

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS

1. Supplemental Methods

The search strategy was conducted on August 11, 2022.

Pubmed:

#1: ("heart failure"[Title/Abstract] OR "cardiac failure"[Title/Abstract] OR "heart decompensation"[Title/Abstract] OR "myocardial failure"[Title/Abstract] OR "congestive heart failure"[Title/Abstract]) AND (clinicaltrial[Filter] OR randomizedcontrolledtrial[Filter])

#2: ("tai chi"[Title/Abstract] OR "taiji"[Title/Abstract] OR "qigong"[Title/Abstract] OR "liuzijue"[Title/Abstract] OR "wuqinxi"[Title/Abstract] OR "yijinjing"[Title/Abstract] OR "baduanjin"[Title/Abstract] OR "traditional exercise"[Title/Abstract] OR "chinese traditional exercise"[Title/Abstract] OR ("traditional"[All Fields] AND "chinese exercise"[Title/Abstract]) OR "chinese exercise"[Title/Abstract] OR "kung fu"[Title/Abstract]) AND (clinicaltrial[Filter] OR randomizedcontrolledtrial[Filter])

#1 AND #2

Web of Science:

#1:(((TS=(heart failure)) OR TS=(Cardiac Failure)) OR TS=(Heart Decompensation)) OR TS=(Myocardial Failure)) OR TS=(Congestive Heart Failure) AND (DT==("CLINICAL TRIAL"))

#2: ((((((((TI=(tai chi)) OR TI=(taiji)) OR TI=(qigong)) OR TI=(liuzijue)) OR

TI=(wuqinxi)) OR TI=(yijinjing)) OR TI=(baduanjin)) OR TI=('traditional exercise')) OR TI=('Chinese traditional exercise')) OR TI=('Chinese exercise'))
OR TI=(kung fu)) AND (DT==("CLINICAL TRIAL"))

#1 AND #2

Embase:

#1: ('heart failure':ab,ti OR 'cardiac failure':ab,ti OR 'heart decompensation':ab,ti OR 'myocardial failure':ab,ti OR 'congestive heart failure':ab,ti) AND ([controlled clinical trial]/lim OR [randomized controlled trial]/lim)

#2: ('tai chi':ab,ti OR taiji:ab,ti OR qigong:ab,ti OR liuzijue:ab,ti OR wuqinxi:ab,ti OR yijinjing:ab,ti OR baduanjin:ab,ti OR 'traditional exercise':ab,ti OR 'Chinese traditional exercise':ab,ti OR 'Chinese exercise':ab,ti OR 'kung fu ':ab,ti AND ([controlled clinical trial]/lim OR [randomized controlled trial]/lim))

#1 AND #2

Cochrane library:

#1: (tai chi):ti,ab,kw OR (taiji):ti,ab,kw OR (qigong):ti,ab,kw OR (liuzijue):ti,ab,kw OR (wuqinxi):ti,ab,kw (Word variations have been searched)

#2: (yijinjing):ti,ab,kw OR (baduanjin):ti,ab,kw OR (kung fu):ti,ab,kw OR ("chinese traditional exercise"):ti,ab,kw OR ("chinese exercise"):ti,ab,kw

#3: #1 OR #2

#4: ("heart failure"):ti,ab,kw OR ("cardiac failure"):ti,ab,kw OR ("heart decompensation"):ti,ab,kw OR ("myocardial failure"):ti,ab,kw OR ("congestive heart failure"):ti,ab,kw

#5: #3 AND #4

CNKI, Chongqing VIP, Wanfang Databases:

(心力衰竭 OR 心衰) AND (太极 OR 气功 OR 六字诀 OR 五禽戏 OR 八段锦 OR 易筋经 OR 功夫 OR 中国传统运动)

2. Supplementary Tables

Table S1. Characteristics of selected studies.

Author, Region Year	Age, years.		Sample size				Control (time/ frequency)	Basic management	Duration, month	Outcome indicators				
	mean ± SD	NYHA (drop out)												
	_____	_____	HF etiology		Types of TCE (time/ frequency)									
	Region	class	TCE	CTL	TCE	CTL								
Wei D 2003	China	60.5±NA	II–IV	30	40	NA	Tai Chi (NA/7 times weekly)	-	TDs	3	LVEF			
Yeh GY 2004	US	66±1 61±1	I–IV	15	15	ischemic, alcohol- related, hypertensive,	Tai Chi (60 min/twice weekly)	-	TDs; dietary, exercise advice	3	6MWD; BNP; MLHFQ; peak VO ₂ ; biomarkers			

peripartum,

adriamycin-induced

Barrow

		68.4	67.9±		32	33			TDs; standard medical		
DM	UK			II-III			NA	Tai Chi+Qigong (55 mins/twice weekly)	-	4	MLHFQ; Exercise capacity (ISWD); SCL-90
		±NA	NA		(7)	(6)			supervision		

2007

64.2

Yeh GY

54.7±

2008

US ±16.

I-III

8

10

NA

Tai Chi (60 min/twice weekly)

-

TDs; dietary, exercise advice

3

6MWD; MLHFQ

11.8

2

Idiopathic dilated,

52.4

Yao CD

51.7±

II

80

70

hypertensive,
coronary

Tai Chi (30 min/≥5 times weekly)

-

TDs; lifestyle guidance

6

6MWD; MLHFQ; LVEF; LVEDd

2010

7.26

2

atherosclerotic

Caminiti											6MWD; grade of cardiac function;
G	Italy	74.1	73.4±			Ischemic, idiopathic			Cycling or walking (30 min/4		
		II	30	30		Tai Chi (30 min/twice weekly)	-			3	MacNewQLMI; NT-proBNP; Muscle Strength
		±6	2		dilated			times weekly)			
2011											Measurement
Yeh GY	US	68.1									6MWD; BNP; MLHFQ; peak VO2; Exercise
		66.6±	50	50	Ischemic,		Education module	TDs; general exercise advice;			
		±11.	I-III			Tai Chi (60 min/twice weekly)				3	self-efficacy; Profile of Mood States;
2011		12.1	(1)	(3)	nonischemic		(60 min/twice weekly)	education program			
		9									Biomarkers
Yeh GY	US	68±1	63±1				Aerobic exercise (60				6MWD; BNP; MLHFQ; peak VO2; LVEF;
			I-III	8	8	NA	Tai Chi (60 min/twice weekly)		TDs; general exercise advice	3	
2013		1	1				min/twice weekly)				Exercise self-efficacy; Profile of Mood States
Li CF	China	70.5±4.5	II-IV	90	90	NA	Yijingjin+Wuqinxixi+Baduanjin (NA/NA)	-	TDs	12	6MWD; BNP; heart function classification
2015											
Sang L1	China	76.									
		65.3				Coronary					
		2±7.	II-III	50	50		Tai Chi (15 min/7 times weekly)	-	TDs	3	6MWD; MLHFQ; LVEF
2015		±8.2				atherosclerotic					

Sang L2	65.3	66.2±					Coronary						
	China		II-III	30	30		Tai Chi (15 min/7 times weekly)	-	TDs	3	BNP; LVEF; angiotensin II		
2015		±6.2	5.5			atherosclerotic							
		70.5	68.5				NYHA I-II: Baduanjin (20-30 min/5-10 times				6MWD; BNP; grade of cardiac function;		
Yang XJ	China	0±	3±	II-IV	30	30	NA	weekly); NYHA III-IV: six tips (15-20min/ 5-10	-	Routine treatment and nursing	12	readmission rate; hospitalization costs per	
2015		4.85	4.93				times weekly)				capita		
		72.1	71.5				NYHA I-II: Baduanjin (20-30 min/14 times				6MWD; hospitalization costs per capita; grade		
Yu J	China	4+8.	2+8.	II-IV	41	41	NA	weekly); NYHA III-IV: six tips (20-30 min/14	-	Routine treatment and nursing	12	of cardiac function; number of readmissions	
2015		37	43				times weekly)				per capita		
Zhou HM				30	30								
	China	NA	NA	I-III			NA	Six tips (30 min/7 times weekly)	-	Health advice	6	6MWD	
2015				(0)	(1)								
		67.7											
Pan XF				66.2±								6MWD; BNP; SF-36; LVEF; LVEDd; cardiac	
	China	±12.		II-III	31	30	NA	Tai Chi (30 min/7 times weekly)	-	TDs; health advice	6		
2016				11.8								troponin T	

Xiong XH	70.3	69.7±									6MWD; NT-proBNP; MLHFQ; LVEF;
China			II-III	33	30	Coronary					
2016	±6.4	7.2				atherosclerotic	Baduanjin (30 min/5 times weekly)	-	TDs	3	readmission rate
	71.3	73.4									
Yan XF											
China	5±6.	3±6.9	II-IV	36	36	NA	Six tips+Baduanjin (NA/NA)	-	Routine treatment and nursing	12	6MWD; BNP; grade of cardiac function
2016	46	3									
	66.3										
	67.4										
Yuan LH	3			30	30		Tai Chi (1-4 week: 15min/5 times weekly; 5-		Antidepressant treatment;		
China	7	II-III				NA		-		3	MLHFQ; HAMD; PSQI
2016	±5.5		(2)	(1)			12week: 20-40min/ 5 times weekly)		mental advice		
	±3.82										
	6										
	69.2	66.5									
Li RL											
China	4±6.	6±5.3	II-III	30	30	NA	Baduanjin (NA/NA)	Walking training	TDs; daily life care; dietary,		
2017	56	1						(NA/14 times weekly)	mental advice	2	6MWD; MLHFQ

		59.4	59.1								
Zheng L				11							
	China	5±7.	0±9.1	II-III	8 (1)	NA	Six tips (30-40 min/7 times weekly)	-	TDs	3	6MWD; NT-proNP; MLHFQ; LVEF
2017				(2)							
		20	0								
		71.4	69.0								
Chen DM				39	41						
	Taiwan	4±13	8±13.	I-II		NA	Baduanjin (35 min/3 times weekly)	Usual care (NA/NA)	-	3	MLHFQ; Piper Fatigue Scale
2018				(9)	(8)						
		.65	48								
Deng XJ		64.7	67.2±		57	56					
	China			I-III		Myocardial infarction	Tai Chi (40-60 min/5 times weekly)	-	TDs; daily exercise	6	6MWD; NT-proBNP; LVEF; HAMD
2018		±4.2	4.9		(2)	(0)					
Hägglund d L	Sweden	75.6	75.5±		25	20					NT-proBNP; Multidimensional Fatigue Inventory; Short Physical Performance Battery
				II-III		NA	Tai Chi (60 min/twice weekly)	-	-	4	
		±NA	NA		(5)	(6)					
2018											
Lu HL		69.0	68.6±					TDs; walking training (NA/14			
	China			III-IV	40	40	Baduanjin (30 min/ 14 times weekly)	-		12	MLHFQ
2019		±6.8	7.6					times weekly)			

		65.4	65.5								
Deng LM											
	China	2 ±	4 ±	II-III	60	50	NA	Baduanjin (NA/7 times weekly)	30min/7 times	12	BNP; LVEDd; LVESd
2021		3.71	3.68						TDs; health advice; lifestyle guidance		
		68.3	69.2						TDs; walking training (1-4 weekly)		
Kang ZL											
	China	6±5.	5±5.3	II-III	38	38	NA	Baduanjin (30min/7 times weekly)	-	6	6MWD; NT-proNP; MLHFQ; HDMD; HDMA; LVEF
2021		03	3						week: 30min/5 times weekly; 5-week: 45min/ 5 times		
		69.9	71.3						weekly)		
Yang HX					54	54					6MWD; Time up and go test; NT-proBNP; LVEF; LVEDd; E/A
	China	8±5.	2±6.2	I-III	(7)	(7)	NA	Tai Chi (60 min/3-6 times weekly)	-	12	
2021		49	4						TDs		
		63.2	65.1								
Ye L											
	China	2±18	2±19.	II-III	40	40	NA	Baduanjin (30min/3-5 times weekly)	-	6	MLHFQ; peak VO2
2021		.72	91						TDs; health advice; exercise		

		57.8	58.4								
Zhou YX											
China	7±	1±4.5	II-III	50	50	Myocardial infarction	Baduanjin (30min/14 times weekly)	-	TDs; dietary, mental advice	3	6MWD; MLHFQ; LVEF; LVEDd; LVESd
2021											
	4.61	2									

TCE: traditional Chinese exercises; CTL: control; SD: standard deviation; NYHA: New York Heart Association; LVEF: left ventricular ejection fraction; HF: heart failure TD: therapeutic drugs (prescribed according to heart failure management guideline); 6MWD: 6-minute walking distance; BNP: B-type natriuretic peptide; NT-proBNP: N-terminal pro-B-type natriuretic peptide; MLHFQ: Minnesota Living with Heart Failure Questionnaire; peak VO₂: peak oxygen consumption; ISWD: incremental shuttle walk test; LVEDd: left ventricular end-diastolic dimension; BDI: Beck depression inventory; LVESd: left ventricular end-systolic diameter; E/A: the ratio value of peak systolic velocity in early diastolic phase by peak systolic velocity in late diastolic phase; SF-36: 36-Item Short Form; ADL: daily life ability scale; LVESV: left ventricular end-systolic volume; LVEDV: left ventricular end-diastolic volume; HAMD: Hamilton depression scale; HAMA: Hamilton anxiety scale; SDS: self-depression rating scale; PSQI: Pittsburgh after treatment Sleep Quality Index; NA: not available.

Table S2. The baseline and final values of the TCE group in selected studies.

Author,	6MWD (m \pm SD)		LVEF (% \pm SD)		MLHFQ (\pm SD)		Peak VO ₂ (mL/kg/min \pm SD)		NTpro-BNP (pg/mL \pm SD)		BNP (pg/mL \pm SD)	
	baseline	final	baseline	final	baseline	final	baseline	final	baseline	final	baseline	final
Wei D 2003	NA	NA	45.42 \pm 2.	53.90 \pm 4.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
			62	68								
Yeh GY 2004	327 \pm 106	412 \pm 116	24 \pm 7	NA	43 \pm 21	26 \pm 23	10.5 \pm 3	11.4 \pm 3	NA	NA	329 \pm 377	281 \pm 385
Barrow DM 2007	NA	NA	NA	NA	33	18.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.235 \pm NA	NA
Yeh GY 2008	change: 76 \pm 52		25 \pm 6	NA	change: -17 \pm 14		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Yao CD		30.85±9.	48.63±9.	51.6±18.	32.6±14.							
2010	374±81	554±94	78	37	4	5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Caminiti G												
2011	214.9±32	291.5±46	33.6±9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	136.4 ± 31	99.7 ± 22	NA	NA
Yeh GY												
2011	391±NA	426±NA	28.3±8.0	NA	NA	NA	11.9±NA	13.0±NA	NA	NA	102±NA	92±NA
Yeh GY												
2013	335.4±174	404.2±190	62±9	62±9	32.8±18	28.7±16	14.5±7	15.2±6	NA	NA	98±85	98±116
		409.6±89.									345.6±93.	215.3±79.
Li CF 2015	302.6±84.9		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6	9
		2										
Sang L1	312.	439. 7±80.	36. 4±3.	56. 2±3.	43. 8±1.	32. 7±1.						
2015	2±130. 9	2	0	8	6	9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Sang L2	NA	NA	35.4±3.1	55.4±3.3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	67.3±9.2	31. 8 ± 3.
2015												8
Yang XJ	322.67±12	409.67±13			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	345.60±29	245.33±24
2015	4.97	9.22									3.63	9.91
			412.56±13									
Yu J	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2015		8.26										
Zhou HM	209.14±13	341.38±12		≤40%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2015	3.95	1.79										
Pan XF		415.0±38.									432.0±57.	223.0±29.
	371.0±26.0		32.4±7.2	36.3±9.3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	0
2016		0										
Xiong XH		512.5±50.								4632.3±892.	1329.4±567.	
	316.8±42.3		40.2±5.3	48.9±5.8	35.8±1.7	11.2±1.8	NA	NA			NA	NA
2016		2							8	3		

Yan XF		413.58±15											249.51±22
	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2016		3.54											9.34
Yuan LH					46.00±1.	37.71±2.							
	NA	NA	NA	NA			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2016					91	37							
	189.21±21.	550.60±40			68.62±1	41.72±1							
Li RL	2017		NA	NA	0.25	1.46	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
	42	.51											
Zheng L		370.00±77.	445.77±46	51.80±4.	58.78±1	38.00±8.	17.33±1.			1618.27±217			
	2017	04	.67	36	2.81	42	87	NA	NA		715±964.23	NA	NA
										6.07			
Chen DM			60.44±1		22.97±1	15.40±1							
	2018	NA	NA	3.35	NA	7.86	1.74	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Deng XJ		261.2	558.5	42.7	49.0					3904.0±772.			
	2018	±52.9	±67.1	±6.1	±5.4	NA	NA	NA	NA		851.0 ±180.4	NA	NA
									4				

Hägglund L					39.4±22.							
	393±NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	4479±7309	3279 ± 3448	NA	NA
2018					6							
					28.40±2.	9.96±2.1						
Lu HL 2019	NA	NA	NA	NA	42	8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	126. 16 27.	368.	40.26±5.	48.					4632. 38 ±	1328. 46 ±		
Pan W 2019	95	45±59. 71	38	97±5. 61	NA	NA	NA	NA	859. 47	534. 79	NA	NA
Redwine LS	285.90 ±	236.52±N			44± 13	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2019	109.42	A										
	163.85±27.	576.43±64			78.56±6.	42.31±3.						
Xu M 2019	49	.92	NA	NA	93	48	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	291.95±31.	398.57±41	42.33±4.	51.91±5.			721.03±7	901.56±9				
Yu D 2019	09	.90	69	52	NA	NA	5.44	2.83	NA	NA	NA	NA

		384.9±84.									325.5±133	161.5±80.
Yu T 2019 a	313.3±86.3		31.5±8.6	40.4±7.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.4	2
		2										
		398.4±88.									334.5±137	138.7±63.
Yu T 2019 b	316.6±89.0		30.8±8.8	42.4±9.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.0	2
		7										
Zhou H	189.69±36.	568.58±46										
2019	78	.47	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jiao YL	216.79±50.	330.65±40	40.21±7.	57.25±8.	5.69±7.1	15.25±1			1143.47±264	791.74±145.	NA	NA
2020	05	.42	29	45	6	0.04	NA	NA	.47	27		
Ke JH 2020	NA	NA	46.8±4.2	51.6±2.7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yao LY			50.34±1		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2020	NA	NA	NA	2.88								
Yu ML 2020	182.7±39.3		350.9±41.			54.8±10.				462.7±35.	259.3±10.	
		0	46.4±3.2	54.2±6.7	80.5±9.5		NA	NA	NA	NA	8	6
					3							

Zhou B			41.19±4.	52.06±5.	45.60±3.	36.67±2.							
2020	NA	NA	63	10	14	11	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Deng LM											896.33±21	85.48±12.	
2021	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.99	47	
Kang ZL	258.98±18.	336.36±36	39.93±3.	50.33±6.	76.03±1	55.03±9.			698.83±83.9	409.89±80.9	NA	NA	
2021	33	.80	98	39	2.28	09			8	9			
Yang HX	422.09±64.	465.79±91	51.81±3.	52.43±2.			NA	NA	NA	917.47±202.	876.02±81.1	NA	NA
2021	55	.33	15	58					62	0			
Ye L 2021	NA	NA	NA	NA	42.18±8.	31.39±7.	16.15±1.	18.89±1.			NA	NA	NA
Zhou YX	360.85±21.	498.52±47	41.25±1	51.24±1			75	21	81	63			
2021	64	.58	1.41	2.04	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA: not available.

Table S3. The baseline and final values of the control group in selected studies.

Author,	6MWD (m±SD)		LVEF (%±SD)		MLHFQ (±SD)		Peak VO2 (mL/kg/min±SD)		NTpro-BNP (pg/mL±SD)		BNP (pg/mL±SD)	
	baseline	final	baseline	final	baseline	final	baseline	final	baseline	final	baseline	final
Wei D 2003	NA	NA	46.28±3.	45.20±2.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
			08	38								
Yeh GY 2004	340±117	289±165	22±8	NA	44±20	52±25	11.1±6	10.4±6	NA	NA	285±340	375±429
Barrow DM 2007	NA	NA	NA	NA	34	31.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.239±NA	NA
Yeh GY 2008	change: -33±85		23 ± 9	NA	change: 7±10		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

			30.22±9.	39.62±7.	52.2±17.	45.4±12.						
Yao CD		371±87	461±102				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2010			32	28	3	2						
Caminiti G		219.2±23	272.0±33	32.8±12	NA	NA	NA	NA	134.5 ± 28	111.7 ± 24	NA	NA
2011												
Yeh GY		392±NA	394±NA	29.8±7.3	NA	NA	NA	13.5±NA	13.0±NA	NA	NA	106±NA
2011												119±NA
Yeh GY		349.7±216	360.1±205	65±8	64±7	42.0±30	28.6±25	13.1±5	13.0±4	NA	NA	72±85
2013												107±99
Li CF 2015		301.0±88.	334.8±84.									336.0±93.
		8	5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2
Sang L1		343.	405.	37. 0±2.	41. 8±3.	43. 2±1.	40. 3±1.					9
2015		8±135	6±110. 6	8	7	5	4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Sang L2			36. 5 ±									
	NA	NA		42.8±3.3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	66.8±9.1	42.5±5.9
2015			2. 6									
Yang XJ	341.00±12	314.83±12									336.00±30	372.40±27
2015	8.18	4.52		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
			315.26±12									
Yu J 2015	NA			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		3.52										
Zhou HM	205.86±12	252.72±12										
2015	4.82	4.18	≤40%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pan XF	370.0±24.	369.0±22.									431.0±56.	404.0±49.
2016	0	0		33.1±7.4	33.9±7.7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Xiong XH	312.1±45.	436.2±49.									1373.2±552.	
2016	6	8		41.5±5.8	44.7±4.9	35.2±2.1	19.7±1.9	NA	NA	4556±913.3		NA
									1			NA

Yan XF		322.12±12											382.16±27
	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2016		8.36											9.52
Yuan LH				46.28±1.	43.04±2.								
	NA	NA	NA	NA			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2016					53	15							
	191.30±32	368.71±32			67.87±1	59.38±1							
Li RL	2017	.17	.24	NA	NA	1.44	2.61	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Zheng L		304.50±89	352.8±85.	48.60±7.	64.24±1	45.00±1	38.00±1			1307.62±169	955.7±1187.		
	2017	.67	02	54	7.64	2.23	1.57	NA	NA		3.28	5	
Chen DM			56.68±1		19.21±1	20.33±1							
	NA	NA		NA			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
	2018		7.56		3.47	2.35							
Deng XJ		275.1	430.8	41.0	46.0					3651.0	1583.8		
	2018	±47.2	±57.6	±5.4	±5.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	±557.9	±221.9		

Hägglund L					45.2±24.								
	358±NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	3379±7332	2736 ± 2594	NA	NA	
2018					3								
					28.56±2.	11.16±2.							
Lu HL 2019	NA	NA	NA	NA		12	26	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Pan W 2019	130.	327.	41.58±5.	43.		NA	NA	NA	4687.	42 ±	1685.	47 ±	
	69±30.	52	92±62.	33	43	97±5.	78			893.	34	549.	21
Redwine LS	308.15±02	245.66±N											
			46± 12	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2019	.41	A											
Xu M 2019	170.46±30	467.81±57			75.64±7.	51.46±5.		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
	.55	.22		NA	NA	02	17						
Yu D 2019	292.44±30	349.13±36	42.41±4.	46.77±5.		NA	NA	721.22±7	812.34±8		NA	NA	
	.78	.33	71	03				5.17	2.05				

	309.7±84.	365.3±75.										314.5±121	191.2±80.
Yu T 2019 a	7	7	32.2±8.4	38.8±8.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.7	6
	309.7±84.	365.3±75.										314.5±121	191.2±80.
Yu T 2019 b	7	7	32.2±8.4	38.8±8.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.7	6
Zhou H 2019	193.34±32 .53	367.47±48 .59	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jiao YL 2020	220.58±47 .98	291.62±31 .68	40.25±8. 26	49.23±7. 12	35.72±7. 13	25.21±4. 69	NA	NA	1138.31±278 .54	793.74±144. 68	NA	NA	NA
Ke JH 2020	NA	NA	48.5±4.0	49.6±1.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yao LY 2020	NA	NA	NA	42.40±1 2.66	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yu ML 2020	184.2±36. 6	286.7±34. 9	46.5±4.5	50.6±5.4	80.6±10. 4	68.5±12. 5	NA	NA	NA	NA	460.3±36. 8	312.7±34. 5	

Zhou B			41.07±5.	48.72±4.	45.78±3.	41.08±2.						
	NA	NA					NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2020			38	88	59	19						
Deng LM											895.48±22	98.75±11.
	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.57	65
2021												
Kang ZL	263.36±16	316.30±30	40.33±3.	46.89±5.	72.98±1	62.80±8.			682.69±69.9	463.80±93.8		
							NA	NA			NA	NA
2021	.36	.98	66	93	1.59	86			8	8		
Yang HX	400.53±69	420.47±79	50.95±2.	51.99±2.					923.11±223.	932.23±155.		
					NA	NA	NA	NA			NA	NA
2021	.18	.09	69	52					07	85		
Ye L					43.45±8.	40.98±8.	16.23±1.	16.31±1.				
2021	NA	NA	NA	NA	92	77	72	95			NA	NA
Zhou YX	354.52±20	421.65±40	43.86±1	45.71±1							NA	NA
					NA	NA	NA	NA			NA	NA
2021	.76	.65	4.84	4.25								

NA: not available.

Table S4. The characteristics of each type of TCE.

	Characteristics	Benefits
Tai Chi	<p>Tai Chi is a type of low-intensity aerobic exercise characterized by gentle movements designed to dissipate force throughout the body while the subject changes pose. Tai Chi features gentle, coordinated and smooth movements of the body, stressing constantly shifting of body weight between two legs with both knees slightly flexed.</p> <p>Tai chi has been estimated to equal about 2-4 metabolic equivalents, comparable with mild-moderate aerobic exercise.</p>	<p>Tai chi can strengthen the joints, modulate pressure receptors in the aortic arch and carotid sinus. It has shown benefits in improving health-related fitness, balance, mental control, cardiorespiratory function, muscle strength of lower extremities.</p>

Qigong	<p>Qigong is an umbrella term covering a spectrum of mind-body exercises, such as Dao-Yin-Shu (physical and breathing exercise), Wuqinxi, Baduanjin, and Yijining.</p>	<p>By using slow and gentle physical movements and synchronizing breath with meditation, it can coordinate breathing, stretch body, relax muscles, and regulate attention and consciousness.</p>
Baduanjin	<p>Baduanjin, a type of aerobic Qigong exercises with simple, slow and relaxing movements, consists of eight set of actions including support heaven with both hands, dragon sprays water with force, big bird spreads its wings, lift window to look at the moon on the left, descend to earth with force, beautiful maiden twists her waist to the right, extend shoulders to bring hands together and dragon claws to</p>	<p>Baduanjin can reduce oxygen consumption of myocardial by regulating the vital energy of collateral channels and organs in the body, relieving the cardiac load, and improving the body's ability to transport and utilize oxygen in blood circulation. It can inhibit the formation of free radicals, improve vascular elasticity, and reduce blood viscosity to ensure the normal flow of blood.</p>

	the left.	
Yijinjing	<p>Yijinjing focus on the center of the body mass, shift of garment, moderate knee flexion, extension and rotation movement, and coupled with breathing exercises, generally at the movement of knee flexion with inhalation. It emphasizes the combination of symmetrical physical postures, meditative mind, and breathing techniques in a harmonious manner.</p>	<p>With simplified patterns and directions, Yijinjing is easy to practice with few limitations. Yijinjing can improve physiological function, and movement disorders mental health as well as enhance organs function and immunity ability.</p>
Wuqinxi	<p>Wuqinxi imitates the movement and breathing patterns of five animals (tigers, deer, bears, monkeys, and birds) and emphasizes the integration of body, breath,</p>	<p>Through muscle activity around the hip and ankles, Wuqinxi can dredge systemic blood circulation.</p>

	and mind.	
Liuzijue	Liuzijue consists of a combination of respiratory patterns that involves abdominal breathing and pursed lip breathing. Six sounds (Xu, He, Hue, Si, Tap and Xi) are produced with different body movements.	Liuzijue's type of breathing slows the expiratory flow rate, which especially facilitates gas exchange in patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases.

TCE: traditional Chinese exercise

3. Supplementary Figures

Figure S1. Risk of bias assessment of included studies.

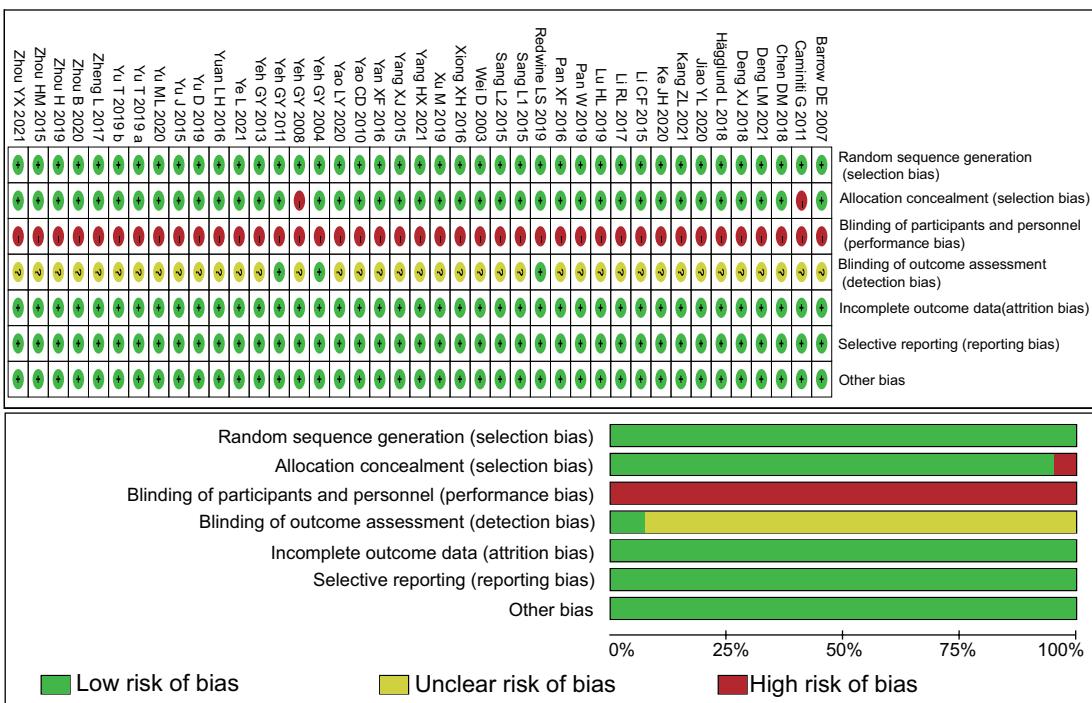


Figure S2. Publication bias of all the outcomes. **(A)** 6-minute walk distance (6MWD), **(B)** B-type natriuretic peptide (BNP), **(C)** left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF); **(D)** Minnesota Living with Heart Failure Questionnaire (MLHFQ), **(E)** N-terminal pro-B natriuretic peptide (NT-proBNP), **(F)** peak oxygen consumption (peak VO₂).

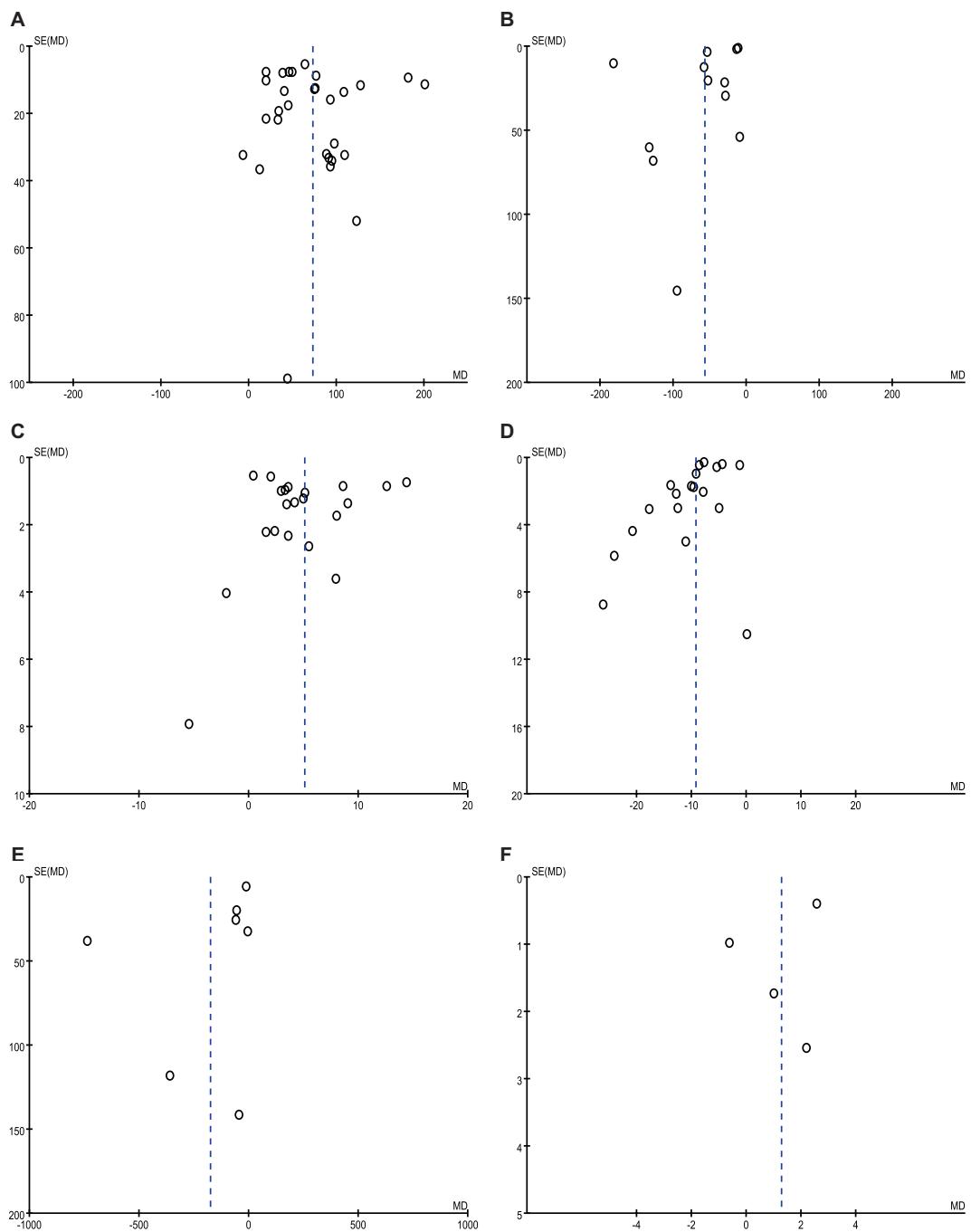


Figure S3. Sensitivity of all the outcomes. **(A)** 6-minute walk distance (6MWD), **(B)** B-type natriuretic peptide (BNP), **(C)** left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF);**(D)** Minnesota Living with Heart Failure Questionnaire (MLHFQ), **(E)** N-terminal pro-B natriuretic peptide (NT-proBNP), **(F)** peak oxygen consumption (peak VO₂).

