiling OR Incontinence, Fecal OR Bowel Incontinence OR Incontinence, Bowel OR low anterior resection syndrome OR bowel dysfunction OR bowel function OR intestinal function OR sphincter function)			Limits	8144
-	+	#4	#2 OR #3			Limits	8144
-	+	#5	(biofeedback OR feedback)			Limits	21050
-	+	#6	#1 AND #4 AND #5			Limits	14
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### ClinicalTrials.Gov

(rectal neoplasms OR rectal cancer) AND (biofeedback OR feedback)

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Appendix 2

**Basic information of literature**

**Review Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Reviewer** \_\_\_\_\_

**Study Title** \_\_\_\_\_

First author	
Year of publication	
Country of publication	
Publication type	Journal/Abstract/Other
Contact details	

**Eligibility of included studies**

Study type	
Patients with intestinal dysfunction after rectal cancer surgery	yes:                  no:
Biofeedback therapy	yes:                  no:
<b>Note:</b>	

**Characteristics of participants**

Characteristics of participants	Study
Total number of participants	
Number of groups in the intervention	
Number of groups in the	

control group		
Participants		Age: Median___Average___Range___ Sex: Other:
Intervention measures		*Record the specific contents, methods, operation specifications, participants, time, frequency and cycle of intervention, and whether the participants have received training*
Control measures		*Record the specific contents, methods, operation specifications, participants, time, frequency and cycle of intervention, and whether the participants have received training*
Follow up time		
Outcomes	Diagnostic criteria of disease	Evaluation of prognosis

**Methods: Non randomized study quality assessment : (MINORS0)**

Methodological items	Score
<p><b>1、 A clearly stated aim:</b> the question addressed should be precise and relevant in the light of available literature</p> <p><b>2、 Inclusion of consecutive patients:</b> all patients potentially fit for inclusion (satisfying the criteria for inclusion) have been included in the study during the study period (no exclusion or details about the reasons for exclusion)</p> <p><b>3、 Prospective collection of data:</b> data were collected according to a protocol established before the beginning</p>	

of the study

**4、 Endpoints appropriate to the aim of the study:**

unambiguous explanation of the criteria used to evaluate the main outcome which should be in accordance with the question addressed by the study. Also, the endpoints should be assessed on an intention-to-treat basis.

**5、 Unbiased assessment of the study endpoint:**

blind evaluation of objective endpoints and double-blind evaluation of subjective endpoints. Otherwise the reasons for not blinding should be stated

**6、 Follow-up period appropriate to the aim of the study:**

the follow-up should be sufficiently long to allow the assessment of the main endpoint and possible adverse events

**7、 Loss to follow up less than 5%:**

all patients should be included in the follow up. Otherwise, the proportion lost to follow up should not exceed the proportion experiencing the major endpoint

**8、 Prospective calculation of the study size:**

information of the size of detectable difference of interest with a calculation of 95% confidence interval, according to the expected incidence of the outcome event, and

<p>information about the level for statistical significance and estimates of power when comparing the outcomes</p> <p><b>9、 An adequate control group:</b> having a gold standard diagnostic test or therapeutic intervention recognized as the optimal intervention according to the available published data</p> <p><b>10、 Contemporary groups:</b> control and studied group should be managed during the same time period (no historical comparison)</p> <p><b>11、 Baseline equivalence of groups:</b> the groups should be similar regarding the criteria other than the studied endpoints. Absence of confounding factors that could bias the interpretation of the results</p> <p><b>12、 Adequate statistical analyses:</b> whether the statistics were in accordance with the type of study with calculation of confidence intervals or relative risk</p>	
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**Note: 0 (Not reported) 1 (Insufficient) 2 (Sufficient)**

### Results

	Intervention group	Control group
Number		
Exclusion number		
Number of observations		

Number of lost follow-up		
Number of events		

Continuous variable (Before intervention)	Intervention group			Control group		
Outcomes	N	Mean	Standard deviation (SD)	N	Mean	Standard deviation (SD)
Continuous variable (After intervention)	Intervention group			Control group		
Outcomes	N	Mean	Standard deviation (SD)	N	Mean	Standard deviation (SD)
Continuous	Intervention group			Control group		

variable (Change)						
Outcomes	N	Mean	Standard deviation (SD)	N	Mean	Standard deviation (SD)

### Appendix 3

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