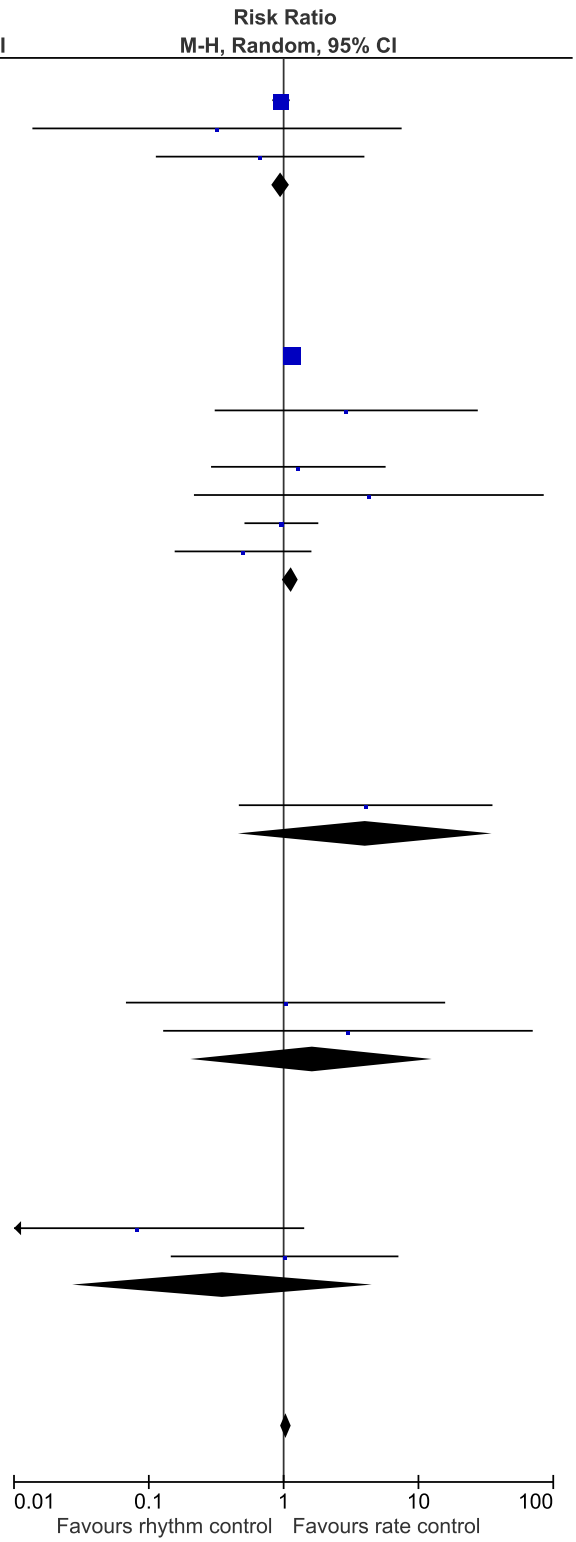Study or Subgroup	Rhythm control Events	Rhythm control Total	Rate control Events	Rate control Total	Weight	Risk Ratio M-H, Random, 95% CI
2.3.1 Mixed (as according to the treating physician)						
AF-CHF 2008	217	647	228	650	43.7%	0.96 [0.82, 1.11]
CAMTAF 2014	0	25	1	24	0.1%	0.32 [0.01, 7.50]
Gillinov 2016	2	261	3	262	0.3%	0.67 [0.11, 3.97]
Subtotal (95% CI)		**933**		**936**	**44.1%**	**0.95 [0.82, 1.11]**
Total events	219		232			
Heterogeneity: Tau² = 0.00; Chi² = 0.61, df = 2 (P = 0.74); I² = 0%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.65 (P = 0.51)						
2.3.2 Beta blockers, calcium channel blockers, digoxin, or a combination of these						
AFFIRM 2002	356	2033	310	2027	51.1%	1.14 [1.00, 1.32]
Fengsrud 2016	0	15	0	19		Not estimable
HOT CAFE 2004	3	104	1	101	0.2%	2.91 [0.31, 27.55]
Hu 2005	0	92	0	91		Not estimable
J-RHYTHM 2009	4	419	3	404	0.4%	1.29 [0.29, 5.71]
Lee 2000	2	27	0	23	0.1%	4.29 [0.22, 84.97]
RACE 2002	18	266	18	256	2.5%	0.96 [0.51, 1.81]
STAF 2003	4	100	8	100	0.7%	0.50 [0.16, 1.61]
Subtotal (95% CI)		**3056**		**3021**	**55.1%**	**1.13 [0.99, 1.29]**
Total events	387		340			
Heterogeneity: Tau² = 0.00; Chi² = 3.63, df = 5 (P = 0.60); I² = 0%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 1.80 (P = 0.07)						
2.3.3 AV-node ablation						
Marshall 1999	0	21	0	37		Not estimable
PABA-CHF 2008	0	41	0	40		Not estimable
PAF 2 2002	4	69	1	70	0.2%	4.06 [0.47, 35.40]
Subtotal (95% CI)		**131**		**147**	**0.2%**	**4.06 [0.47, 35.40]**
Total events	4		1			
Heterogeneity: Not applicable						
Test for overall effect: Z = 1.27 (P = 0.20)						
2.3.4 Beta blockers with or without digoxin						
CAFÉ-II 2009	1	30	1	31	0.1%	1.03 [0.07, 15.78]
Jones 2013	1	26	0	26	0.1%	3.00 [0.13, 70.42]
Subtotal (95% CI)		**56**		**57**	**0.2%**	**1.63 [0.21, 12.82]**
Total events	2		1			
Heterogeneity: Tau² = 0.00; Chi² = 0.25, df = 1 (P = 0.62); I² = 0%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.46 (P = 0.64)						
2.3.5 Diltiazem						
CRRAFT 2004	0	45	5	40	0.1%	0.08 [0.00, 1.42]
PIAF 2000	2	122	2	124	0.3%	1.02 [0.15, 7.10]
Subtotal (95% CI)		**167**		**164**	**0.4%**	**0.35 [0.03, 4.56]**
Total events	2		7			
Heterogeneity: Tau² = 1.94; Chi² = 2.24, df = 1 (P = 0.13); I² = 55%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.80 (P = 0.43)						
Total (95% CI)		**4343**		**4325**	**100.0%**	**1.05 [0.95, 1.16]**
Total events	614		581			
Heterogeneity: Tau² = 0.00; Chi² = 12.10, df = 13 (P = 0.52); I² = 0%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.93 (P = 0.35)						
Test for subgroup differences: Chi² = 5.22, df = 4 (P = 0.27), I² = 23.4%