

Review of: "Effect of Animal-Assisted Activities on Symptoms and Emotions of Children with Neoplastic Disease: A Systematic Review with Meta-Analysis"

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The review and meta-analysis is on the effect of animal-assisted activities in children with neoplastic disease. The manuscript is interesting, and overall, it is well written and presented. The methodology is strong and well structured. The results are complete; the authors extrapolated all the necessary and possible information to better present the topic. The introduction presents the literature adequately. The discussion is well written. The study presents some limits, and the authors listed them in the limits section. Unfortunately, the topic is still evolving, and the literature is really heterogeneous, making it difficult to better present the data. After the limits section, I would like to read a paragraph about the possible future studies and what is necessary to do on this topic to go in the same direction.