

Results of symmetrical contour-enhanced funnel plots combined with trim and fill analysis of ALB:

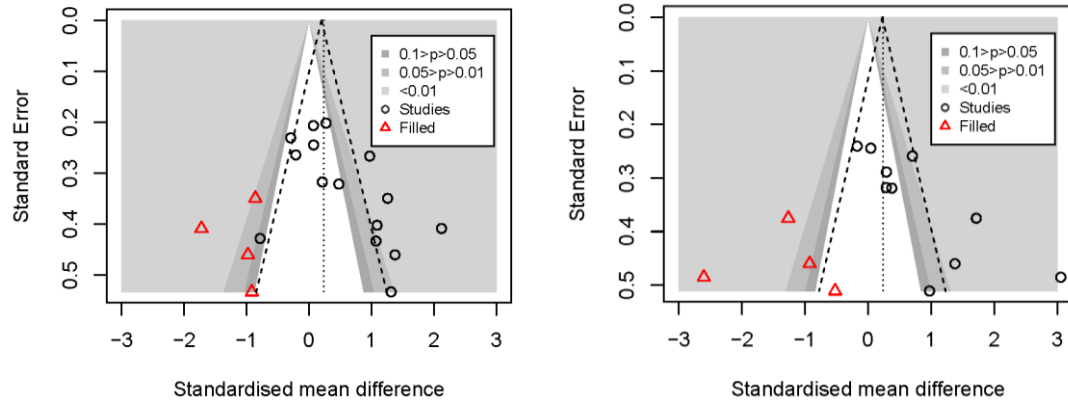


Figure S10 Symmetrical contour-enhanced funnel plots for ALB at weeks 12 and 24

At week 12, four hypothetical studies were filled, and all plotted in the area of statistical significant (*i.e.*, the shaded area), indicating that the asymmetry at week 12 was not caused by publication bias; at the week 24, four hypothetical studies were filled: three plotted in the area of statistical significant and one in the area of statistical nonsignificant, indicating that the asymmetry at week 24 was partly caused by publication bias.