

Supplementary Table 1. Search strategy in Medline through PubMed

- 1. "Diet, Carbohydrate-Restricted" [Mesh]
- 2. (Diet [TIAB] OR diets [TIAB] OR dietary [TIAB]) AND ((carbohydrate [TIAB] OR carbohydrates [TIAB]) AND (Restricted [TIAB] OR low [TIAB] OR restriction [TIAB] OR restrictive [TIAB] OR reducing [TIAB] OR reduction [TIAB] OR modifications [TIAB]))
- 3. (Diet [TIAB] OR diets [TIAB]) AND Ketogenic [TIAB]
- 4. (Intermittent [TIAB] OR "time restricted" [TIAB] OR Alternate [TIAB] OR periodic [TIAB] OR ramadan [TIAB]) AND (Fasting [TIAB] OR energy [TIAB] OR feeding [TIAB] OR diet [TIAB] OR diets [TIAB] OR meal [TIAB] OR eating [TIAB] OR caloric [TIAB] OR caloric [TIAB])
- 5. "meal skipping" [TIAB] OR "meal frequency" [TIAB]
- 6. 1-5/OR
- 7. 6 AND (groups [tiab] OR trial [TIAB] OR randomly [TIAB] OR placebo [TIAB] OR randomized [TIAB] OR "controlled clinical trial" [PT] OR "randomized controlled trial" [PT]) NOT (animals [MH] NOT (humans [MH] AND animals [MH]))
- 8. 7 AND Filters applied: from 2000/1/1-2021/6/8
- 9. 8 NOT "review" [Publication Type] OR "review literature as topic" [MeSH Terms]
- 10. 9 NOT (meta-analysis [Filter] OR systematic review [Filter])

Supplementary Table 2. The framework of PICO in developing the focused question

PICO	Description of detail
Population (P)	• Obese or overweight adults (BMI \geq 23 kg/m ²) or
	• Patients with T2DM or
	• Patients with hypertension
Intervention (I)	• PICO1: carbohydrate-restricted diets: moderately-low, low, very-low carbohydrate diet or
	• PICO2: intermittent fasting: time-restriction eating, alternate-day fasting, intermittent energy restriction
Comparator (C)	Isocaloric diets: standard, calorie-restricted, low-fat, Mediterranean, DASH diets, etc.
Outcome (O)	Body weight, BMI, WC, fat mass, fat-free mass, blood pressure, lipid profile (TC, LDL-C, HDL-C, TG), HbA1c, fasting plasma glucose, fasting plasma insulin, HOMA-IR, CRP, adiponectin, FMD, adverse effects, etc.
Study design (S)	Randomized controlled clinical trials that conducted more than 8 weeks
Target	Obese or overweight adults or
	• Patients with T2DM or
	• Patients with hypertension
	Healthcare professionals who manage patients with obesity, T2DM, or hypertension

PICO, population, intervention, comparator, outcome; BMI, body mass index; T2DM, type 2 diabetes mellitus; DASH, dietary approaches to stop hypertension; WC, waist circumference; TC, total cholesterol; LDL-C, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol; HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; TG, triglyceride; HbA1c, glycosylated hemoglobin; HOMA-IR, homeostatic model assessment for insulin resistance; CRP, C-reactive protein; FMD, flow-mediated dilation.