

**Tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$  G-308A (rs1800629) polymorphism and aggressive periodontitis susceptibility: a meta-analysis of 16 case-control studies**

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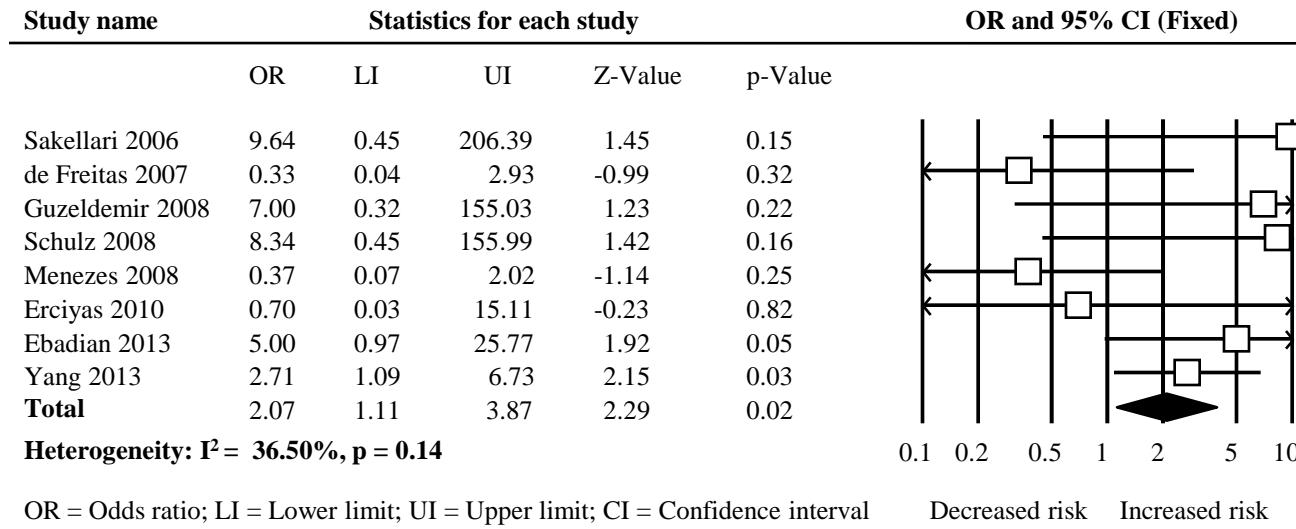
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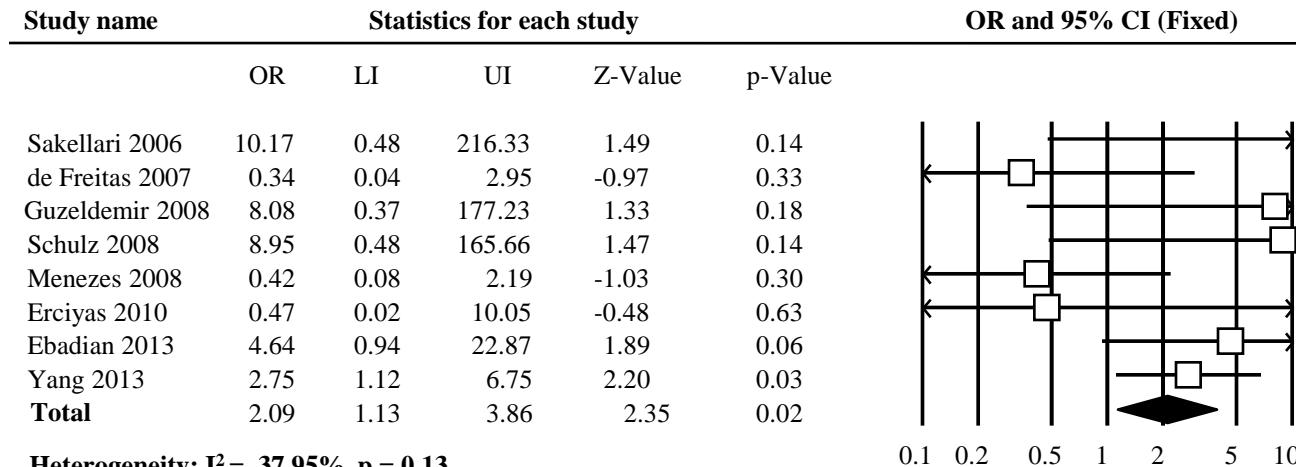
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Supplementary Fig. S1 Forest plot of overall analysis in AA vs. GG genetic model



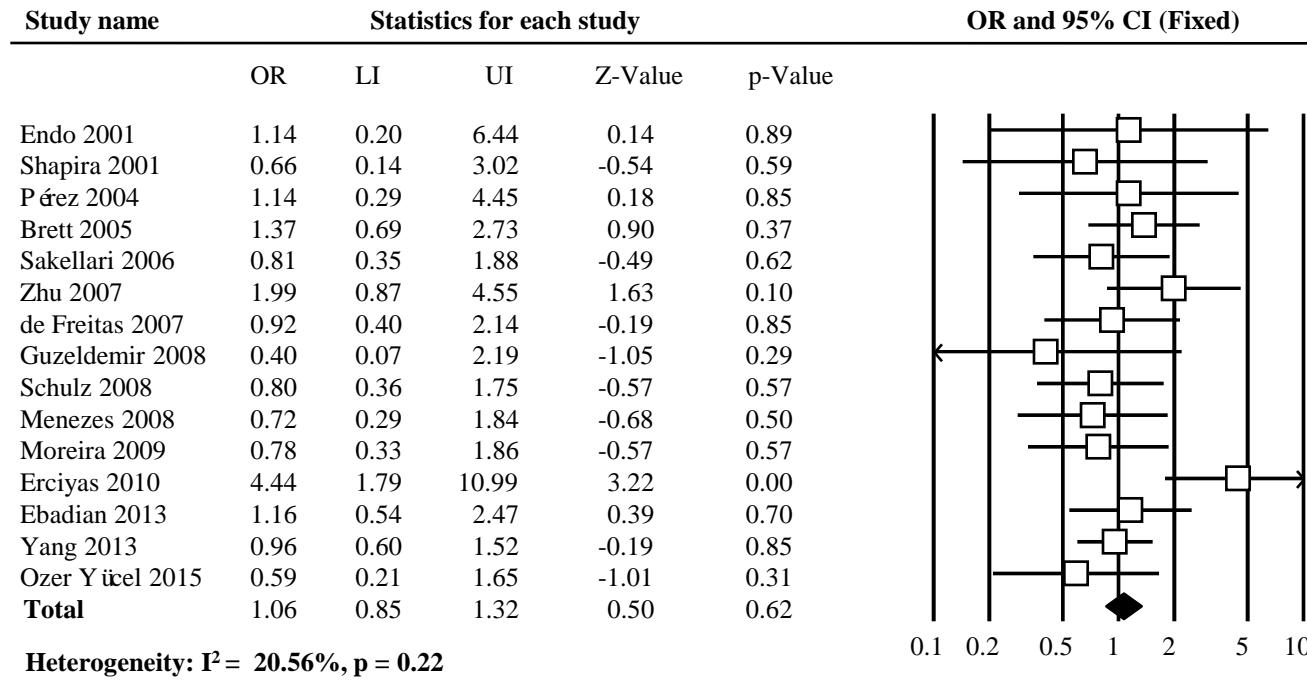
Supplementary Fig. S2 Forest plot of overall analysis in AA vs. AG+GG genetic model



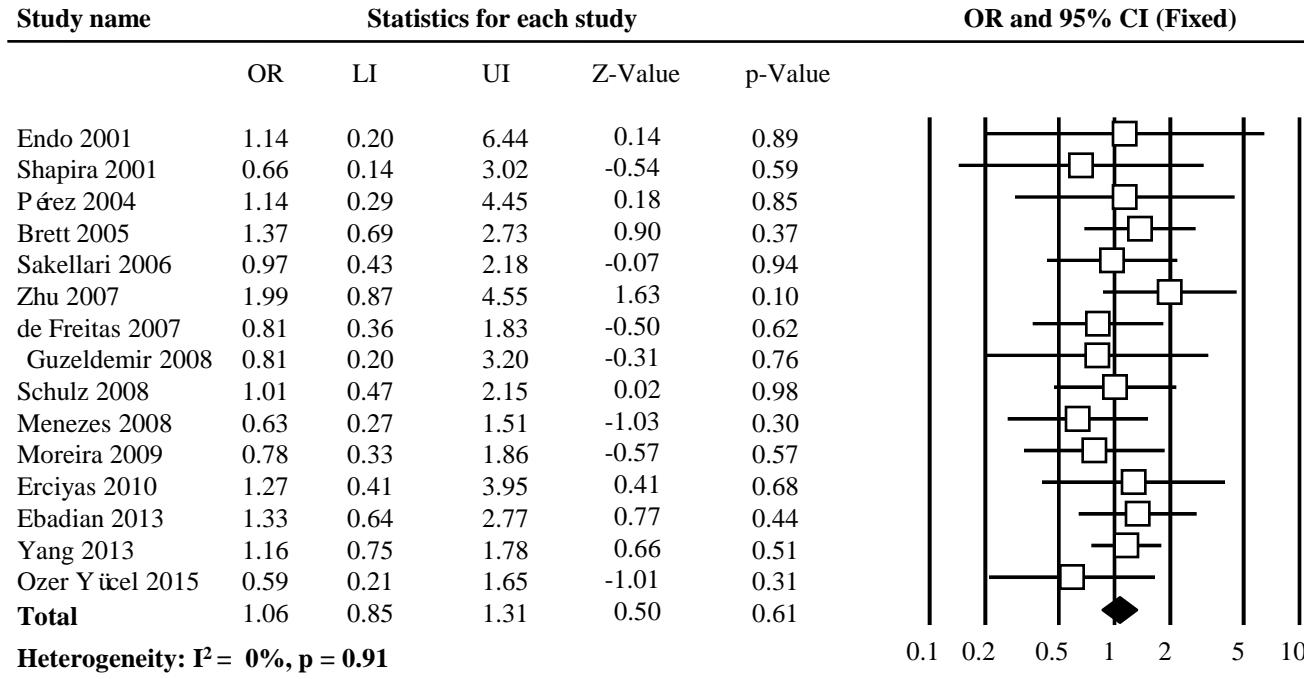
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Decreased risk      Increased risk

Supplementary Fig. S3 Forest plot of overall analysis in AG vs. GG genetic model



Supplementary Fig. S4 Forest plot of overall analysis in AA+AG vs. GG genetic model



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Supplementary Fig. S5 Forest plot of meta-regression analysis in A vs. G genetic model based on smoking status

