



Influenza Vaccination and Its Association with Dementia Risk: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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Background

- Influenza vaccination is not only effective in preventing influenza but may also provide protection against other diseases, including dementia.
- Previous findings on the association of influenza vaccination and dementia in populations with specific underlying conditions remains unclear.

Objectives



Methods



MEDLINE, Embase, CENTRAL



Up to July 17, 2024



7 Cohort studies
8,265,275 participants



Newcastle-Ottawa Scale
Random-effects model

Results

All-cause dementia risk ↓

HR: 0.75 95% CI 0.66–0.85

General population

HR: 0.89 95% CI 0.81–0.98

Specific diseases

HR: 0.66 95% CI 0.63–0.69

Vaccination doses

≥ 4 doses

dementia risk ↓

HR: 0.42 95% CI 0.35–0.50

Dementia subtypes

Vascular dementia

HR: 0.59 95% CI 0.47–0.75

Alzheimer's disease

HR: 0.87 95% CI 0.64–1.19

Conclusions

- This systematic review and meta-analysis suggest that influenza vaccination is associated with a reduced risk of dementia, particularly vascular dementia, and in populations with specific underlying conditions.
- These findings highlight the potential of vaccination as a valuable strategy for dementia prevention in high-risk groups.

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