

## SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

Table S1. Characteristics of retrieved articles

First Author	Year	Diagnosis	N	Risk groups	Type of event	Time of event	WBC time	Cut-off	RR	95% Low CI	95% Up CI	Model
<b>OUTCOME: THROMBOSIS</b>												
Abdulkarim	2017	ET	1284	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 12.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,67	1,18	2,35	Multivariable
		PV	1105	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 12.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,16	0,88	1,51	Multivariable
Alvarez-Larran	2010	ET	300	Low-risk	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 8.7 \times 10^9/L$	0,8	0,4	1,8	Multivariable
Alvarez-Larran	2012	PV	261	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 10.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,36	0,61	2,75	Multivariable
Andriani	2016	ET	1297	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 8.7 \times 10^9/L$	1,52	1,03	2,22	Multivariable
Bai	2008	PV	320	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	Continuous	1	0,98	1,03	Univariate
Barbui	2015	PV	365	All	All	First event	Time-dependent	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	3,9	1,24	12,3	Multivariable
Buxhofer-Ausch	2016	ET	620	All	All	First event	Time-dependent	$\geq 8.48 \times 10^9/L$	4,13	1,38	12,34	Univariate
Caramazza	2009	ET	88	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 9.5 \times 10^9/L$	1,7	0,5	3,1	Multivariable
		PV	99	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 9.5 \times 10^9/L$	1,6	0,4	2,8	Multivariable
Carobbio	2007	ET	439	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 8.7 \times 10^9/L$	2,3	1,4	3,9	Multivariable
		ET	439	All	All	First event	Time-dependent	$\geq 8.7 \times 10^9/L$	1,6	0,9	2	Multivariable
Carobbio	2008	ET	657	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 10.4 \times 10^9/L$	3	1,3	6,9	Multivariable
Carobbio	2008	ET	1063	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	2	1,1	3,6	Multivariable
Carobbio	2009	PV+ET	1282	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.3 \times 10^9/L$	1,93	1,01	2,77	Multivariable

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Carobbio	2011	ET	867	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,14	0,72	1,79	Multivariable
		ET	867	All	Arterious	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,66	1,01	2,72	Multivariable
Cerquozzi	2017	PV	587	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,3	0,9	2	Multivariable
		PV	587	All	Venous	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	2	1,1	3,8	Multivariable
De Stefano	2008	PV+ET	494	All	All	Recurrence	Diagnosis	$\geq 12.4 \times 10^9/L$	1,6	0,79	3,23	Multivariable
		PV+ET	109	Low-risk	All	Recurrence	Diagnosis	$\geq 12.4 \times 10^9/L$	3,55	1,02	12,25	Multivariable
De Stefano	2010	PV+ET	253	All	All	Recurrence	Diagnosis	$\geq 12.4 \times 10^9/L$	1,72	1	2,95	Multivariable
		PV+ET	253	All	Arterious	Recurrence	Diagnosis	$\geq 12.4 \times 10^9/L$	2,16	1,12	4,18	Multivariable
		PV+ET	253	All	Venous	Recurrence	Diagnosis	$\geq 12.4 \times 10^9/L$	1,14	0,43	2,98	Multivariable
De Stefano	2016	PV+ET+MF	181	All	All	Recurrence	Diagnosis	$\geq 14.0 \times 10^9/L$	2,8	1,32	6,28	Multivariable
Enblom-Larsson	2017	PV	217	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 10.0 \times 10^9/L$	2,88	1,23	6,60	Univariate
Gangat	2009	ET	254	All	Arterious	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 9.4 \times 10^9/L$	1,3	0,7	2,3	Univariate
		ET	254	All	Venous	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 9.4 \times 10^9/L$	0,9	0,3	2,6	Univariate
		PV	153	All	Arterious	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	0,7	0,3	1,8	Univariate
		PV	153	All	Venous	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	0,5	0,5	1,2	Univariate
Haider	2016	ET	585	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	Continuous	1,02	0,99	1,06	Multivariable
Kaifie	2016	PV	141	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 25 /nl$	1,7	0,50	5,77	Univariate
		PV+ET	278	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 25 /nl$	1,28	0,41	3,98	Univariate
Landolfi	2007	PV	1638	All	All	First event	Enrollment	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,24	0,78	1,96	Multivariable

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		PV	1638	All	Arterious	First event	Enrollment	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,21	0,69	2,11	Multivariable
		PV	1638	All	Venous	First event	Enrollment	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,28	0,56	2,92	Multivariable
		PV	1638	All	All	First event	Time-dependent	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,71	1,1	2,65	Multivariable
		PV	1638	All	Arterious	First event	Time-dependent	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,67	0,99	3,8	Multivariable
		PV	1638	All	Venous	First event	Time-dependent	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,81	0,84	3,89	Multivariable
Lim	2015	PV+ET	102	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	3,61	1,43	9,09	Univariate
Montanaro	2014	ET	1144	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,42	0,61	3,29	Univariate
Ohyashiki	2008	ET	54	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 12.0 \times 10^9/L$	5,95	1,49	23,70	Univariate
Palandri	2011	ET	532	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,76	1,05	2,97	Multivariable
Passamonti	2010	PV	338	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,1	0,4	3,4	Multivariable
Passamonti	2009	ET	359	Low-risk	All	Recurrence	Diagnosis	Positive delta	3,86	1,4	10,5	Univariate
Patriarca	2010	ET	106	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 8.4 \times 10^9/L$	2,8	1,08	7,03	Multivariable
Piccin	2015	ET	136	Low-risk	All	Recurrence	Diagnosis	Continuous	1,08	1,02	1,15	Multivariable
Posfai	2014	PV+ET	128	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.1 \times 10^9/L$	1,41	0,36	5,51	Multivariable
Wolanskyj	2006	ET	322	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,74	1,15	2,66	Multivariable
Zhao	2016	ET	71	All	All	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 10.0 \times 10^9/L$	0,73	0,19	2,75	Multivariable
<b>OUTCOME: BLEEDING</b>												
Alvarez-Larran	2010	ET	300	Low-risk	Bleeding	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 8.7 \times 10^9/L$	3,8	0,8	17,8	Multivariable

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Alvarez-Larran	2012	PV	261	Under HU	Bleeding	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 10.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,36	0,61	2,75	Univariate
Chou	2012	ET+PV	247	All	Bleeding	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 16 \times 10^9/L$	3,19	1,62	6,25	Univariate
Finazzi	2011	ET+earlyPMF	1104	All	Bleeding	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 10.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,74	1,02	2,97	Multivariable
<b>OUTCOME: HEMATOLOGICAL TRANSFORMATIONS IN MF/AML OR SOLID TUMORS</b>												
Bai	2008	PV	320	All	MMM	First event	Diagnosis	Continuous	1,05	1,02	1,08	Univariate
Passamonti	2010	PV	338	All	MF	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	0,3	0,6	1,1	Multivariable
		PV	338	All	AML	First event	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,6	0,3	9,3	Multivariable
<b>OUTCOME: DEATH</b>												
Alvarez-Larran	2012	PV	261	Under HU	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 10.0 \times 10^9/L$	2,9	1,5	5,9	Multivariable
Barbui	2013	mPV	140	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	3,96	1,01	15,9	Univariate
Barraco	2017	PV	267	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	3,04	1,4	6,62	Multivariable
Gangat	2007	PV	459	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,79	1,28	2,5	Multivariable
Jeryczynski	2017	ET	225	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	2,6	1,3	5,3	Multivariable
Montanaro	2014	ET	1144	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	2,11	1,05	4,25	Multivariable
Mudireddi	2017	ET	183	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	4,7	1,5	14,6	Univariate
Passamonti	2010	PV	338	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	2,1	0,6	7,7	Multivariable
Tefferi	2017	ET	904	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,5	1,2	1,9	Multivariable
		ET	590	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 11.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,8	1,1	2,8	Multivariable
Wolanskyj	2006	ET	322	All	Death	-	Diagnosis	$\geq 15.0 \times 10^9/L$	1,7	1,09	2,65	Multivariable

MF=myelofibrosis; AML=acute myeloid leukemia; MMM= myelofibrosis with myeloid metaplasia; HU=hydroxyurea; mPV=masked polycythemia vera

**Table S2. Newcastle - Ottawa quality assessment scale of publications included**

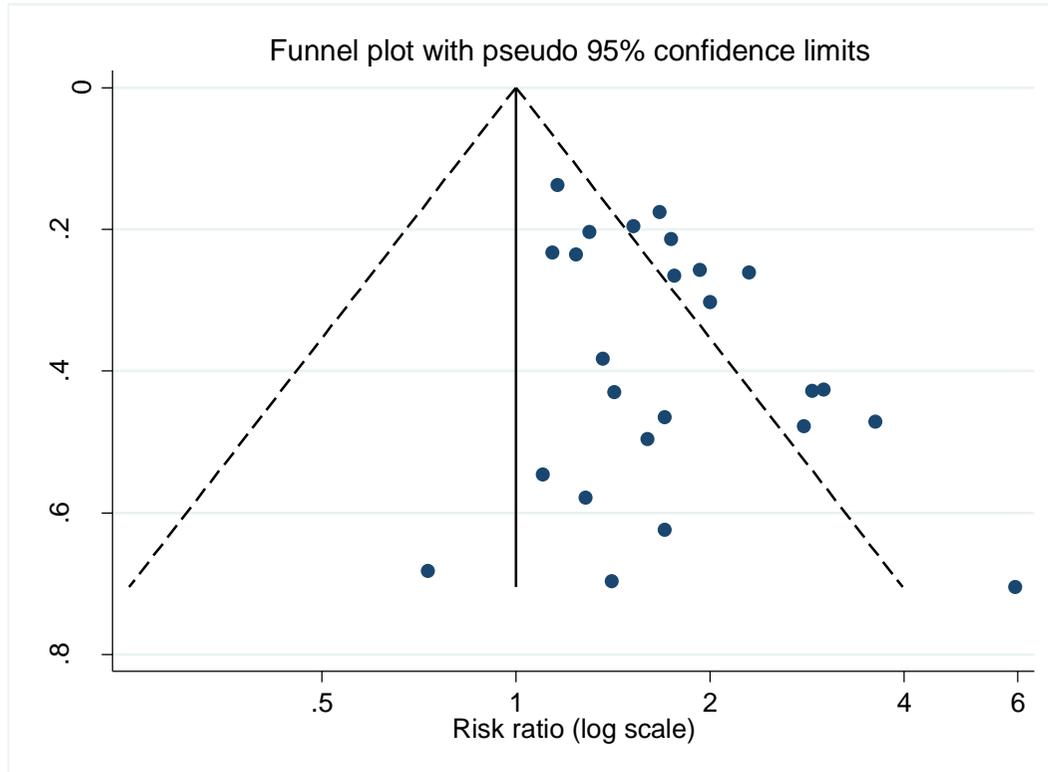
Publication	Selection	Comparability	Outcome	TOTAL SCORE	STUDY QUALITY
Abdulkarim, 2017	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Alvarez-Larran, 2010	3	1	2	6	GOOD
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Andriani, 2016	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Bai, 2008	2	0	2	4	FAIR
Barbui, 2014	3	2	3	8	GOOD
Barbui, 2015	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Barraco, 2017	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Buxhofer-Ausch, 2016	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Caramazza, 2009	3	1	2	6	GOOD
Carobbio, 2007	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Carobbio, 2008	3	2	3	8	GOOD
Carobbio, 2008	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Carobbio, 2009	3	2	3	8	GOOD
Carobbio, 2010	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Carobbio, 2011	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Cerquozzi, 2017	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Chou, 2012	3	1	2	6	GOOD
De Stefano, 2008	3	2	3	8	GOOD
De Stefano, 2010	3	2	3	8	GOOD
De Stefano, 2016	3	2	3	8	GOOD
Enblom-Larsson, 2017	3	0	1	4	FAIR
Finazzi, 2012	4	2	2	8	GOOD
Gangat, 2007	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Gangat, 2009	3	2	3	8	GOOD
Haider, 2016	4	2	3	9	GOOD

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Jeryczynski, 2017	3	2	2	7	GOOD
Kaifie, 2016	2	2	2	6	GOOD
Landolfi, 2007	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Montanaro, 2014	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Mudireddi, 2017	3	2	2	7	GOOD
Ohyashiki, 2008	3	0	1	4	FAIR
Palandri, 2011	4	2	2	8	GOOD
Passamonti, 2009	4	2	2	8	GOOD
Passamonti, 2010	4	2	2	8	GOOD
Patriarca, 2010	3	1	2	6	GOOD
Piccin, 2015	3	2	3	8	GOOD
Posfai, 2014	2	0	2	4	FAIR
Tefferi, 2017	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Wolanskyj, 2006	4	2	3	9	GOOD
Zhao, 2016	3	1	2	6	GOOD

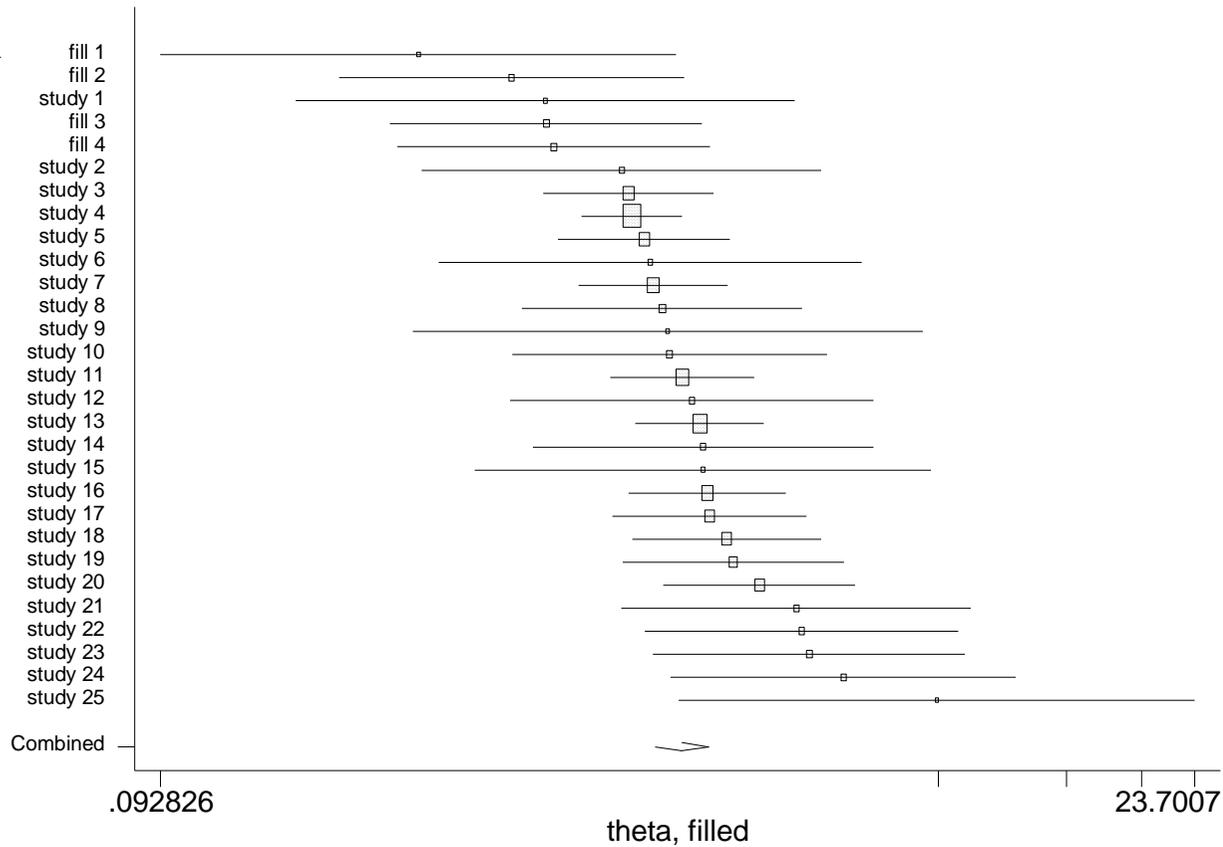
**Table S3. Meta-regression analysis with MPN diagnosis and type of thrombosis as moderators**

	RR (95% CI)	p-value
<b>ET+PV</b>	1 (ref)	-
<b>ET only</b>	0.83 (0.60-1.15)	0.251
<b>PV only</b>	0.71 (0.50-0.99)	0.043
<b>All thrombosis</b>	1 (ref)	-
<b>Arterial only</b>	0.89 (0.64-1.23)	0.465
<b>Venous only</b>	0.68 (0.47-0.99)	0.046

Figure S1. Funnel plot of the primary outcome (thrombosis)



**Figure S2. Forrest plot for the primary outcome according to Duval and Tweedie's trim and fill procedure.** Four studies were added (fill 1 to 4), raising a concern that these left-hand studies may actually exist, and are missing from the original analysis. Duval and Tweedie's procedure finally re-compute the combined effect, with the diamond representing the adjusted RR.



**Figure S3. Funnel plot of the primary outcome.** Circles are study actually included in the meta-analysis whereas squares represents studies potentially missing from the analysis according to Duval and Tweedie's procedure

