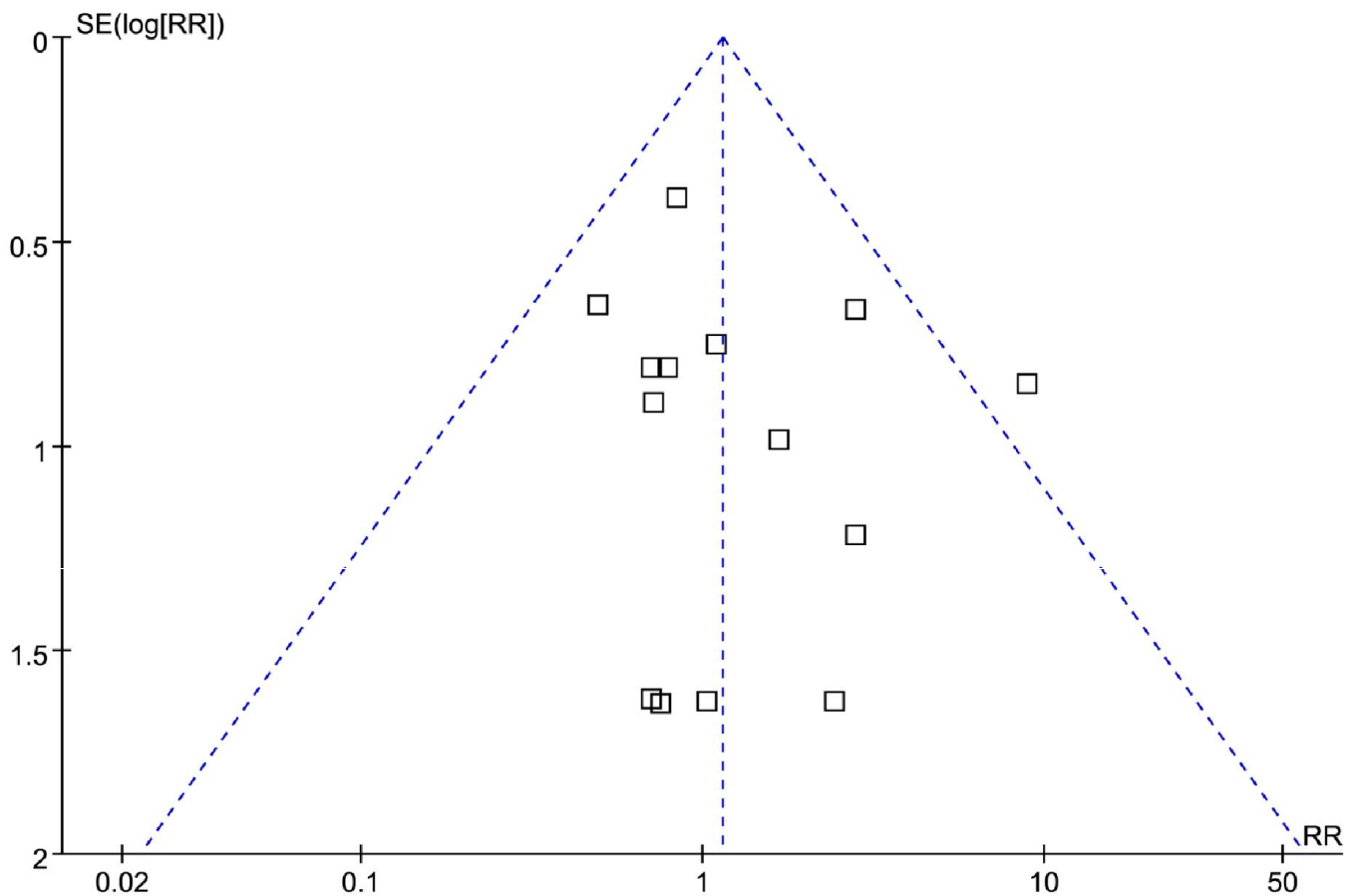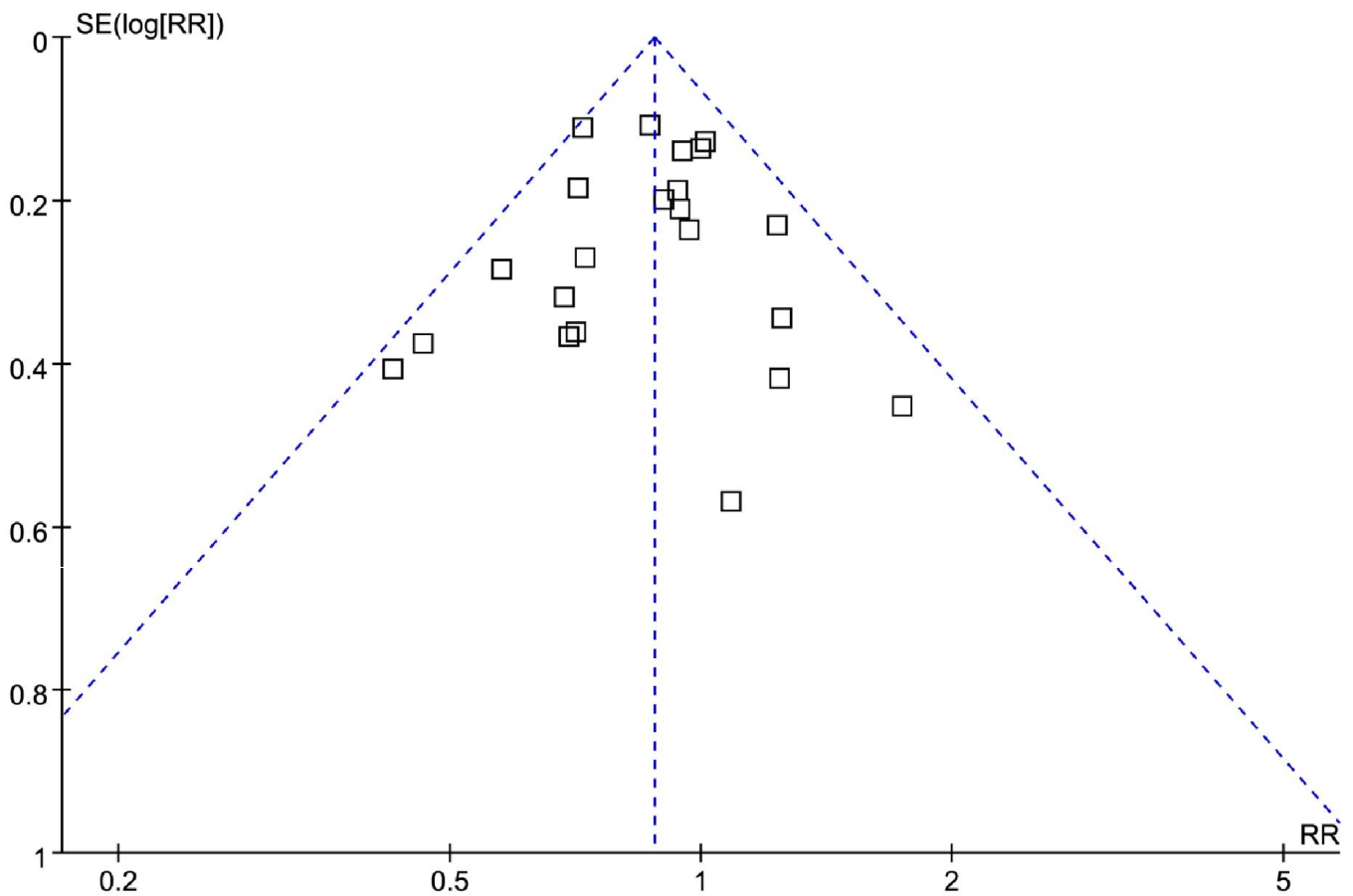# Figure S9
Publication Bias Test

Funnel plot for all studies comparing postoperative mortality.
Each study is marked by a dot around the overall effect estimate (vertical line). The diagonal lines represent the 95% confidence interval around the overall effect estimate. The symmetrical distribution of all dots showed that there was no significant publication bias. RR, risk ratio; SE, standard error.
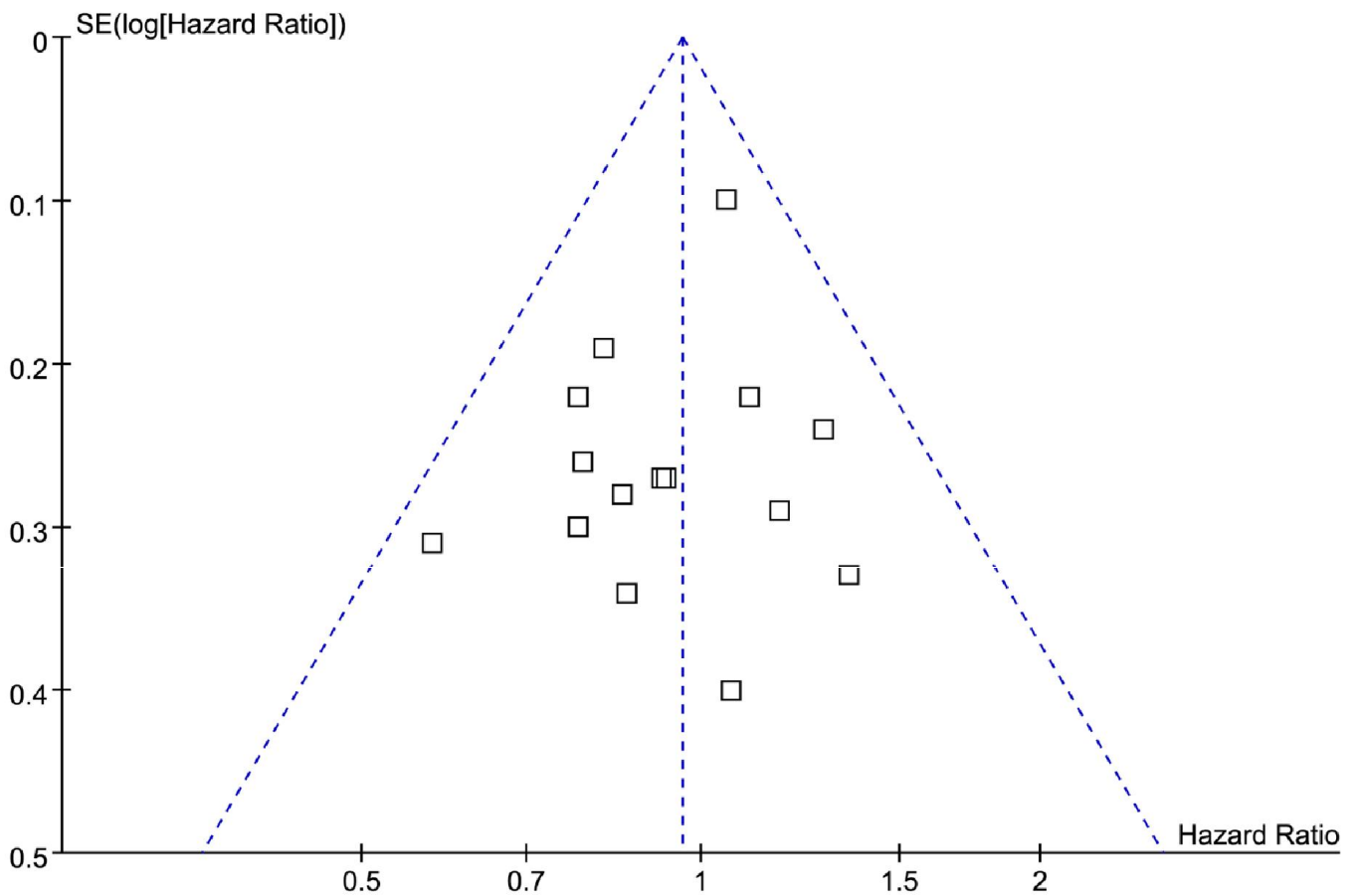
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Funnel plot for all studies comparing overall survival.
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