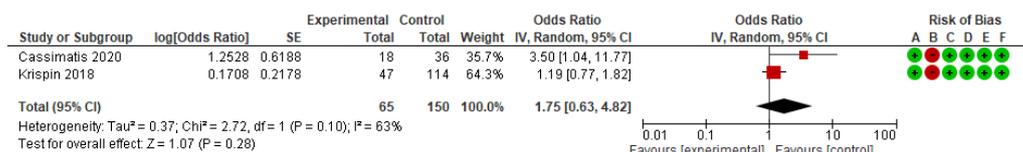


Supplementary file 4: Forest plots

Maternal outcomes for women with pregestational and/or gestational diabetes mellitus

1) Caesarean section



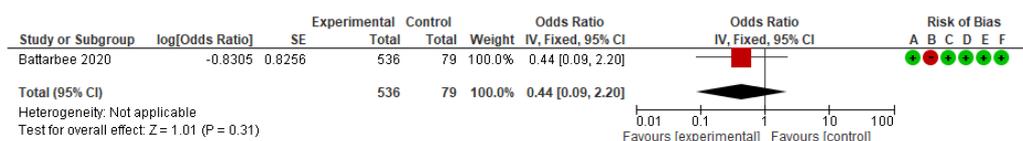
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SE: Standard error; CI: Confidence interval

Neonatal outcomes for women with pregestational and/or gestational diabetes mellitus

1) Neonatal death within 48 h of birth

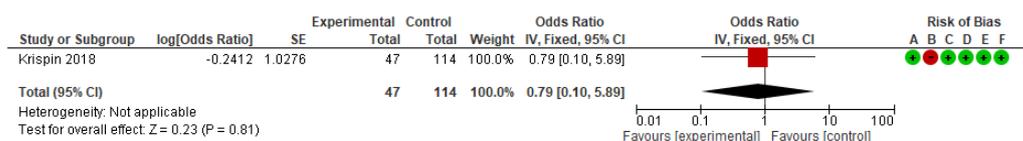


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2) Apgar score < 7 at 5 min

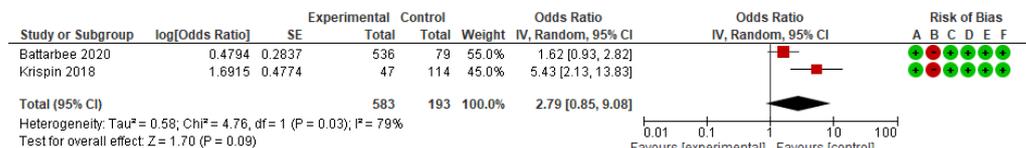


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3) Respiratory distress syndrome (RDS)

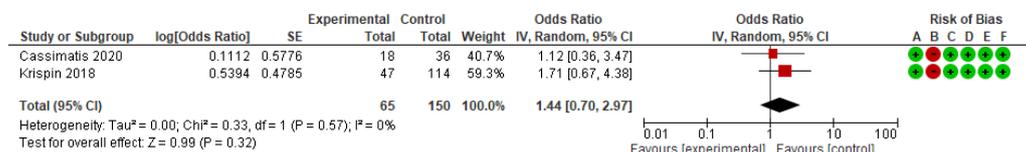


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4) Neonatal hypoglycemia

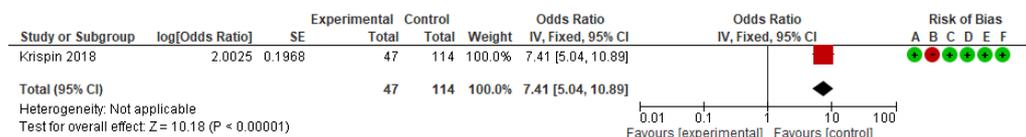


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5) Admission to neonatal intensive care unit (NICU)



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Maternal outcomes for women undergoing elective cesarean section in the late preterm period

1) Hypertensive disorders

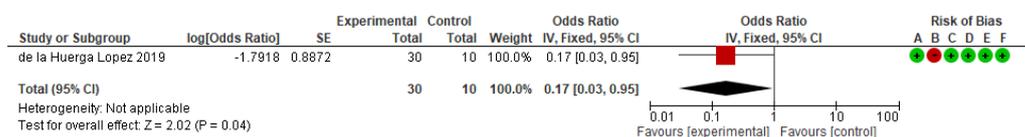


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2) Gestational diabetes mellitus



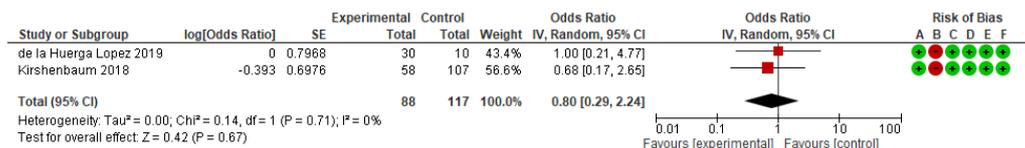
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Neonatal outcomes for women undergoing elective cesarean section in late preterm period

1) Respiratory distress syndrome (RDS)

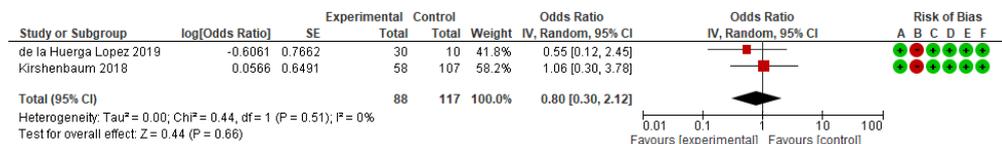


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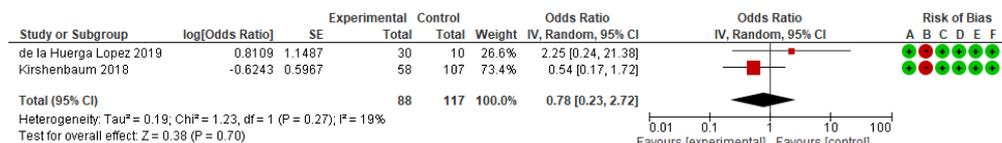
2) Use of mechanical ventilation



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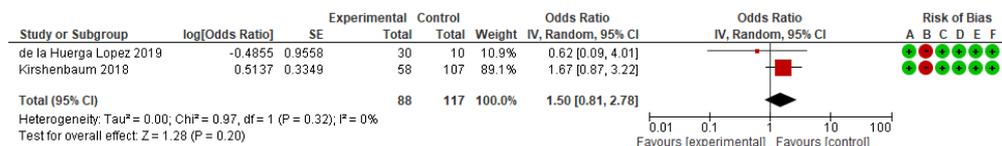
3) Admission to neonatal intensive care unit (NICU)



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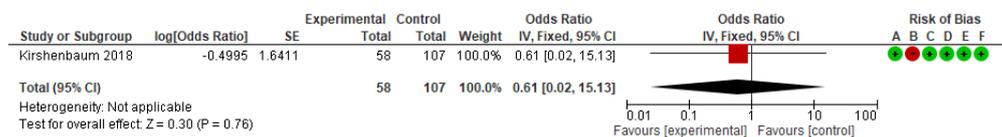
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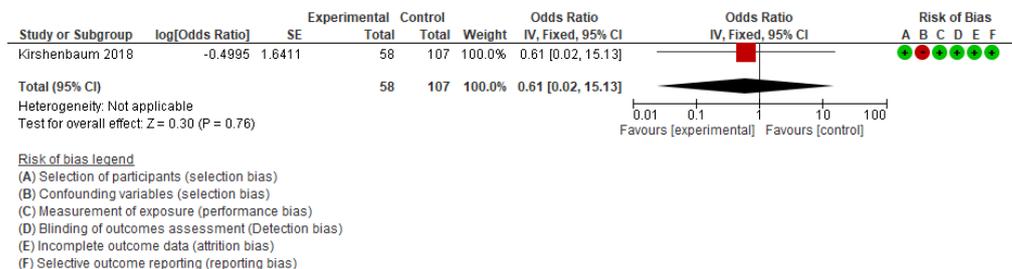
5) Intraventricular hemorrhage (IVH)



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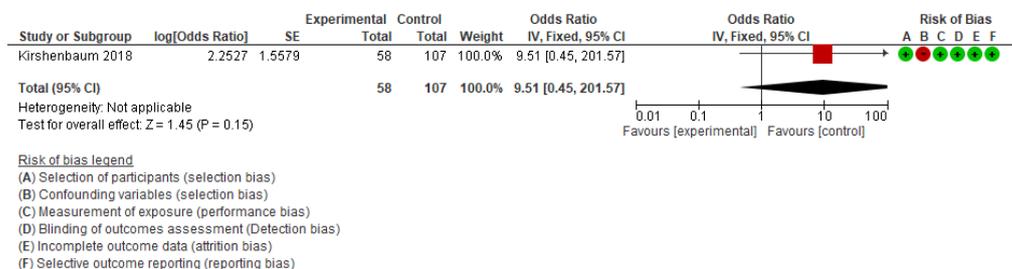
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6) Necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC)



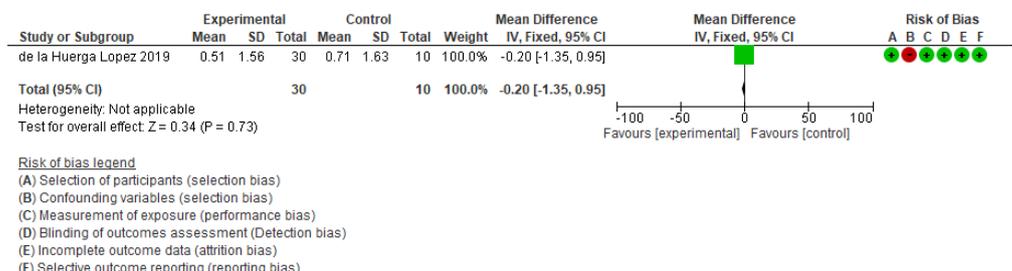
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7) Apgar score ≤ 7 at 5min



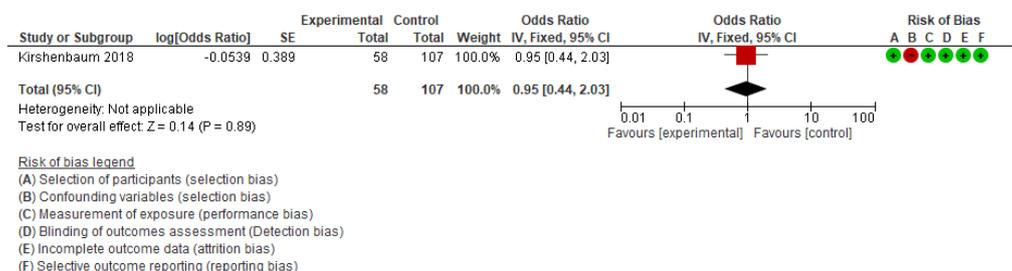
SE: Standard error; CI: Confidence interval

8) Mean duration of mechanical ventilation, days



SE: Standard error; CI: Confidence interval

9) Oxygen requirement for at least 4 hours



SE: Standard error; CI: Confidence interval

Maternal outcomes for women with histological chorioamnionitis

*There is no maternal outcome in clinical chorioamnionitis.

1) Caesarean section (HC)



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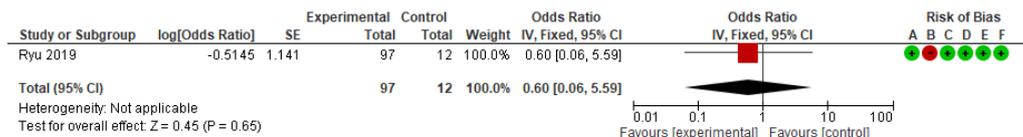
2) Gestational diabetes mellitus (HC)



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3) Preeclampsia or eclampsia (HC)

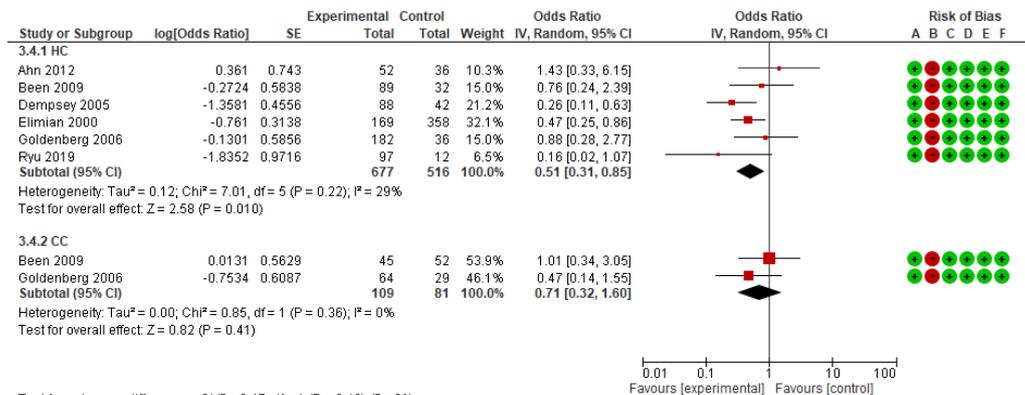


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Neonatal outcomes for women with histological chorioamnionitis (HC) and clinical chorioamnionitis (CC)

1) Neonatal death



Test for subgroup differences: Chi² = 0.47, df = 1 (P = 0.49), I² = 0%

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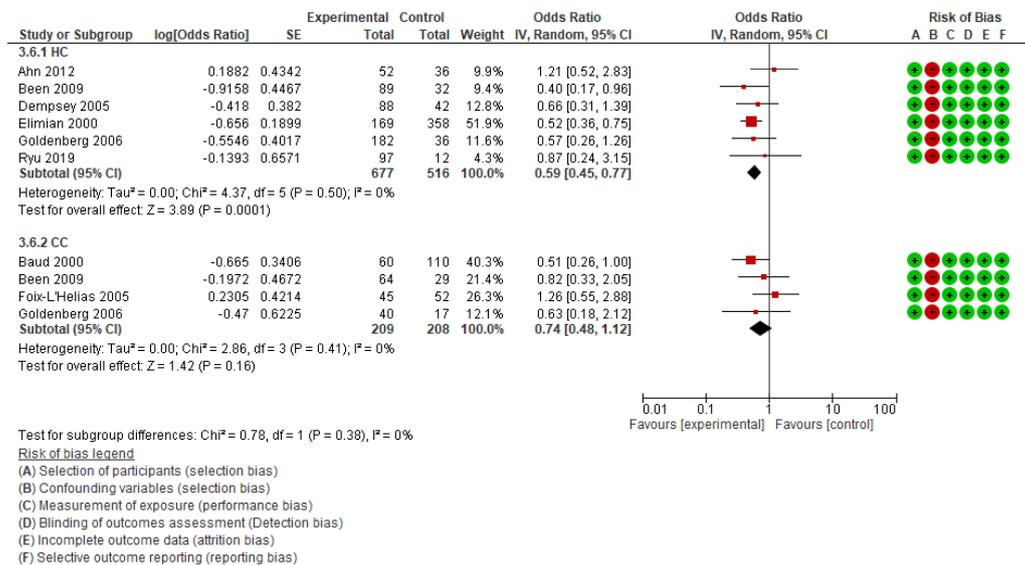
2) Death before discharge home (CC)



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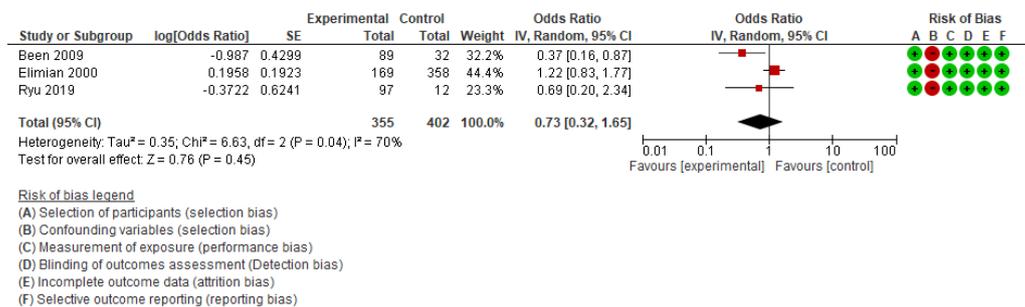
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3) Respiratory distress syndrome (RDS)



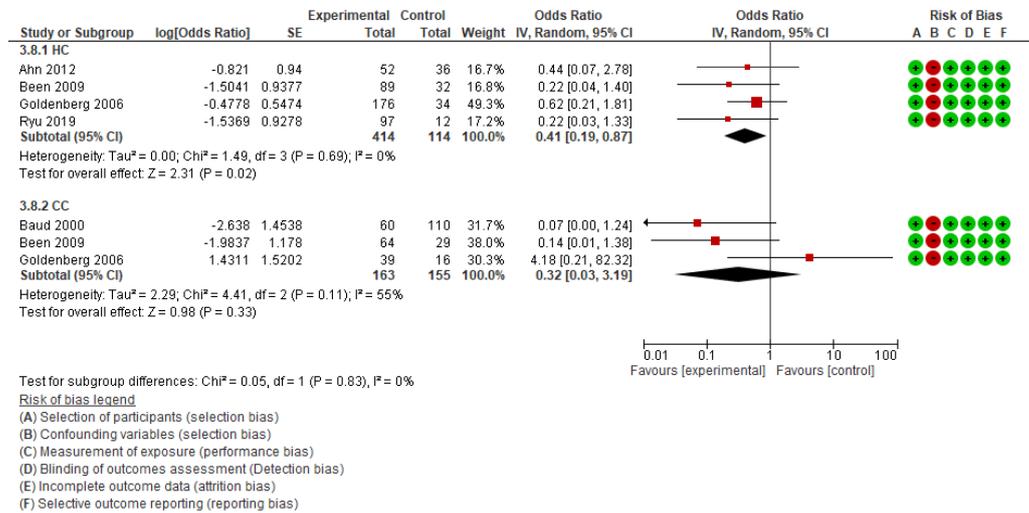
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4) Surfactant use (HC)



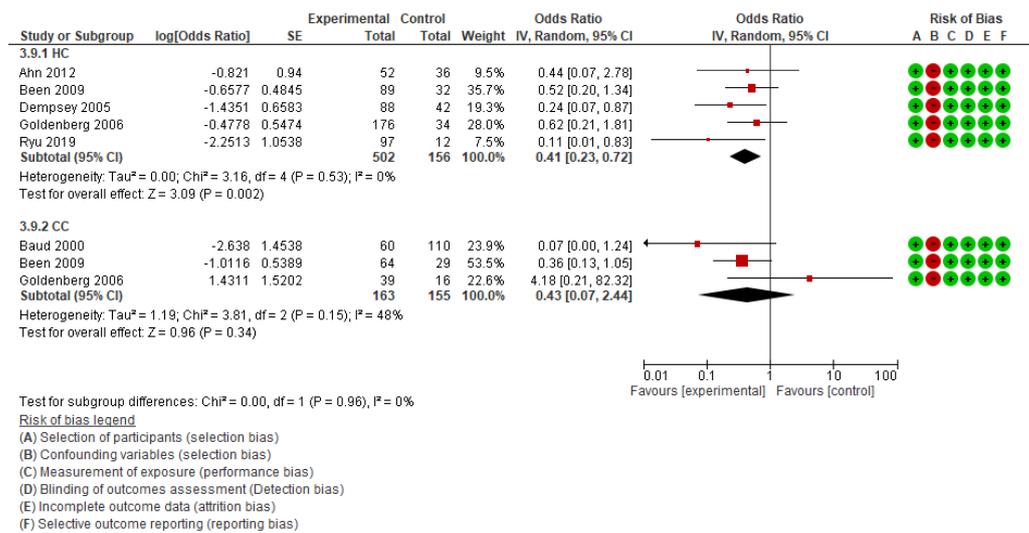
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5) Severe intraventricular hemorrhage (IVH)



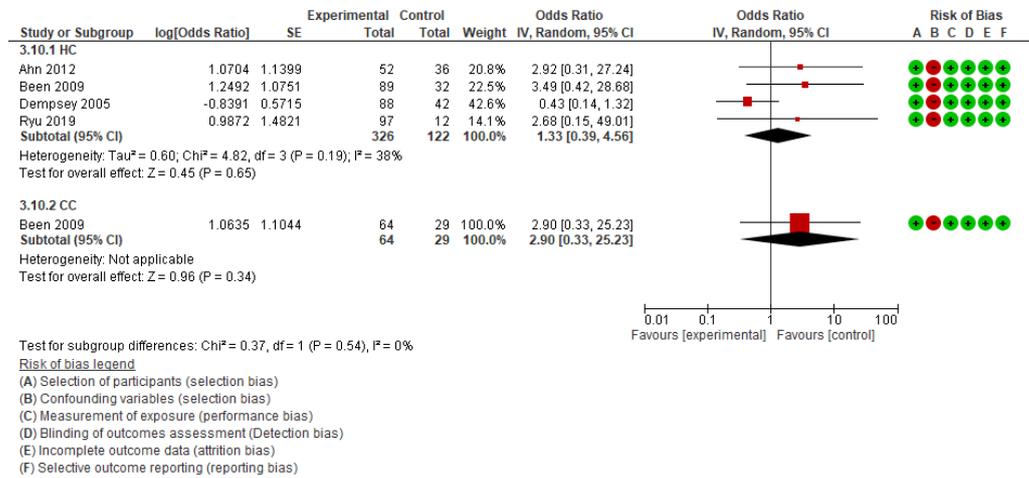
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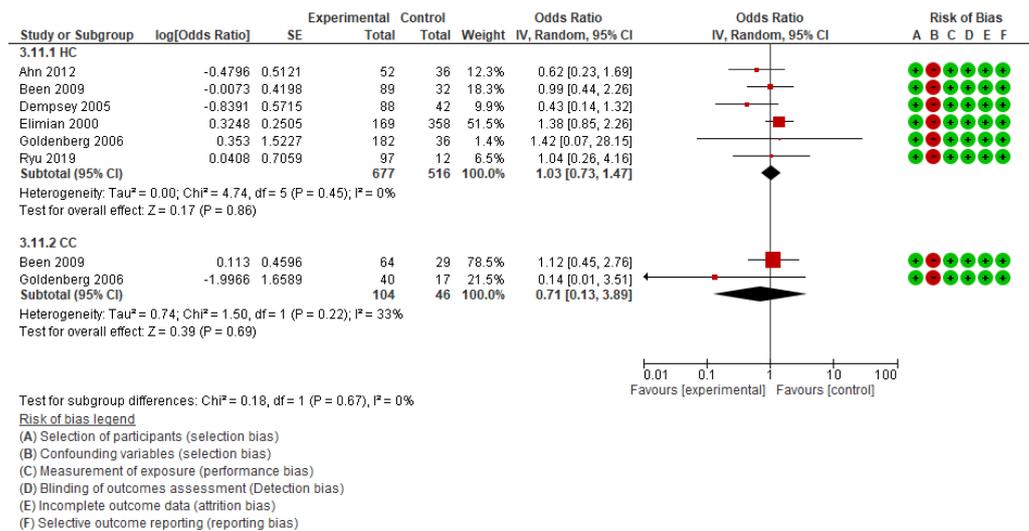
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7) Early-onset sepsis



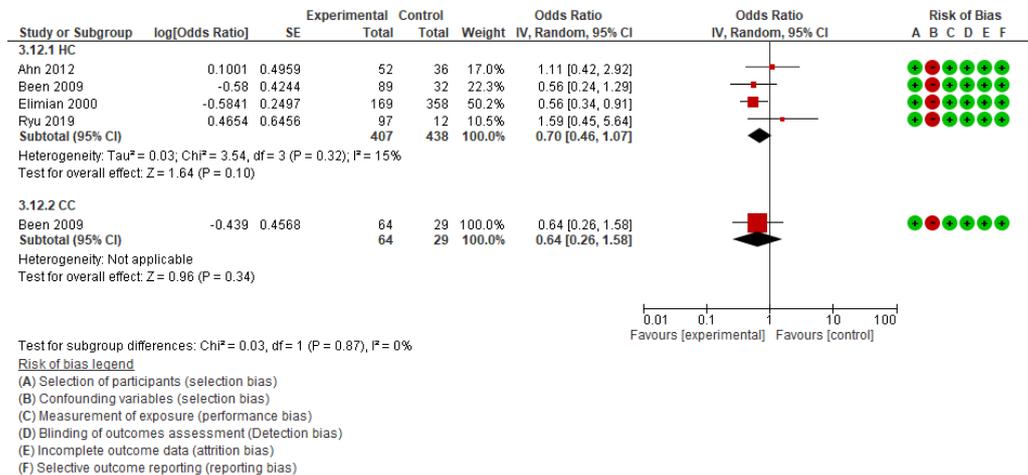
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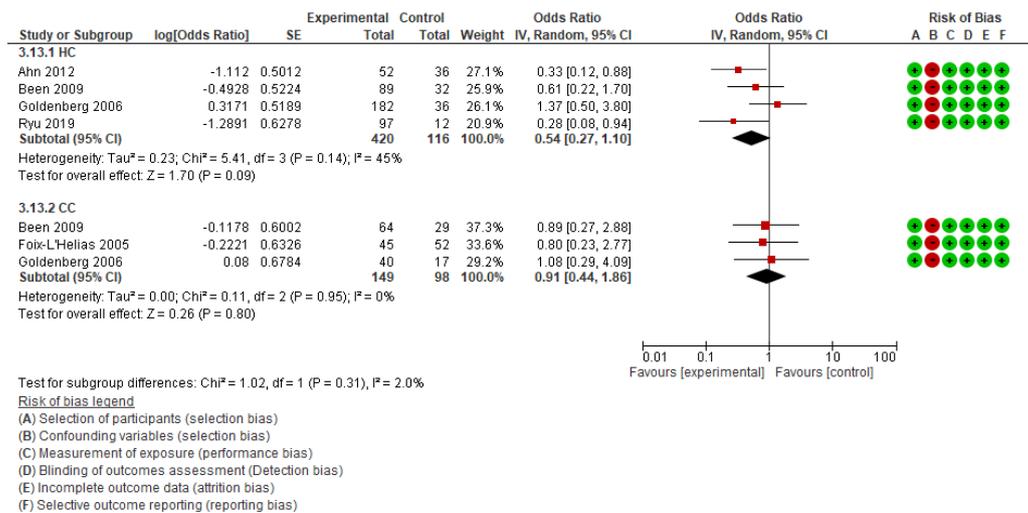
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9) Patent ductus arteriosus (PDA)



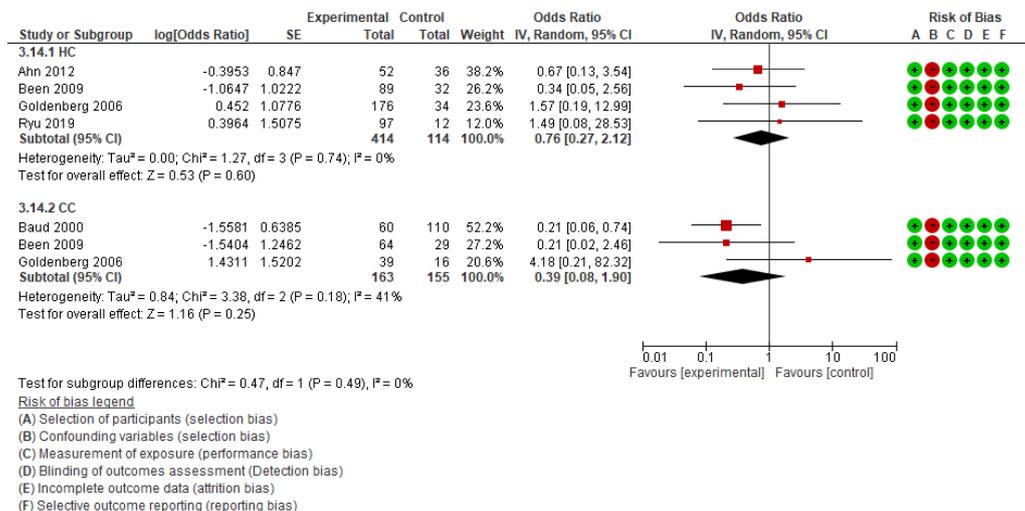
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10) Bronchopulmonary dysplasia (BPD)/ Chronic lung disease (CLD)



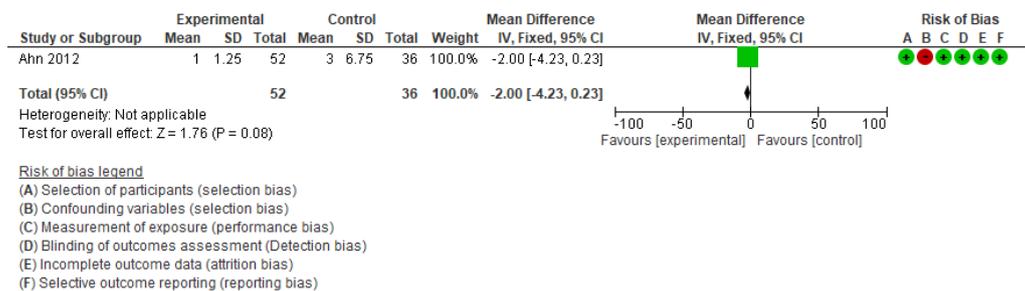
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11) Periventricular leukomalacia (PVL)



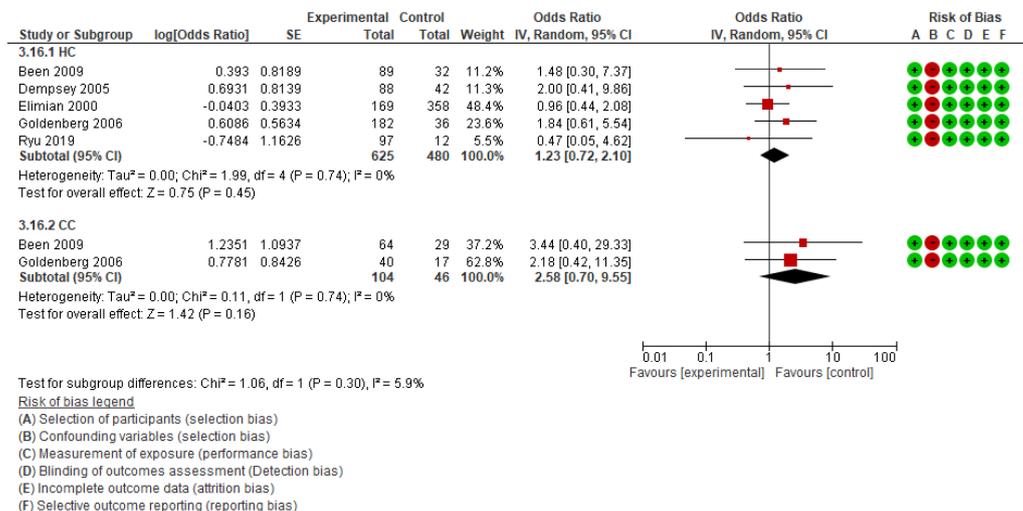
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12) Mean duration of mechanical ventilation, days (HC)



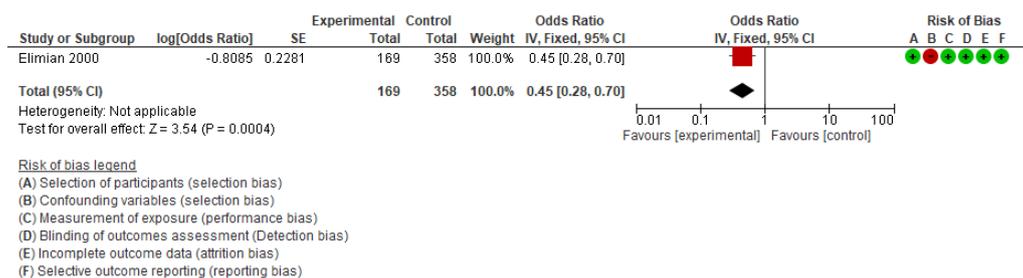
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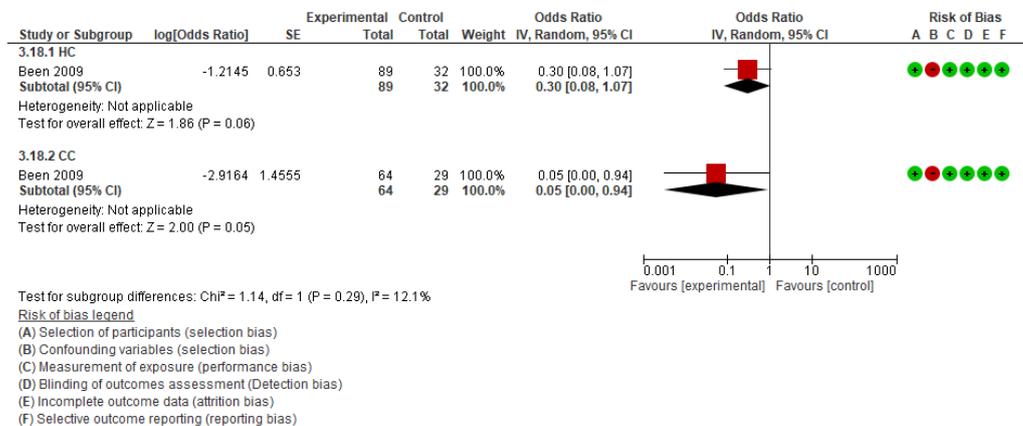
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14) Apgar score < 7 at 5 minutes (HC)



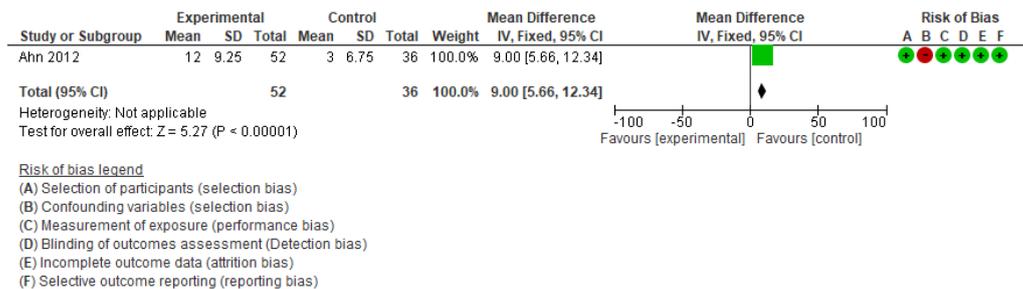
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15) Use of mechanical ventilation



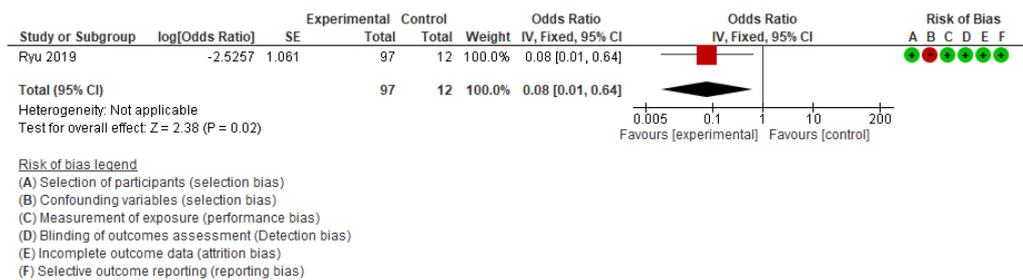
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16) Duration of oxygen use, days (HC)



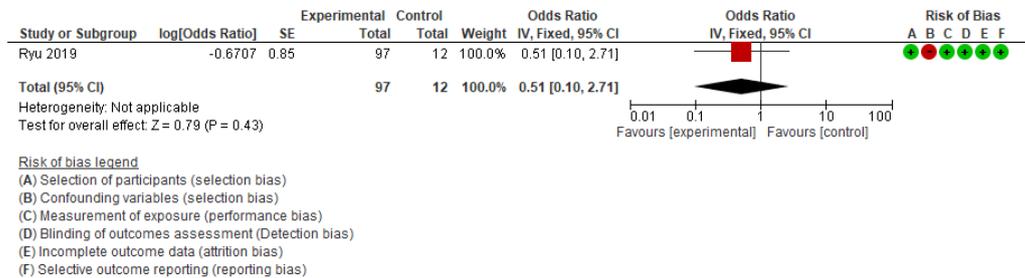
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17) Hypotension within 7 postnatal days (HC)



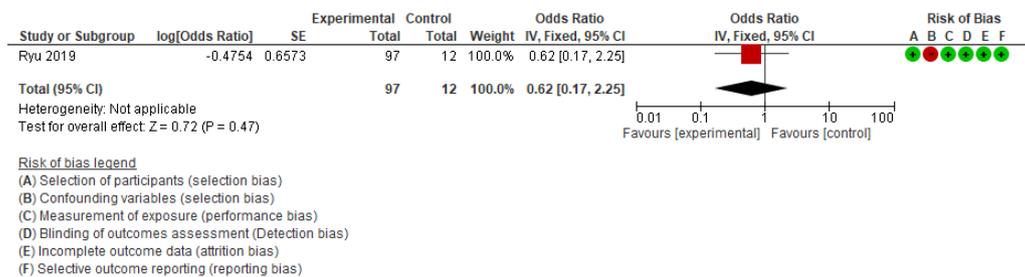
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18) Retinopathy of prematurity requiring treatment (HC)



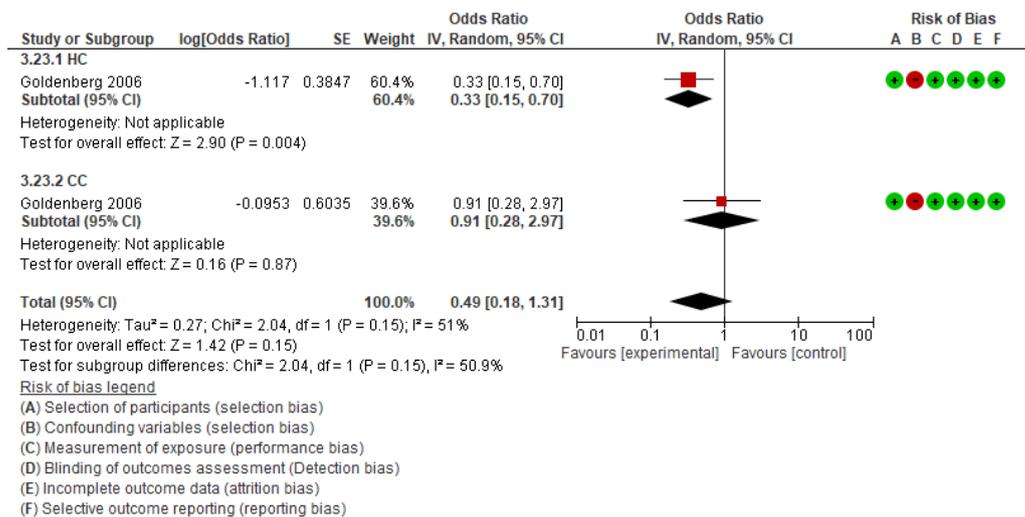
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19) Discharge with respiratory support (HC)



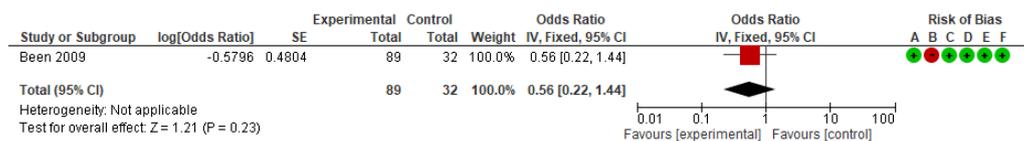
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20) Systemic inflammatory response syndrome



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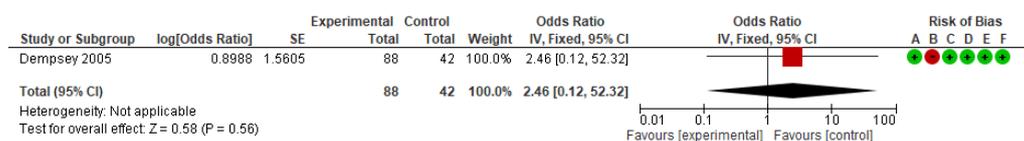
21) Severe respiratory distress syndrome (RDS) (HC)

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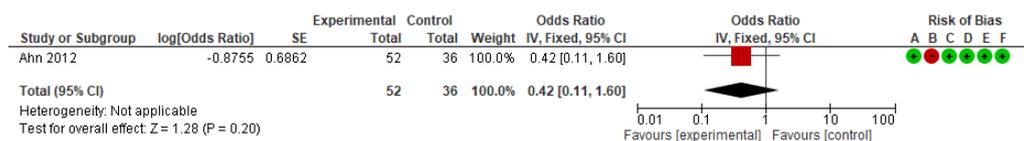
22) Meningitis (HC)

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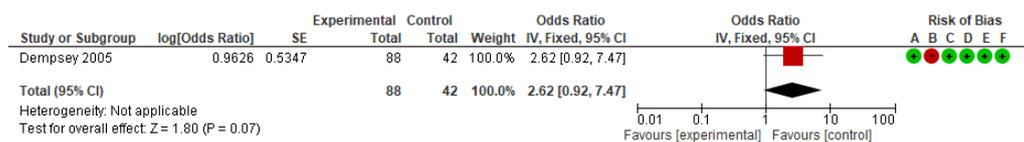
23) Intrahepatic cholestasis (HC)

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24) Pneumonia (HC)

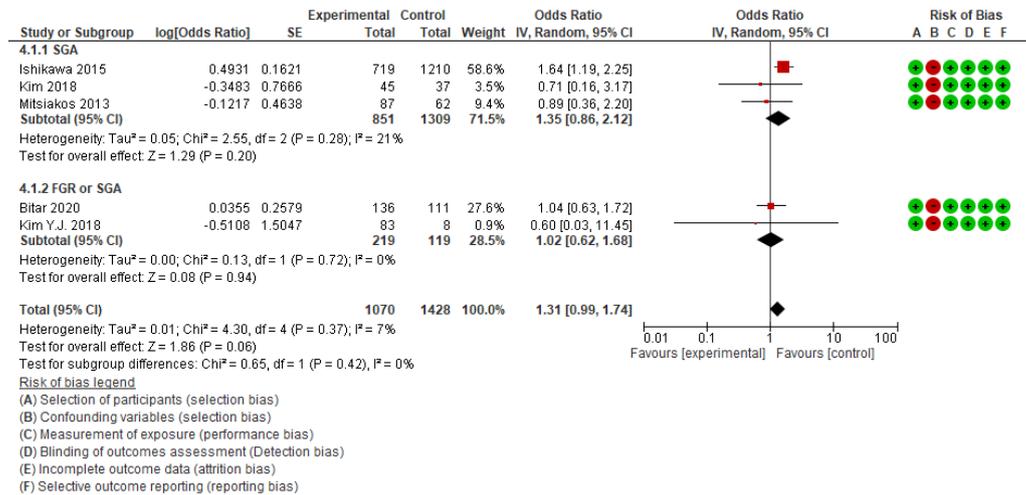
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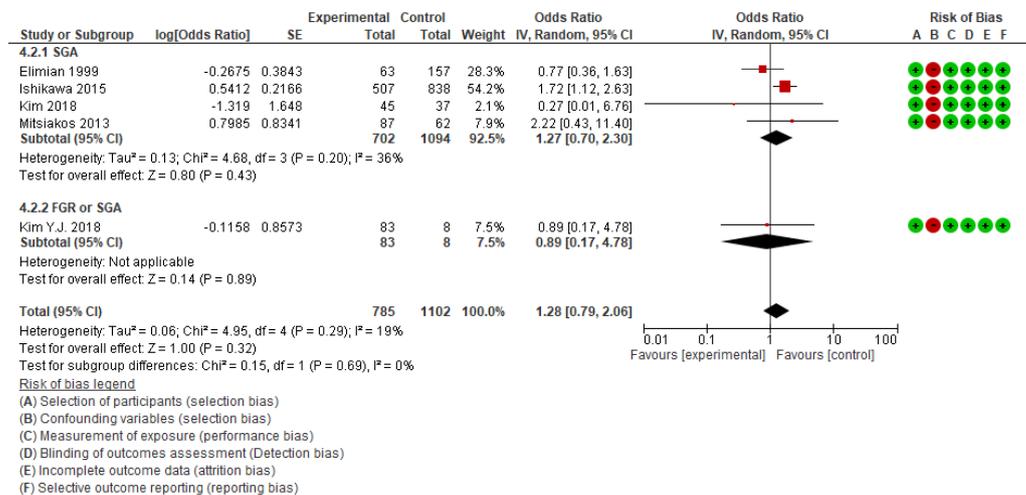
Maternal outcomes for women with growth-restricted fetuses and/or small-for-gestational age infants

1) Caesarean section



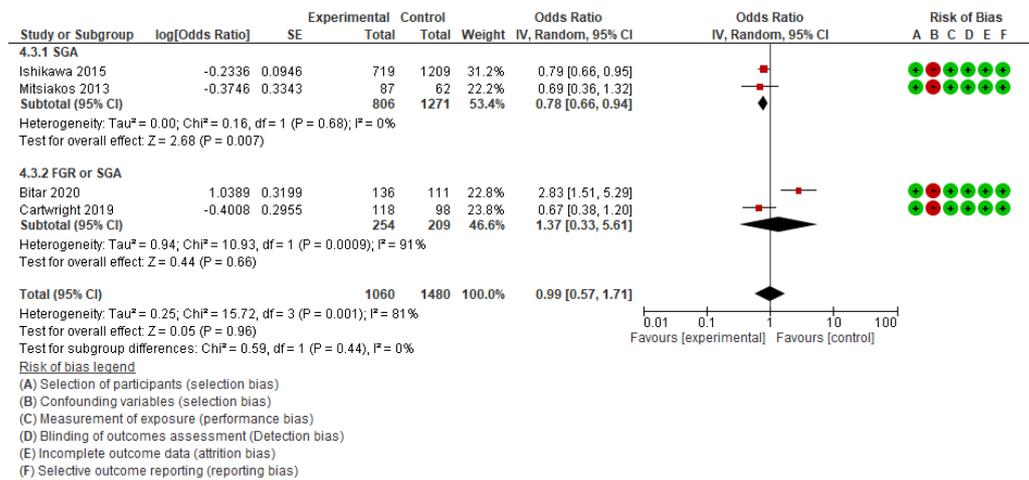
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2) Chorioamnionitis (histologic and /or clinical)



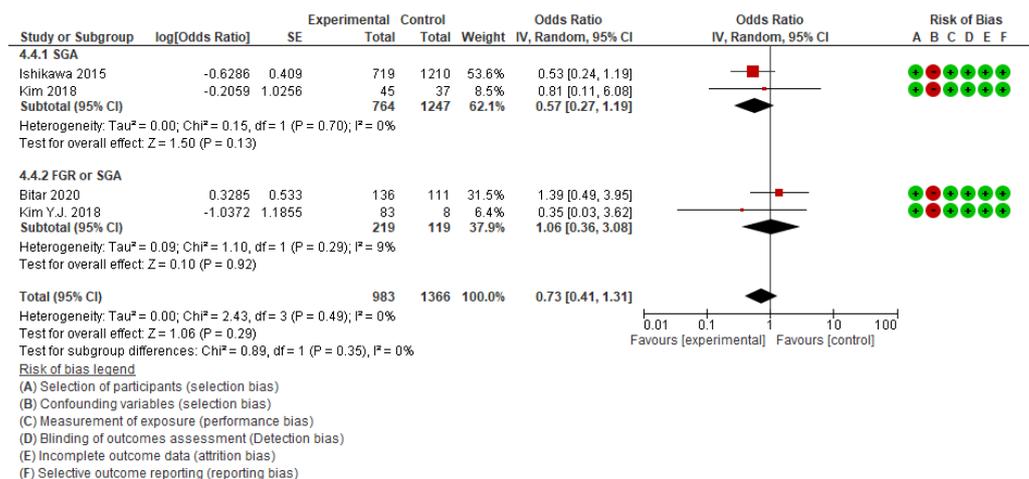
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3) Preeclampsia.



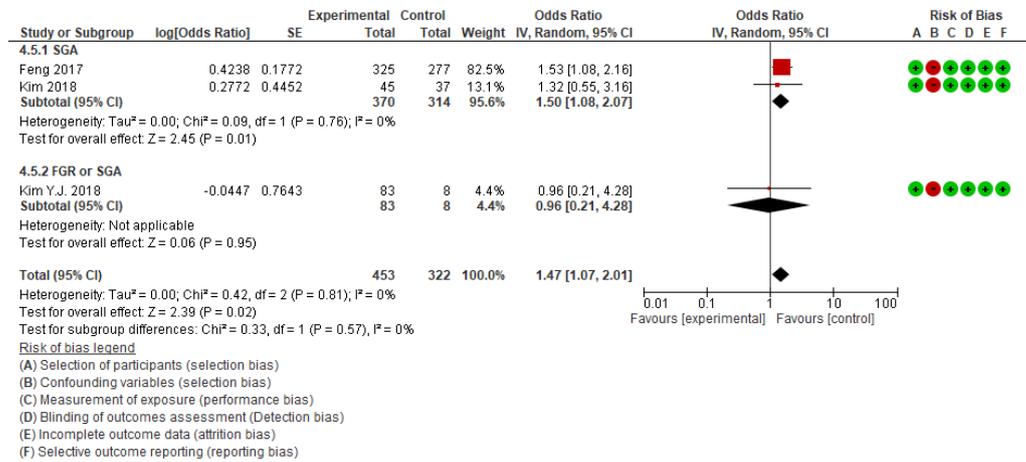
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4) Gestational diabetes mellitus.



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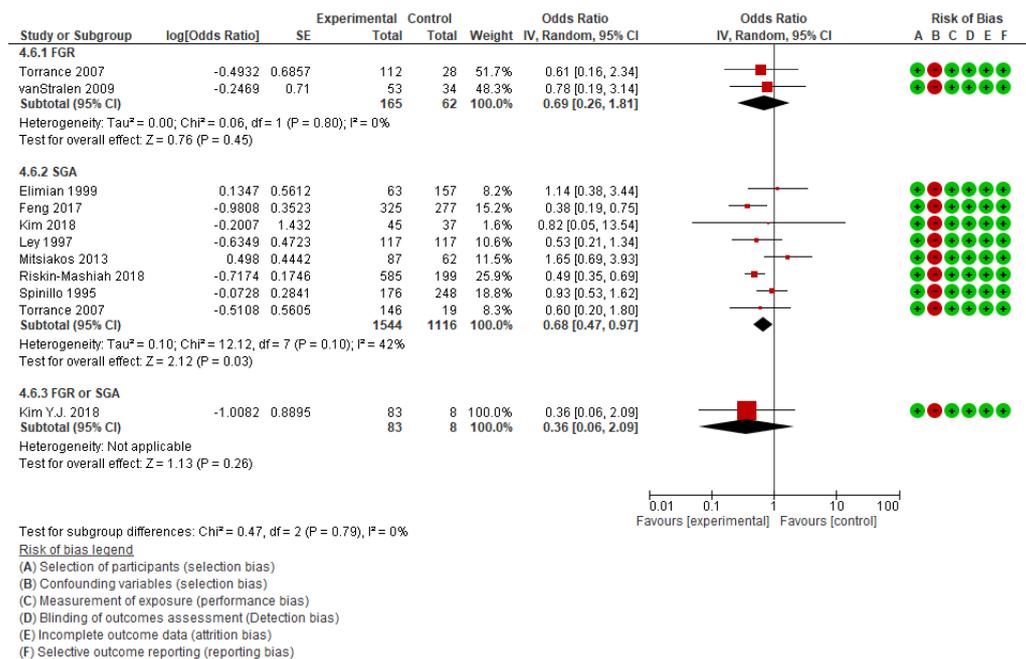
5) Pregnancy induced hypertension.



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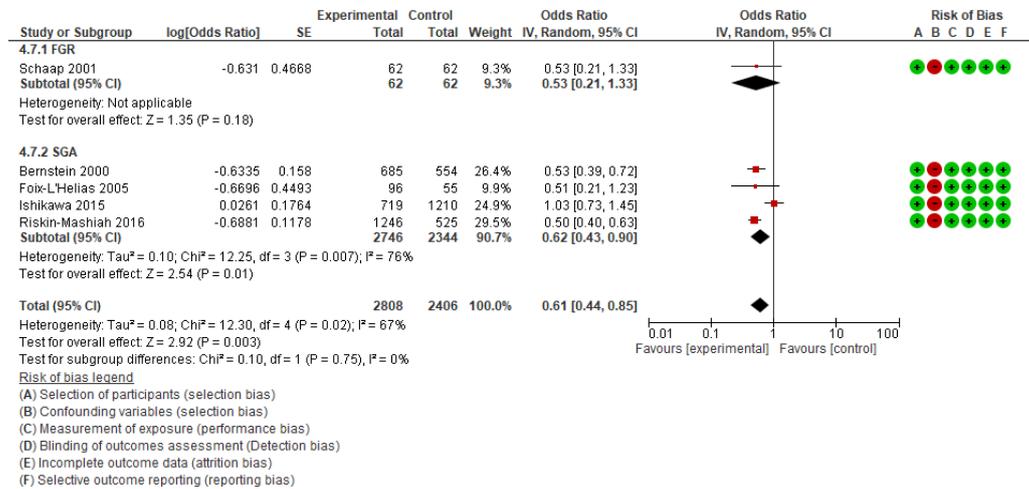
Neonatal outcomes for women with growth-restricted fetuses

1) Neonatal death



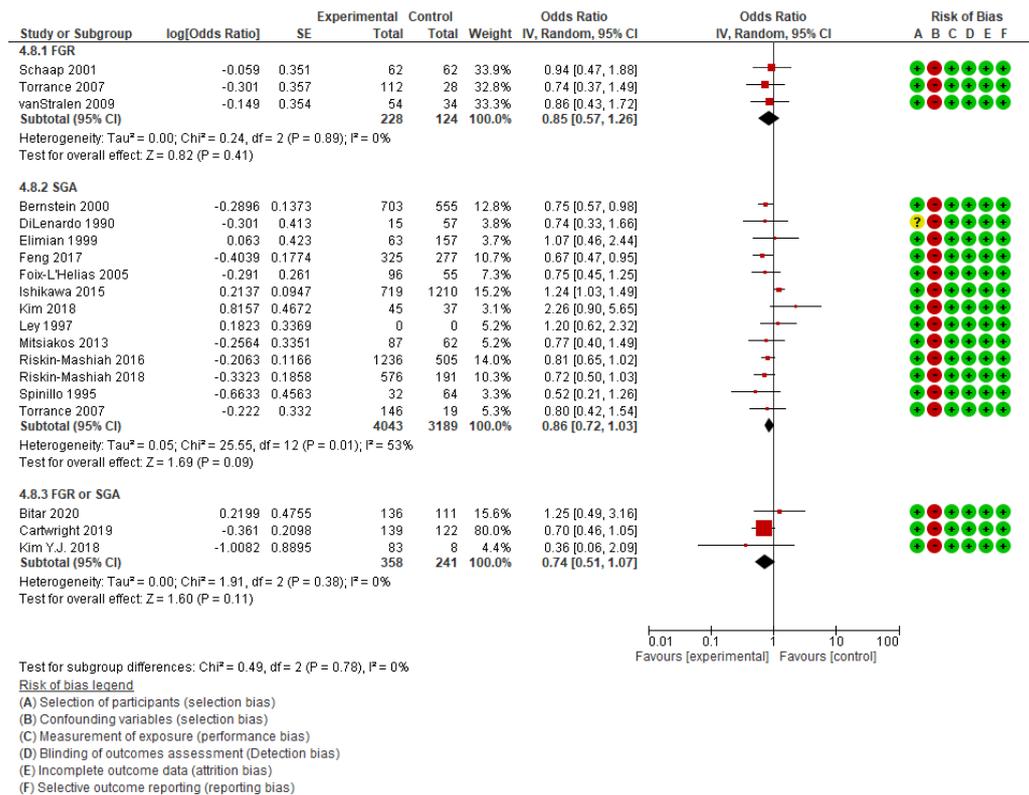
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2) Death before discharge home



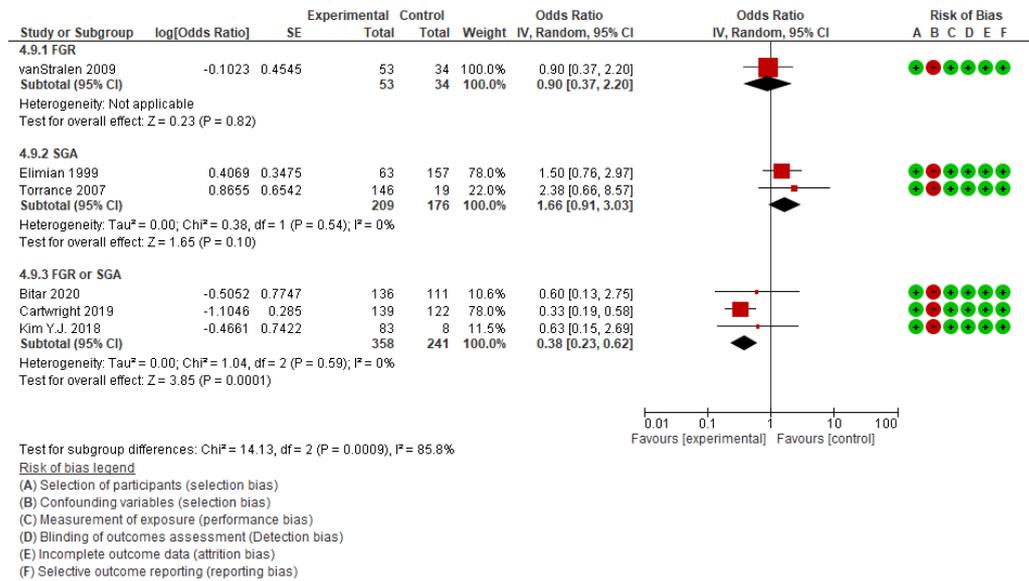
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3) Respiratory distress syndrome (RDS) and moderate / severe RDS



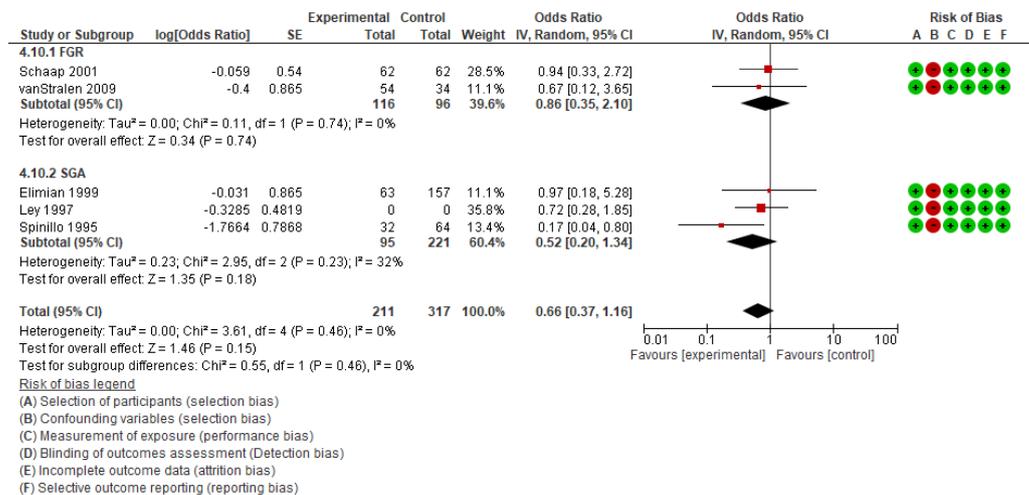
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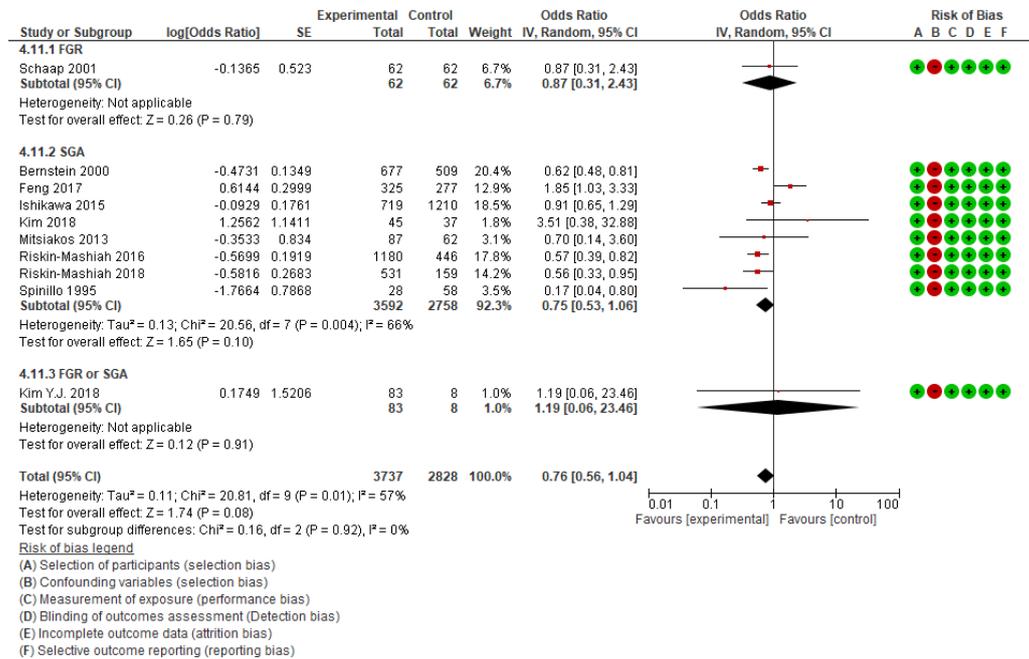
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5) Major brain lesion (IVH, ICH, PVH, PVL)



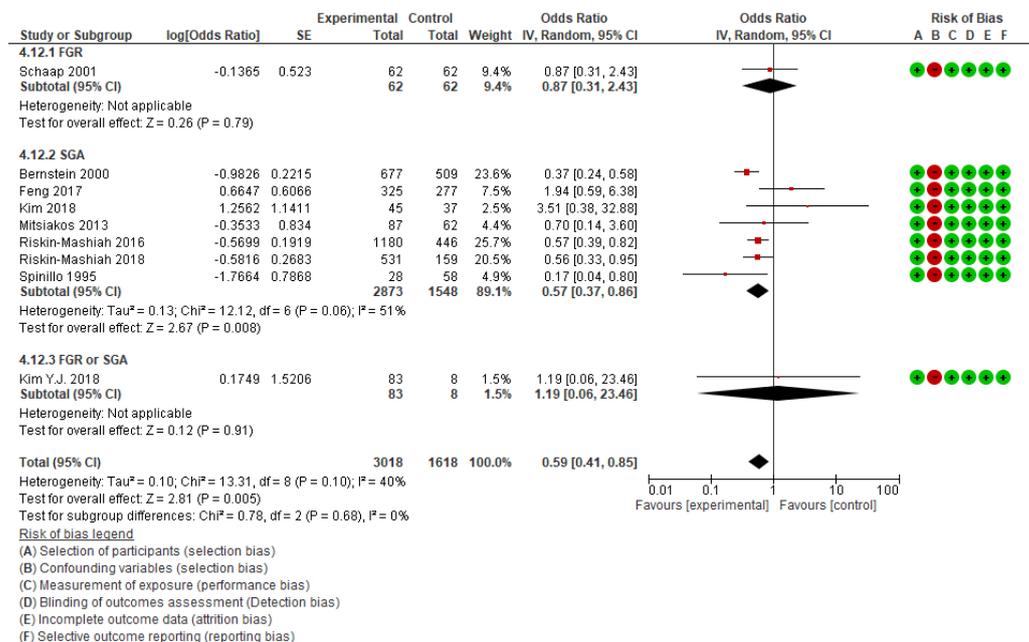
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6) Interventricular haemorrhage



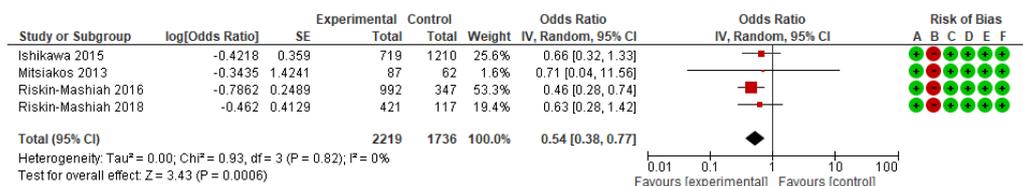
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7) Severe interventricular haemorrhage (grade3-4)



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8) Periventricular leukomalacia (SGA)

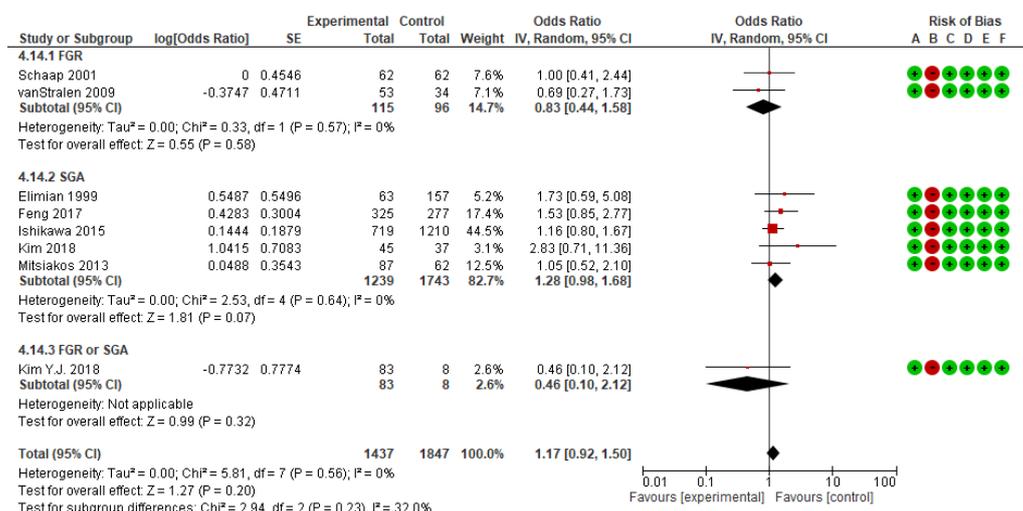


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9) Neonatal sepsis

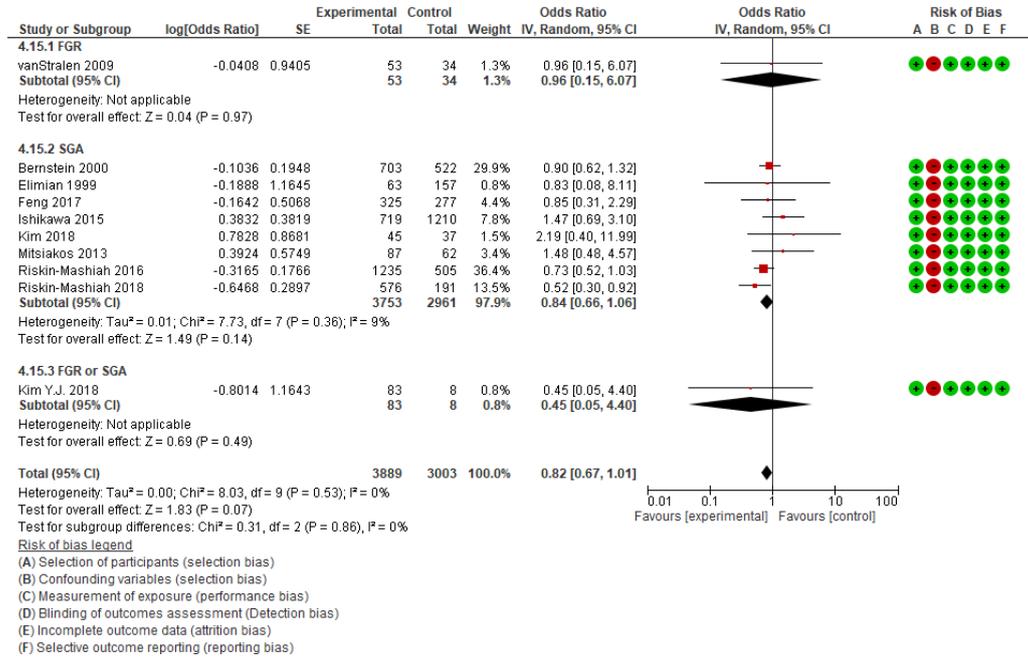


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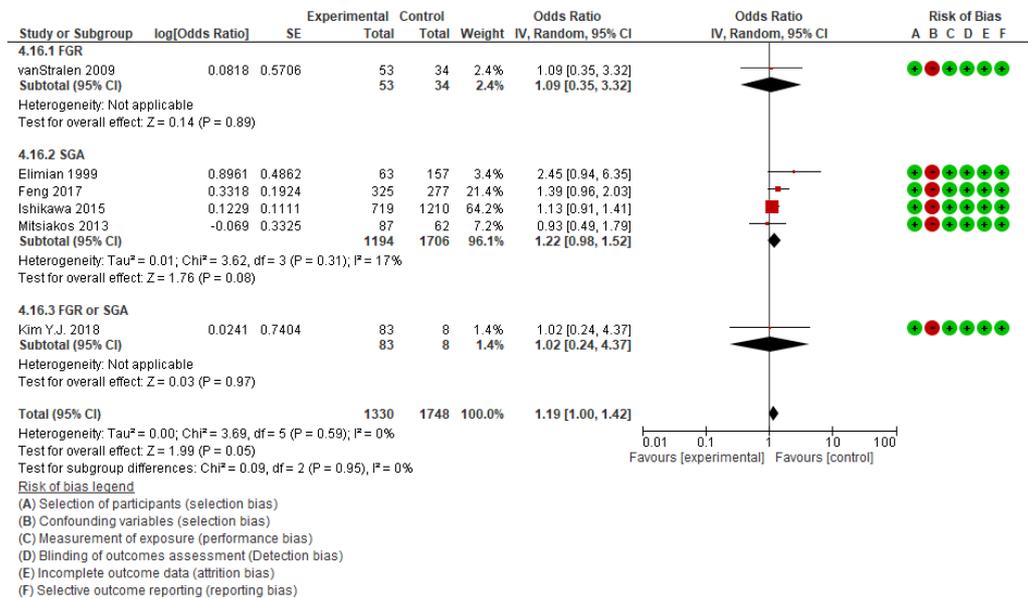
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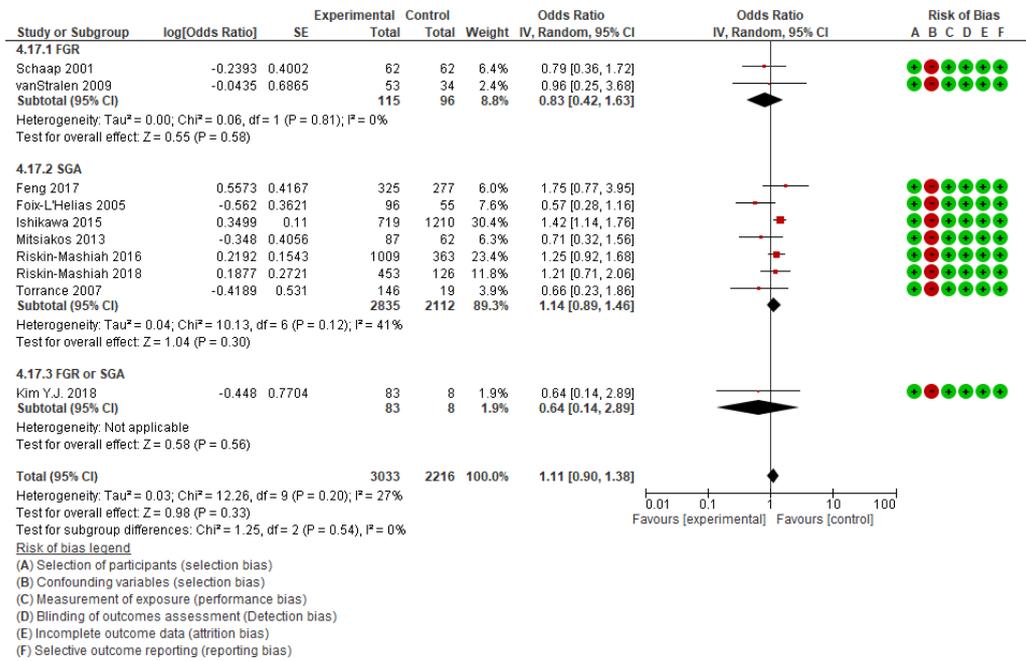
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11) Patent ductus arteriosus



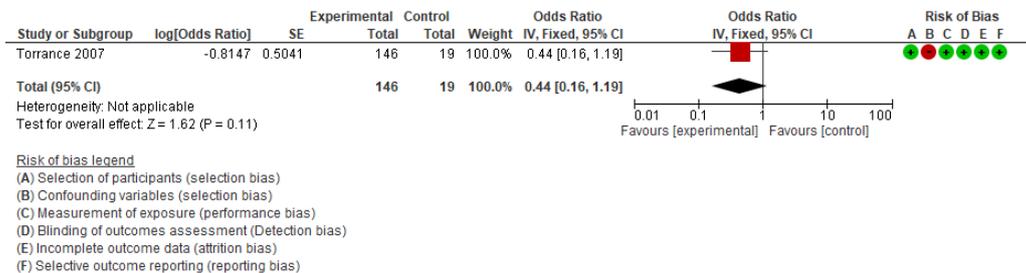
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12) Chronic lung disease / bronchopulmonary dysplasia



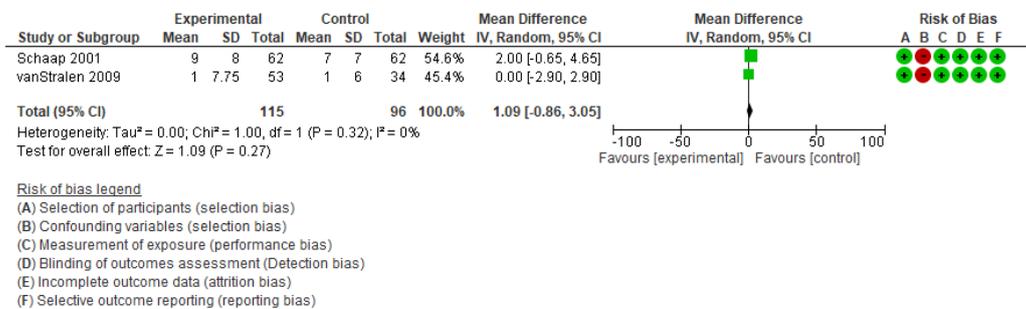
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13) Small for gestational age (< 2.3rd percentile for gestational age) (SGA)



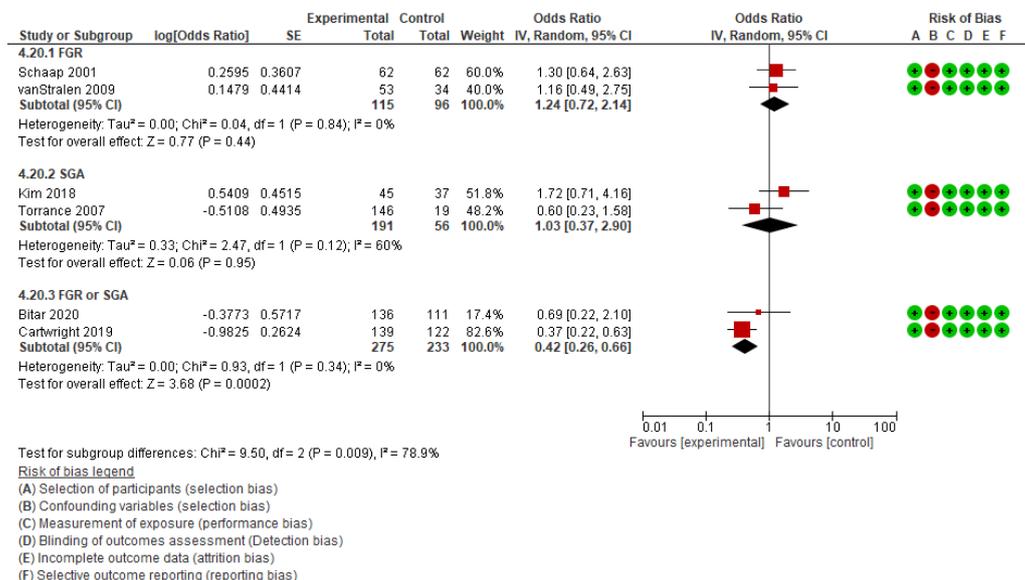
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14) Duration of mechanical ventilation (FGR)



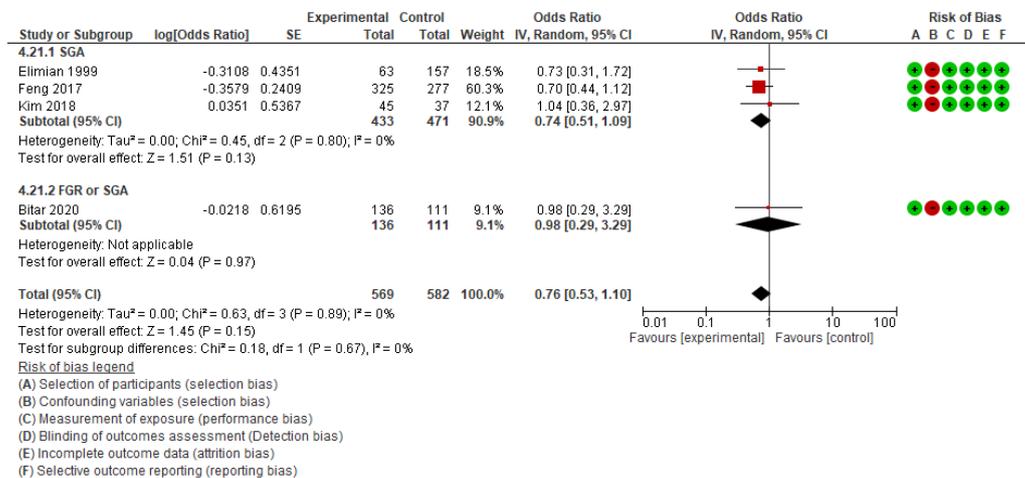
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15) Use of mechanical ventilation



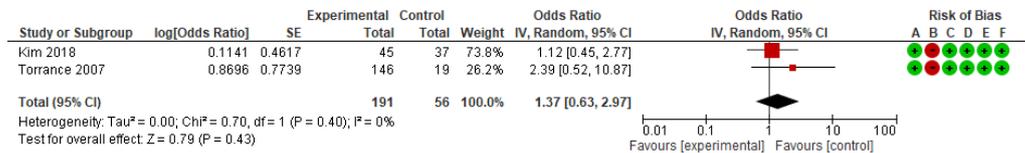
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16) Apgar score < 7 at 5 minutes



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17) Apgar score < 5 at 1 minute (SGA)



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18) Hypotension (FGR)



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19) Growth < 10th percentile in early childhood (FGR)

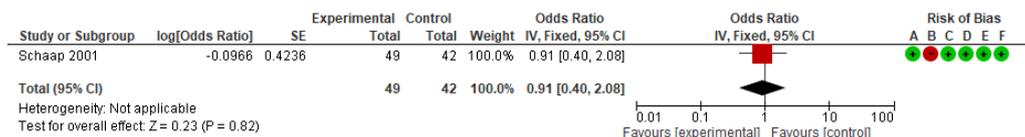


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20) Abnormal behavior at long-term follow-up at school age (FGR)

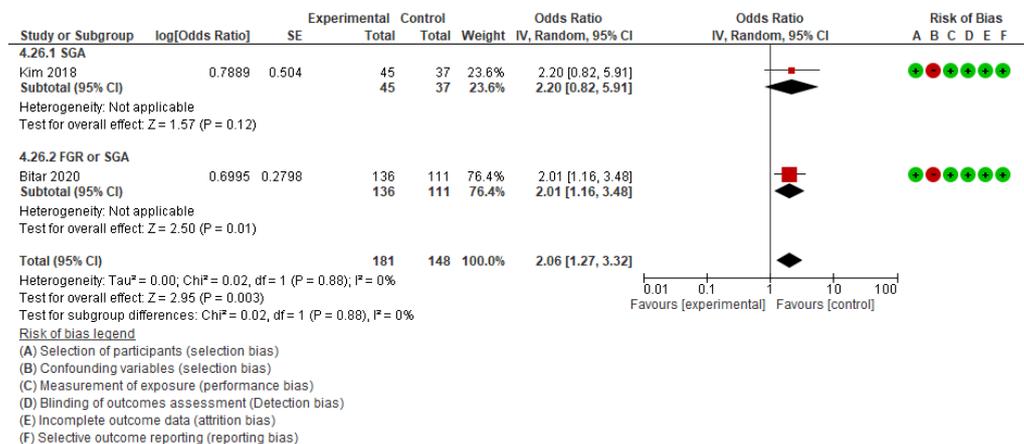


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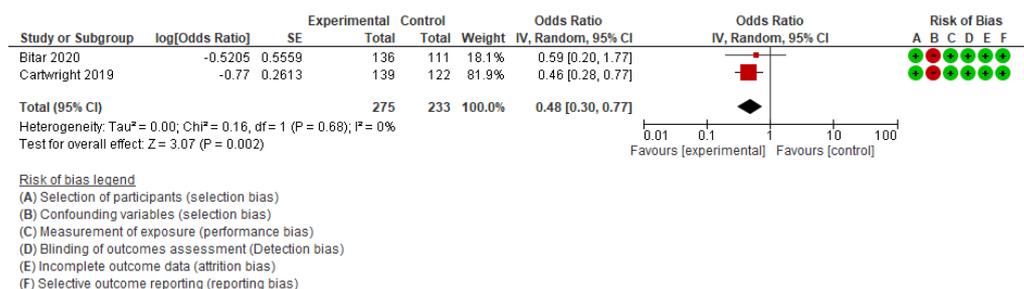
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21) Neonatal hypoglycemia



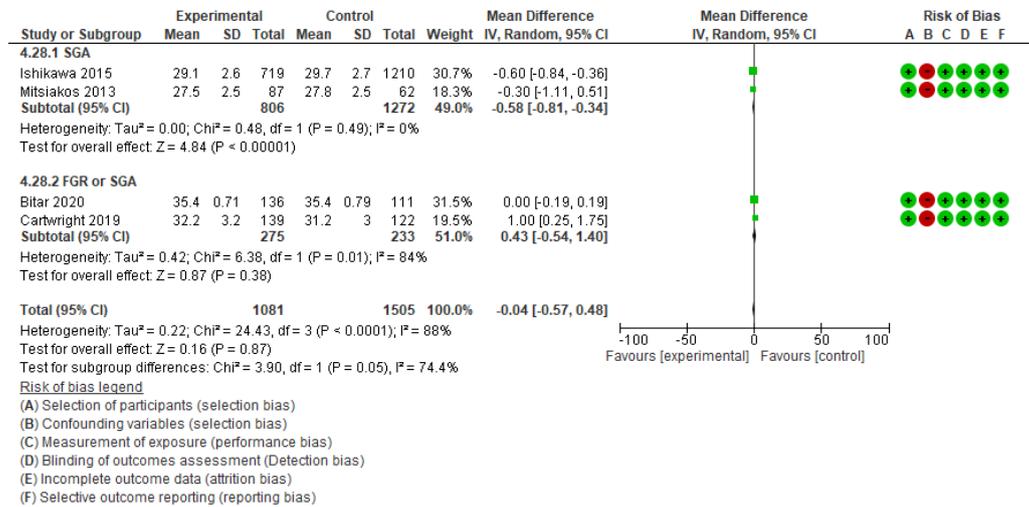
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22) Oxygen therapy (FGR or SGA)



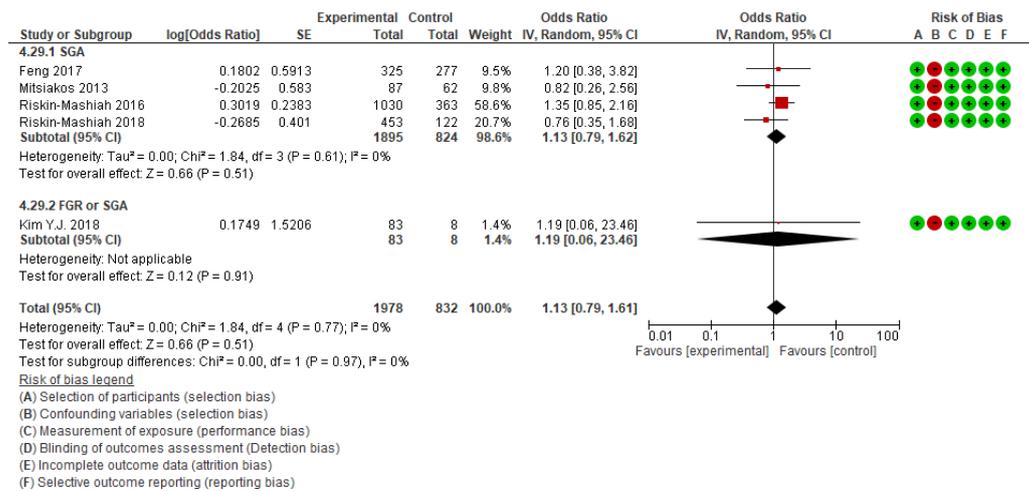
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23) Gestational age at birth



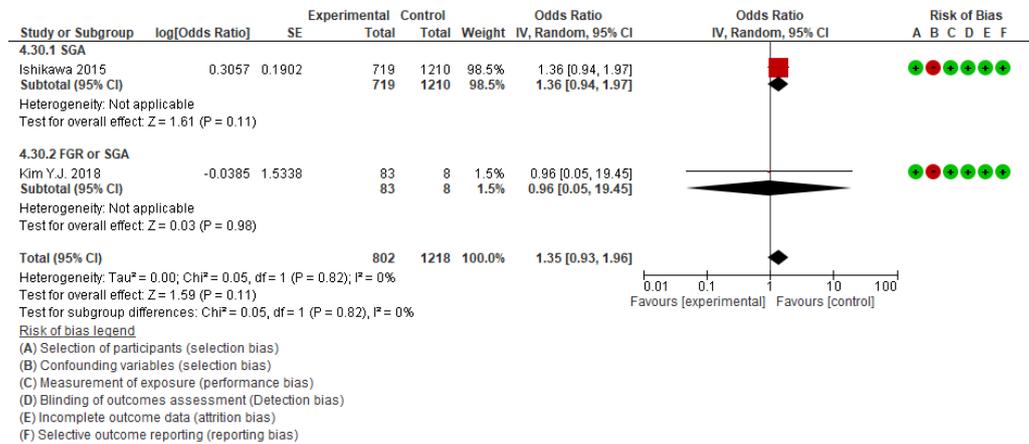
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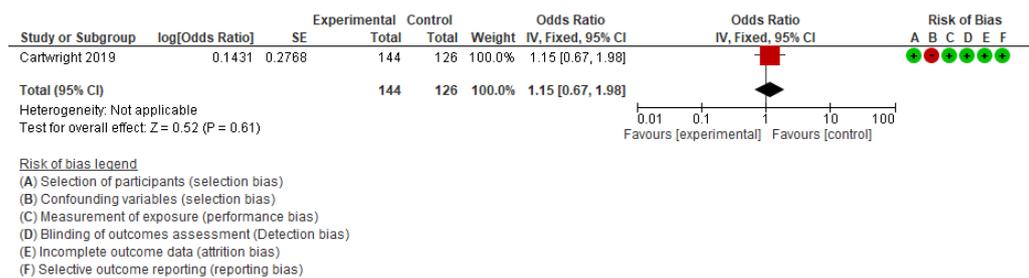
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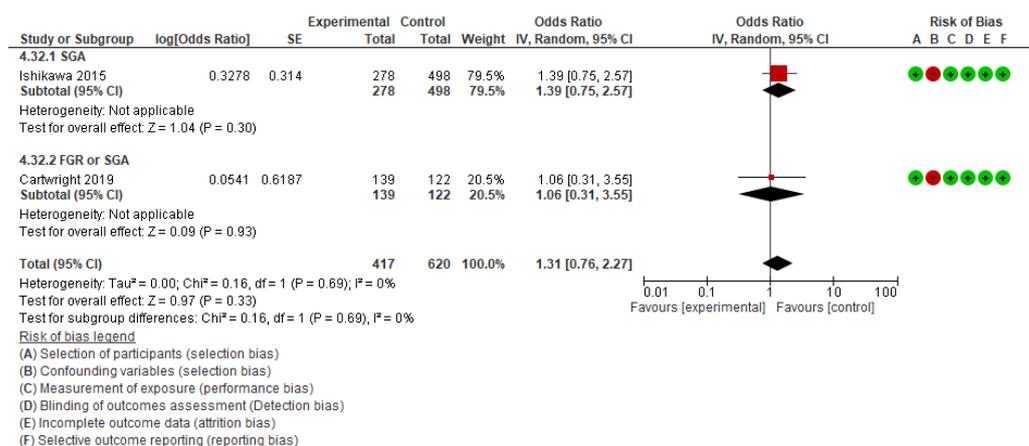
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26) Survival free of disability (FGR or SGA)



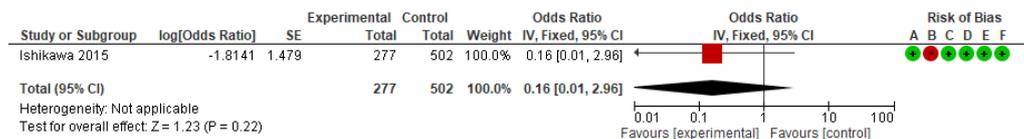
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27) Cerebral palsy



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28) Severe hearing impairment (SGA)

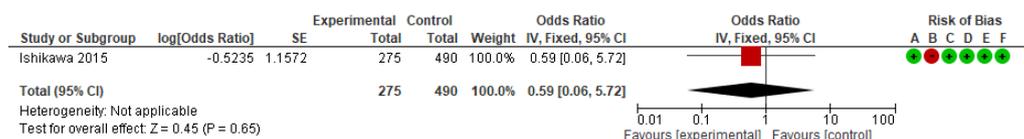


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29) Visual impairment (SGA)

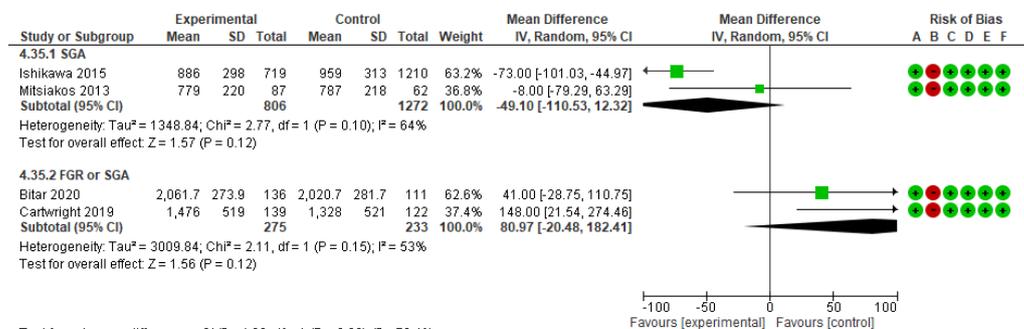


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30) Birth weight



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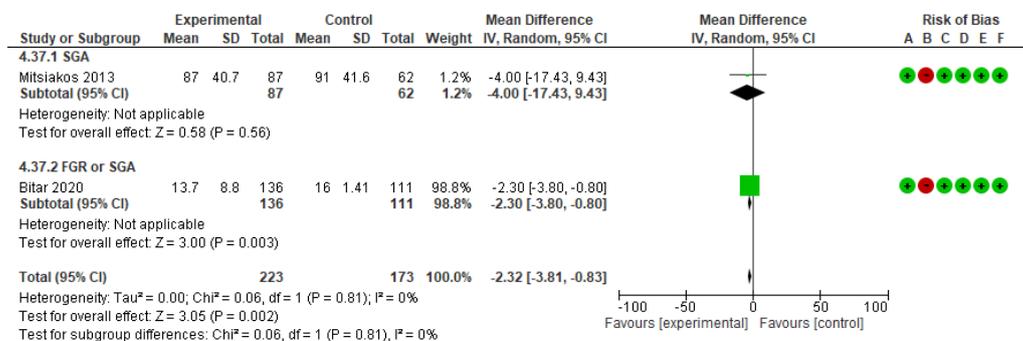
31) Admission to neonatal intensive care unit (FGR or SGA)



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32) Duration of hospital stay



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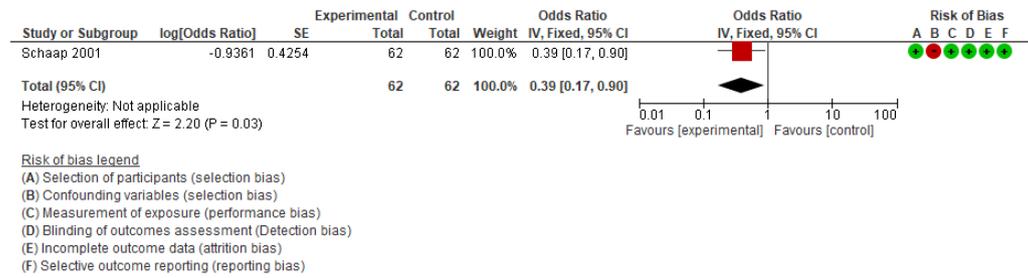
33) Death at long-term follow-up (school age) (FGR)



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34) Death or disability/handicap at 2yrs' corrected age (FGR)



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