

## **Supplementary information**

### **Association between assisted reproductive technology and the risk of autism spectrum disorders in the offspring: a meta-analysis**

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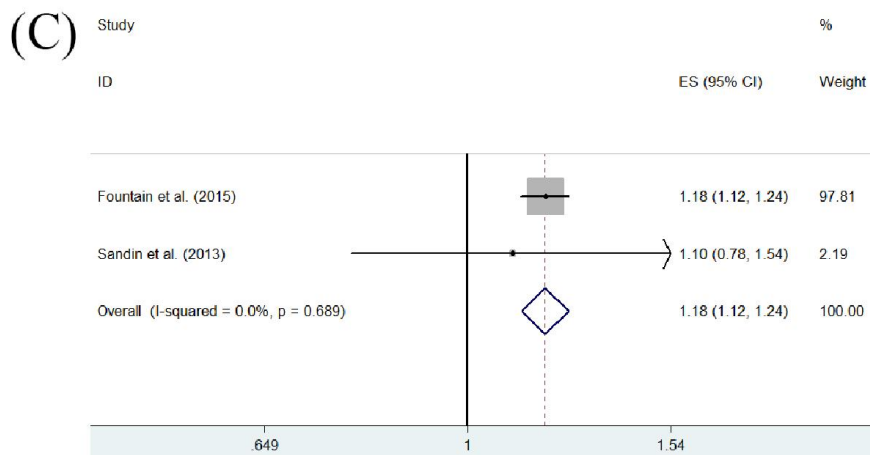
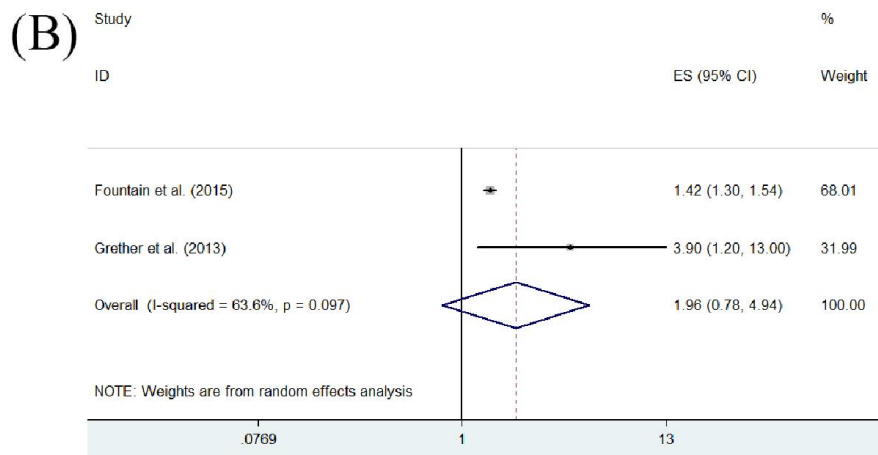
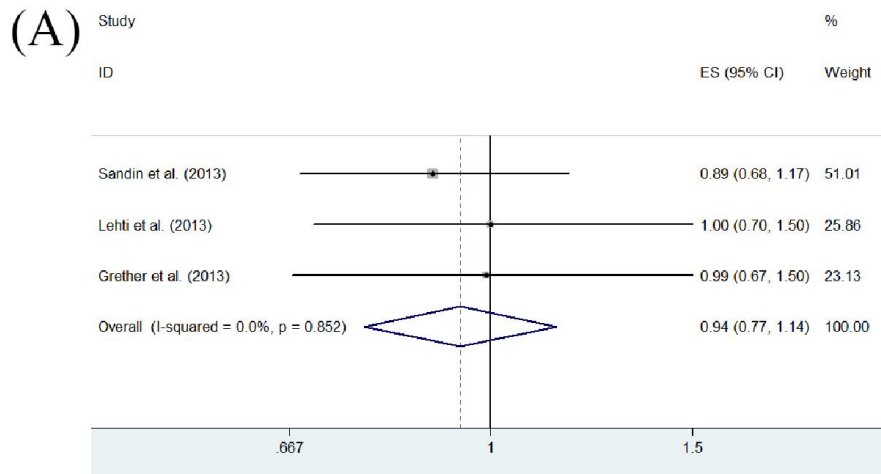
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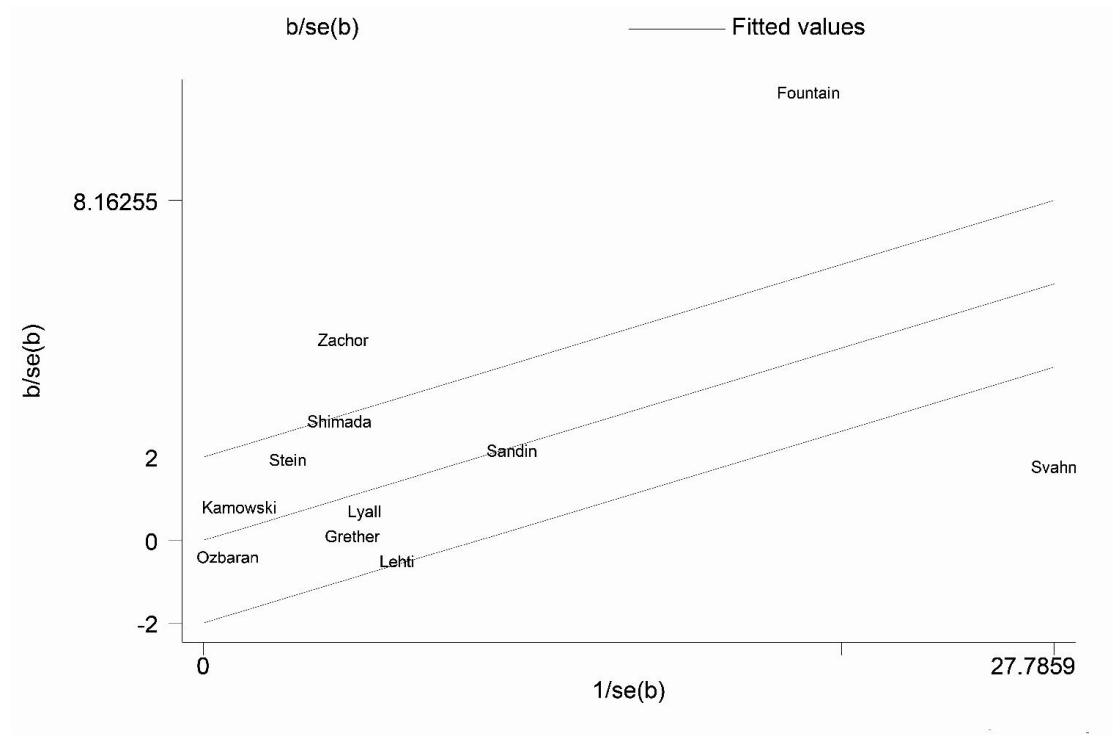
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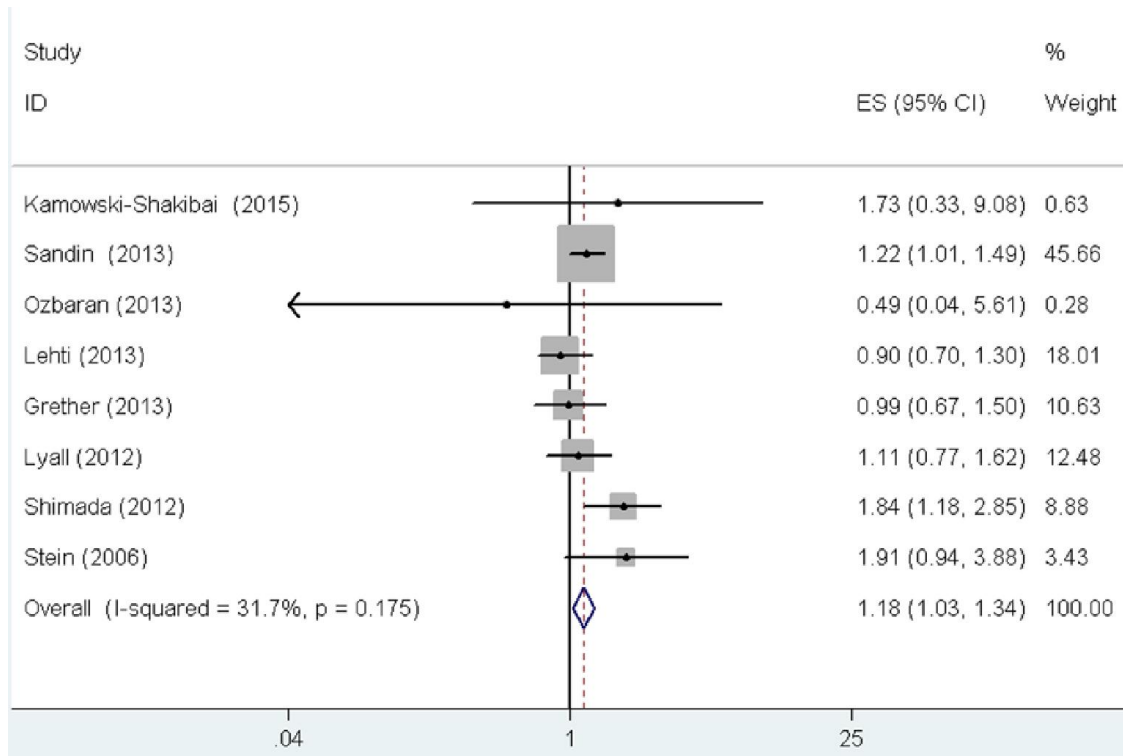
**Supplemental Figures and Figure Legends:**



**Supplementary Figure. S1.** Forest plot of subgroups analysis by singletons birth **(A)**, multiple birth **(B)** and preterm (<37 weeks) **(C)**. CI, confidence interval



**Supplementary Figure S2.** Galbraith plot of ART using and the risk of ASDs among the children. ASDs, autism spectrum disorders.



**Supplementary Figure S3.** Forest plot of ASDs risk associated with ART using after removing three studies. ASDs, autism spectrum disorders; CI, confidence interval.

**Supplementary Table S1. The details about subgroups analysis for each study**

<b>Author (year)</b>	<b>Mothers' age &lt;35 year old</b>	<b>Mothers' age &gt;35 year old</b>	<b>Singletons birth</b>	<b>multiple birth</b>	<b>Preterm (&lt;37 weeks)</b>
Svahn et al. (2015) <sup>1</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kamowski-Shakibai et al. (2015) <sup>2</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Fountain et al. (2015) <sup>3</sup>	1.21 (1.01, 1.45)	1.0 (0.88, 1.14)	NA	1.42 (1.30, 1.54)	1.18 (1.12, 1.24)
Sandin et al. (2013) <sup>4</sup>	NA	NA	0.89 (0.68, 1.17)	NA	1.10 (0.78, 1.54)
Özbaran et al. (2013) <sup>5</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Lehti et al. (2013) <sup>6</sup>	NA	NA	1.0 (0.7, 1.5)	NA	NA
Grether et al. (2013) <sup>7</sup>	NA	NA	0.99 (0.67, 1.5)	3.9 (1.2, 13)	NA
Lyall et al. (2012) <sup>8</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Shimada et al. (2012) <sup>9</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Zachor et al. (2011) <sup>10</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Stein et al. (2006) <sup>11</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA: no available;

**Supplementary Table S2. Summary of subgroups meta-analysis results.**

<b>Subgroup Groups</b>	<b>Studies</b>	<b>Test of association</b>			<b>Heterogeneity</b>			
		<b>RR[95%CI]</b>	<b>p value</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Z</b>	<b>X<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>p value</b>	<b>I<sup>2</sup>(%)</b>
Singletons birth	3	0.94[0.77-1.14]	0.153	FE	0.62	0.32	0.852	0
multiple birth	2	1.96[0.78-4.94]	0.532	RE	1.43	2.75	0.097	0.636
Preterm(<37 weeks)	2	1.18[1.12-1.24]	0	FE	6.39	0.16	0.689	0

RE: random effects; FE: fixed effects;

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