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eAppendix 1. A sample of the search strategy

PubMed

1	"Ambulatory Care"[MeSH]
2	"Outpatient Care"[title/abstract]
3	"Outpatient Health Service*"[title/abstract]
4	"Outpatient Service*"[title/abstract]
5	"Clinic Visit*"[title/abstract]
6	"Urgent Care*"[title/abstract]
7	"Outpatient*"[title/abstract]
8	1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7
9	"Aged"[MeSH]
10	"elder*"[title/abstract]
11	"Older"[title/abstract]
12	"Geriatric"[title/abstract]
13	9 or 10 or 11 or 12
14	"Potentially Inappropriate Medication"[MeSH]
15	"Inappropriate Prescribing"[MeSH]
16	"Potentially Inappropriate Medication*"[Title/Abstract]
17	"Potentially Inappropriate Prescription*"[Title/Abstract]
18	"Inappropriate Medication"[Title/Abstract]
19	"Inappropriate Prescription"[Title/Abstract]
20	"Inappropriate Prescribing"[Title/Abstract]
21	"Inappropriate Drug Use"[Title/Abstract]
22	"Over Prescribing*"[title/abstract]
23	14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21 or 22
24	8 and 13 and 23

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1	exp outpatient
2	outpatient.ab.ti
3	1 or 2
4	exp potentially inappropriate medication

5	potentially inappropriate medication.ab.ti
6	4 or 5
7	exp aged
8	older.ab.ti
9	7 or 8
10	3 and 6 and 9

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1	TI=outpatient
2	TI=potentially inappropriate medication
3	TI=older
4	1 and 2 and 3

eAppendix 2. Characteristic of included studies

Study	Country	Location	Study design	Sample period	Age definition of older	Mean age (y)	Sample size	Mean of drugs	Male (%)	Population	PIM criteria applied	Number of patients with 1 + PIM	PIM prevalence	Most commonly used PIM
Asia														
Chang et al. 2018	China	Taiwan	Cross-sectional study	2007.8-2007.10	65	76.2 ± 6.2	193	8.9 ± 3.1	53.4	Outpatients	PIM-Taiwan criteria 2010, PIM-Taiwan criteria 2018	83/131	83/193; 131/193	Benzodiazepines
Chen et al. 2021	China	Hangzhou	Cross-sectional study	2016.1-2016.3	65	73.29 ± 6.53	13221	3.2 ± 2.52	51.3	Outpatients	STOPP/START V2	1040	1040/13221	Benzodiazepines
Huang et al. 2020	China	Changsha	Cross-sectional study	2018.1-2018.12	65	86	1874	4	80	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2019, Chinese criteria 2017	656/949	656/1874; 949/1874	Benzodiazepines
Lin et al. 2011	China	Taiwan	Cross-sectional study	2008.8	65	74.8 ± 5.3	327	NR	49.5	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	90	90/327	Orphenadrine
Lu et al. 2022	China	Shenzhen	Cross-sectional study	2015-2017	65	74.8 ± 5.4	74916	NR	55.2	Diabetes outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	27017	27017/74916	Diuretics
Tian et al. 2021	China	Chengdu	Cross-sectional study	2018.1-2018.12	65	74	12005	3	59.61	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2019, Beers criteria 2015	4129/3719	4129/12005; 3719/12005	Benzodiazepines
Tian et al. 2022a	China	Chengdu	Cross-sectional study	2018.1-2018.12	65	72	6160	3	53.47	Cancer outpatients	Chinese criteria 2017, Beers criteria 2019, STOPP/START V2	2117/2011/983	2117/6160; 2011/6160; 983/6160	Benzodiazepines
Tian et al. 2022b	China	Chengdu	Cross-sectional study	2016.1-2021.12	65	NR	7238	NR	NR	Lung cancer outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	2225	2225/7238	NR
Weng et al. 2013	China	Taiwan	Cross-sectional study	2012.1-2012.6	65	75.5 ± 7.1	780	6.7 ± 4.6	43	Chronic diseases outpatients	STOPP/START V1	302	302/780	NR
Zeng et al. 2020	China	Beijing	Cross-sectional study	2018.9-2019.11	65	NR	1519	NR	47.1	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015, Beers criteria 2019, STOPP/START V2	604/685/911	604/1519; 685/1519; 911/1519	Diuretic
Zhang et al. 2021	China	Hongkong	Cross-sectional study	2014.1-2014.12	65	75.1 ± 7.7	489301	9.6 ± 7.0	45.6	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015, Hong Kong-specific criteria	232445/241982	232445/489301; 241982/489301	Chlorpheniramine
Zhang et al. 2022	China	Chengdu	Cross-sectional study	2016.1-2018.12	60	NR	44458	NR	61.54	Outpatients	Chinese criteria 2017, Beers criteria 2015	15728/13358	15728/44458; 13358/44458	Benzodiazepines
Zhao et al. 2022	China	National	Cross-sectional study	2020.1-2020.12	65	80.88 ± 7.69	18624	2	45.14	Dementia outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	7344	7344/18624	Antipsychotic drugs
Anand et al. 2022	India	New Delhi	Cross-sectional study	2016.4-2017.11	60	65.4 ± 4.7	380	6.7 ± 2.1	56.6	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	249	249/380	Proton pump inhibitors
Bahat et al. 2019	India	Kerala	Cross-sectional study	2016.1-2016.6	65	73.6 ± 6.7	400	NR	47.7	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	136	136/400	Proton-pump inhibitors
Mugada et al. 2021	India	Visakhapatnam	Cross-sectional study	2019.1-2020.1	65	65.90 ± 5.48	275	NR	53.1	Outpatients	STOPP/START V2	60	60/275	Diclofenac
Shah et al. 2016	India	Ahmedabad	Cross-sectional study	2015.2-2015.7	65	68.9 ± 7.1	236	6.11 ± 4.3	NR	Cardiac outpatients	Beers criteria 2012	69	69/236	Spironolactone
Sharma et al. 2021	India	Moga	Cross-sectional study	2018	65	NR	456	3	59.6	Psychiatric outpatients	Beers criteria 2019, STOPP/START V2	362/282	362/456; 282/456	Benzodiazepines
Zaveri et al. 2010	India	Ahmedabad	Cross-sectional study	2005.11-2006.2	65	NR	407	4.27	53.07	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	96	96/407	Pheniramine
Patel et al. 2022	India	Gujarat	Cross-sectional study	2018.10-2019.11	65	69.43 ± 5.47	306	5.04 ± 2.44	60.1	Outpatients	STOPP/START V2	88	88/306	Antihistaminic
Arai et al. 2019	Japan	Chiba	Cross-sectional study	2016.10-2016.12	65	73	13630	3	50.3	Outpatients	STOPP-J criteria	5245	5245/13630	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Bonfiglio et al. 2019	Japan	Nagoya	Cross-sectional study	2019	64	78.3 ± 5.8	160	5.4 ± 4.1	54.4	Dementia outpatients	STOPP-J criteria	54	54/160	Antithrombotic drugs
Fujie et al. 2020	Japan	Ibaraki	Cross-sectional study	2015.2-2015.3	75	NR	8080	4	45.4	Outpatients	STOPP-J criteria	2157	2157/8080	Benzodiazepines

Masumoto et al. 2017	Japan	Tokyo	Cross-sectional study	2016.1-2016.3	65	75.7 ± 7.5	740	4	48.8	Outpatients	STOPP/START V2	239	239/740	Benzodiazepines
Suzuki et al. 2021	Japan	National	Cross-sectional study	2014.10, 2019.12	65	NR	180673; 333869	4.05 ± 3.24; 3.98 ± 3.16	43.9; 43.6	Outpatients	STOPP-J criteria	48420/145900	48420/180673; 145900/333869	NR
Uragami et al. 2021	Japan	Kagawa	Cross-sectional study	2020.2-2020.4	65	70	923	4	46.8	Frailty outpatients	STOPP-J criteria	420	420/923	Benzodiazepines
Bahat et al. 2017	Turkey	Istanbul	Cross-sectional study	2000.6-2014.6	65	77.6 ± 6.3	667	6.1 ± 3.4	36.9	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2012, STOPP/START V2	222/261	222/667; 261/667	Aspirin
Kelleci et al. 2022	Turkey	Ankara	Cross-sectional study	2015.9-2016.5	65	75.75 ± 6.56	700	7.46 ± 2.38	37.2	Outpatients	STOPP/START V2	316	316/700	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Paksoy et al. 2019	Turkey	Istanbul	Cross-sectional study	2014.12-2015.3	65	71.78 ± 5.50	114	NR	55.26	Oncology outpatients	STOPP/START V2	18	18/114	Aspirin
Pala et al. 2022	Turkey	Istanbul	Cross-sectional study	2018.1-2020.1	65	73.33 ± 7.30	657	5.49 ± 3.93	38.8	Outpatients	STOPP/START V2	424	424/657	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Sahin et al. 2021	Turkey	Ankara	Cross-sectional study	2019.6-2019.12	65	73.95 ± 7.30	235	5.14 ± 1.90	65.1	Psychiatry outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	84	84/235	Antipsychotics
Sari et al. 2021	Turkey	Eskişehir	Cross-sectional study	2017.12-2018.1	65	73.18 ± 5.99	513	5.67 ± 2.51	54.2	Cardiac outpatients	Beers criteria 2019, STOPP/START V2	198/234	198/513; 234/513	Aspirin
Cho et al. 2019	Korea	National	Cross-sectional study	2017.9-2017.12	65	74.2 ± 6.26	2143	6.48 ± 2.46	76.2	Lower urinary tract symptoms outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	1579	1579/2143	NR
Kim et al. 2015	Korea	National	Cross-sectional study	2006.1-2006.6	65	NR	40995267	4.2 ± 3.3	35.5	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003, Zhan criteria, Canadian criteria	14976293/7922080/4590023/40995267	14976293/7922080/4590023/40995267	NR
Kim et al. 2021	Korea	National	Cross-sectional study	2016	65	73.70 ± 6.56	27062307	NR	40.19	Cardiovascular outpatients	STOPP/START V2	341664	341664/27062307	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Lim et al. 2016	Korea	Seoul	Cross-sectional study	2014.1-2014.12	65	72.4 ± 6.1	25810	NR	44.8	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2012	7132	7132/25810	Benzodiazepines
Yoon et al. 2022	Korea	Seoul	Cross-sectional study	2016.1-2016.12	65	77	2100	6	36.9	Dementia outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	987	987/2100	Benzodiazepines
Al-Omar et al. 2013	Saudi	Riyadh	Cross-sectional study	2002-2004	65	74.02 ± 7.46	910644	NR	58.92	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	20521	20521/910644	Digoxin
Alwhaibi et al. 2022	Saudi	Riyadh	Cross-sectional study	2019.1-2020.1	65	72 ± 6.16	1853	7	38.32	Diabetes and hypertension outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	1039	1039/1853	Gastrointestinal medications
Alhawassi et al. 2019	Saudi	Riyadh	Cross-sectional study	2016.1-2016.12	65	72.6 ± 6.2	4073	NR	43.2	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	2309	2309/4073	Gastrointestinal medications
Meraya et al. 2020	Saudi	Jazan	Cross-sectional study	2018.1-2018.12	60	NR	1300	NR	41.4	Psychiatric disorders outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	892	892/1300	Amitriptyline
Europe														
Cojutti et al. 2016	Italy	Friuli-Venezia Giulia	Cross-sectional study	2014.3	65	76	527	5	42.7	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2012	292	292/527	Benzodiazepines
Galimberti et al. 2022	Italy	Piedmont	Cross-sectional study	2012-2018	65	75.69 ± 7.17; 75.77 ± 7.25; 75.83 ± 7.29; 75.89 ± 7.29; 75.98 ± 7.32; 76.05 ± 7.32;	967268/984352/1001662/1007880/1016257/1019764/1022156	38.61, 38.94, 38.77, 38.84, 38.85, 38.98, 39.03	Outpatients	ERD list	418537/429670/4083768; 8/389848/375812/363138/339764	418537/967268; 429670/984352;	418537/967268; 429670/984352;	Diclofenac

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Loddo et al. 2022	Italy	Monserrato	Cross-sectional study	2018.1-2018.12	65	80	3091	7	28.3	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2019, STOPP/START V2	2287/2358	2287/3091; 2358/3091	NR
Maio et al. 2006	Italy	Emilia Romagna	Cohort study	2001.1-2001.12	65	75.6 ± 7.5	849425	NR	41.1	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	152641	152641/849425	Doxazosin
Maio et al. 2010	Italy	Parma	Cohort study	2006.1-2006.12	65	75.7 ± 7.7	91741	NR	40.9	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	23662	23662/91741	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Varga et al. 2017	Italy	Emilia Romagna	Cohort study	2003.1-2013.12	65	NR	1480137	NR	NR	Outpatients	Maio criteria	802815	802815/1480137	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Bongue et al. 2009	France	Nancy-Vandoeuvre, Verdun, Longwy	Cross-sectional study	1995-2004	65	70.1 ± 4.3	30683	3.3 ± 2.6	48.8	Outpatients	Beers criteria 1997, French criteria	3097/7802	3097/30683; 7802/30683	Propoxyphene
Choukroun et al. 2020	France	Nimes	Cross-sectional study	2016.5-2017.3	75	83	51	NR	43	Cancer outpatients	French criteria, STOPP/START V2	16/29	16/83; 29/83	NR
Drusch et al. 2021	France	National	Cross-sectional study	2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019	75	82.1 ± 5.4; 82.4 ± 5.5; 82.6 ± 5.6; 82.8 ± 5.7; 82.8 ± 5.8	5777645/6068742/6151861/6206973/6328155	NR	37.8, 38.5, 38.9, 39.5, 40.1	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015, STOPP/START V2	2884533/2872892/2776084/2639705/2506266	2884533/5777645; 2872892/6068742; 2776084/6151861; 2639705/6206973; 2506266/6328155	Benzodiazepines
Dubois-Puechlong et al. 2019	France	Multicenter	Cross-sectional study	2016.3-2016.5	75	83 ± 5.5	1178	7	41	Antithrombotic therapies outpatients	STOPP/START V2	235	235/1178	NR
Dormann et al. 2013	Germany	Bavaria	Cross-sectional study	2010.9	65	78 ± 7	351	NR	43.9	Outpatients	PRISCUS list	51	51/351	NR
Endres et al. 2016	Germany	NR	Cross-sectional study	2019.1-2020.12	65	73	392337	4.3 ± 3.5	39.3	Outpatients	PRISCUS list	79041	79041/392337	Benzodiazepines
Fiss et al. 2011	Germany	Mecklenburg	Cross-sectional study	2006.3-2008.12	65	80.5 ± 6.7	744	8.2 ± 4	26.9	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	134	134/744	Benzodiazepines
Gudd et al. 2020	Germany	Bavaria	Cross-sectional study	2010-2014	65	NR	410934	NR	NR	Outpatients	PRISCUS list	23021	23021/410934	Hypnotic
Ham et al. 2022	Netherlands	National	Cohort study	2009-2014	65	74	7864	6	67	Lung cancer outpatients	OncPal	3538	3538/7864	Peptic ulcer prophylaxis
Boersma et al. 2019	Netherlands	Utrecht	Cluster-randomized controlled trial	2014.10-2016.7	70	77.8 ± 5.7/79.0 ± 6.0	124	9	51.6	Preoperative outpatients	STOPP/START V2	118	118/124	Proton-pump inhibitors
Oktora et al. 2021	Netherlands	Groningen	Cross-sectional study	2012-2016	65	NR	16458/17077/17439/17670/15267	NR	NR	Diabetes outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	3004/3057/3098/3053/2518	3004/16458; 3057/17077; 3098/17439; 3053/17670;	Proton-pump inhibitors

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van et al. 2021	Netherlands	Deventer	Cross-sectional study	2018.5-2019.1	65	72 ± 8	150	11	59	Cancer outpatients	STOPP/START V2	97	97/150	Benzodiazepines
Santos-Pérez et al. 2021	Spain	Soria, Valladolid	Cross-sectional study	2016.3	65	78.0 ± 7.2	225	NR	48	Psychotropic outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	51	51/225	Benzodiazepines
Yeste-Gómez et al. 2014	Spain	Madrid	Cross-sectional study	2012.10-2012.12	65	80.2	131	NR	58.8	Outpatients	STOPP/START V1	73	73/131	Benzodiazepines
Cvetković et al. 2019	Serbia	Belgrade	Cross-sectional study	2019	65	74.23 ± 6.92	248	5.25 ± 2.70	62.1	Outpatients	STOPP/START V2	53	53/248	Proton-pump inhibitors
Projovic et al. 2016	Serbia	Kragujevac	Case-control study	2013.9-2014.9	65	NR	324	NR	38.9	Outpatients	STOPP/START V2	122	122/324	Benzodiazepines
North America														
Buck et al. 2009	USA	Utah, Cleveland	Cross-sectional study	2006	65	NR	61251	NR	40.1	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003; Zhan Criteria	14221/10196	14221/61251; 10196/61251	Fluoxetine
Curtis et al. 2004	USA	National	Cohort study	1999	65	73.7 ± 6.5	765423	NR	41.7	Outpatients	Beers criteria 1997	162370	162370/765423	Amitriptyline
Dunn et al. 2011	USA	Oklahoma	Cross-sectional study	2008.11-2009.3	65	74	120	NR	NR	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	45	45/120	Estrogen formulations
Gardner et al. 2020	USA	Colorado	Cross-sectional study	2017.3-2017.8	65	NR	192	NR	40.6	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	58	58/192	NR
Hustey et al. 2007	USA	Cleveland	Cross-sectional study	2004.6	65	75.13 ± 7.05	352	8.5	45	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	111	111/352	Propoxyphene/acetaminophen
Lund et al. 2011	USA	Iowa	Cross-sectional study	2001-2003	65	74.6 ± 5.4	240	10.5 ± 4.0	98.3	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	106	106/240	NR
Maggiore et al. 2014	USA	Multicenter	Cohort study	2006.11-2009.11	65	73	500	5 ± 4	44	Cancer outpatients	Beers criteria 2012; Zhan Criteria	147/54	147/500; 54/500	Zolpidem
Maio et al. 2006	USA	Pennsylvania	Cross-sectional study	2004.1-2004.6	65	75.0 ± 6.7	100	NR	18	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	24	24/100	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Nightingale et al. 2022	USA	Pennsylvania	Cross-sectional study	2017.11-2020.2	60	67.9 ± 6.4	168	NR	24.4	Diabetes outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	67	67/168	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Pugh et al. 2005	USA	National	Cross-sectional study	1999.10-2000.10	65	73.5 ± 5.6	1265434	NR	98	Outpatients	Zhan Criteria	249566	249566/1265434	Chlordiazepoxide
Pyszka et al. 2010	USA	Wisconsin	Cross-sectional study	2008.4-2008.9	70	78.4 ± 5.4	111	NR	99.1	Outpatients	STOPP/START V1	65	65/111	Aspirin
Skaar et al. 2017	USA	National	Cross-sectional study	2012	65	NR	17663006	NR	NR	Dental outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	10445148	10445148/17663006	Omeprazole
Viswanathan et al. 2005	USA	National	Cross-sectional study	2001	65	NR	157680651	NR	40.8	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2012	21168138	21168138/157680651	Propoxyphene
Weston et al. 2010	USA	California	Cross-sectional study	2008.7-2009.1	NR	75.3 ± 9.8	689	NR	50.5	Mild cognitive impairment outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	143	143/689	Anticholinergics
South America														
Baldoni et al. 2014	Brazil	Sao Paulo	Cross-sectional study	2008.11-2009.5	60	69.8 ± 6.5	1000	6.9	33.9	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003; Beers criteria 2012	480/592	480/1000; 592/1000	Diclofenac
da Costa et al. 2019	Brazil	Fortaleza	Cross-sectional study	2017.4-2017.9	60	66.5 ± 5.3	143	NR	65.7	Kidney transplant outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	111	111/143	Omeprazole
Faustino et al. 2013	Brazil	Sao Paulo	Cross-sectional study	2008.2-2008.5	60	80.1	1270	NR	23	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2003	342	342/1270	Muscle relaxant
Fulone et al. 2017	Brazil	Sao Paulo	Cross-sectional study	2008.1-2009.12	60	NR	174	NR	18.9	Taking antidepressant outpatients	Beers criteria 2015; STOPP/START V1	52/69	52/174; 69/174	Benzodiazepines
Marques et al.	Brazil	Mato	Cross-sectional study	2016.3-2017.9	60	69.5 ± 6.79	44	NR	36.4	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	10	10/44	Insulin

2018		Grosso do Sul	study											
Oliveira et al. 2020	Brazil	Sao Paulo	Cross-sectional study	2020	60	74.9 ± 9.4	233	6.6 ± 3.1	NR	Outpatients	PIM-CCVAEs list	173	173/233	NR
Reis et al. 2017	Brazil	Minas Gerais	Cross-sectional study	2015.5-2015.12	60	NR	160	3	42.5	Cancer outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	78	78/160	Proton-pump inhibitors
Viana et al. 2022	Brazil	Sao Paulo	Cohort study	2014-2017	60	79.2±8.2	868	8.5	38.8	Acute conditions outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	352	352/868	Proton-pump inhibitors
Africa														
abubakar et al. 2021	Nigeria	Niger	Cross-sectional study	2016.6-2016.9	65	71.1 ± 6.1	244	5.4 ± 2.3	49.2	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015; STOPP/START V2	164/98	164/244; 98/244	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Akande-Sholabi et al. 2018	Nigeria	Ibadan	Cross-sectional study	2016.6-2016.9	60	70.2 ± 5.9	400	NR	40	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	124	124/400	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Fadare et al. 2013	Nigeria	Ido-Ekiti	Cross-sectional study	2011.4-2011.6	65	72.8 ± 7.2	220	3.8 ± 1.3	41.8	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2012	56	56/220	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
Saka et al. 2019	Nigeria	NR	Cross-sectional study	2016.1-2016.12	60	69.03 ± 7.35	352	4.60 ± 1.65	42.3	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2015	124	124/352	Antidepressants
Bhagavathula et al. 2021	Ethiopia	NR	Cross-sectional study	2020.3-2020.8	65	71.9 ± 6.07	320	3.4 ± 1.69	59	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	151	151/320	Antidiabetic medications
Lemma et al. 2020	Ethiopia	Addis Ababa	Cross-sectional study	2019.7-2019.8	60	NR	400	2.51	55	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2019	188	188/400	Analgesics
Tesfaye et al. 2020	Ethiopia	Jimma	Cross-sectional study	2020.11-2020.12	65	70	219	4	65.3	Outpatients	Beers criteria 2019 STOPP/START V2	182/99	182/219; 99/219	Aspirin/Amitriptyline
Oceania														
Cross et al. 2016	Australia	Multicenter	Cross-sectional study	2005.4-2007.8	NR	77.6 ± 7.4	964	NR	52.7	Memory outpatients	PIMcog	206	206/964	Anticholinergics
Saarelainen et al. 2014	Australia	Adelaide	Cross-sectional study	2009.1-2010.7	70	76.7 ± 4.8	385	NR	59	Cancer outpatients	Beers criteria 2012	102	102/385	Benzodiazepines

Note: NR: not reported

eAppendix 3. Risk of bias assessment

Study	1. Target population a close representation of the national population?	2. Sampling frame representative?	3. Random selection used?	4. Data collected directly from subjects?	5. Acceptable case definition used?	6. Same mode of data collection for all?	7. Were the numerator(s) and denominator(s) for the parameter of interest appropriate?
Chang et al. 2018	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Chen et al. 2021	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Huang et al. 2020	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lin et al. 2011	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lu et al. 2022	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tian et al. 2021	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tian et al. 2022a	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tian et al. 2022b	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Weng et al. 2013	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Zeng et al. 2020	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Zhang et al. 2021	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Zhang et al. 2022	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Zhao et al. 2022	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Anand et al. 2022	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bahat et al. 2019	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mugada et al. 2021	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Shah et al. 2016	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sharma et al. 2021	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	N
Zaveri et al. 2010	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Patel et al. 2022	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arai et al. 2019	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	N
Bonfiglio et al. 2019	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Fujie et al. 2020	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Masumoto et al. 2017	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Suzuki et al. 2021	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Uragami et al. 2021	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bahat et al. 2017	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Kelleciet al. 2022	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Paksoy et al. 2019	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pala et al. 2022	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sahin et al. 2021	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sari et al. 2021	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Cho et al. 2019	Y	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Kim et al. 2015	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Kim et al. 2021	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lim et al. 2016	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Yoon et al. 2022	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Al-Omar et al. 2013	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y

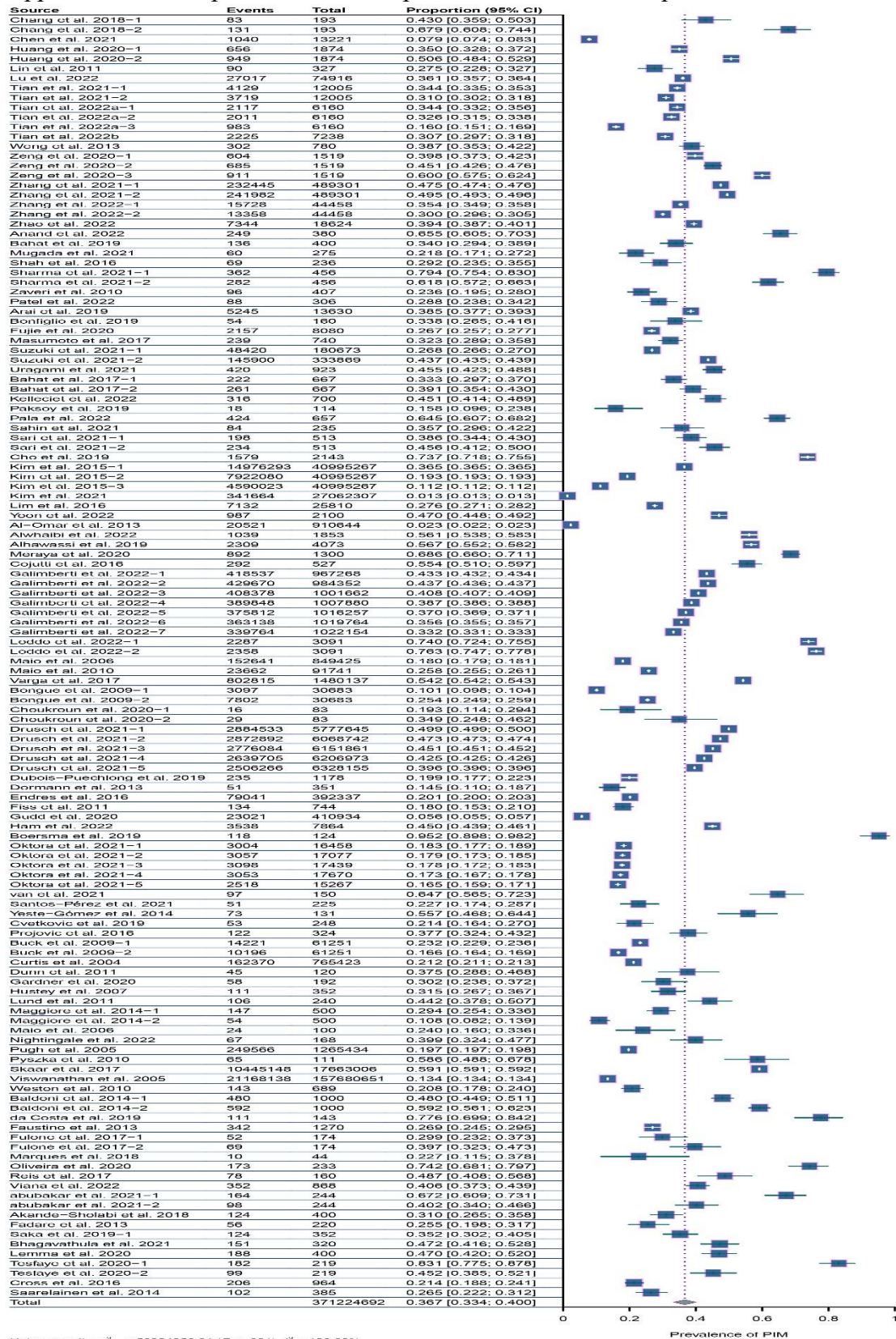
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Cojutti et al. 2016	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Galimberti et al. 2022	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Loddo et al. 2022	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	N
Maio et al. 2006	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
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Varga et al. 2017	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
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Choukroun et al. 2020	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Drusch et al. 2021	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Dubois-Puechlong et al. 2019	Y	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Dormann et al. 2013	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Endres et al. 2016	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Fiss et al. 2011	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Gudd et al. 2020	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Ham et al. 2022	Y	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	N
Boersma et al. 2019	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Oktora et al. 2021	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
van et al. 2021	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Santos-Pérez et al. 2021	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Yeste-Gómez et al. 2014	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Cvetković et al. 2019	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Projovic et al. 2016	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Buck et al. 2009	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Curtis et al. 2004	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Dunn et al. 2011	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Gardner et al. 2020	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Hustey et al. 2007	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lund et al. 2011	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Maggiore et al. 2014	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Maio et al. 2006	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Nightingale et al. 2022	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pugh et al. 2005	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pyszka et al. 2010	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Skaar et al. 2017	Y	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	N
Viswanathan al. 2005	Y	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Weston et al. 2010	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Baldoni et al. 2014	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
da Costa et al. 2019	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Faustino et al. 2013	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Fulone et al. 2017	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Marques et al. 2018	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y

Oliveira et al. 2020	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Reis et al. 2017	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Viana et al. 2022	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
abubakar et al. 2021	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Akande-Sholabi et al. 2018	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Fadare et al. 2013	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Saka et al. 2019	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bhagavathula et al. 2021	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lemma et al. 2020	N	Y	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tesfaye et al. 2020	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Cross et al. 2016	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Saarelainen et al. 2014	N	N	NA	Y	Y	Y	Y

eAppendix 4. Meta-analysis of the prevalence of PIMs in outpatients ordered by countries

Country	Number of studies (number of data points)	Pooled prevalence of PIMs	95% CI	I ² (%)	<i>P</i>
Asia					
China	13 (22)	0.372	0.315-0.431	99.93	<.001
India	7 (8)	0.428	0.274-0.589	98.82	<.01
Japan	6 (7)	0.352	0.295-0.410	99.96	<.001
Turkey	6 (8)	0.396	0.302-0.494	96.67	<.01
Korea	5 (7)	0.279	0.109-0.491	100	<.001
Saudi	4 (4)	0.236	0.188-0.288	74.86	<.001
Europe					
Italy	6 (13)	0.441	0.347-0.538	100	<.001
France	4 (10)	0.327	0.239-0.421	100	<.001
Germany	4 (4)	0.14	0.077-0.217	99.99	<.001
Netherlands	4 (8)	0.362	0.159-0.594	99.78	<.001
Spain	2 (2)	0.384	0.104-0.715	97.49	<.01
Serbia	2 (2)	0.292	0.148-0.462	94.51	<.01
North America					
USA	14 (16)	0.29	0.221-0.363	100	<.001
South America					
Brazil	8 (10)	0.469	0.351-0.589	98.03	<.01
Africa					
Nigeria	4 (5)	0.396	0.259-0.541	96.44	<.01
Ethiopia	3 (4)	0.563	0.371-0.746	97.3	<.01
Oceania					
Australia	2 (2)	0.236	0.188-0.288	74.86	.05

eAppendix 5. Forest plot of the overall prevalence of PIM in outpatient services



eAppendix 6. Stratified meta-analysis of the trend of the prevalence of PIM for each group in world bank countries

Characteristics	Pooled prevalence of PIMs	95% CI	I ² (%)	P
High				
≤2000	0.187	0.125-0.259	99.92	<.001
2001-2005	0.242	0.141-0.361	100	<.001
2006-2010	0.235	0.168-0.309	100	<.001
2011-2015	0.401	0.304-0.502	100	<.001
2016-2020	0.399	0.321-0.481	100	<.001
Upper-middle				
2006-2010	0.425	0.322-0.532	98.05	<.001
2011-2015	0.426	0.383-0.469	99.88	<.001
2016-2020	0.371	0.290-0.456	99.78	<.001
Lower-middle				
≤2000	0.362	0.306-0.420	78.77	<.001
2011-2015	0.287	0.175-0.414	95.45	<.001
2016-2020	0.464	0.369-0.560	98.08	<.001

eAppendix 7. The list of the top 10 most common drugs used with PIM criteria

Number	Drugs
1	Benzodiazepines
2	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
3	Proton pump inhibitors
4	Antidepressants
5	Antipsychotics
6	Anticholinergics
7	Antidiabetic medications
8	Antihistaminic
9	Analgesics
10	Antithrombotic drugs

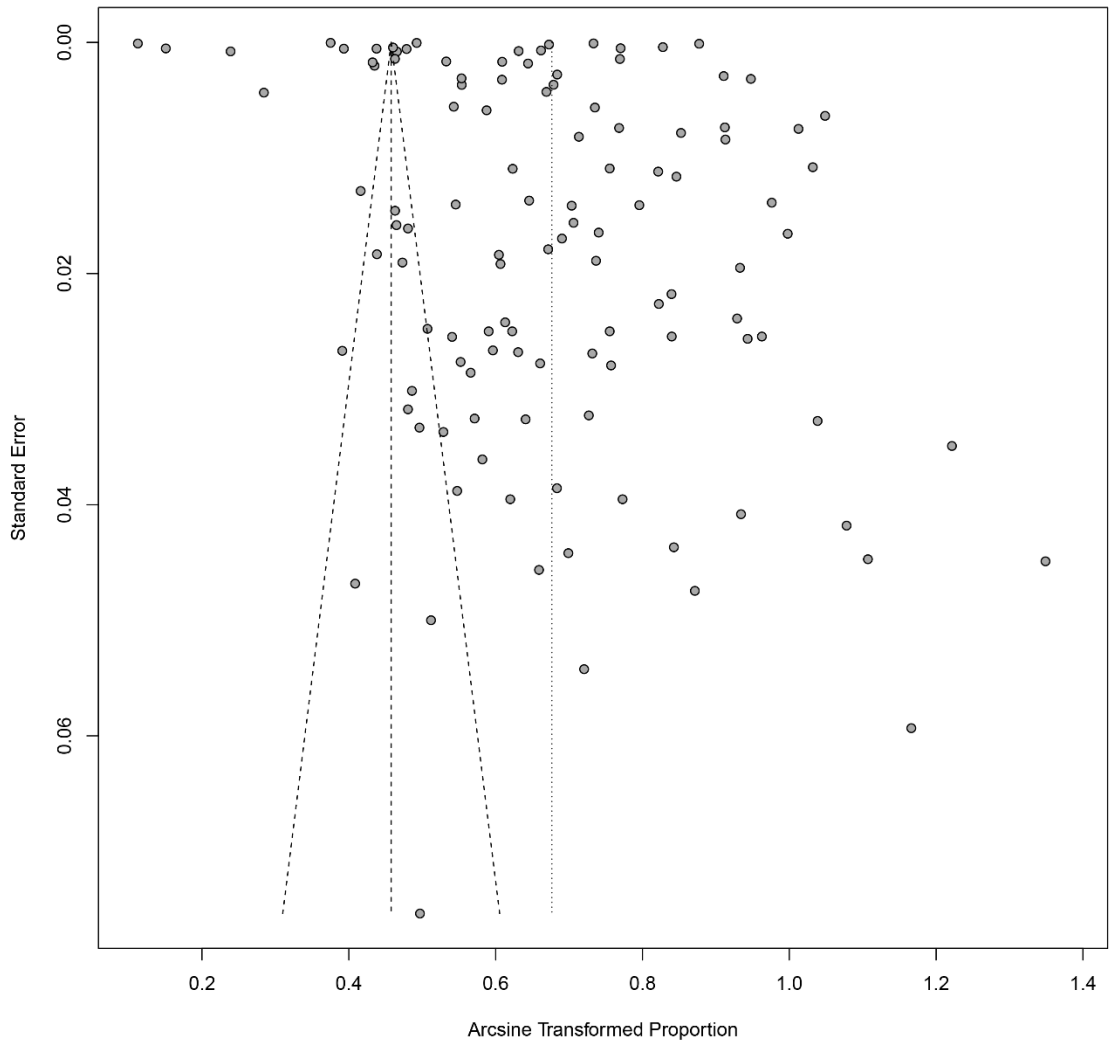
eAppendix 8. Leave-one-out sensitivity analyses

	proportion	95%-CI	p-value	tau ²	I ²
Omitting Chang et al. 2018-1	0.3662	[0.3331; 0.3999]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
Omitting Chang et al. 2018-2	0.3644	[0.3316; 0.3977]	0.0398	0.1994	100.00%
Omitting Chen et al. 2021	0.3694	[0.3367; 0.4027]	0.0395	0.1987	100.00%
Omitting Huang et al. 2020-1	0.3668	[0.3337; 0.4005]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Huang et al. 2020-2	0.3656	[0.3326; 0.3993]	0.0404	0.2009	100.00%
Omitting Lin et al. 2011	0.3674	[0.3343; 0.4011]	0.0405	0.2011	100.00%
Omitting Lu et al. 2022	0.3667	[0.3336; 0.4005]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Tian et al. 2021-1	0.3668	[0.3337; 0.4006]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Tian et al. 2021-2	0.3671	[0.3340; 0.4009]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Tian et al. 2022a-1	0.3668	[0.3337; 0.4006]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Tian et al. 2022a-2	0.367	[0.3339; 0.4007]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Tian et al. 2022a-3	0.3684	[0.3355; 0.4020]	0.0401	0.2002	100.00%
Omitting Tian et al. 2022b	0.3671	[0.3340; 0.4009]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Weng et al. 2013	0.3665	[0.3334; 0.4002]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Zeng et al. 2020-1	0.3664	[0.3333; 0.4002]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Zeng et al. 2020-2	0.366	[0.3330; 0.3997]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
Omitting Zeng et al. 2020-3	0.3649	[0.3320; 0.3984]	0.0401	0.2002	100.00%
Omitting Zhang et al. 2021-1	0.3658	[0.3328; 0.3995]	0.0404	0.2011	100.00%
Omitting Zhang et al. 2021-2	0.3657	[0.3327; 0.3994]	0.0404	0.201	100.00%
Omitting Zhang et al. 2022-1	0.3668	[0.3337; 0.4005]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Zhang et al. 2022-2	0.3672	[0.3341; 0.4009]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
Omitting Zhao et al. 2022	0.3665	[0.3334; 0.4002]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Anand et al. 2022	0.3645	[0.3317; 0.3979]	0.0399	0.1997	100.00%
Omitting Bahat et al. 2019	0.3669	[0.3338; 0.4006]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Mugada et al. 2021	0.3679	[0.3348; 0.4015]	0.0403	0.2008	100.00%
Omitting Shah et al. 2016	0.3672	[0.3342; 0.4010]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
Omitting Sharma et al. 2021-1	0.3633	[0.3310; 0.3964]	0.039	0.1974	100.00%
Omitting Sharma et al. 2021-2	0.3648	[0.3319; 0.3983]	0.04	0.2001	100.00%
Omitting Zaveri et al. 2010	0.3677	[0.3347; 0.4014]	0.0404	0.2009	100.00%
Omitting Patel et al. 2022	0.3673	[0.3342; 0.4010]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
Omitting Arai et al. 2019	0.3665	[0.3334; 0.4003]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Bonfiglio et al. 2019	0.3669	[0.3338; 0.4006]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Fujie et al. 2020	0.3675	[0.3344; 0.4012]	0.0404	0.2011	100.00%
Omitting Masumoto et al. 2017	0.367	[0.3339; 0.4007]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Suzuki et al. 2021-1	0.3675	[0.3344; 0.4012]	0.0404	0.2011	100.00%
Omitting Suzuki et al. 2021-2	0.3661	[0.3331; 0.3998]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
Omitting Uragami et al. 2021	0.366	[0.3329; 0.3997]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
Omitting Bahat et al. 2017-1	0.3669	[0.3338; 0.4007]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Bahat et al. 2017-2	0.3665	[0.3334; 0.4002]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
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Omitting Paksoy et al. 2019	0.3684	[0.3354; 0.4020]	0.0401	0.2003	100.00%
Omitting Pala et al. 2022	0.3646	[0.3318; 0.3980]	0.0399	0.1998	100.00%
Omitting Sahin et al. 2021	0.3667	[0.3336; 0.4005]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%

Omitting Sari et al. 2021-1	0.3665	[0.3334; 0.4003]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Sari et al. 2021-2	0.366	[0.3329; 0.3997]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
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Omitting Kim et al. 2015-1	0.3667	[0.3336; 0.4004]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Kim et al. 2015-2	0.3681	[0.3351; 0.4018]	0.0402	0.2006	100.00%
Omitting Kim et al. 2015-3	0.369	[0.3361; 0.4024]	0.0398	0.1994	100.00%
Omitting Kim et al. 2021	0.3707	[0.3384; 0.4035]	0.0382	0.1955	100.00%
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Omitting Yoon et al. 2022	0.3659	[0.3328; 0.3996]	0.0404	0.2011	100.00%
Omitting Al-Omar et al. 2013	0.3704	[0.3380; 0.4033]	0.0385	0.1963	100.00%
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Omitting Fulone et al. 2017-1	0.3672	[0.3341; 0.4009]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
Omitting Fulone et al. 2017-2	0.3664	[0.3334; 0.4002]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Marques et al. 2018	0.3677	[0.3346; 0.4013]	0.0404	0.2009	100.00%
Omitting Oliveira et al. 2020	0.3638	[0.3313; 0.3970]	0.0394	0.1985	100.00%
Omitting Reis et al. 2017	0.3658	[0.3328; 0.3995]	0.0404	0.201	100.00%
Omitting Viana et al. 2022	0.3664	[0.3333; 0.4001]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting abubakar et al. 2021-1	0.3644	[0.3317; 0.3978]	0.0398	0.1995	100.00%
Omitting abubakar et al. 2021-2	0.3664	[0.3333; 0.4001]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Akande-Sholabi et al. 2018	0.3671	[0.3340; 0.4008]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Fadare et al. 2013	0.3675	[0.3345; 0.4013]	0.0404	0.201	100.00%
Omitting Saka et al. 2019-1	0.3668	[0.3337; 0.4005]	0.0405	0.2013	100.00%
Omitting Bhagavathula et al. 2021	0.3659	[0.3328; 0.3996]	0.0404	0.2011	100.00%
Omitting Lemma et al. 2020	0.3659	[0.3329; 0.3996]	0.0404	0.2011	100.00%
Omitting Tesfaye et al. 2020-1	0.3631	[0.3308; 0.3959]	0.0387	0.1966	100.00%
Omitting Tesfaye et al. 2020-2	0.366	[0.3330; 0.3997]	0.0405	0.2012	100.00%
Omitting Cross et al. 2016	0.3679	[0.3349; 0.4016]	0.0403	0.2008	100.00%
Omitting Saarelainen et al. 2014	0.3675	[0.3344; 0.4012]	0.0404	0.2011	100.00%
Pooled estimate	0.3667	[0.3338; 0.4001]	0.0402	0.2005	100.00%

eAppendix 9. Funnel plot for the prevalence of PIMs



Egger's test:

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> metabias(meta.data,method.bias="linreg")  
Linear regression test of funnel plot asymmetry  
  
Test result: t = 1.81, df = 130, p-value = 0.0732  
  
Sample estimates:  
      bias se.bias intercept se.intercept  
102.7158 56.8665    0.4436    0.0170
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