

Supplementary Appendix S1

#1 food*[tiab] OR whole grain*[tiab] OR refined grain*[tiab] OR cereal*[tiab] OR pasta*[tiab] OR rice*[tiab] OR potato*[tiab] OR vegetable*[tiab] OR fruit*[tiab] OR nut*[tiab] OR legume*[tiab] OR bean*[tiab] OR egg*[tiab] OR dairy[tiab] OR dairies[tiab] OR milk[tiab] OR yogurt[tiab] OR cheese[tiab] OR fish[tiab] OR seafood[tiab] OR meat[tiab] OR processed meat[tiab] OR sugar sweetened beverage*[tiab]

#2 diabetes

#3 prospective OR follow-up OR cohort OR longitudinal

#4 (#1 AND #2 AND #3)

Food group	Amount
Refined grains/whole grains	30 grams
Vegetables/fruits	80 grams
Nuts	28 grams
Legumes	100 grams
Eggs	55 grams
Dairy	200 grams
Fish	100 grams
Red meat	85 grams
Processed meat	30 grams
SSB	250 ml/grams

Supplementary Table S1: Conversion of 1 serving in grams

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of whole grains	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category), Risk ratio (RR)
Ericson	2013	Sweden	MDC	45-74	Both	27140	1709	7 day menu book & SFFQ & interview	Registries	fiber rich soft or crisp bread and cereals	Age, season, energy intake, Body Mass Index, physical activity, smoking, Alcohol, Education	12	♀: 0.85 (0.68, 1.06) ♂: 0.84 (0.68, 1.04)
Hodge	2004	Australia	The Melbourne Collaborative Cohort Study	40-69	Both	31641	365	FFQ	self-reported/ doctor confirmation	whole meal bread	Sex, Age, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, energy intake, education, alcohol, physical activity, weight change in the last 5 years, country of birth, family history of diabetes	4	0.86 (0.63, 1.18)
Kochar	2007	USA	PHS I	40-86	Men	21152	1958	abbreviated food questionnaire	self reported	whole grain cereals	Age, Body Mass Index, physical activity, smoking, Alcohol, vegetables, vitamin intake	19.1	0.60 (0.5, 0.71)
Lacoppidan	2015	Denmark	DCH	50-64	Both	55060	7366	SFFQ	registry	rye bread & oatmeal	Age, Study area, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking, alcohol,	15.3	♀: Rye bread: 0.96 (0.88, 1.04) Oatmeal:

											coffee, fiber, calcium, magnesium, vegetable, fruit, meat, rice, family history of diabetes, Hypertension, physical activity		0.90 (0.81, 0.99) ♂: Rye bread: 0.89 (0.84, 0.96) Oatmeal: 0.88 (0.81, 0.96)
Meyer	2000	USA	IWHS	55-69	Women	35988	1141	FFQ	self reported	whole grains	Age, energy intake, waist: hip ratio, Body Mass Index, physical activity, smoking, alcohol, education, dietary factors	6	0.93 (0.75, 1.15)
Montonen	2003	Finland	Finnish Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	40-69	Both	4316	156	Dietary history interview	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	whole grains	Age, Sex, area, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, vegetables, fruit and berries	10	0.65 (0.36, 1.17)
Parker	2013	USA	WHI	50-79	Women	72215	3465	SFFQ	self reported	whole grains	Age, Race, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, hormone use, education income, family history of diabetes, physical activity, dairy, vegetables, fruit,	7.9	0.78 (0.64, 0.95)

											vitamin D, folic acid, Potassium, magnesium, fiber		
van Dam	2006	USA	Black Women's Health Study	21-69	Women	41186	1964	SFFQ	self reported	whole grains	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, Education, Coffee, Sugar-sweetened soft drink, red meat, processed meat, whole grain	8	0.69 (0.60, 0.79)
von Ruesten	2013	Germany	EPIC-Potsdam study	35-65	Both	23531	837	SFFQ	self-reported/inquiry to the physician	whole grain bread	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, Hypertension, high blood lipid levels, education, vitamin supplementation	8	0.92 (0.85, 1.00)
Sun	2010	USA	HPFS	32-87	Men	39765	2648	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	whole grains	Age, ethnicity, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes,	20	0.72 (0.63, 0.82)

											multivitamin intake, red meat, fruits, vegetables, coffee		
Sun	2010	USA	NHS I	37-65	Women	69120	5500	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	whole grains	Age, ethnicity, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, multivitamin intake, red meat, fruits, vegetables, coffee	22	0.70 (0.64, 0.77)
Sun	2010	USA	NHS II	26-45	Women	88343	2359	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	whole grains	Age, ethnicity, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, multivitamin intake, red meat, fruits, vegetables, coffee	14	0.73 (0.68, 0.78)
Wirström	2013	Sweden	NA	35-56	Both	5206	165	SFFQ	OGTT/WHO criteria	whole grains	Age, Sex, education, blood pressure, physical activity, smoking, family history of diabetes	8-10	0.59 (0.41, 0.85)

Supplementary Table S2: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between whole grain intake and risk of T2D;

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of refined grains	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
Ericson	2013	Sweden	MDC	45-74	Both	27140	1709	7 day menu book & SFFQ & interview	Registries	refined cereals	Age, season, energy intake, Body Mass Index, physical activity, smoking, Alcohol, Education	12	♀: 1.07 (0.87, 1.32) ♂: 1.02 (0.82, 1.27)
Fung	2002	USA	HPFS	40-75	Men	42898	1197	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	refined grains	Age, period, missing food frequency questionnaire, energy intake, Body Mass Index, physical activity, smoking, Alcohol, family history of diabetes, fruit, vegetables	≤12	1.08 (0.87, 1.34)
Golozar	2017	Iran	GCS	40-87	Both	50045	902	FFQ	Participants who had FPG ≥126 mg/dl, HbA1c >6.5% or were receiving treatment for diabetes	white rice	Age, sex, wealth score, education, marital status, opium, alcohol, physical activity, smoking, energy	5	0.90 (0.73, 1.12)

											intake, meat, employment status,		
Golzar	2017	Iran	TLGS	39	Both	2887	81	FFQ	Participants who had FPG \geq 126 mg/dl, or 2h plasma glucose \geq 200 mg/dl during OGTT receiving treatment anti-diabetic medications	white rice	Age, sex, family history of diabetes, education, marital status, physical activity, smoking, energy intake, meat, employment status	3	2.28 (1.19, 4.37)
Hodge	2004	Australia	The Melbourne Collaborative Cohort Study	40-69	Both	31641	365	FFQ	self-reported/ doctor confirmation	white bread, white pasta	Sex, Age, body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, energy intake, education, alcohol, physical activity, weight change in the last 5 years, country of birth, family history of diabetes	4	white bread: 1.13 (0.86, 1.5) white pasta: 0.86 (0.6, 1.23)
Liu	2000	USA	NHS	38-63	Women	75521	1879	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	refined grains	Age, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, vitamin E or multivitamin intake	10	1.11 (0.94, 1.31)
Meyer	2000	USA	IWHS	55-69	Women	35988	1141	FFQ	self reported	refined grains	Age, energy intake, waist: hip ratio, Body Mass	6	0.87 (0.70, 1.08)

											Index, physical activity, smoking, alcohol, education		
Montonen	2003	Finland	Finnish Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	40-69	Both	4316	156	Dietary history interview	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	refined grains	Age, Sex, Area, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, vegetables, fruit and berries	10	0.62 (0.36, 1.07)
Nanri	2010	Japan	JPHC	45-75	Both	59288	1103	SFFQ	self reported	rice cooked	Age, Area, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, physical activity, hypertension, occupation, vegetables, fruit, coffee, calcium, magnesium, fish, fiber, bread, noodle	5	♂: Rice cooked: 1.19 (0.85, 1.68) Bread: 0.85 (0.64, 1.14) Noodle: 0.89 (0.68, 1.17) ♀: Rice cooked: 1.65 (1.06, 2.57) Bread: 0.99 (0.73, 1.34) Noodle:

													1.15 (0.83, 1.58)
Parker	2013	USA	WHI	50-79	Women	72215	3465	SFFQ	self reported	refined grains	Age, Race, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, hormone use, education income, family history of diabetes, physical activity, dairy, vegetables, fruit, vitamin D, folic acid, potassium, magnesium, fiber	7.9	0.77 (0.61, 0.97)
Soriguer	2013	Spain	The Pizzara study		Both	605	54	FFQ	Fasting blood sample and OGTT/WHO criteria	White rice	Age, Sex, abnormal glucose regulation at baseline, obesity, carbohydrate consumption	6	0.41 (0.17, 0.99)
Sun	2010	USA	HPFS	32-87	Men	39765	2648	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	white rice (uncooked)	Age, ethnicity, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, multivitamin intake, red meat, fruits, vegetables, whole grains,	20	1.02 (0.77, 1.35)

											coffee		
Sun	2010	USA	NHS I	37-65	Women	69120	5500	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	white rice (uncooked)	Age, ethnicity, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, multivitamin intake, red meat, fruits, vegetables, whole grains, coffee, postmenopausal status, hormone use, oral contraceptive	22	1.11 (0.87, 1.42)
Sun	2010	USA	NHS II	26-45	Women	88343	2359	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	white rice (uncooked)	Age, ethnicity, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, multivitamin intake, red meat, fruits, vegetables, whole grains, coffee, postmenopausal status, hormone use, oral contraceptive	14	1.40 (1.09, 1.80)

Supplementary Table S3: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between refined grain intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of vegetables	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
Bazzano	2008	USA	NHS	38-63	Women	71346	4529	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	vegetables	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, family history of diabetes, postmenopausal hormone use, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, whole grains, nuts, processed meats, coffee, potatoes, sugar sweetened soft drinks	18	1.05 (0.94, 1.17)
Cooper	2013	Europe	EPIC-InterAct	52.3	Both	16154	10821	Country specific questionnaires	self reported or registers or mortality data	vegetables	Age, Sex, country, center, education, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, vegetables	3.99 million person-years	0.94 (0.84, 1.05)
Hodge	2004	Australia	The Melbourne Collaborative Cohort Study	40-69	Both	31641	365	FFQ	self-reported/doctor confirmation	vegetables	Sex, Age, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, energy intake, education, alcohol, physical activity, weight change in the last 5	4	0.88 (0.60, 1.29)

											years, country of birth, family history of diabetes		
Kurotani	2013	Japan	JPHC	45-75	Both	48437	896	SFFQ	self reported	vegetables	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, area, hypertension, family history of diabetes, coffee, magnesium, calcium	5	♂ 0.81 (0.59, 1.11) ♀ 0.99 (0.66, 1.49)
Lacoppidan	2015	Denmark	DCH	50-64	Both	55060	7366	SFFQ	registry	root vegetable, cabbage	Age, Study area, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, coffee, fiber, calcium, magnesium, vegetable, fruit, meat, rice, family history of diabetes, Hypertension, physical activity	15.3	♀: Cabbage: 0.99 (0.92, 1.06) Root vegetables: 0.94 (0.87, 1.02) ♂: Cabbage: 0.92 (0.86, 0.99) Root vegetables: 0.98 (0.91, 1.05)
Liu	2004	USA	WHS	≥45	Women	38018	1614	SFFQ	self-reported/ADA criteria	vegetables	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, hypertension, hypercholesterolemia, family history of diabetes	8.8	1.03 (0.86, 1.23)

Mamluk	2016	USA	NIH-AARP	>50	Both	401909	22782	FFQ	self-administered questionnaires or in interviews	vegetables	age, sex, Body mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, alcohol consumption, education, smoking	10.6	0.92 (0.87, 0.97)
Mamluk	2016	Europe	EPIC Greece	>50	Both	20629	1077	24 h recall	self-administered questionnaires or in interviews	vegetables	age, sex, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, alcohol consumption, education, smoking	10	2.15 (0.93, 4.97)
Meyer	2000	USA	IWHS	55-69	Women	35988	1141	FFQ	self reported	vegetables	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity	6	1.07 (0.86, 1.33)
Montonen	2005	Finland	Finnish Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	40-69	Both	4304	383	Dietary history interview	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	vegetables	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, family history of diabetes, Geographic area	23	0.77 (0.57, 1.04)
Mursu	2014	Finland	KIHD	42-60	Men	2332	432	4 day food recording	self reported and diabetes register and blood glucose measurements and OGTT	vegetables	Age, examination years, waist: hip ratio, education, energy intake, Body Mass Index, family history of diabetes, smoking, alcohol, physical activity	19.3	0.81 (0.61, 1.08)
Qiao	2014	USA	WHI	50-79	Women	154493	10285	FFQ	self reported	vegetables	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index,	7.6	1.10 (0.96, 1.26)

											Waist: hip ratio, education, smoking, physical activity, family history of diabetes, study arms, hormone therapy use		
Villegas	2008	China	SWHS	40-70	Women	64191	1608	FFQ	self-reported/ADA criteria	vegetables	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, vegetable and fiber intake, income, occupation, hypertension	4.6	0.72 (0.61, 0.85)

Supplementary Table S4: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between vegetable intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of fruits	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
Cooper	2013	Europe	EPIC-InterAct	52.3	Both	16154	10821	Country specific questionnaires	self reported or registers or mortality data	fruit	Age, Sex, country, center, education, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, vegetables	3.99 million person-years	0.89 (0.76, 1.04)
Hodge	2004	Australia	The Melbourne Collaborative Cohort Study	40-69	Both	31641	365	FFQ	self-reported/ doctor confirmation	fruit	Sex, Age, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, energy intake, education, alcohol, physical activity, weight change in the last 5 years, country of birth, family history of diabetes	4	0.85 (0.59, 1.22)
Kurotani	2013	Japan	JPHC	45-75	Both	48437	896	SFFQ	self reported	fruit	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, area, hypertension, family history of diabetes, coffee, magnesium, calcium	5	♂: 0.94 (0.71, 1.24) ♀: 1.04 (0.73, 1.48)

Lacoppidan	2015	Denmark	DCH	50-64	Both	55060	7366	SFFQ	registry	apples and bears	Age, Study area, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, coffee, fiber, calcium, magnesium, vegetable, fruit, meat, rice, family history of diabetes, Hypertension, physical activity	15.3	♀: 1.03 (0.96, 1.11) ♂: 0.97 (0.91, 1.04)
Liu	2004	USA	WHS	≥45	Women	38018	1614	SFFQ	self-reported/ADA criteria	fruit	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, hypertension, hypercholesterolemia, family history of diabetes	8.8	0.97 (0.82, 1.15)
Mamluk	2016	USA	NIH-AARP	>50	Both	401909	22782	FFQ	self-administered questionnaires or in interviews	fruit	age, sex, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, alcohol consumption, education, smoking	10.6	0.95 (0.91, 0.99)
Mamluk	2016	Europe	EPIC Greece	>50	Both	20629	1077	26 h recall	self-administered questionnaires or in interviews	fruit	age, sex, Body Mass Index, physical activity, energy intake, alcohol consumption, education, smoking	10	1.09 (0.77, 1.54)

Meyer	2000	USA	IWHS	55-69	Women	35988	1141	FFQ	self reported	fruit	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity	6	1.14 (0.93, 1.40)
Montonen	2005	Finland	Finnish Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	40-69	Both	4304	383	Dietary history interview	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	fruit & berries	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, family history of diabetes, Geographic area	23	0.69 (0.51, 0.93)
Muraki	2013	USA	NHS	48.2	Women	66105	6358	SFFQ	self reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	whole fruit	Age, ethnicity, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, multivitamin use, fruit juice, physical activity, area, family history of diabetes, modified alternate healthy index score, menopausal status, post-menopausal hormone use	1394127 person years	0.99 (0.82, 1.20)
Muraki	2013	USA	NHS II	35.9	Women	85104	3153	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	whole fruit	Age, ethnicity, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, multivitamin use, fruit juice, physical activity, area, family history of diabetes, modified alternate healthy index score,	1416111 person years	0.82 (0.72, 0.93)

											menopausal status, post-menopausal hormone use, oral contraceptive		
Muraki	2013	USA	HPFS	49.9	Men	36173	2687	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	whole fruit	Age, ethnicity, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, multivitamin use, fruit juice, physical activity, area, family history of diabetes, modified alternate healthy index score	654403 person yaers	0.92 (0.78, 1.09)
Mursu	2014	Finland	KIHD	42-60	Men	2332	432	4 day food recording	self reported and diabetes register and blood glucose measurements and OGTT	whole fruit	Age, examination years, waist: hip ratio, education, energy intake, Body Mass Index, family history of diabetes, smoking, alcohol, physical activity	19.3	0.98 (0.75, 1.28)
Qiao	2014	USA	WHI	50-79	Women	154493	10285	FFQ	self reported	fruit	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, education, smoking, physical activity, family history of diabetes, study arms, hormone therapy use	7.6	0.99 (0.93, 1.05)
Villegas	2008	China	SWHS	40-70	Women	64191	1608	FFQ	self-reported/ADA criteria	fruit	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index,	4.6	1.05 (0.90,

											waist: hip ratio, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, vegetable and fiber intake, income, occupation, hypertension		1.22)
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Supplementary Table S5: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between fruit intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of nuts	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
Asghari	2017	Iran	TLGS	≥20	Both	1984	150	FFQ	Participants who had FPG ≥126 mg/dl, or 2h plasma glucose ≥ 200 mg/dl during OGTT receiving treatment anti-diabetic medications	nuts	Sex, education, smoking, BMI, blood pressure, cholesterol, triacylglycerols, vegetables, fruits, red meat, fish, poultry, total sugar, fiber, fats, carbohydrates, protein	6.2	0.47 (0.25, 0.90)
Buijsse	2015	Europe	EPIC-InterAct	52.3	Both	16835	12403	24h recall	self reported or registers or mortality data	nuts & seeds	Centre, Sex, education, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity	3.99 million years of follow-up	0.88 (0.75, 1.03)
Kochar	2010	USA	PHS I	40.7-87.1	Men	20224	1828	SFFQ	self reported	nuts	Age, randomization arm, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, breakfast cereal, dairy, red meat, hypertension	19.2	0.87 (0.61, 1.24)
Pan	2013	USA	NHS	52-77	Women	59259	5121	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National	nuts	Age, energy intake, Body	10	1.00 (0.87, 1.15)

									Diabetes Data group criteria		Mass Index, race, family history of diabetes, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, postmenopausal status, menopausal hormone use, whole grains, multivitamin use, whole grains, vegetables, fruits, fish, red meat, coffee, sugar sweetened beverages		
Pan	2013	USA	NHS II	35-52	Women	91799	4098	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	nuts	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, race, family history of diabetes, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, postmenopausal status, menopausal hormone use, whole grains, multivitamin use, whole grains, vegetables, fruits, fish, red meat,	10	1.02 (0.85, 1.22)

											coffee, sugar sweetened beverages		
Parker	2003	USA	IWHS	11	Women	35988	1831	FFQ	self-reported/ criteria	nuts	Age, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, physical activity Smoking, Alcohol, Dairy, Education, Estrogen use, fiber, polyunsaturated fat, saturated fat, monounsaturated fat, trans, fruit, vegetables, whole grains, fish, sea food, magnesium	11	1.51 (1.13, 2.02)
Villegas	2008	China	SWHS	40-70	Women	64227	1605	FFQ	self-reported/ criteria	peanuts	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, vegetable and fiber intake, income, occupation, hypertension	4.6	0.80 (0.68, 0.94)
von Ruesten	2013	Germany	The EPIC-	35-65	Both	23531	837	SFFQ	self-reported/inquiry to the physician	nuts	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body	8	0.95 (0.87, 1.06)

			Potsdam study								Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, Hypertension, high blood lipid levels, education, vitamin supplementation		
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Supplementary Table S6: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between nut intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of legumes	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
Bazzano	2008	USA	NHS	38-63	Women	71346	4529	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	legumes	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, family history of diabetes, postmenopausal hormone use, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, whole grains, nuts, processed meats, coffee, potatoes, sugar sweetened soft drinks	18	1.14 (1.03, 1.26)
Ding	2016	USA	NHS	30-54	Women	63115	4519	FFQ	Self-reported incident T2D was mailed a validated supplementary questionnaire regarding symptoms, diagnostic tests and hypoglycemic therapy to confirm the diagnosis of diabetes. Cases were ascertained using the American Diabetes Association criteria	Soy	race, family history of diabetes, baseline disease status: hypertension, hypercholesterolemia; Body Mass Index, physical activity, overall dietary pattern (alternate Healthy eating Index), total energy intake, coffee consumption, smoking status, menopausal status, and postmenopausal	1966321 person years	0.88 (0.66, 1.17)

											hormone use		
Ding	2016	USA	NHS II	30-54	Women	79061	3920	FFQ	Self-reported incident T2D was mailed a validated supplementary questionnaire regarding symptoms, diagnostic tests and hypoglycemic therapy to confirm the diagnosis of diabetes. Cases were ascertained using the American Diabetes Association criteria	Soy	race, family history of diabetes, baseline disease status: hypertension, hypercholesterolemia, body mass index, physical activity, overall dietary pattern (alternate Healthy eating Index), total energy intake, coffee consumption, smoking status, menopausal status, and postmenopausal hormone use	1966321 person years	0.97 (0.84, 1.12)
Ding	2016	USA	HPFS	30-54	Men	21281	742	FFQ	Self-reported incident T2D was mailed a validated supplementary questionnaire regarding symptoms, diagnostic tests and hypoglycemic therapy to confirm the diagnosis of diabetes. Cases were ascertained using the American Diabetes Association criteria	Soy	race, family history of diabetes, baseline disease status: hypertension, hypercholesterolemia, Body Mass Index, physical activity, overall dietary pattern (alternate Healthy eating Index), total energy intake, coffee consumption, smoking status, menopausal status, and postmenopausal hormone use	1966321 person years	0.92 (0.80, 1.06)
Meyer	2004	USA	WHS	55-69	Women	35988	1141	FFQ	self reported	mature beans	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index,	6	0.96 (0.76,

											waist: hip ratio, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity		1.21)
Morimoto	2011	USA	MEC	45-75	Both	75344	8564	FFQ	Registries & Self reported	soy	Body Mass Index, Ethnicity physical activity, education, total energy, smoking status, alcohol, dietary fiber and processed red meat intake	14	♂: 1.18 (1.09, 1.28) ♀: 1.18 (1.09, 1.28)
Mueller	2012	Australia	SCHS	45-74	Both	43176	2252	SFFQ	Self reported	unsweetened soy	Body Mass Index, age, sex, dialect, year of interview, educational level, smoking status, alcohol, physical activity, baseline hypertensive status, rice, noodles, other grains, red meat, green vegetable, soybean drink, and energy intake	5.7	0.72 (0.59, 0.88)
Nanri	2010	Japan	JPHS	45-75	Both	59791	1114	SFFQ	self reported	soy products	age, study area, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes mellitus, leisure time physical activity, history of hypertension, coffee consumption, green tea consumption, magnesium intake,	5	♂: 1.02 (0.75, 1.39) ♀: 0.98 (0.70, 1.37)

											calcium intake, vegetable intake, fiber intake, fish intake, and energy intake		
Villegas	2008	China	SWHS	40-70	Women	64227	1605	FFQ	self reported	legumes	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, vegetable and fiber intake, income, occupation, hypertension	4.6	0.62 (0.51, 0.75)
von Ruesten	2013	Germany	The EPIC-Potsdam study	35-65	Both	23531	837	SFFQ	self-reported/inquiry to the physician	legumes	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, Hypertension, high blood lipid levels, education, vitamin supplementation	8	1.01 (0.96, 1.06)

Supplementary Table S7: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between legume intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of eggs	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
Djousse	2009	USA	PHS I	≥40	Men	20703	1921	SFFQ	Self reported	eggs	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, Hypertension, Hypercholesterolemia, family history of diabetes, red meat, fruits, vegetables, saturated fat, trans, polyunsaturated	20	1.58 (1.25, 2.00)
Djousse	2009	USA	WHS	≥45	Women	36295	2112	SFFQ	Self reported	eggs	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, Hypertension, Hypercholesterolemia, family history of diabetes, red meat, fruits, vegetables, saturated fat, trans, polyunsaturated	11.7	1.77 (1.28, 2.45)
Djousse	2010	USA	CHS	≥65	Both	3898	313	picture sorted food questionnaire	annual medication assessment and fasting glucose measurement	eggs	Age, race, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical	11.3	♂ 1.81 (0.77,

											activity, cereal-fiber, field center		4.25) ♀ 0.38 (0.10, 1.44)
Djousse	2015	USA	Jackson Heart Study	55±13	Both	4568	1004	FFQ	NA	eggs	age, sex, smoking, alcohol, Body Mass Index, physical activity score, education, energy intake, red meat, fiber, dietary magnesium, fruit/vegetables, trans fat, waist circumference, history of hypertension, history of cardiovascular disease	7.3	1.17 (0.81, 1.69)
Ericson	2015	Sweden	MDC	45-74	Both	26930	2860	7 day menu book & SFFQ & interview	Registries or follow up examination	eggs	Age, Sex, season, method version, energy intake, Body Mass Index, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity	14	1.14 (1.02, 1.27)
Kurotani	2014	Japan	JPHC	45-75	Both	63466	1165	SFFQ	self reported	eggs	Age, center area, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, Hypertension, family history of diabetes, physical activity, Body Mass Index, Magnesium, Calcium, Coffee, rice, fish, shellfish, meat,	5	♂ 1.06 (0.85, 1.32) ♀ 0.82 (0.63, 1.07)

											vegetables, soft drinks		
Lajous	2015	France	E3N	43-68	Women	65364	1803	FFQ	selfreported/supplementary questionnaire or drug information	eggs	Age, energy intake, education, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, hormone replacement therapy, Hypertension, Hypercholesterolemia, family history of diabetes, processed red meat, fruits, vegetables, coffee, sugar sweetened drinks, artificially sweetened drinks	14	1.00 (0.78, 1.28)
Montonen	2005	Finland	Finnish Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	40-69	Both	4304	383	Dietary history interview	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	eggs	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, family history of diabetes, geographic area	23	0.91 (0.67, 1.24)
Vang	2008	USA	AMS & AHS	45-88	Both	8401	535	FFQ	self-reported	eggs	Age, Sex	17	1.15 (0.85, 1.56)
Virtanen	2015	Finland	KIHD	42-60	Men	2332	432	4-d food records	selfreported or hospital and insurance registration/ WHO criteria	eggs	Age, energy intake, examination year, education, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, hypertension family history of diabetes, serum long chain omega-3 polyunsaturated fatty	19.3	0.55 (0.38, 0.80)

											acids, fiber, linoleic acid, berries, fruits, vegetables, cholesterol intake		
von Ruesten	2013	Germany	The EPIC-Potsdam study	35-65	Both	23531	837	SFFQ	selfreported/inquiry to the physician	eggs	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, waist: hip ratio, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, Hypertension, high blood lipid levels, education, vitamin supplementation	8	0.97 (0.75, 1.25)
Wallin	2016	Sweden	COSM	45-79	Men	39610	4173	FFQ	registry	eggs	Age, Body Mass Index, energy intake, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, cardiovascular disease, coffee, red meat, processed meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, white bread, caviar, sweet buns/biscuits, fiber	15	1.11 (0.95, 1.30)
Zazpe	2013	Spain	SUN project	20-90	Both	15956	91	SFFQ	selfreported/medical records confirmation	eggs	Age, Sex, energy intake, Mediterranean food pattern, Alcohol, Body Mass Index, Smoking, physical activity, family history of diabetes, history of hypertension , history of	6.6	0.70 (0.30, 1.21)

											hypercholesterolemia		
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Supplementary Table S8: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between egg intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of dairy	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
Brouwer-Brolsma	2016	Netherlands	Rotterdam study	>55	Both	7983	393	SFFQ	ascertained using records of general practitioners, hospital discharge letters, and serum glucose measurements from Rotterdam study visits taking place every 4 years	Total dairy	age, sex, alcohol, smoking, education, physical activity, Body Mass Index, total energy intake, energy adjusted meat intake, energy adjusted fish intake, and potential intermediates: total cholesterol, HDL-cholesterol, C-reactive protein, hypertension	9.5	0.93 (0.69, 1.25)
Chen	2014	USA	HPFS	40-75	Men	41436	3364	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	Total dairy	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, race, history of Hypertension and/or Hypercholesterolemia, oral contraceptive use, trans fat, glycemic load, red & processed meat, nuts sugar sweetened beverages,	24	0.99 (0.77, 1.11)

											coffee		
Chen	2014	USA	NHS I	30-55	Women	67138	7841	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	Total dairy	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, race, history of hypertension and/or hypercholesterolemia, Menopausal status, menopausal hormone use, oral contraceptive use, trans fat, glycemic load, red & processed meat, nuts sugar sweetened beverages, coffee	30	1.05 (0.97, 1.14)
Chen	2014	USA	NHS II	25-42	Women	85884	3951	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	Total dairy	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, race, history of hypertension and/or hypercholesterolemia, Menopausal status, menopausal hormone use, oral contraceptive use, trans fat, glycemic load, red & processed meat, nuts sugar sweetened beverages, coffee	16	1.00 (0.89, 1.12)
Diaz-Lopez	2015	Spain	PREDIMED	55-80	Both	3454	270	SFFQ	Medical records review or routine	Total dairy	Age, Sex, Body Mass Index, intervention,	4.1	0.68 (0.47,

									glucose test		education, physical activity, hypertension or antihypertensive use, fasting glucose, HDL-C, triacylglycerol's, smoking, alcohol, vegetables, legumes, fruits, cereals, meat, fish, olive oil, nuts		0.98)
Elwood	2007	UK	Caerphilly prospective study	45-59	Men	640	41	7-day weighed record	self reported	milk	Age, Body Mass Index, Smoking, social class	20	0.57 (0.20, 1.62)
Ericson	2015	Sweden	MDC	45-74	Both	26930	2860	7 day menu book & SFFQ & interview	Registries or follow up examination	Total dairy	Age, Sex, season, method version, energy intake, Body Mass Index, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity	14	0.90 (0.80, 1.01)
Grantham	2012	Australia	AusDiab	25-88	Both	5582	209	SFFQ	treatment reporting or fasting plasma glucose or 2h post-load plasma glucose	Total dairy	Age, Sex, energy intake, education, family history of diabetes, smoking, triacylglycerol's, physical activity, systolic blood pressure, waist circumference, HDL-C	5	0.71 (0.48, 1.05)
Kirrii	2009	Japan	JPHC	40-69	Both	59796	1114	SFFQ	self reported	Total dairy	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes,	5	♂ 1.18 (0.90, 1.55)

											Hypertension, physical activity, area, coffee, magnesium		♀ 0.71 (0.51, 0.99)
Liu	2006	USA	WHS	NA	Women	37183	1603	SFFQ	self-reported/ phone call or extra questionnaire/ADA diagnostic criteria or contacting physician	Total dairy	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Hypercholesterolemia, Hypertension, Hormones, Smoking, fiber, magnesium, glycemic load, total fat, calcium, vitamin D	10	0.68 (0.52, 0.89)
Louie	2013	Australia	BMES	≥49	Both	1824	145	SFFQ	self reported	Total dairy	Age, Sex, Body Mass Index, systolic blood pressure, HDL-C, total-cholesterol, triacylglycerol's, calcium	10	1.50 (0.47, 4.79)
Margolis	2011	USA	WHI-OS	50-79	Women	82076	3946	SFFQ	self reported	Total dairy	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, race, education, income, family history of diabetes, postmenopausal hormone therapy, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, blood pressure, glycemic load, fat, fiber, magnesium	7,9	0.93 (0.83, 1.04)
Montonen	2005	Finland	Finnish	40-	Both	4304	383	Dietary	registration to the	Total	Age, Sex, energy	23	0.90

			Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	69				history interview	Social Insurance Institution	dairy	intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, family history of diabetes, Geographic area		(0.74, 1.09)
Moslehi	2015	Iran	TLGS	≥20	Both	520	178	FFQ	Participants who had FPG ≥126 mg/dl, or 2h plasma glucose ≥ 200 mg/dl during OGTT receiving treatment anti-diabetic medications	Total dairy	Age, sex, family history of diabetes, BMI, waist circumference, energy intake, blood pressure, triacylglycerols, cholesterol	NA	0.73 (0.47, 1.16)
Sluijs	2012	Europe	EPIC-Interact Study	52	Both	16835	12405	SFFQ or quantitative dietary questionnaire	self reported or care registers or medication use, mortality data	Total dairy	Age, Sex, Body Mass Index, energy intake, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, fruit, vegetables, red meat, processed meat, sugar sweetened soft drinks, coffee, cereals, calcium, magnesium, vitamin D	3.99 million person years	0.97 (0.82, 1.15)
Soedamah-Muthu	2012	UK	Whitehall II	NA	Both	4186	273	FFQ	self reported or glucose tolerance test	Total dairy	Sex, Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, ethnicity, employment grade, smoking, alcohol, family history of coronary heart disease and/or hypertension, physical activity, coffee, fruit, vegetables, bread, meat, fish, tea	10	1.30 (0.95, 1.78)

Struijk	2013	Denmark	Inter99	30-60	Both	5232	214	FFQ	health examination/WHO definition	Total dairy	Age, Sex, Intervention group, family history of diabetes, waist: hip ratio, energy intake, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, wholegrain cereal, meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, tea, coffee, change in diet during follow-up	5	0.95 (0.86, 1.05)
van Dam	2006	USA	Black Women's Health Study	21-69	Women	41186	1964	SFFQ	selfreported	Total dairy	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, Education, Coffee, Sugar-sweetened soft drink, red meat, processed meat, whole grain	8	0.93 (0.75, 1.15)
Vang	2008	USA	AMS & AHS	45-88	Both	8401	543	FFQ	selfreported	milk	Age, Sex	17	0.91 (0.75, 1.10)
Villegas	2009	China	SWHS	40-70	Women	64191	2270	FFQ	selfreported/ADA criteria	fresh milk	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, WHR, smoking, alcohol, education, income, occupation, Hypertension, physical activity	6,9	0.72 (0.65, 0.80)
Zong	2014	China	Nutrition and Health of Aging Population	50-70	Both	2091	507	SFFQ	health examination	Total dairy	Age, Sex, region, residence, family history of diabetes, Body Mass Index,	6	0.81 (0.63, 1.04)

			in China study								smoking, fiber, changes in Body Mass Index, waist circumference and glucose		
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Supplementary Table S9: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between dairy intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of fish	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
Djousse	2011	USA	WHS	≥45	Women	36328	2370	SFFQ	selfreported	fish	Age, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, menopausal status, coffee, cereal fiber, red meat, a-linolenic and linoleic acid, magnesium, trans fat, saturated fat, family history of diabetes, physical activity, glycemic index	12.4	1.49 (1.30, 1.71)
Ericson	2015	Sweden	MDC	45-74	Both	26930	2860	7 day menu book & SFFQ & interview	Registries or follow up examination	fish& shellfish, high fat	Age, Study area, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, coffee, fiber, calcium, magnesium, vegetable, fruit, meat, rice, family history of diabetes, Hypertension,	14	High-fat: 1.05 (0.94, 1.18) Low-fat: 0.97 (0.86, 1.09)

											physical activity		
Kaushik	2009	USA	NHS II	26-46	Women	91669	2728	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	fish	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, physical activity, saturated, trans fat, linolenic acid, linoleic acid, caffeine, cereal fiber, glycemic index, hormone replacement therapy, contraceptive use	14-18	1.16 (0.96, 1.40)
Kaushik	2009	USA	NHS	30-55	Women	61031	4159	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	fish	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, physical activity, saturated, trans fat, linolenic acid, linoleic acid, caffeine, cereal fiber, glycemic index, menopausal status, postmenopausal hormone use	14-18	1.29 (1.05, 1.58)
Kaushik	2009	USA	HPFS	39-78	Men	42504	2493	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data	fish	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking,	14-18	1.32 (0.99, 1.76)

									group criteria		alcohol, family history of diabetes, physical activity, saturated, trans fat, linolenic acid, linoleic acid, caffeine, cereal fiber, glycemic index		
Krishnan	2010	USA	BWHS	30-69	Women	44072	2737	SFFQ	self reported	fried fish	Age, time period, education, TV watching, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, coffee, cereal fiber, sugar sweetened cola, calcium, vitamin D, family history of diabetes, physical activity, glycemic index	10	0.89 (0.64, 1.24)
Lacoppidan	2015	Denmark	DCH	50-64	Women	55060	7366	SFFQ	registry	fish	Age, Study area, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, coffee, fiber, calcium, magnesium, vegetable, fruit, meat, rice, family history of diabetes,	15.3	♀: 0.98 (0.91, 1.06) ♂: 1.02 (0.95, 1.08)

											Hypertension, physical activity		
Montonen	2005	Finland	Finnish Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	40-69	Both	4304	383	Dietary history interview	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	Unprocessed; salted or smoked	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, family history of diabetes, Geographic area	23	0.92 (0.77, 1.10)
Nanri	2011	Japan	JPHC	45-75	Men	52680	971	SFFQ	self reported	fish& seafood	Age, Study area, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, coffee, fiber, Ca, Mg, vegetable, fruit, meat, rice, family history of diabetes, Hypertension, physical activity	5	♂: 0.73 (0.54, 0.99) ♀: 1.01 (0.69)
Patel	2012	Europe	EPIC-InterAct Study	50,7	Both	24813	10740	Quantitative questionnaire or SFFQ	self reported or care registers or medication use, mortality data	fish& shellfish	Age, Study area, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, coffee, fiber, Ca, Mg, vegetable, fruit, meat, rice, family history of diabetes, Hypertension, physical activity	NA	0.99 (0.86, 1.14)
Rylander	2014	Norway	NOWAC	30-70	Women	33740	479	FFQ	Self reported	Fish	Age, BMI, smoking, physical activity, hypertension	NA	0.66 (0.36, 1.21)

Vang	2008	USA	AMS & AHS	45-88	Both	8401	543	FFQ	self reported	fish	Age, Sex	17	1.12 (0.88, 1.43)
van Woudenberg	2009	Netherlands	Rotterdam study	≥55	Both	4472	463	SFFQ	Health authorities	fish	Age, Sex, education, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, saturated, trans fat, fiber	15	1.32 (1.02, 1.71)
Villegas	2011	China	SWHS	40-70	Women	64193	2262	FFQ	self reported	fish& shellfish	Age, Body Mass Index, WHR, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, income, education, occupation, family history of diabetes, hypertension, physical activity, dietary pattern	8.9	0.86 (0.76, 0.79)
Villegas	2011	China	SMHS	40-74	Men	51936	833	FFQ	self reported	fish& shellfish	Age, Body Mass Index, WHR, energy intake, smoking, alcohol, income, education, occupation, family history of diabetes, hypertension, physical activity, dietary pattern	4.1	0.92 (0.73, 1.16)
Wallin	2015	Sweden	The Cohort of Swedish Men	45-79	Men	35583	3624	FFQ	registry	total fish	Age, Study area, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking, alcohol,	15	0.79 (0.60, 1.04)

											coffee, fiber, Ca, Mg, vegetable, fruit, meat, rice, family history of diabetes, Hypertension, physical activity		
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Supplementary Table S10: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between fish intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of red meat	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category)
EPIC-Interact	2013	Europe	EPIC-InterAct	20-80	Both	16835	11559	Country specific dietary questionnaire	Self-reported/medication/registers linkage/hospital records	red meat	sex, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking status, alcohol consumption, physical activity, educational level	11.7	1.20 (1.07, 1.35)
Ericson	2015	Sweden	MDC	45-74	Both	26930	2860	7 day menu book & SFFQ & interview	Registries or follow up examination	red meat low-fat non processed	Age, Sex, season, method version, energy intake, Body Mass Index, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity	14	Low-fat: 1.24 (1.1, 1.39) High-fat: 1.01 (0.9, 1.14)
Fretts	2012	USA	SHFS		Both	2001	243	SFFQ	Medication or fasting plasma glucose concentration	unprocessed red meat	age, sex, site, energy intake, Body Mass Index, education, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, physical activity, fiber from grains and glycemic load	5	0.88 (0.57, 1.36)
Kurotani	2013	Japan	JPHC	45-75	Both	63849	1160	FFQ	self reported	red meat	Age, public health center area, Body Mass Index, smoking status, alcohol consumption, total physical activity,	5	♂: 1.58 (1.14, 2.19) ♀: 0.99 (0.67, 1.46)

											the history of hypertension, coffee consumption, the family history of diabetes, magnesium intake, calcium intake, rice intake, fish intake, vegetable intake, soft drink consumption energy intake, saturated fat		
Lee	2004	USA	IWHS	55-69	Women	35698	NA	SFFQ	self reported	red meat non drinkers	Age, energy intake, waist-hip ratio, Body Mass Index, physical activity, Cigarette, smoking, Alcohol, Education, Marital status, Residential area, Hormone replacement therapy, Animal fat, Vegetable fat, Cereal fiber, magnesium	11	Non-drinker: 1.11 (0.86, 1.42) 1-14g/d: 1.19 (0.84, 1.67) ≥15g/d 4.62 (1.5, 14.21)
Männistö	2010	Finland	ATBC	50-69	Men	25943	1098	picture FFQ	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	red meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, blood pressure, total	12	1.22 (0.97, 1.53)

											cholesterol, HDL-C, fruit, vegetable, rye, milk and coffee consumption		
Mari-Sanchis	2016	Spain	SUN	20-90	Both	18527	146	validated semi-quantitative FFQ	diagnosis of diabetes diagnosed by a doctor, patients were asked to confirm diagnosis with additional confirmation questionnaires and their medical records	Red meat	age, sex, physical activity, energy intake, Body Mass Index, family history of diabetes, , hypercholesterolemia, hypertension, dietary fiber intake, sugar sweetened beverages, smoking status, caffeine, glycemic index, adherence to Mediterranean dietary pattern, prevalent cardiovascular disease, prevalent cancer	8.7	0.95 (0.62, 1.46)
Montonen	2005	Finland	Finnish Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	40-69	Both	4304	383	Dietary history interview	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	red meat	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, family history of diabetes, Geographic area	23	0.99 (0.72, 1.36)
Pan	2011	USA	HPFS	40-75	Men	37083	2438	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/medic	red meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass	20	1.44 (1.23, 1.69)

									al records /National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports		Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, race, history of hypertension and/or hypercholesterolemia, Menopausal status, Hormone use in women, dietary score		
Pan	2011	USA	NHS I	30-55	Women	79570	8253	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/medical records /National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	red meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, race, history of hypertension and/or hypercholesterolemia, Menopausal status, Hormone use in women, dietary score	28	1.31 (1.21, 1.42)
Pan	2011	USA	NHS II	25-42	Women	87504	3068	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/medical records /National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	red meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, race,	16	1.37 (1.19, 1.58)

											history of hypertension and/or hypercholesterolemia, Menopausal status, Hormone use in women, dietary score		
Song	2004	USA	WHS	≥45	Women	37309	1558	SFFQ	self-reported/blood sample/ extra questionnaire/ADA diagnostic criteria	red meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, fiber, magnesium, glycemic load, total fat	8.8	1.24 (1.00, 1.54)
Steinbrecher	2011	USA	MEC	45-75	Both	75512	8587	FFQ	self reported or with medication history or with the health plans	red meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, physical activity, Education, Ethnicity	14	♂ 1.43 (1.29, 1.59) ♀ 1.30 (1.17, 1.44)
van Woudenberg	2012	Netherlands	Rotterdam Study	≥55	Both	4366	456	self administered questionnaire and SFFQ	general practitioner registries	red meat	age, Body Mass Index, sex, smoking, diet prescription, and family history of diabetes, intake of energy, energy-adjusted carbohydrates, energy-adjusted	12.4	1.18 (0.88, 1.58)

											polyunsaturated fatty acids, energy-adjusted fiber, energy-adjusted milk, energy-adjusted cheese, soya, fish, alcohol, and tea, processed meat, poultry, CRP		
Villegas	2006	China	SWHS	40-70	Women	70609	1972	SFFQ	self reported	red meat	Age, WHR, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, vegetable intake, income, education, occupation status, hypertension, chronic disease	4.6	0.94 (0.80, 1.10)

Supplementary Table S11: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between red meat intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of processed meat	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
EPIC-Interact	2013	Europe	EPIC-InterAct	20-80	Both	16835	11559	Country specific dietary questionnaire	Self-reported/medication/registers linkage/hospital records	processed meat	sex, Body Mass Index, energy intake, smoking status, alcohol consumption, physical activity, educational level	11.7	1.16 (1.04, 1.04, 1.29)
Ericson	2015	Sweden	MDC	45-74	Both	26930	2860	7 day menu book & SFFQ & interview	Registries or follow up examination	meat products low-fat processed	Age, Sex, season, method version, energy intake, Body Mass Index, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity	14	Low fat: 1.16 (1.04, 1.30) High-fat: 1.15 (1.01, 1.30)
Fretts	2012	USA	SHFS	35	Both	2001	243	SFFQ	Medication or fasting plasma glucose concentration	processed meat	age, sex, site, energy intake, Body Mass Index, education, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, physical	5	1.35 (0.81, 2.25)

											activity, fiber from grains and glycemic load		
Kurotani	2013	Japan	JPHC	45-75	Both	63849	1160	FFQ	self reported	processed red meat	Age, public health center area, Body Mass Index, smoking status, alcohol consumption, total physical activity, the history of hypertension, coffee consumption, the family history of diabetes, magnesium intake, calcium intake, rice intake, fish intake, vegetable intake, soft drink consumption energy intake, saturated fat	5	♂: 1.15 (0.90, 1.47) ♀: 1.05 (0.79, 1.40)
Mari-Sanchis	2016	Spain	SUN	20-90	Both	18527	146	validated semi- quantitative FFQ	diagnosis of diabetes diagnosed by a doctor, patients	Processed meat	age, sex, physical activity, energy intake, Body	8.7	1.60 (0.78, 3.28)

									were asked to confirm diagnosis with additional confirmation questionnaires and their medical records		Mass Index, family history of diabetes, , hypercholesterolemia, hypertension, dietary fiber intake, sugar sweetened beverages, smoking status, caffeine, glycemic index, adherence to		
Männistö	2014	Finland	ATBC	50-69	Men	25943	1098	picture FFQ	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	Processed meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, BP, Serum cholesterol, Serum HDL, fruit, vegetable, rye, milk and coffee consumption	12	1.37 (1.11, 1.71)
Montonen	2005	Finland	Finnish Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	40-69	Both	4304	383	Dietary history interview	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	processed meat	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, family history of diabetes, Geographic	23	1.22 (0.89, 1.67)

											area		
Pan	2011	USA	HPFS	40-75	Men	37083	2438	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/medical records /National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	processed red meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, race, history of hypertension and/or hypercholesterolemia, Menopausal status, Hormone use in women, dietary score	20	1.55 (1.33, 1.81)
Pan	2011	USA	NHS I	30-55	Women	79570	8253	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/medical records /National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	processed red meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, race, history of hypertension and/or Hypercholesterolemia, Menopausal	28	1.30 (1.20, 1.41)

											status, Hormone use in women, dietary score		
Pan	2011	USA	NHS II	25-42	Wom en	87504	3068	SFFQ	self- reported/extra questionnaire/m edical records /National Diabetes Data group criteria or death reports	processed red meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, race, history of hypertension and/or hypercholeste rolemia, Menopausal status, Hormone use in women, dietary score	16	1.21 (1.07, 1.37)
Song	2004	USA	WHS	≥45	Wom en	37309	1558	SFFQ	self- reported/blood sample/ extra questionnaire/A DA diagnostic criteria	processed meat	Age, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, fiber, Mg, GL, total fat	8.8	1.19 (1.00, 1.42)
Steinbreche	2011	USA	MEC	45-75	Both	75512	8587	FFQ	self reported or	processed	Age, energy	14	♂:

r									with medication history or with the health plans	red meat	intake, Body Mass Index, physical activity, Education, Ethnicity		1.44 (1.33, 1.56) ♀ 1.34 (1.24, 1.45)
van Woudenbergh	2012	Netherlands	Rotterdam Study	≥55	Both	4366	456	self administrated questionnaire and SFFQ	general practitioner registries	processed meat	age, Body Mass Index, sex, smoking, diet prescription, and family history of diabetes, intake of energy, energy-adjusted carbohydrates, energy-adjusted polyunsaturated fatty acids, energy-adjusted fiber, energy-adjusted milk, energy-adjusted cheese, soya, fish, alcohol, and tea, red meat, poultry, CRP	12.4	1.73 (1.16 2.58)
Villegas	2006	China	SWHS	40-70	Women	70609	1972	SFFQ	self reported	processed meat	Age, WHR, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, physical activity,	4.6	1.18 (0.99, 1.41)

											vegetable intake, income, education, occupation status, hypertension, chronic disease		
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Supplementary Table S12: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between processed meat intake and risk of T2D.

Author	Year	Country	Cohort name	Age at entry	Sex	Sample size	Total cases	Dietary assessment	Outcome assessment	Type of SSB	Adjustment factors	Follow up years	Results (high vs. low intake category) Risk ratio (RR)
Bhupathiraju	2013	USA	NHS	38-63	Women	74749	7370	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/ National Diabetes Data group and ADA criteria	Caffeinated carbonated SSB	Age, time interval, AHEI, adherence to low caloric diet, reported weight gain, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, history of hypertension and/or hypercholesterolemia, Postmenopausal hormone use	24	Caffeinated carbonated SSB: 1.29 (1.14, 1.47) Caffeine-free carbonated SSB: 1.20 (1.01, 1.42)
Bhupathiraju	2013	USA	HPFS	40-75	Men	39059	2865	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/ National Diabetes Data group and ADA criteria	Caffeinated carbonated SSB	Age, time interval, AHEI, adherence to low caloric diet, reported weight gain, energy intake, Body Mass Index, Alcohol, physical activity, family history of diabetes, Smoking, history of hypertension and/or hypercholesterolemia	22	Caffeinated carbonated SSB: 1.33 (1.10, 1.60) Caffeine-free carbonated SSB: 1.37 (1.08, 1.74)

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EPIC-Interact	2013	Europe	EPIC-InterAct	20-80	Both	16154	12403	country specific dietary questionnaires	self reported or care registers or medication use, mortality data	SSB	Sex, Body Mass Index, energy intake, education, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, artificially sweetened beverages, juice	NA	1.29 (1.02 1.63)
Eshak	2013	Japan	JPHC	40-59	Both	27585	824	FFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/ National Diabetes Data group criteria	SSB	Age, Body Mass Index, family history of diabetes mellitus, education, occupation, alcohol intake, history of hypertension, leisure-time physical activity, consumption of coffee, consumption of green tea, energy adjusted intakes of dietary magnesium, calcium, vitamin D, rice and total dietary fiber, and total energy intake	10	♂: 0.98 (0.68, 1.41) ♀: 1.79 (1.11, 2.89)
Montonen	2007	Finland	Finnish Mobile Clinic Health Examination Survey	40-60	Both	2360	91	dietary history interview	registration to the Social Insurance Institution	SSB	Age, Sex, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, family history of diabetes, Geographic area, physical activity,	12	1.60 (0.93, 2.75)

											prudent dietary pattern score, conservative pattern score, serum cholesterol, blood pressure, history of Infraction, Angina pectoris or cardiac failure		
Odegaard	2010	China	The Singapore Chinese Health Study	45-74	Both	43580	2273	SFFQ	self reported	SSB	Age, Sex, dialect, year of interview, education, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, saturated fat, dietary fiber, dairy, juice, coffee, physical activity	5.7	1.34 (1.17, 1.53)
Palmer	2008	USA	BWHS	21-69	Women	43960	2713	SFFQ	self reported	SSB	Age, family history of diabetes, education, smoking, red meat, processed meat, cereal fiber, GI, coffee, physical activity	10	1.24 (1.06, 1.45)
Paynter	2006	USA	ARIC	45-64	Both	12204	1437	SFFQ	self reported	SSB	Age, race, family history of diabetes, Hypertension, education, energy intake, Body Mass Index, WHR, smoking, alcohol, dietary fiber,	12	♂ 1.02 (0.76, 1.37) ♀ 1.07 (0.79, 1.45)

											physical activity, using diagnosis/medication for outcome classification		
Sakurai	2014	Japan	NA	35-55	Men	2037	170	diet history questionnaire	HbA1c measurement/ADA criteria	SSB	Age, family history of diabetes, Hypertension, Dyslipidemia, diet treatment for chronic disease, energy intake, Body Mass Index, smoking, alcohol, dietary fiber, physical activity, diet soda, fruit juice, vegetable juice, coffee	5.5	1.34 (0.72, 2.49)
Schulze	2004	USA	NHS II	26-46	Women	91249	741	SFFQ	self-reported/extra questionnaire/National Diabetes Data group criteria	SSB	Age, smoking, alcohol, family history of diabetes, physical activity, polyunsaturated to saturated ratio, trans fat, magnesium, cereal fiber, diet soft drinks, fruit juice, fruit punch, postmenopausal hormone use, contraceptive use	8	1.83 (1.42, 2.36)

Supplementary Table S13: General study characteristics of the included studies investigating the association between sugar sweetened beverages intake and risk of T2D.

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Whole grains				
High vs. low	13	0.77	0.71, 0.84	86 (78, 91)
Dose-response	12	0.87	0.82, 0.93	91 (86, 94)
Low risk of bias	8	0.85	0.79, 0.92	92
Gender				
Women	5	0.85	0.77, 0.93	92
Men	2	0.78	0.70, 0.88	58
Men and women	5	0.95	0.91, 0.99	48
Age				
<50	3	0.78	0.68, 0.91	87
≥50	9	0.90	0.84, 0.96	91
Follow-up				
<10 years	6	0.92	0.88, 0.98	71
≥10 years	6	0.82	0.74, 0.91	93
Geographic location				
Europe	4	0.94	0.90, 0.98	53
America	7	0.83	0.76, 0.90	89
Asia & Australia	1	1.00	0.92, 1.08	NA
Number of cases				
<1000	3	0.92	0.84, 1.02	73
≥1000	9	0.86	0.80, 0.92	92
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	10	0.85	0.79, 0.92	90
24h-recall/Food records	2	0.96	0.92, 0.99	0
Outcome assessment				

Self-reported	7	0.83	0.76, 0.90	89
Diagnosed by physician	3	0.93	0.84, 1.02	73
Registry	2	0.96	0.92, 0.99	0

Supplementary Table S14. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 30 g/d increase in whole grains and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Refined grains				
High vs. low	15	1.01	0.92, 1.10	54 (16, 74)
Dose-response	14	1.01	0.99, 1.03	59 (23, 78)
Low risk of bias	8	1.02	1.00, 1.04	32
Gender				
Women	5	1.01	0.98, 1.04	68
Men	3	1.03	1.00, 1.07	12
Men and women	6	1.01	0.98, 1.04	74
Age				
<50	4	1.04	1.01, 1.06	0
≥50	10	1.00	0.98, 1.02	60
Follow-up				
<10 years	6	1.00	0.97, 1.02	70
≥10 years	8	1.02	1.00, 1.04	37
Geographic location				
Europe	2	0.98	0.95, 1.02	0
America	8	1.02	0.99, 1.04	67
Asia & Australia	4	1.01	0.98, 1.04	63
Number of cases				
<1000	4	1.01	0.96, 1.05	66
≥1000	10	1.01	0.99, 1.03	58
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	12	1.01	1.00, 1.03	61
24h-recall/Food records	2	0.98	0.95, 1.02	0
Outcome assessment				

Self-reported	9	1.01	0.99, 1.03	63
Diagnosed by physician	3	1.03	0.96, 1.10	71
Registry	2	0.98	0.95, 1.02	0

Supplementary Table S15. Dose-response meta-analysis for each daily 30 g/d increase in refined grains and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Vegetables				
High vs. low	13	0.95	0.89, 1.01	59 (24, 78)
Dose-response	11	0.98	0.96, 1.00	62 (29, 81)
Low risk of bias	5	0.99	0.97, 1.02	42
Gender				
Women	4	0.99	0.95, 1.03	82
Men	1	0.90	0.78, 1.05	NA
Men and women	6	0.98	0.97, 0.99	0
Age				
≥50	11	0.98	0.96, 1.00	62
Follow-up				
<10 years	5	0.98	0.94, 1.01	70
≥10 years	6	0.99	0.96, 1.02	62
Geographic location				
Europe	4	0.97	0.89, 1.05	44
America	4	1.00	0.98, 1.02	71
Asia & Australia	3	0.95	0.91, 0.99	44
Number of cases				
<1000	4	0.96	0.93, 1.00	0
≥1000	7	0.99	0.97, 1.01	74
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	7	0.99	0.96, 1.01	71
24h-recall/Food records	4	0.97	0.89, 1.05	44
Outcome assessment				
Self-reported	7	0.99	0.96, 1.01	75

Diagnosed by physician	2	0.98	0.95, 1.01	0
Registry	2	0.89	0.80, 1.00	0

Supplementary Table S16. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 100 g/d increase in vegetables and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Fruits				
High vs. low	15	0.96	0.93, 1.00	29 (0, 62)
Dose-reponse	13	0.98	0.97, 1.00	21 (0, 58)
Low risk of bias	7	0.96	0.95, 0.98	0
Gender				
Women	5	0.98	0.96, 1.01	50
Men	2	0.97	0.93, 1.02	0
Men and women	6	0.98	0.97, 1.00	23
Age				
<50	2	0.96	0.93, 0.98	0
≥50	11	0.99	0.97, 1.00	1
Follow-up				
<10 years	5	1.00	0.98, 1.02	0
≥10 years	8	0.97	0.96, 0.99	35
Geographic location				
Europe	4	0.97	0.92, 1.01	31
America	6	0.98	0.96, 1.00	40
Asia & Australia	3	0.99	0.97, 1.02	0
Number of cases				
<1000	4	0.97	0.92, 1.02	35
≥1000	9	0.98	0.97, 1.00	22
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	9	0.99	0.97, 1.00	16
24h-recall/Food records	4	0.97	0.92, 1.01	31
Outcome assessment				

Self-reported	9	0.99	0.97, 1.00	15
Diagnosed by physician	2	0.97	0.94, 1.00	0
Registry	2	0.92	0.80, 1.06	0

Supplementary Table S17. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 100 g/d increase in fruits and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Nuts				
High vs. low	8	0.95	0.85, 1.05	67 (30, 84)
Dose-reponse	7	0.89	0.71, 1.12	77 (52, 89)
Low risk of bias	4	0.93	0.81, 1.05	38
Gender				
Women	4	1.06	0.81, 1.38	76
Men	1	0.82	0.65, 1.04	NA
Men and women	2	0.54	0.24, 1.22	71
Age				
<50	3	0.45	0.15, 1.34	84
≥50	4	0.98	0.76, 1.25	78
Follow-up				
<10 years	3	0.42	0.18, 0.97	74
≥10 years	4	1.04	0.86, 1.25	70
Geographic location				
Europe	1	0.75	0.55, 1.01	NA
America	4	1.04	0.86, 1.25	70
Asia & Australia	2	0.27	0.13, 0.56	0
Number of cases				
<1000	2	0.54	0.24, 1.22	71
≥1000	5	1.00	0.80, 1.25	75
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	7	0.89	0.71, 1.12	77
Outcome assessment				
Self-reported	5	1.00	0.80, 1.25	75

Diagnosed by physician	2	0.54	0.24, 1.22	71
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Supplementary Table S18. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 28 g/d increase in nuts and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Legumes				
High vs. low	12	0.96	0.87, 1.05	85 (75, 91)
Dose-response	12	1.00	0.92, 1.09	87 (79, 92)
Low risk of bias	8	1.08	0.97, 1.22	83
Gender				
Women	5	0.87	0.65, 1.15	91
Men	1	0.42	0.04, 4.01	NA
Men and women	6	1.05	0.96, 1.14	86
Age				
<50	2	0.65	0.57, 0.74	0
≥50	10	1.05	0.98, 1.12	78
Follow-up				
<10 years	6	0.93	0.85, 1.01	89
≥10 years	6	1.19	0.91, 1.54	78
Geographic location				
Europe	2	1.01	0.98, 1.03	0
America	6	1.17	0.90, 1.51	82
Asia & Australia	4	0.89	0.75, 1.14	91
Number of cases				
<1000	3	1.01	0.98, 1.03	0
≥1000	9	1.01	0.88, 1.16	90
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	11	1.00	0.91, 1.10	88
24h-recall/Food records	1	1.04	0.90, 1.20	NA
Outcome assessment				

Self-reported	8	0.92	0.80, 1.05	86
Diagnosed by physician	2	1.01	0.98, 1.03	0
Registry	2	1.41	0.76, 2.60	95

Supplementary Table S19. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 50 g/d increase in legumes and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Eggs				
High vs. low	13	1.08	0.95, 1.22	69 (45, 83)
Dose-response	13	1.08	0.95, 1.22	77 (61, 86)
Low risk of bias	8	1.04	0.87, 1.25	85
Gender				
Women	2	1.29	0.96, 1.72	82
Men	3	0.98	0.65, 1.47	94
Men and women	8	1.04	0.93, 1.17	29
Age				
<50	1	0.54	0.21, 1.40	NA
≥50	12	1.09	0.96, 1.24	78
Follow-up				
<10 years	3	0.96	0.84, 1.08	0
≥10 years	10	1.12	0.97, 1.30	79
Geographic location				
Europe	6	0.96	0.82, 1.12	77
America	5	1.43	1.28, 1.61	0
Asia & Australia	1	0.96	0.82, 1.12	NA
Number of cases				
<1000	5	0.91	0.65, 1.27	80
≥1000	8	1.17	1.05, 1.31	70
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	10	1.17	1.03, 1.32	65
24h-recall/Food records	3	0.83	0.53, 1.30	91
Outcome assessment				

Self-reported	5	1.29	1.03, 1.62	77
Diagnosed by physician	4	1.06	0.93, 1.20	5
Registry	4	0.92	0.72, 1.18	87

Supplementary Table S20. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 50 g/d increase in eggs and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Dairy				
High vs. low	21	0.91	0.85, 0.97	63 (41, 77)
Dose-reponse	21	0.97	0.94, 0.99	74 (60, 83)
Low risk of bias	12	0.97	0.95, 1.00	82
Low fat	14	0.97	0.94, 1.00	71
High fat	14	1.00	0.96, 1.04	69
Gender				
Women	6	0.93	0.88, 0.99	91
Men	2	0.99	0.96, 1.02	0
Men and women	13	0.98	0.95, 1.00	34
Age				
<50	5	0.99	0.96, 1.02	47
≥50	16	0.95	0.93, 0.98	77
Follow-up				
<10 years	10	0.89	0.83, 0.96	79
≥10 years	11	0.99	0.98, 1.01	40
Geographic location				
Europe	8	0.98	0.95, 1.01	36
America	7	0.98	0.96, 1.00	58
Asia & Australia	6	0.84	0.71, 1.01	85
Number of cases				
<1000	11	0.90	0.84, 0.96	79
≥1000	10	0.99	0.98, 1.01	45
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	18	0.95	0.92, 0.98	78

24h-recall/Food records	3	0.99	0.98, 1.00	0
Outcome assessment				
Self-reported	13	0.96	0.93, 1.00	81
Diagnosed by physician	5	0.91	0.83, 0.99	59
Registry	3	0.99	0.98, 1.00	0

Supplementary Table S21. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 200 g/d increase in dairy and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low-fat dairy products, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Fish				
High vs. low	16	1.04	0.95, 1.13	76 (62, 86)
Dose-response	15	1.09	0.93, 1.28	84 (76, 90)
Low risk of bias	9	1.20	0.99, 1.46	83
Gender				
Women	6	1.22	0.86, 1.73	93
Men	2	1.07	0.79, 1.46	78
Men and women	7	0.97	0.86, 1.09	85
Age				
<50	4	0.99	0.65, 1.52	84
≥50	11	1.11	0.93, 1.33	84
Follow-up				
<10 years	4	0.87	0.79, 0.94	0
≥10 years	11	1.20	0.99, 1.45	81
Geographic location				
Europe	6	0.94	0.78, 1.14	48
America	6	1.44	1.19, 1.74	66
Asia & Australia	3	0.87	0.80, 0.95	0
Number of cases				
<1000	6	0.90	0.69, 1.18	35
≥1000	9	1.14	0.93, 1.39	89
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	12	1.12	0.91, 1.39	87
24h-recall/Food records	3	0.98	0.88, 1.10	0
Outcome assessment				

Self-reported	10	1.15	0.93, 1.42	88
Diagnosed by physician	1	1.00	0.82, 1.22	5
Registry	4	0.96	0.70, 1.32	64

Supplementary Table S22. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 100 g/d increase in fish and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Red meat				
High vs. low	15	1.21	1.13, 1.30	65 (41, 80)
Dose-response	14	1.17	1.08, 1.26	83 (72, 89)
Low risk of bias	10	1.22	1.13, 1.32	83
Gender				
Women	4	1.11	1.01, 1.22	78
Men	2	1.21	1.13, 1.29	0
Men and women	8	1.18	1.01, 1.38	82
Age				
<50	4	1.14	1.06, 1.22	46
≥50	10	1.19	1.06, 1.33	84
Follow-up				
<10 years	5	1.01	0.82, 1.25	73
≥10 years	9	1.23	1.13, 1.33	85
Geographic location				
Europe	6	1.15	1.05, 1.27	38
America	6	1.23	1.11, 1.36	88
Asia & Australia	2	1.03	0.63, 1.68	89
Number of cases				
<1000	4	0.98	0.85, 1.13	0
≥1000	10	1.21	1.21, 1.32	86
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	11	1.17	1.06, 1.28	86
24h-recall/Food records	3	1.19	1.04, 1.35	52
Outcome assessment				

Self-reported	7	1.20	1.08, 1.34	91
Diagnosed by physician	3	1.04	0.78, 1.38	70
Registry	4	1.16	1.04, 1.29	15

Supplementary Table S23. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 100 g/d increase in red meat and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Processed meat				
High vs. low	14	1.27	1.20, 1.35	55 (18, 75)
Dose-response	14	1.37	1.22, 1.55	87 (81, 92)
Low risk of bias	10	1.39	1.21, 1.60	92
Gender				
Women	4	1.49	1.36, 1.63	0
Men	2	1.41	0.88, 2.26	96
Men and women	8	1.33	1.11, 1.59	90
Age				
<50	4	1.43	1.27, 1.61	24
≥50	10	1.36	1.18, 1.57	90
Follow-up				
<10 years	5	1.30	1.13, 1.50	0
≥10 years	9	1.39	1.20, 1.61	92
Geographic location				
Europe	6	1.13	1.09, 1.18	0
America	6	1.65	1.47, 1.85	54
Asia & Australia	2	1.35	1.01, 1.79	0
Number of cases				
<1000	4	1.32	1.13, 1.54	0
≥1000	10	1.38	1.20, 1.58	91
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	11	1.47	1.25, 1.72	87
24h-recall/Food records	3	1.13	1.07, 1.19	0
Outcome assessment				

Self-reported	7	1.62	1.45, 1.81	53
Diagnosed by physician	3	1.11	1.04, 1.18	0
Registry	4	1.15	1.09, 1.22	2

Supplementary Table S24. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 50 g/d increase in processed meat and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

Dietary factor	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%) 95% CI
Sugar sweetened beverages				
High vs. low	10	1.30	1.20, 1.40	34 (0, 69)
Dose-response	10	1.21	1.12, 1.31	78 (59, 88)
Low risk of bias	8	1.24	1.14, 1.35	79
Gender				
Women	3	1.22	1.08, 1.39	88
Men	2	1.25	1.14, 1.37	0
Men and women	5	1.22	1.04, 1.42	80
Age				
<50	4	1.26	1.00, 1.58	81
≥50	6	1.20	1.09, 1.32	79
Follow-up				
<10 years	3	1.53	1.35, 1.74	0
≥10 years	7	1.14	1.07, 1.21	65
Geographic location				
Europe	2	1.65	0.70, 3.90	80
America	5	1.18	1.08, 1.29	85
Asia & Australia	3	1.33	1.10, 1.61	34
Number of cases				
<1000	4	1.45	1.10, 1.92	63
≥1000	6	1.16	1.09, 1.24	76
Dietary assessment method				
FFQ	7	1.21	1.11, 1.32	83
24h-recall/Food records	3	1.35	0.95, 1.92	62

Outcome assessment				
Self-reported	7	1.21	1.11, 1.32	83
Diagnosed by physician	2	1.15	1.07, 1.25	0
Registry	1	2.81	1.30, 6.09	NA

Supplementary Table S25. Dose-response meta-analysis for each 250 ml/d increase in sugar sweetened beverages and risk of type 2 diabetes, stratified by low risk of bias studies, high vs. low intake, gender, follow-up, geographic location, number of cases, dietary assessment method, and outcome assessment

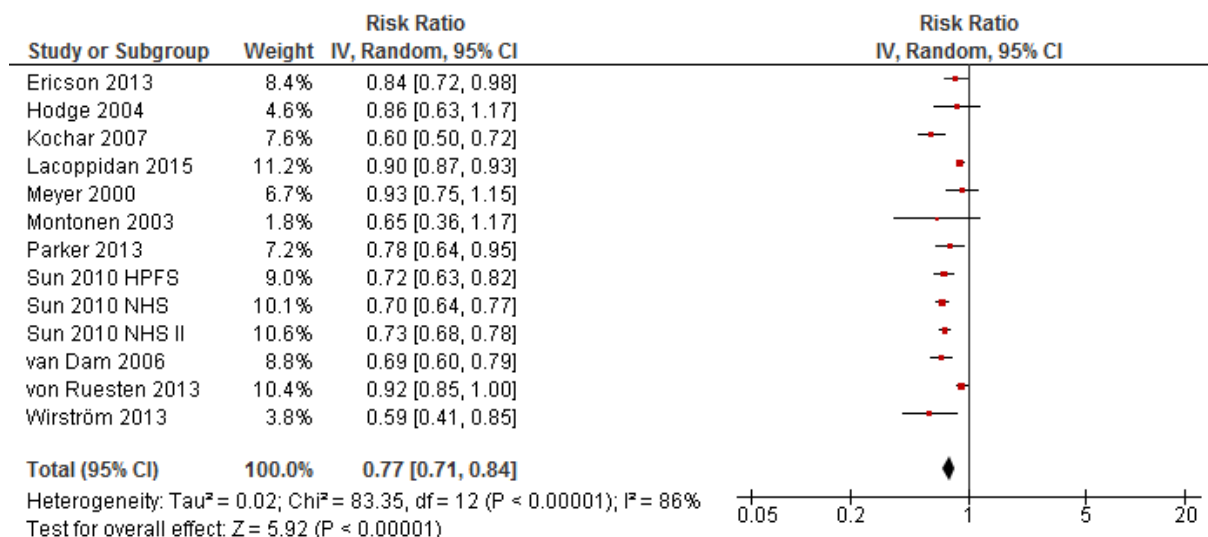
Dietary factor	Amount	No of studies	RR	95% CI	I ² (%)	NutriGrade grading
Whole grains	30g	12	0.87	0.82, 0.93	91	High ¹
Refined grains	30g	14	1.01	0.99, 1.03	59	Moderate ²
Vegetables	100g	11	0.98	0.96, 1.00	62	Moderate ²
Fruits	100g	13	0.98	0.97, 1.00	21	Moderate ²
Nuts	28g	7	0.89	0.71, 1.12	77	Low ³
Legumes	50g	12	1.00	0.92, 1.09	87	Low ³
Eggs	50g	13	1.08	0.95, 1.22	77	Moderate ²
Dairy	200g	21	0.97	0.94, 0.99	74	Moderate ²
Fish	100g	15	1.09	0.93, 1.28	84	Moderate ²
Red meat	100g	14	1.17	1.08, 1.26	83	High ¹
Processed meat	50g	14	1.37	1.22, 1.55	88	High ¹
Sugar sweetened beverages	250ml	10	1.21	1.12, 1.31	78	High ¹

Supplementary Table S26: Linear dose-response meta-analysis including 12 dietary factors and the risk of T2D, and NutriGrade grading.

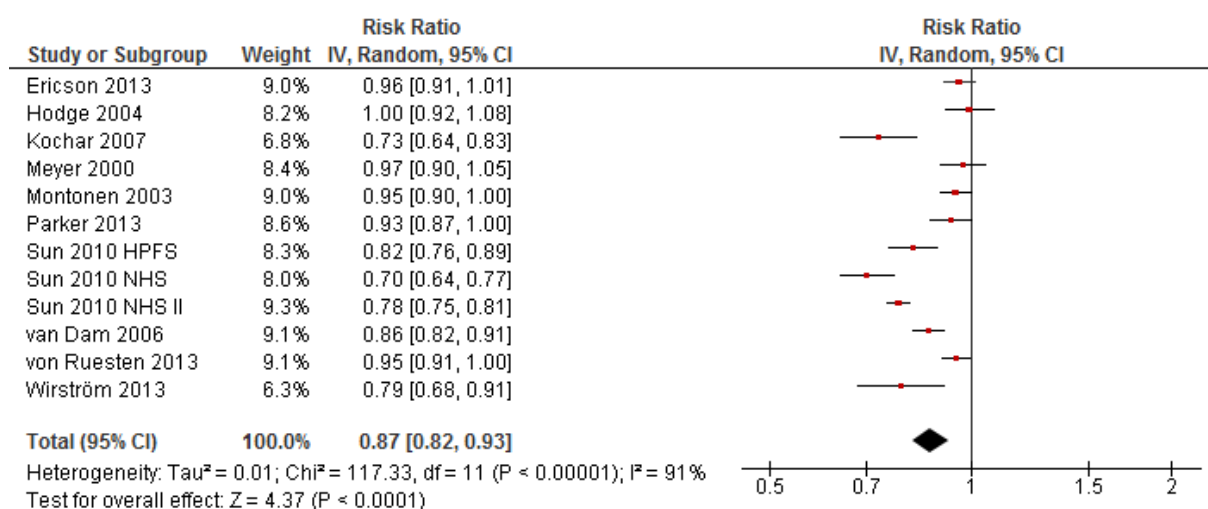
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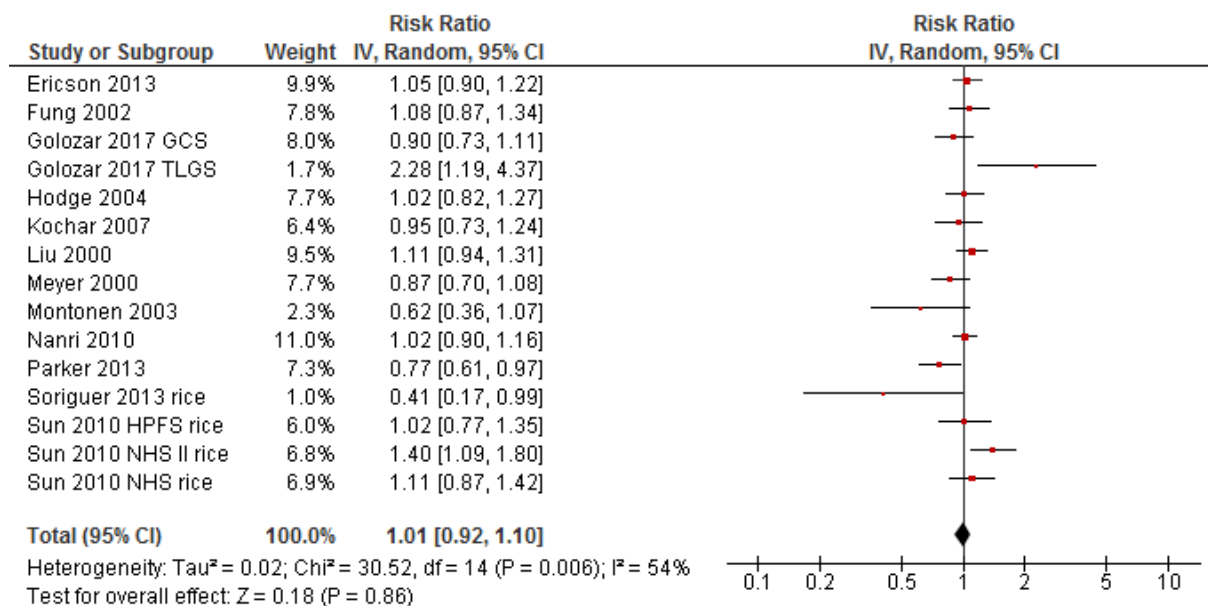
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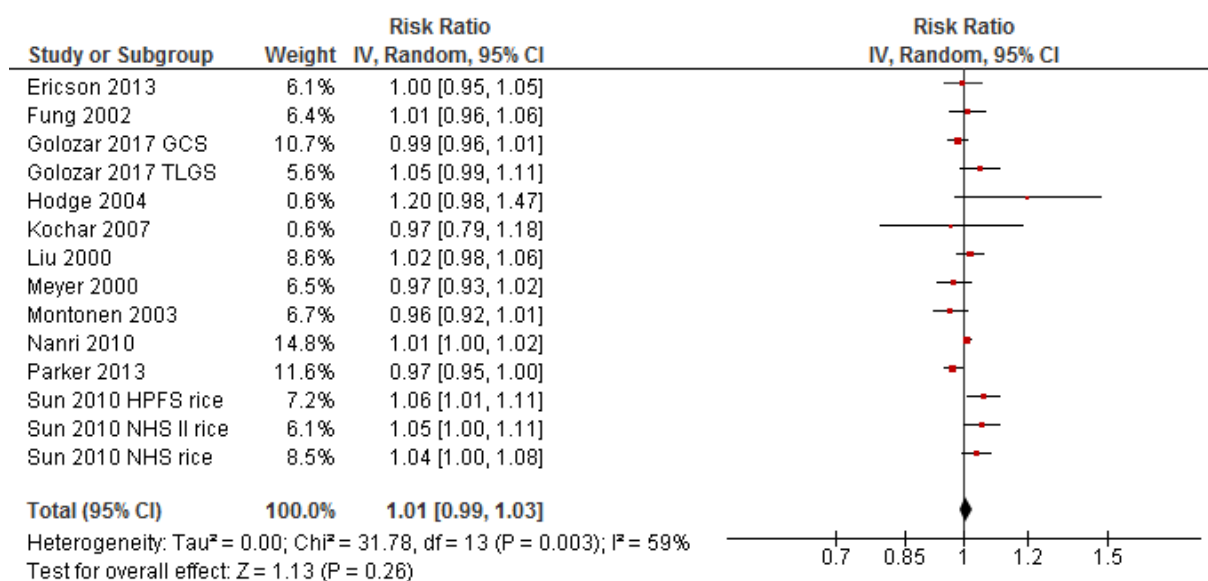
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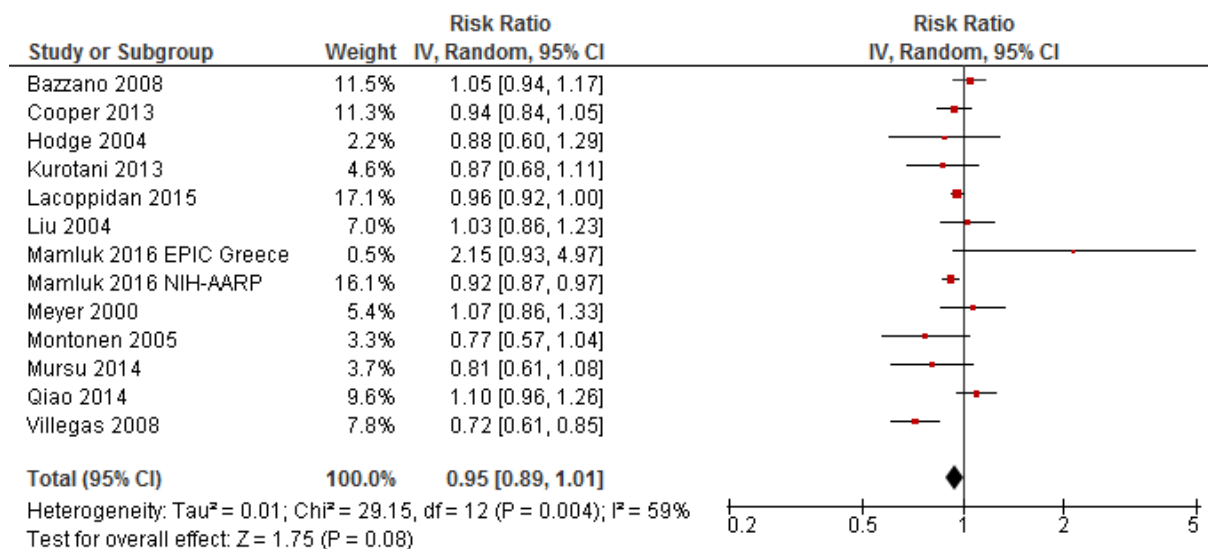
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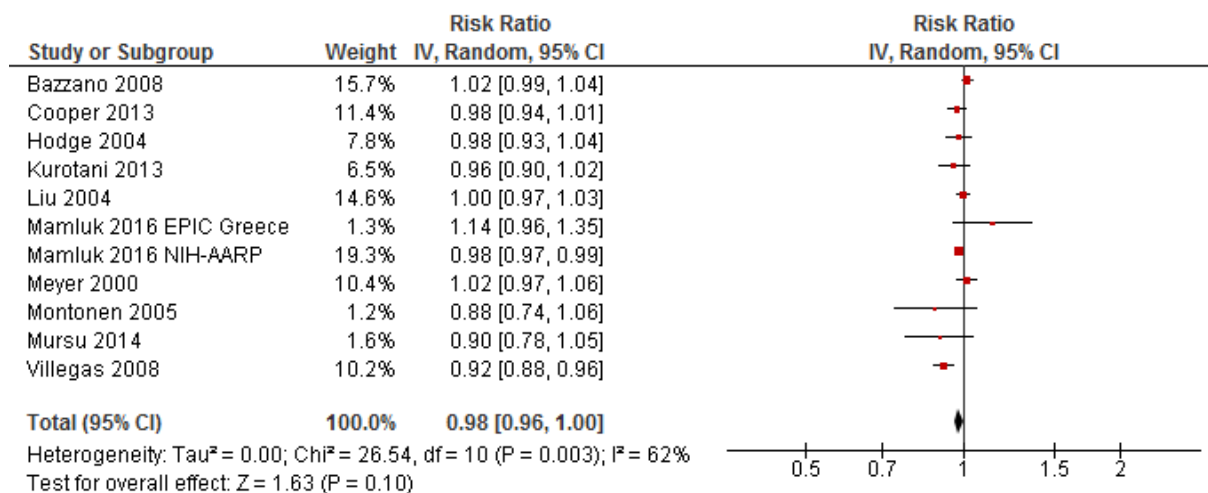
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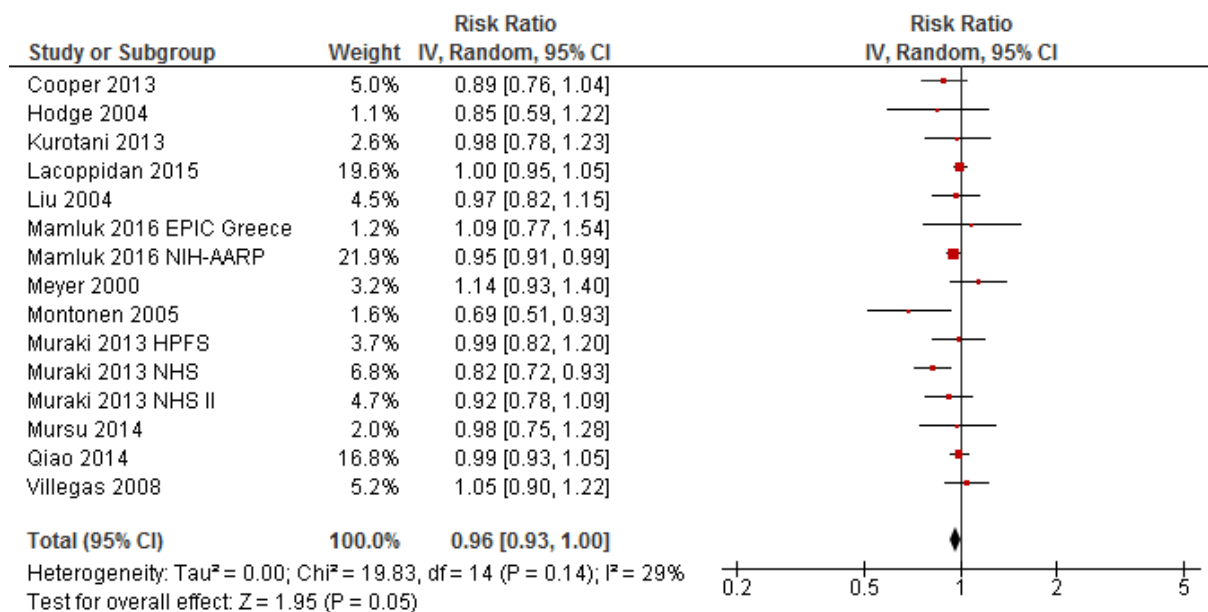
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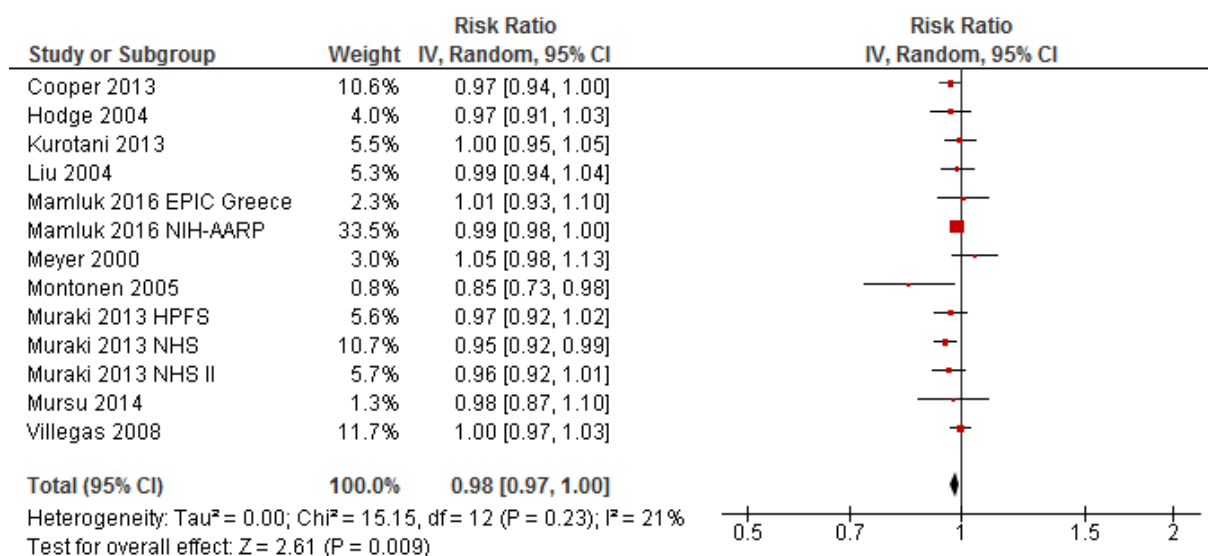
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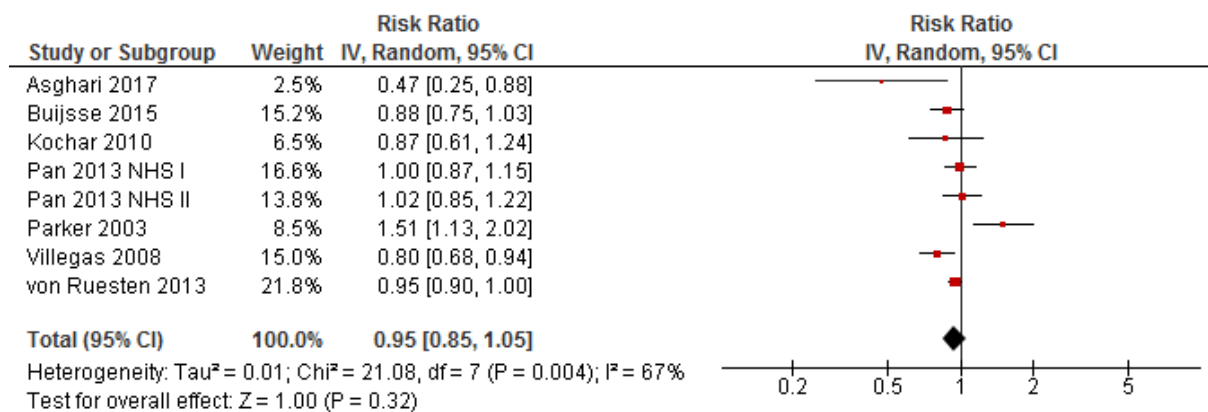
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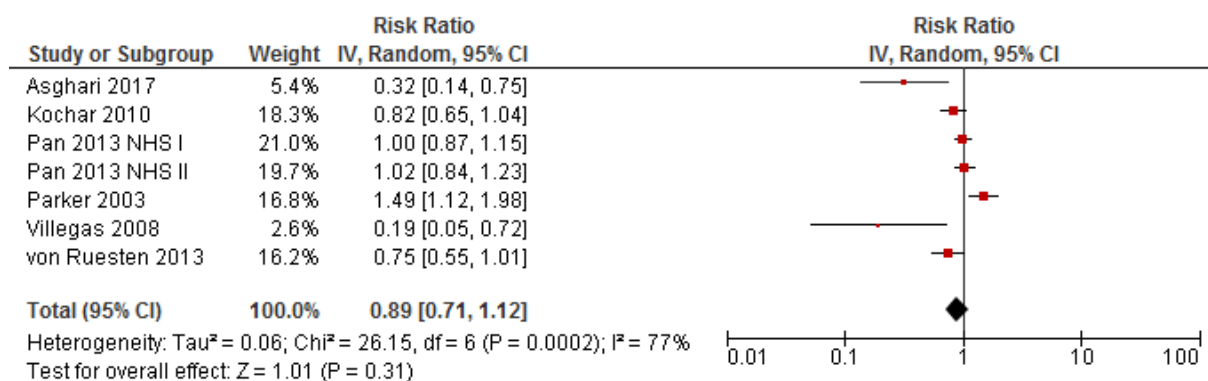
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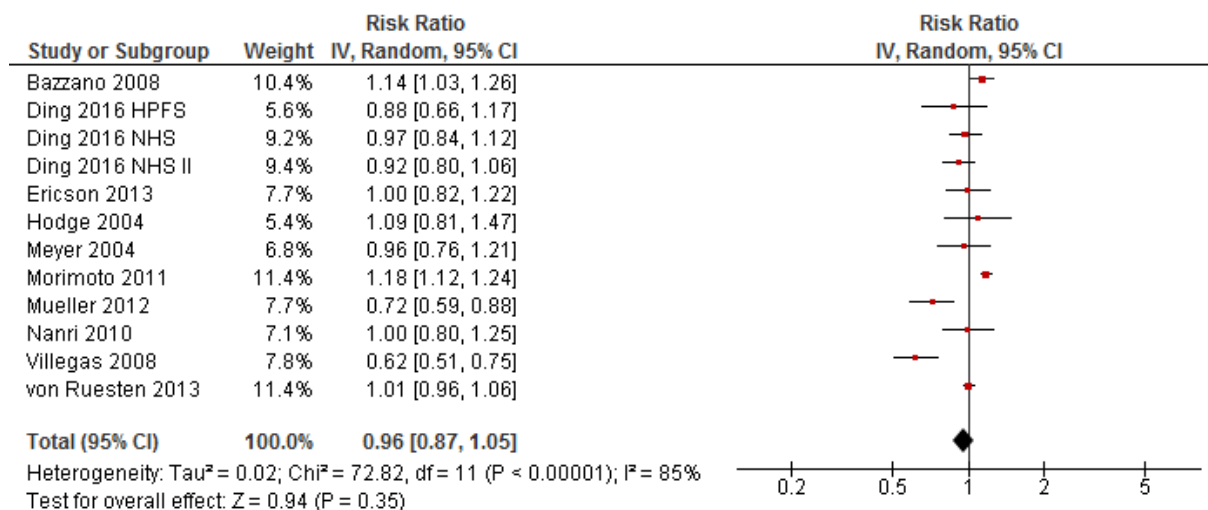
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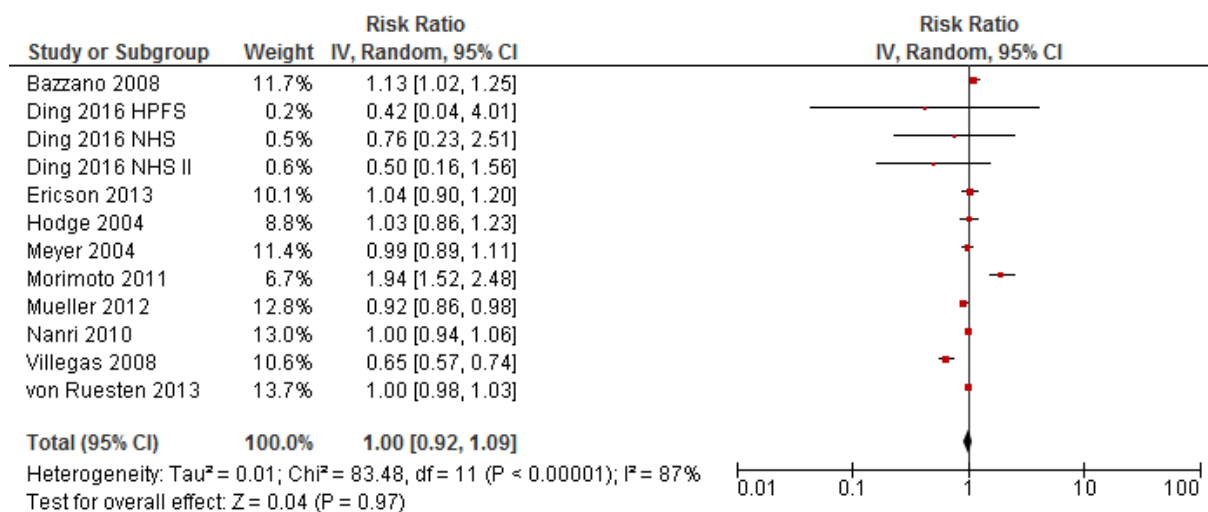
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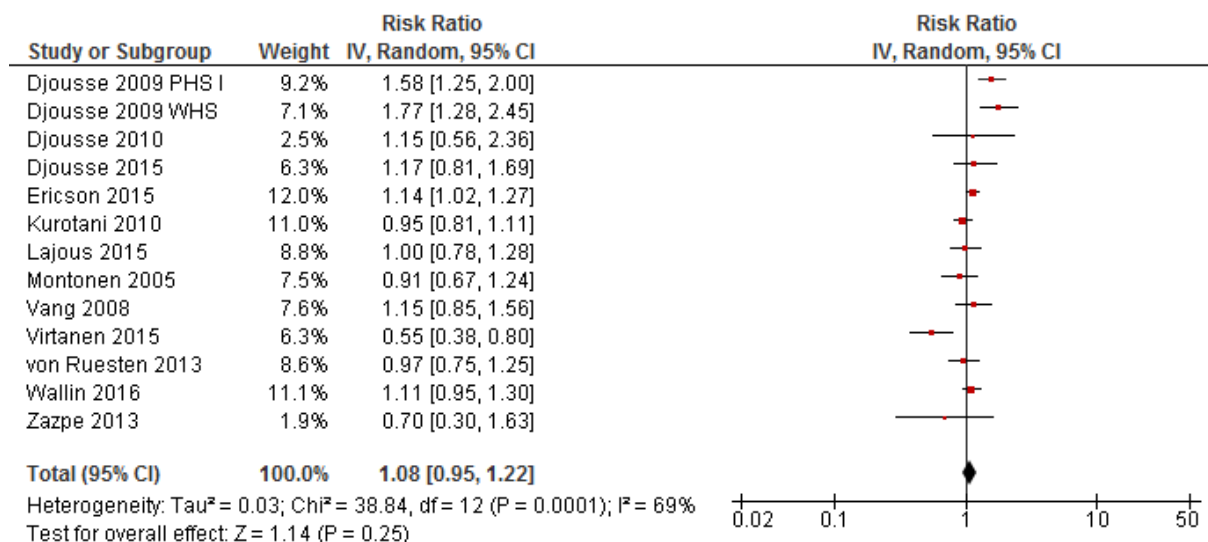
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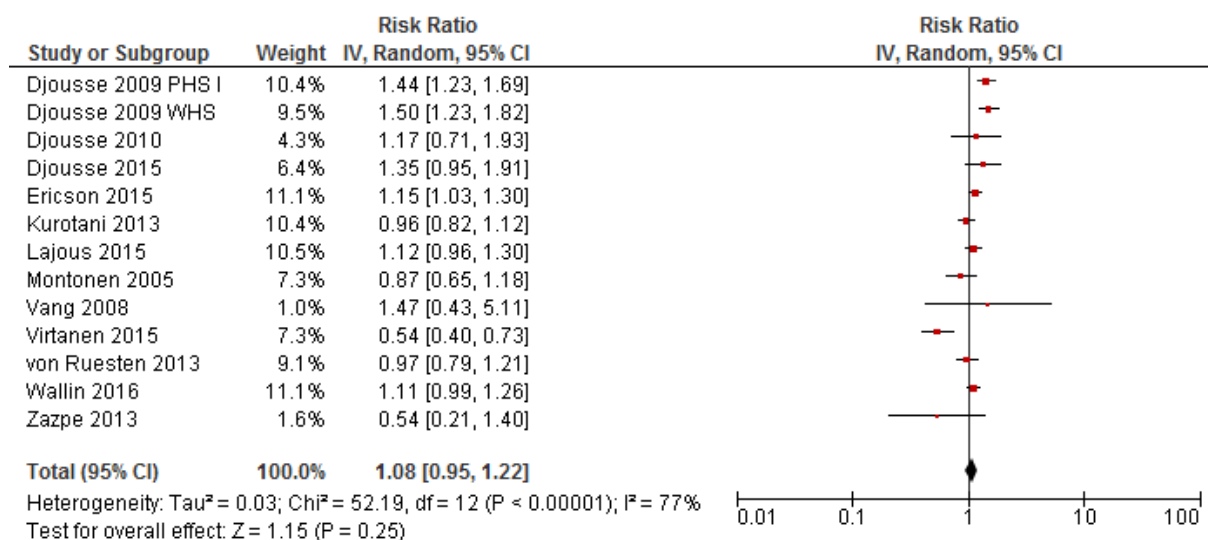
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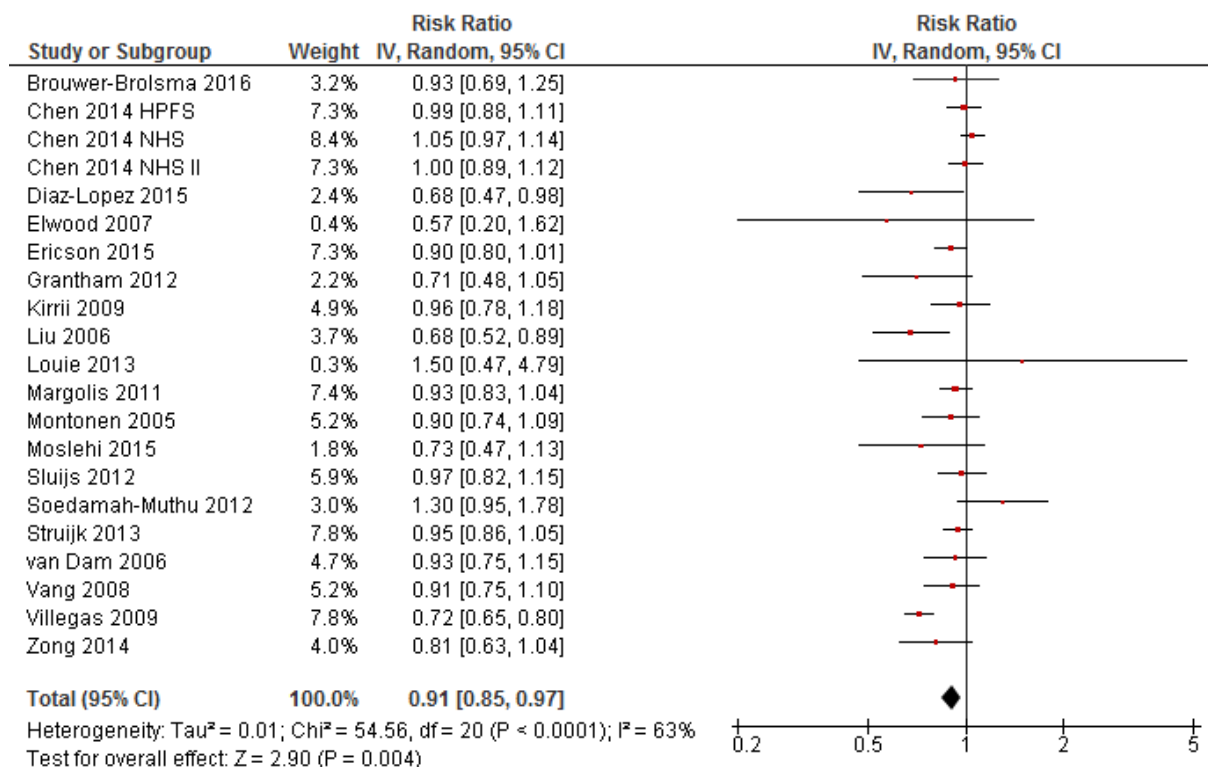
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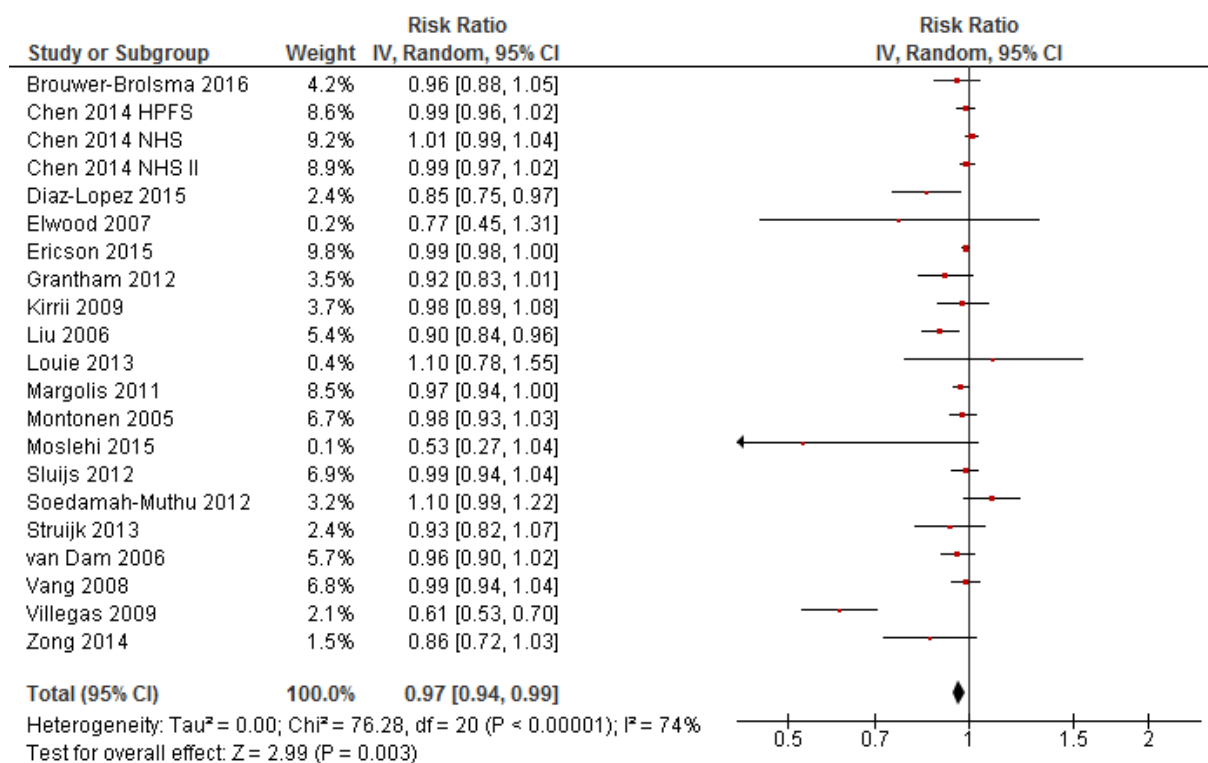
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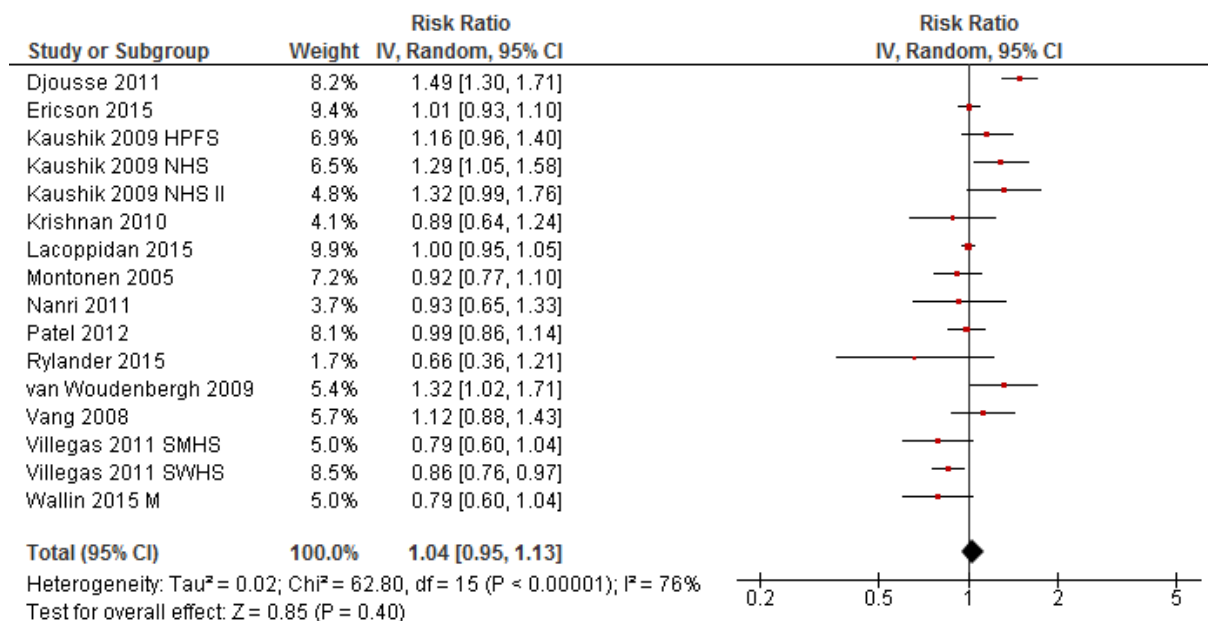
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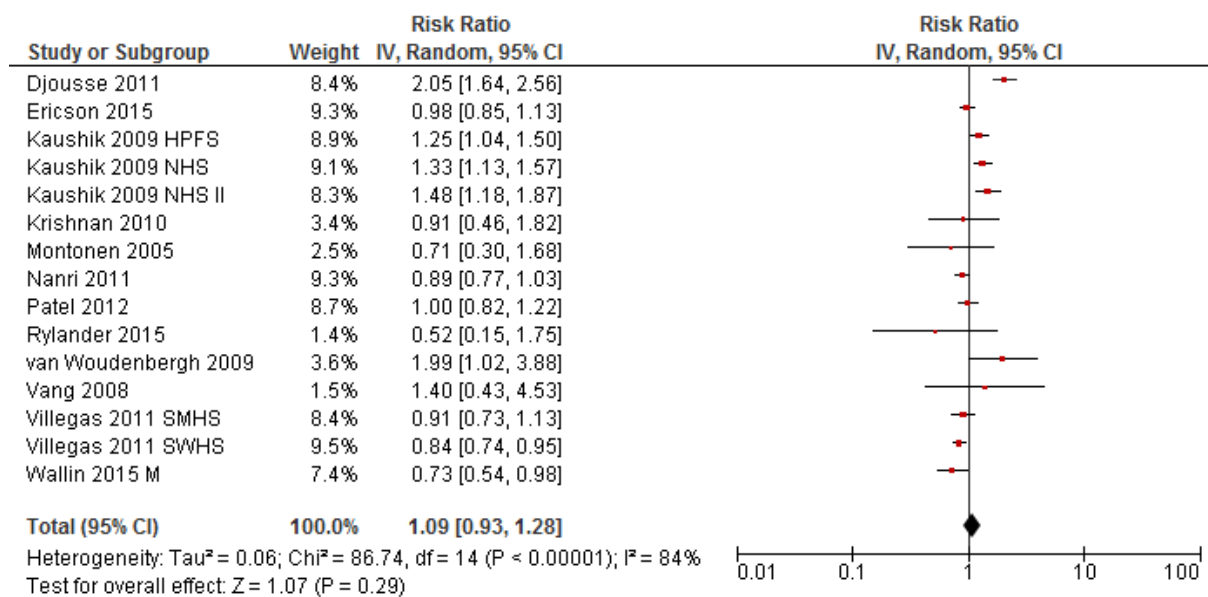
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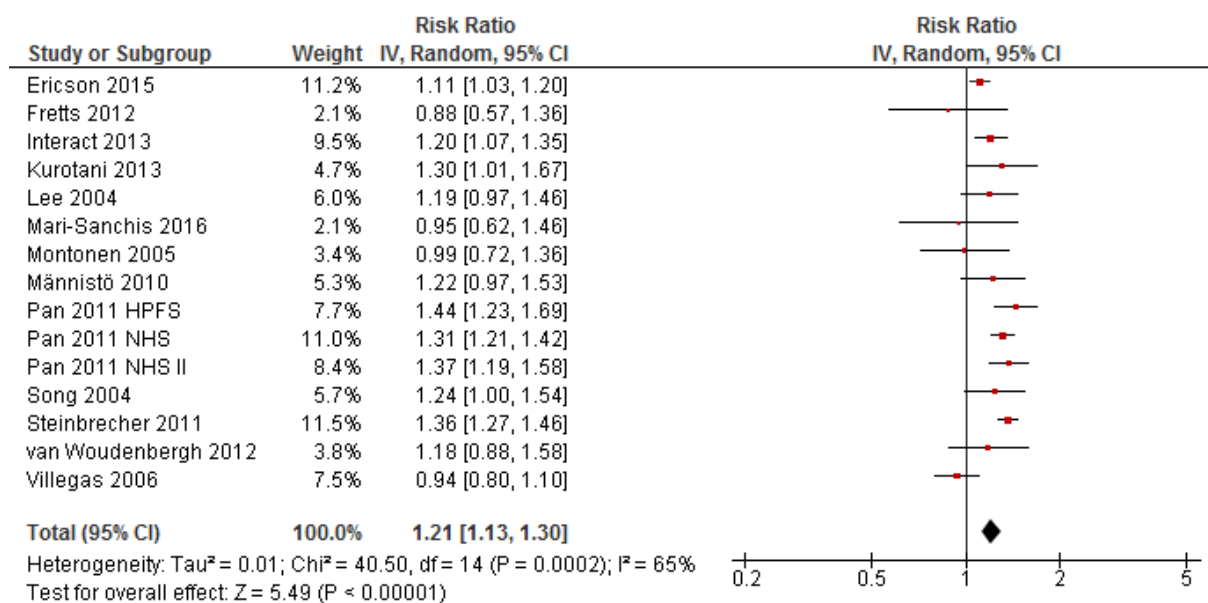
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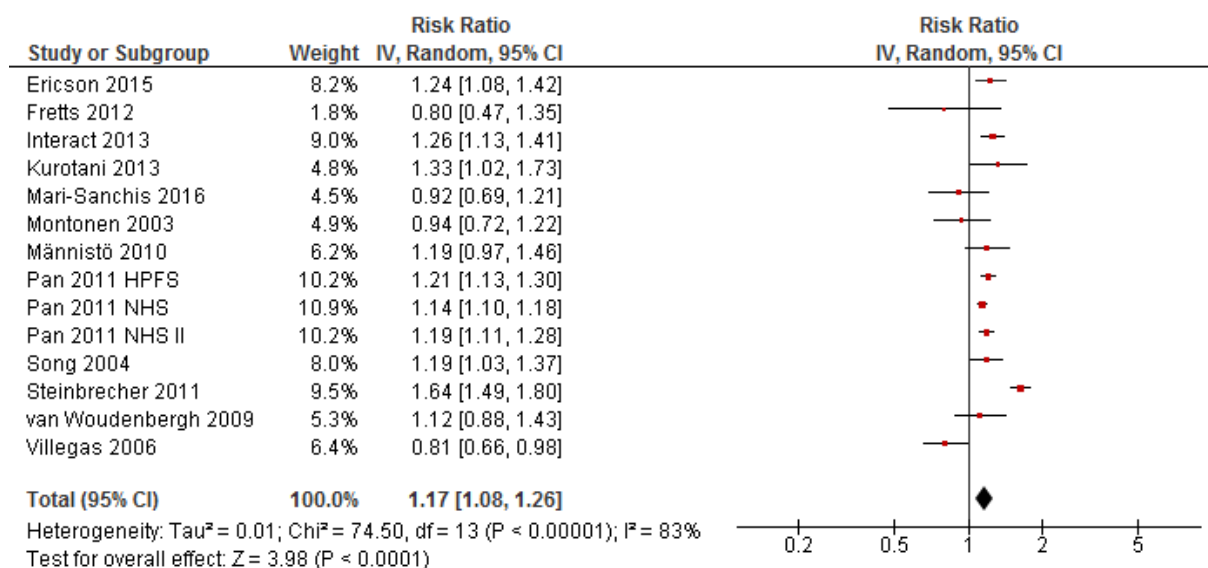
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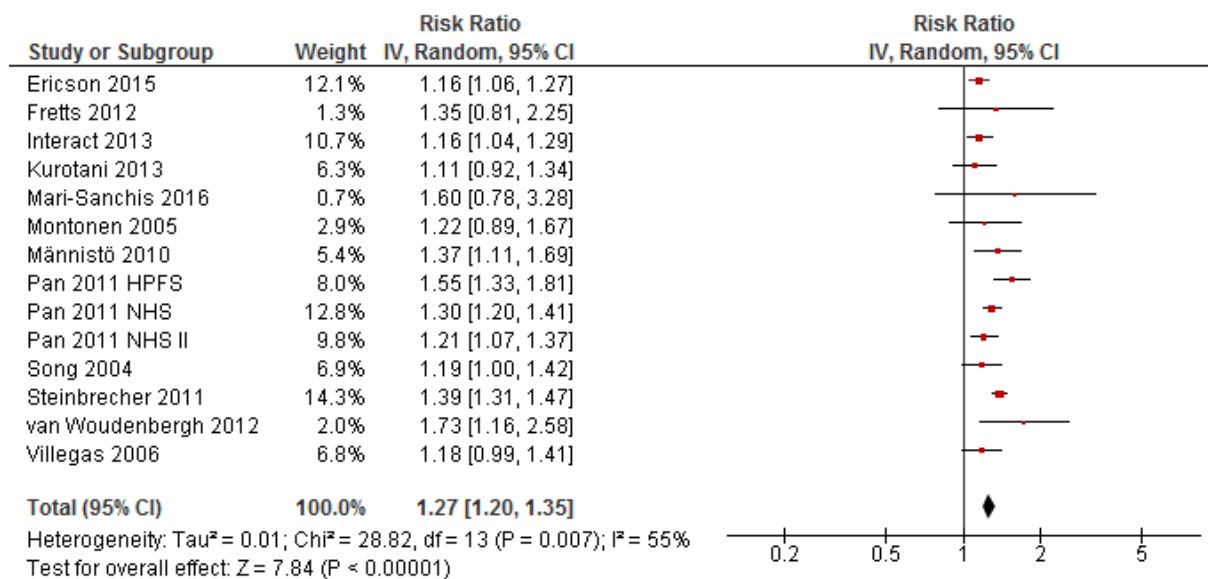
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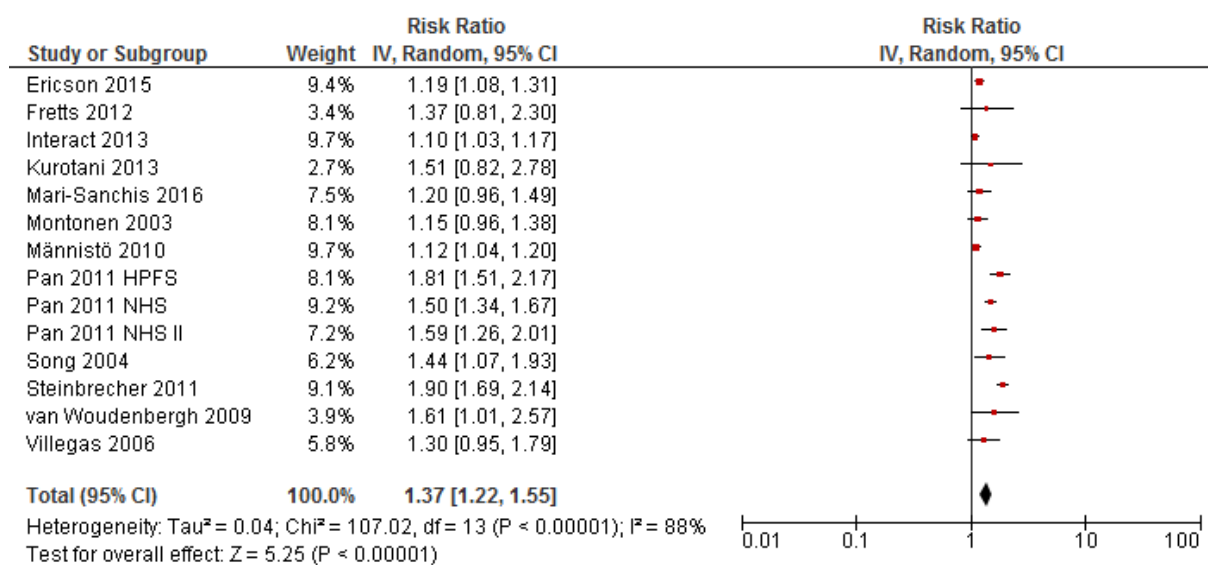
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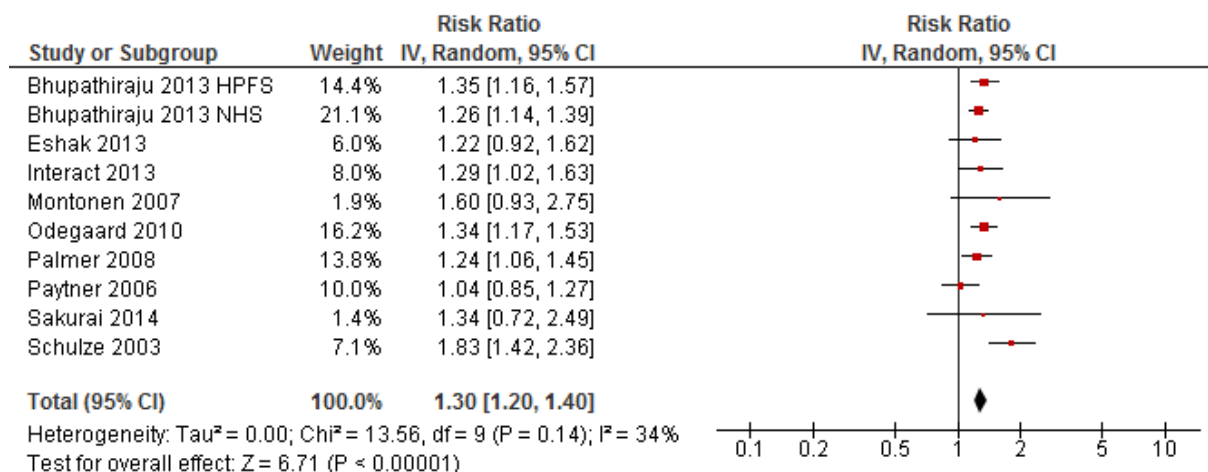
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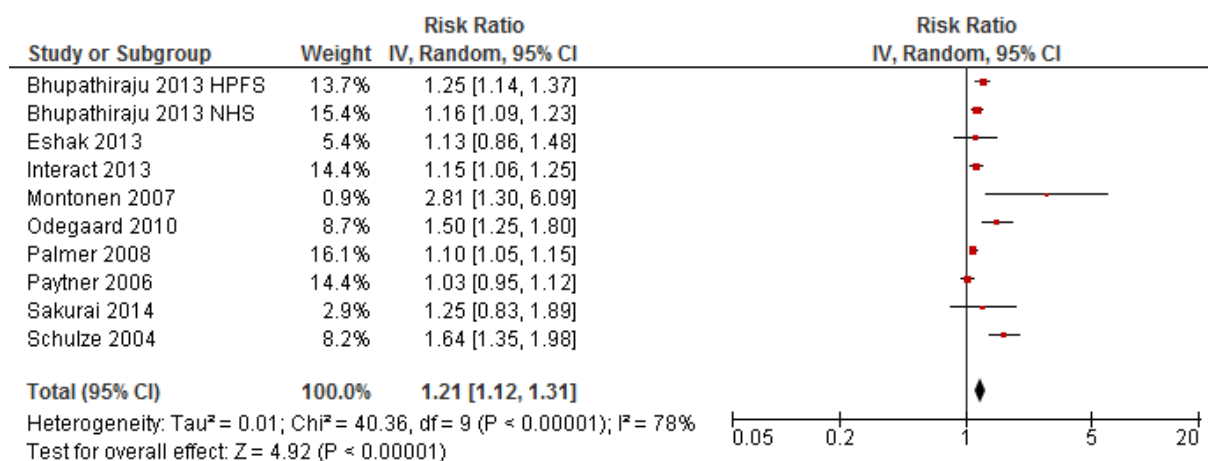
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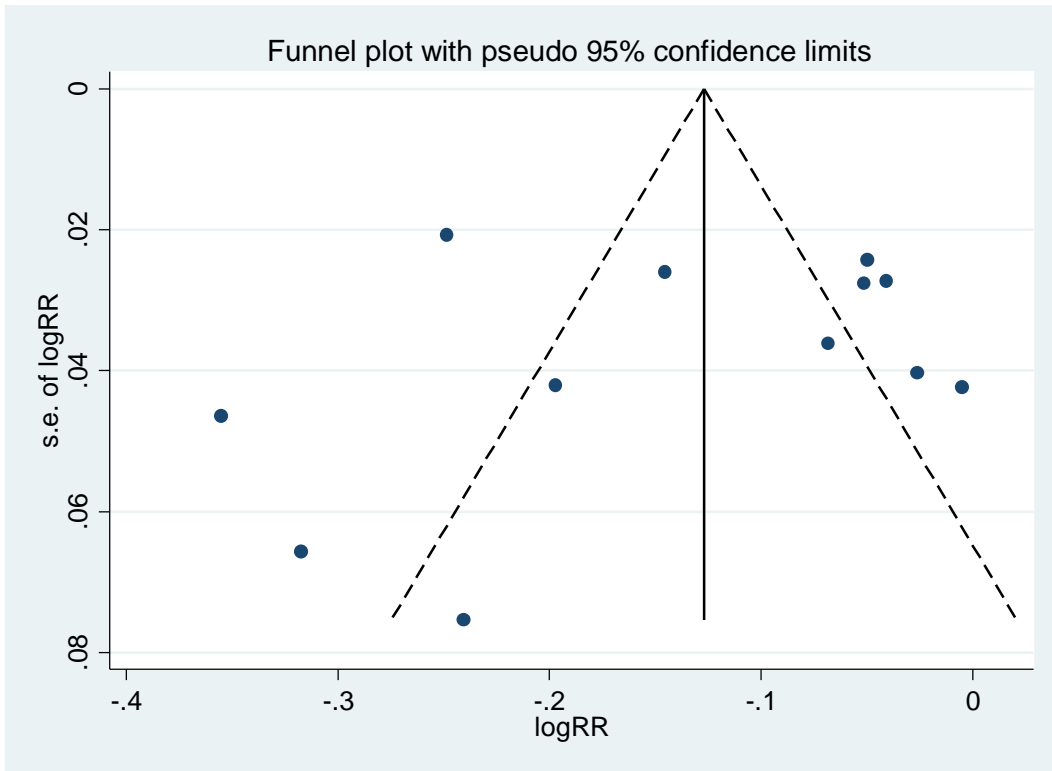
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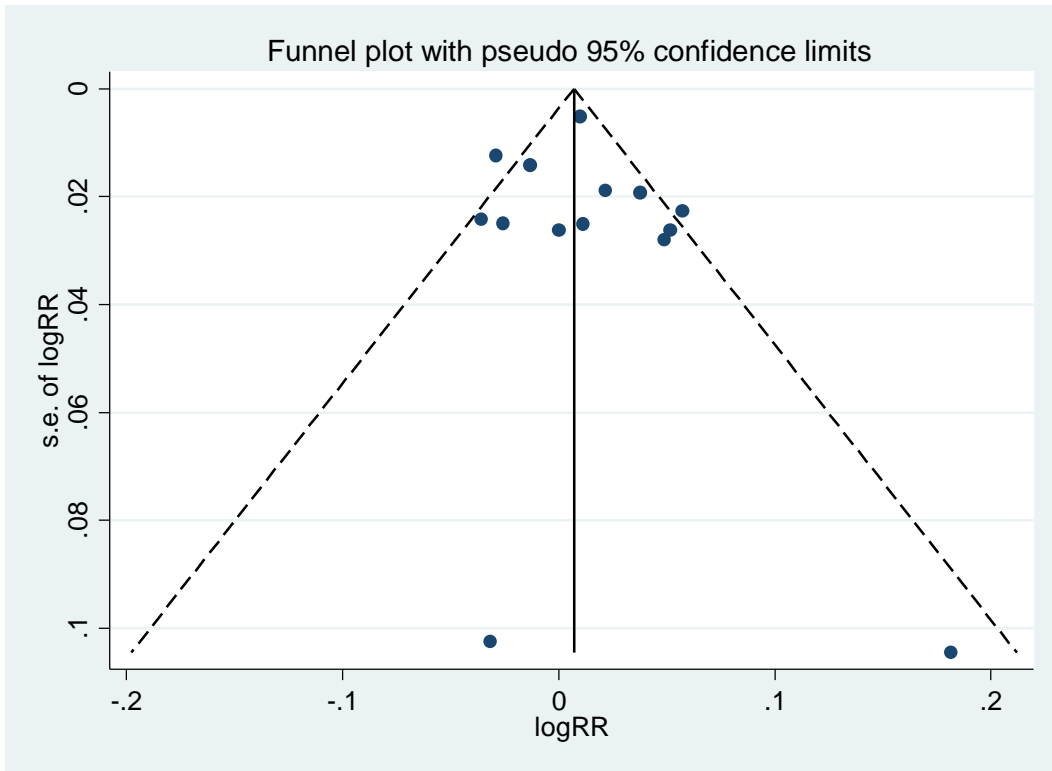
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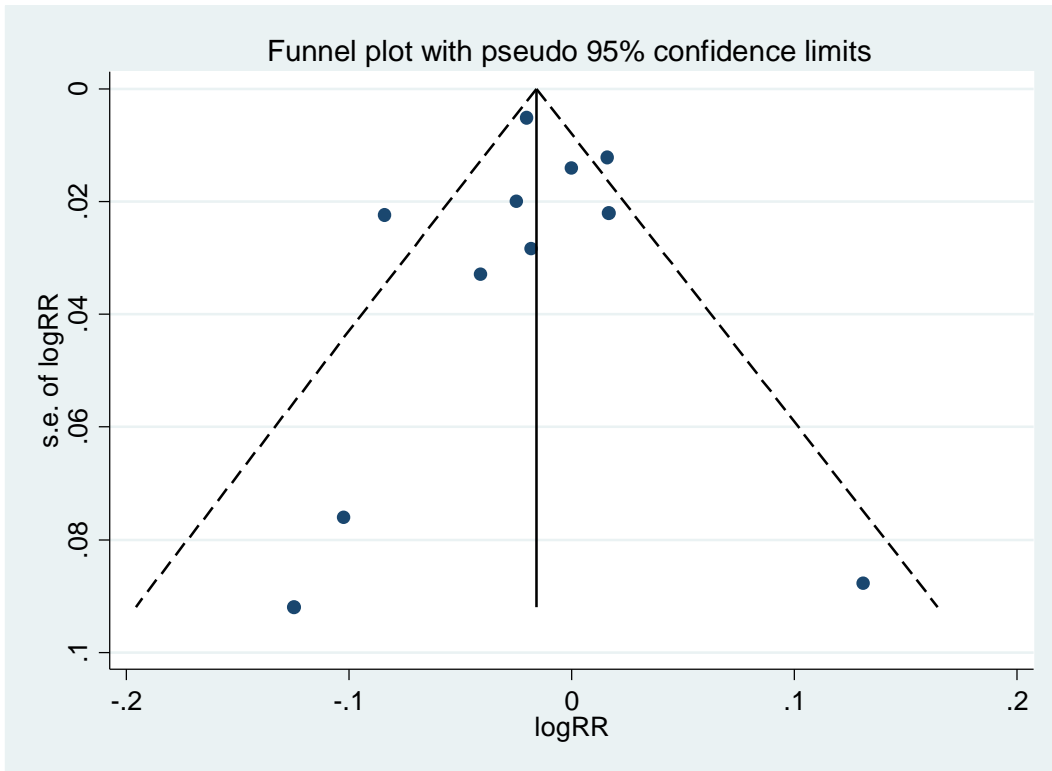
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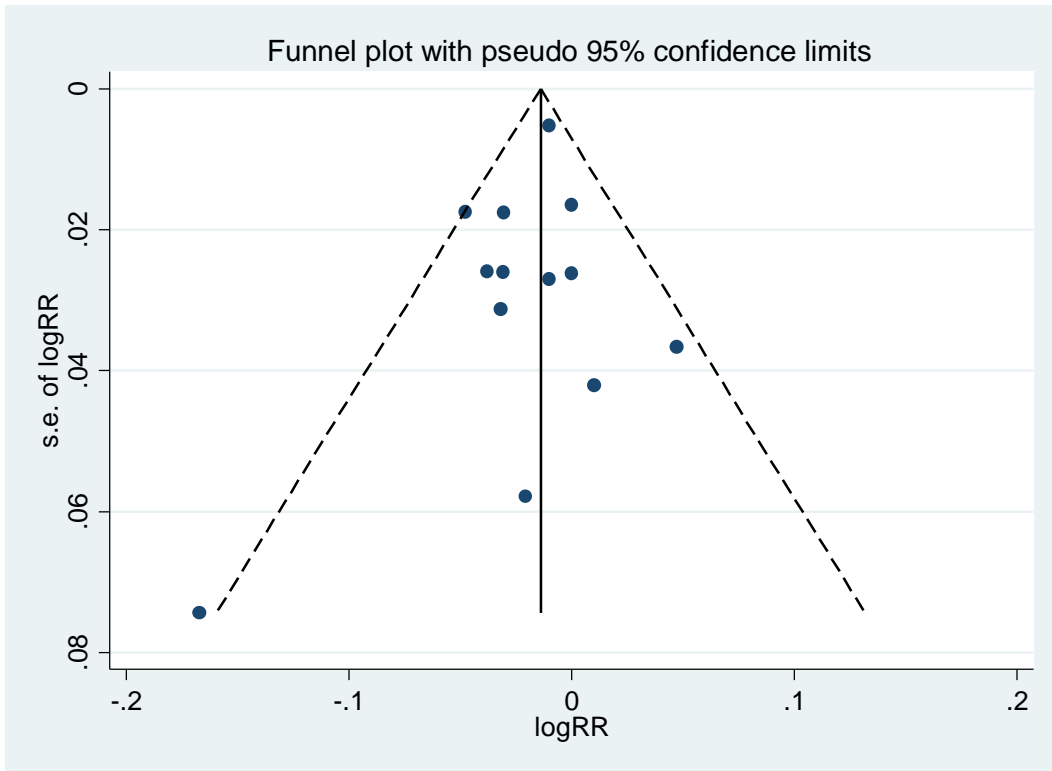
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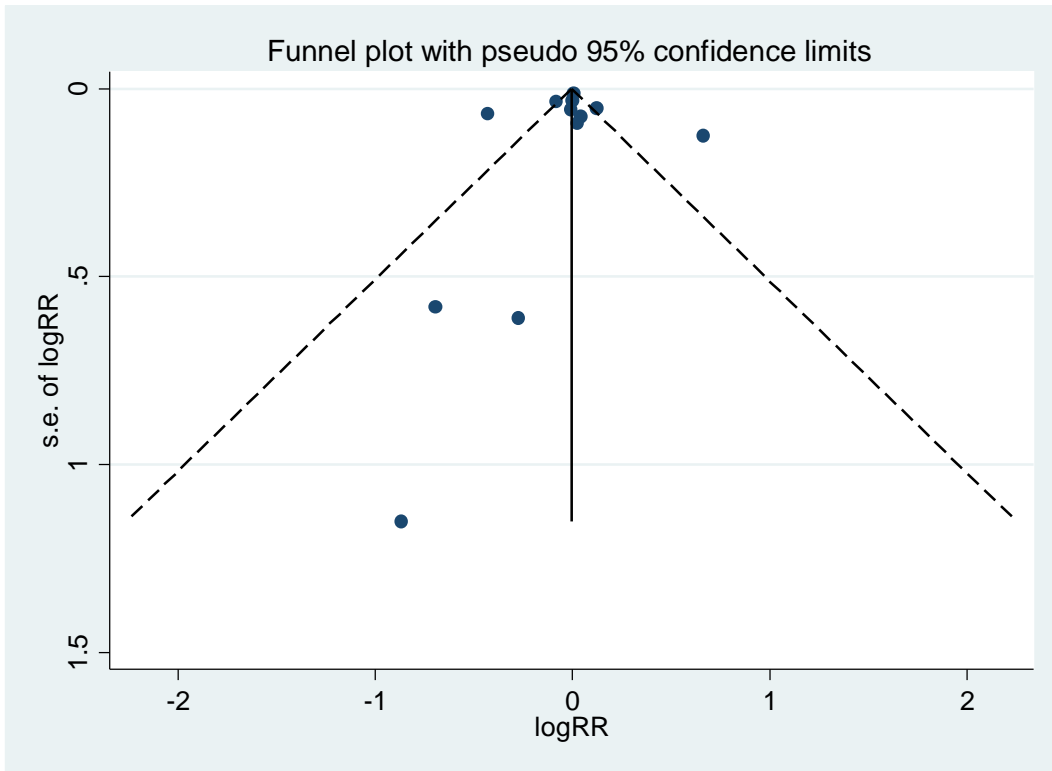
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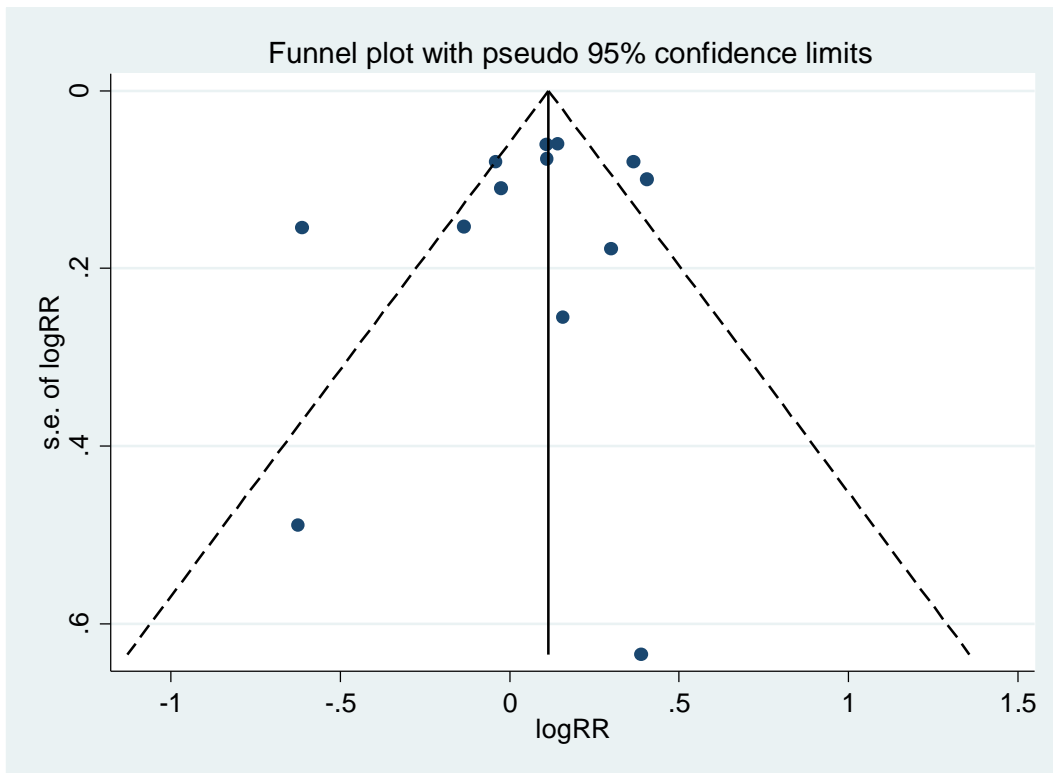
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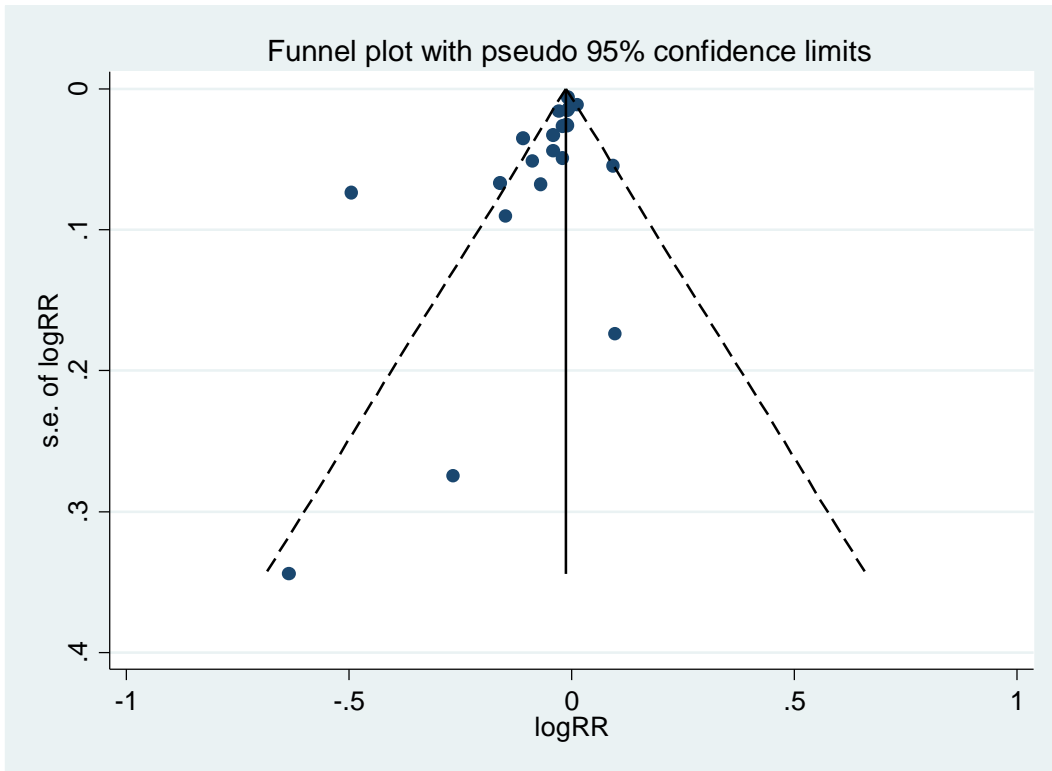
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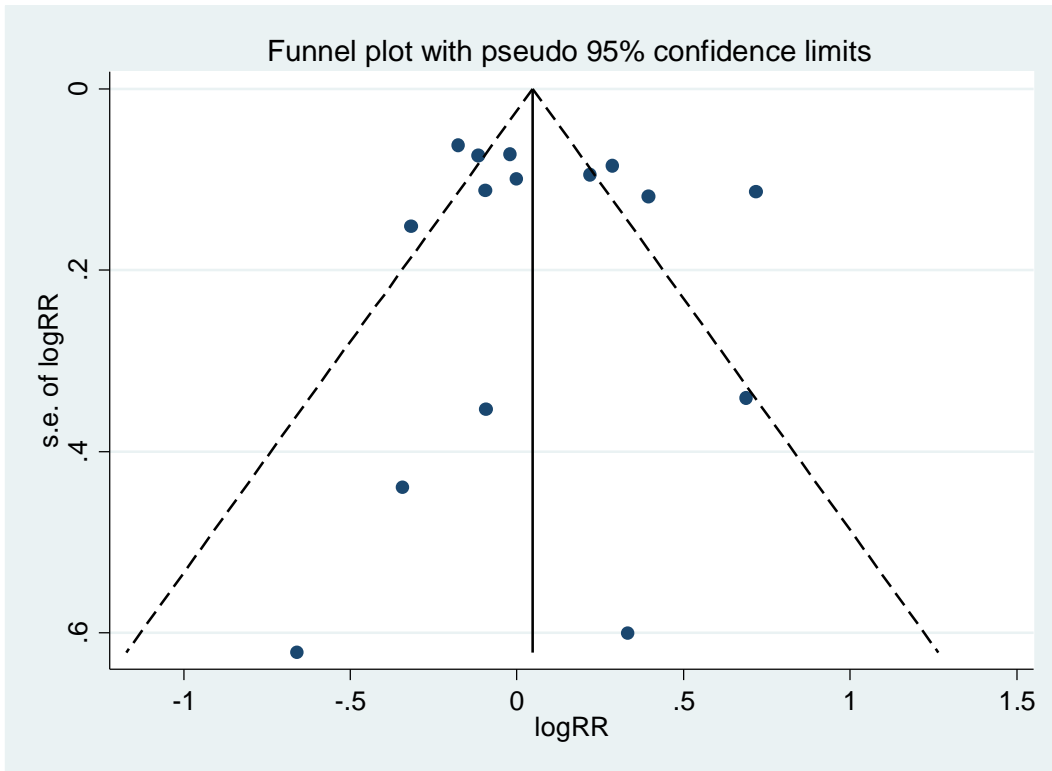
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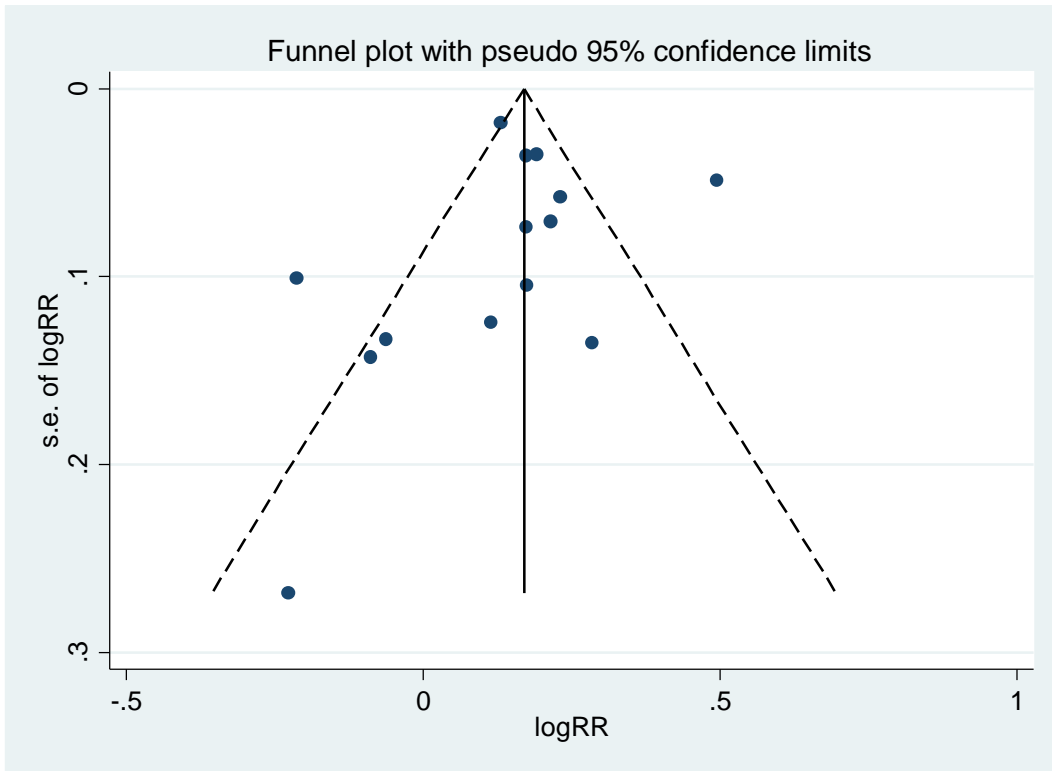
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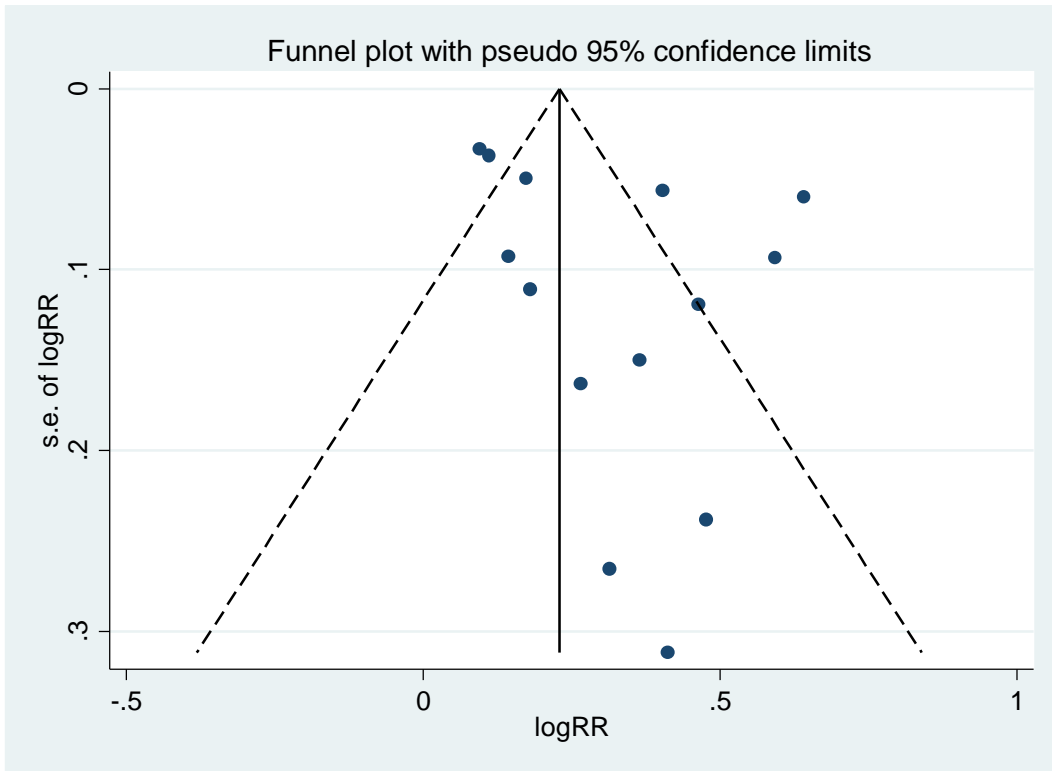
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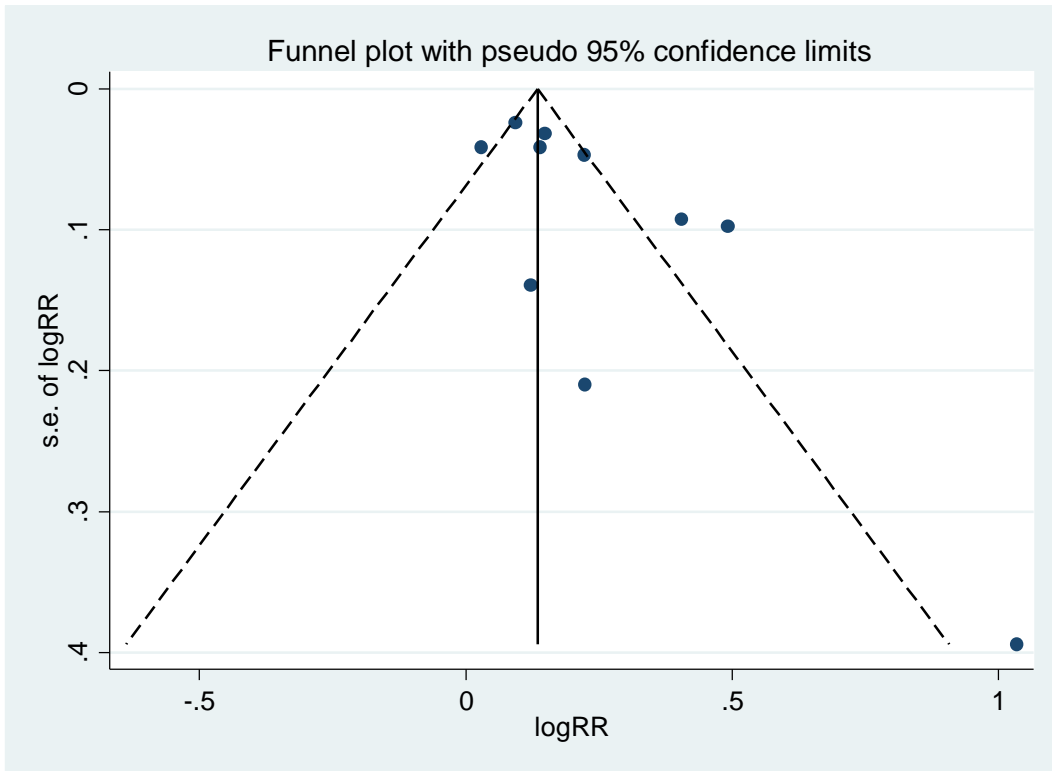
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