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Clinical efficacy and safety of anti-PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitors for the treatment of advanced or metastatic cancer: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Supplementary Method 2 - Risk of Methodological Bias Assessment

The Cochrane evaluation handbook of RCTs, includes selection bias (random sequence generation and allocation concealment), performance bias (blinding of participants and personnel), detection bias (blinding of outcome assessment), attrition bias (incomplete outcome data), reporting bias (selective reporting) and other bias, was applied to evaluate the quality of all studies. Two independent investigators (CHM and XP) subjectively examined each trial and scored it as high, low, or unclear risk of bias. All disagreements about bias assessment were resolved through discussion and consensus.

Supplementary Table 1- Further Characteristics of the included trial

Author, year	Stage	No. of Male	No. of Female	Median age, years	Follow-up, months	No. of Patients	Median PFS, months	Median OS, months	
Horn 2018	Extensive	261 (65%)	142 (35%)	64 (26-90)	13.9 months	201	5.2 (4.4-5.6)	12.3 (10.8-15.9)	
Cohen 2018	II/III/IV	412 (83%)	83 (17%)	60 (54-66)	7.5 months vs 7.1 months	247	4.3 (4.2-4.5)	10.3 (9.3-11.3)	
Schmid 2018	IV	4 (0.4%)	898 (99.6%)	NA (20-86)	12.9 months	451	2.1 (2.1-2.3)	8.4 (6.4-9.4)	
Powles 2018	IV	718 (77%)	213 (23%)	67 (31-88)	17.3 months	467	2.3 (2.1-2.8)	6.9 (5.9-8.0)	
Paz-Ares 2018	IV	455 (81%)	104 (19%)	65 (29-88)	7.8 months	464	7.2 (5.6-7.5)	21.3 (17.3-23.4)	
Larkin 2018	IIIC/IV	261 (64%)	144 (36%)	NA (23-88)	approximately 2 years	278	4.0 (3.4-4.2)	15.9 (13.2-NA)	
Herbst 2016	IV	399 (39%)	NA (56-69)	346	13.1 months	281	6.4 (6.2-8.3)	11.3 (9.5-14.8)	
Gandhi 2018	IV	363 (59%)	253 (41%)	NA (34-84)	343	10.5 months	40.8 (4.3-5.7)	17.6 (15.9-20.0)	
Fehrenbacher 2018	IV	758 (62%)	467 (38%)	NA (25-85)	272	2.1 (2.3-3.5)	3.1 (2.3-3.5)	NA	
Barlesi 2018	IIIB/ IV	542 (68%)	250 (32%)	NA (57-69)	396	26months	3.7 (2.3-5.3)	15.7 (12.9-19.9)	
Antonia 2018	III	500 (70%)	213 (30%)	64 (23-90)	396	25.2 months	476	17.2 (13.1-23.9)	NA (34.7-NA)
Reck 2016	IV	187 (61%)	118 (39%)	NA (33-90)	237	11.2 months	154	5.6 (4.6-7.7)	28.7 (22.9-NA)
Kang 2017	IV	348 (71%)	145 (29%)	NA (53-69)	151	8.87 months vs 8.59 months	10.3 (6.7-NA)	NA	
Carbone 2017	IV	332 (61%)	209 (39%)	64 (29-89)	151	13.5months	271	6.0 (4.2-6.2)	NA
Bellmunt 2017	IV	402 (74%)	140 (26%)	NA (26-88)	272	14.1 months	270	2.7 (2.4-2.9)	10.3 (8.0-11.8)
Borghaei 2015	IIIB/IV	319 (55%)	263 (45%)	62 (21-85)	292	17.2 months+	613	3.8 (3.3-4.1)	13.3 (11.3-14.9)
Brahmer 2015	IIIB/IV	208 (76%)	64 (24%)	63 (39-85)	290	11 months +	135	2.8 (2.3-3.5)	9.5 (8.6-10.9)
Motzer 2015	IV	619 (75%)	202 (25%)	62 (18-88)	290	14 months +	137	4.2 (3.3-5.2)	10.5 (9.2-12.9)
Fehrenbacher 2016	IV	169 (59%)	118 (41%)	62 (36-84)	290	13 months +	476	4.2 (3.1-5.5)	9.9 (8.1-11.8)
Ferris 2016	IV	300 (83%)	61 (17%)	60 (28-83)	290	5.1 months	237	17.2 (13.1-23.9)	NA (34.7-NA)
Socinski 2018	IV	479 (60%)	321 (40%)	63 (31-90)	290	9.5 momths+	144	5.6 (4.6-7.7)	28.7 (22.9-NA)
Ascierto 2018	III/IV	246 (59%)	172 (41%)	NA (18-87)	290	38.4 momths+ vs 38.5 months+	143	10.3 (6.7-NA)	NA
Bang 2018	IV	267 (72%)	104 (28%)	NA (18-86)	290	10.6 months	240	2.1 (2.0-2.2)	7.4 (6.1-8.3)
Mateos 2019	III	155 (62%)	94 (38%)	NA (60-74)	290	8.1 months	272	3.3 (2.3-3.5)	12.2 (9.7-15.0)
Usmani 2019	III	151 (50%)	150(50%)	74 (70-79)	290	6.6 months	290	4.2 (3.5-4.9)	9.4 (8.1-10.7)
Borghaei 2019	IIIB/IV	NA	NA	NA	290	23.9 months	135	5.1 (3.5-12.2)	9.0 (5.1-7.3)
Eng 2019	IV	217 (60%)	146 (40%)	NA (51-67)	290	7.3 months	290	6.0 (4.6-7.5)	25.0 (21.8-NA)
Fradet 2019	IV	402 (74%)	140 (26%)	NA (26-88)	290	27.7 months	185	1.91 (1.87-1.97)	4.14 (3.42-4.86)
Hamid 2017	IV	327 (61%)	213 (39%)	NA (15-89)	290	28 months	186	2.1 (2.0-2.2)	19.6 (17.6-23.1)
Mok 2019	IV	902 (71%)	372 (29%)	63 (59-69)	290	12.8 months	186	3.3 (2.4-3.6)	NA (34.7-NA)
Motzer 2019	IV	660 (74%)	226 (25%)	NA	290	10.8 momths vs 8.6 months	186	4.2 (3.1-5.5)	15.2 (12.7-NA)
Weber 2015	IV	261 (64%)	144 (36%)	NA (23-88)	290	8.4 months	186	4.2 (2.1-6.3)	NA
West 2019	IV	415 (57%)	308 (43%)	NA (18-86)	290	18.5 momths vs 19.2 months	186	7.0 (6.3-7.3)	18.1 (15.3-20.8)
Brian 2019	IV	669 (73%)	246 (27%)	NA (54069)	290	15 months	186	5.6 (4.5-5.9)	13.9 (12.0-18.2)
Rini 2019	IV	628(73%)	233 (27%)	NA (26-90)	290	12.8 months	186	8.4 (7.5-9.7)	33.6 (29.0-NA)
							432	15.1 (12.6-24.9)	34.9 (27.8-NA)
							429	11.1 (8.7-12.5)	NA

Abbreviations: †Represents minimum follow-up time between the start of the study (the first visit of the first enrolled patient) and the end of the study (the last visit of the last enrolled patient).

Supplementary Table 2- Subgroup analysis: Subgroup analysis of pooled hazard ratios and 95%CI of OS for patients with advanced or metastatic cancer assigned to intervention treatment, compared with those assigned to control treatment.

Analysis	N	Random-effects model		Fixed-effects model		Heterogeneity	
		HR (95% CI)	P	HR (95% CI)	P	I ²	Ph
Histotype	34	0.76 (0.71, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.74, 0.80)	≤0.001	68.2%	≤0.001
HNC	2	0.77 (0.65, 0.91)	0.003	0.77 (0.65, 0.91)	0.003	0.0%	0.488
GC/GEJC	2	0.83 (0.48, 1.44)	0.509	0.82 (0.71, 0.96)	0.013	92.1%	≤0.001
UC	3	0.77 (0.68, 0.87)	≤0.001	0.78 (0.70, 0.86)	≤0.001	26.0%	0.256
NSCLC	15	0.72 (0.66, 0.80)	≤0.001	0.75 (0.71, 0.80)	≤0.001	63.1%	≤0.001
MM	2	1.75 (1.10, 2.78)	0.018	1.75 (1.10, 2.78)	0.018	0.0%	0.621
Mm	4	0.69 (0.50, 0.96)	0.029	0.68 (0.59, 0.78)	≤0.001	82.0%	≤0.001
RCC	4	0.74 (0.59, 0.93)	0.010	0.78 (0.68, 0.88)	≤0.001	64.0%	0.040
CRC	2	1.08 (0.85, 1.37)	0.533	1.08 (0.85, 1.37)	0.533	0.0%	0.479
Regimen	36	0.76 (0.71, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.74, 0.80)	≤0.001	66.7%	≤0.001
combination therapy	12	0.78 (0.66, 0.91)	0.002	0.77 (0.71, 0.83)	≤0.001	71.8%	≤0.001
Monotherapy	24	0.76 (0.70, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.74, 0.81)	≤0.001	65.2%	≤0.001
Combination Drug	12	0.78 (0.66, 0.91)	0.002	0.77 (0.71, 0.83)	≤0.001	71.8%	≤0.001
Chemotherapy	6	0.68 (0.57, 0.81)	≤0.001	0.70 (0.64, 0.78)	≤0.001	61.9%	0.022
Targeted therapy	6	0.94 (0.71, 1.26)	0.694	0.88 (0.77, 1.01)	0.066	73.7%	0.002
Treatment in control group	34	0.76 (0.71, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.74, 0.80)	≤0.001	68.5%	≤0.001
Chemotherapy	24	0.74 (0.68, 0.80)	≤0.001	0.76 (0.73, 0.80)	≤0.001	68.0%	≤0.001
Placebo	2	0.64 (0.53, 0.77)	≤0.001	0.64 (0.53, 0.77)	≤0.001	0.0%	0.729
Biologics	8	0.93 (0.74, 1.16)	0.496	0.87 (0.78, 0.98)	0.017	70.7%	≤0.001
Age	20	0.76 (0.70, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.73, 0.81)	≤0.001	55.4%	≤0.001
<65yr	20	0.77 (0.69, 0.87)	≤0.001	0.79 (0.74, 0.84)	≤0.001	67.6%	≤0.001
≥65yr	15	0.76 (0.67, 0.84)	≤0.001	0.76 (0.70, 0.82)	≤0.001	38.1%	0.067
≥65 to <75yr	5	0.64 (0.54, 0.77)	≤0.001	0.64 (0.54, 0.77)	≤0.001	0.0%	0.615
≥75yr	6	0.88 (0.53, 1.46)	0.616	0.91 (0.65, 1.26)	0.553	57.1%	0.040
Sex	19	0.74 (0.69, 0.80)	≤0.001	0.75 (0.71, 0.79)	≤0.001	52.7%	≤0.001
Male	19	0.74 (0.69, 0.79)	≤0.001	0.74 (0.70, 0.79)	≤0.001	19.9%	0.216
Female	19	0.75 (0.63, 0.88)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.70, 0.84)	≤0.001	67.5%	≤0.001
ECOG	18	0.77 (0.71, 0.83)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.73, 0.81)	≤0.001	47.5%	≤0.001
0	18	0.81 (0.71, 0.93)	0.002	0.81 (0.74, 0.89)	≤0.001	52.0%	0.005
1	16	0.74 (0.68, 0.80)	≤0.001	0.75 (0.70, 0.80)	≤0.001	40.5%	0.047
Smoking	16	0.77 (0.70, 0.84)	≤0.001	0.78 (0.73, 0.82)	≤0.001	51.6%	≤0.001
Current/Former	16	0.75 (0.68, 0.83)	≤0.001	0.76 (0.71, 0.81)	0.020	49.6%	0.013
Never	10	0.81 (0.66, 1.00)	0.045	0.85 (0.75, 0.98)	≤0.001	53.6%	0.022
Line	36	0.76 (0.71, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.74, 0.80)	≤0.001	66.7%	≤0.001
First-line	14	0.72 (0.62, 0.84)	≤0.001	0.75 (0.70, 0.80)	≤0.001	77.5%	≤0.001
Subsequent line	22	0.78 (0.73, 0.85)	≤0.001	0.78 (0.74, 0.82)	≤0.001	54.8%	≤0.001
Masking	36	0.76 (0.71, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.74, 0.80)	≤0.001	66.7%	≤0.001
Double-blind	9	0.64 (0.56, 0.74)	≤0.001	0.65 (0.60, 0.71)	≤0.001	61.3%	0.008
Open-label	27	0.81 (0.75, 0.87)	≤0.001	0.81 (0.77, 0.84)	≤0.001	60.0%	≤0.001
Target spot	36	0.76 (0.71, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.74, 0.80)	≤0.001	66.7%	≤0.001
PD-L1	13	0.86 (0.80, 0.92)	≤0.001	0.86 (0.81, 0.91)	≤0.001	26.8%	0.174
PD-1	23	0.71 (0.64, 0.78)	≤0.001	0.71 (0.68, 0.75)	≤0.001	68.1%	≤0.001
Anti-PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitor	35	0.76 (0.71, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.77 (0.74, 0.80)	≤0.001	67.5%	≤0.001
Atezolizumab	9	0.84 (0.78, 0.91)	≤0.001	0.84 (0.78, 0.90)	≤0.001	11.6%	0.338
Pembrolizumab	15	0.70 (0.63, 0.79)	≤0.001	0.71 (0.67, 0.76)	≤0.001	60.2%	≤0.001
Nivolumab	8	0.71 (0.59, 0.86)	≤0.001	0.72 (0.66, 0.79)	≤0.001	79.3%	≤0.001
Avelumab	3	0.94 (0.79, 1.12)	0.484	0.94 (0.83, 1.08)	0.387	40.0%	0.189
CNS Metastasis	6	0.71 (0.61, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.73 (0.67, 0.79)	≤0.001	56.5%	0.011
Yes	5	0.78 (0.48, 1.25)	0.303	0.73 (0.57, 0.94)	0.016	70.0%	0.010
No	6	0.70 (0.61, 0.80)	≤0.001	0.73 (0.67, 0.80)	≤0.001	48.3%	0.085
Liver Metastasis	4	0.75 (0.68, 0.83)	≤0.001	0.75 (0.68, 0.83)	≤0.001	0.0%	0.564
Yes	4	0.81 (0.68, 0.96)	0.017	0.81 (0.68, 0.96)	0.017	0.0%	0.854
No	4	0.71 (0.62, 0.82)	≤0.001	0.72 (0.64, 0.82)	≤0.001	22.1%	0.278
RAS	4	0.95 (0.81, 1.11)	0.498	0.95 (0.81, 1.11)	0.498	0.0%	0.547
Mutant	4	0.87 (0.63, 1.21)	0.408	0.89 (0.69, 1.14)	0.346	40.0%	0.172
Wildtype	4	0.99 (0.81, 1.20)	0.900	0.99 (0.81, 1.20)	0.900	0.0%	0.920
EGFR	4	0.74 (0.65, 0.86)	≤0.001	0.73 (0.66, 0.80)	≤0.001	38.6%	0.135
Mutant	3	1.11 (0.80, 1.52)	0.538	1.11 (0.80, 1.52)	0.538	0.0%	0.744
Wildtype	4	0.70 (0.63, 0.77)	≤0.001	0.70 (0.63, 0.77)	≤0.001	0.0%	0.575

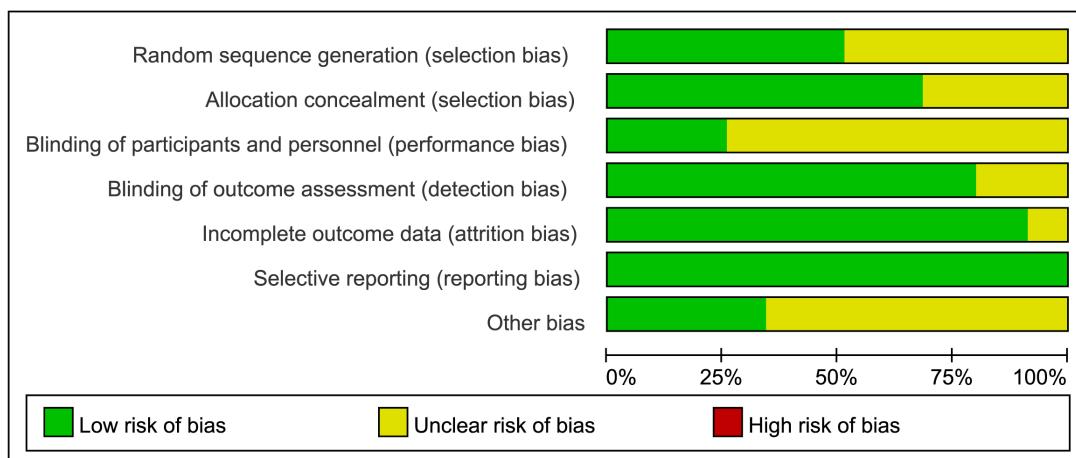
Abbreviations: NSCLC, Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer; SCLC, Small Cell Lung Cancer; Mm, Melanoma; RCC, Renal-Cell Carcinoma; UC, Urothelial Carcinoma; GC/GEJC, Gastric or Gastro-oesophageal Junction Cancer; BC, Breast Cancer; HNC, Head-and-Neck Cancer, MM, Multiple Myeloma.

Supplementary Table 3- Subgroup analysis: Subgroup analysis of pooled hazard ratios and 95%CI of PFS for patients with advanced or metastatic cancer assigned to intervention treatment, compared with those assigned to control treatment.

Analysis	N	Random-effects model		Fixed-effects model		Heterogeneity	
		HR (95% CI)	P	HR (95% CI)	P	I ²	Ph
Histotype	35	0.81 (0.73, 0.90)	≤0.001	0.82 (0.79, 0.85)	≤0.001	88.6%	≤0.001
HNC	2	0.93 (0.80, 1.08)	0.357	0.93 (0.80, 1.08)	0.357	0.0%	0.629
GC/GEJC	2	1.02 (0.36, 2.87)	0.973	0.99 (0.85, 1.15)	0.869	97.8%	≤0.001
UC	2	0.97 (0.85, 1.11)	0.660	0.97 (0.85, 1.11)	0.660	0.0%	0.882
NSCLC	16	0.75 (0.65, 0.87)	≤0.001	0.81 (0.77, 0.85)	≤0.001	89.3%	≤0.001
MM	2	1.44 (1.05, 1.97)	0.026	1.44 (1.05, 1.97)	0.026	0.0%	0.127
Mm	5	0.60 (0.43, 0.83)	0.002	0.56 (0.49, 0.63)	≤0.001	83.0%	≤0.001
RCC	4	0.78 (0.69, 0.88)	≤0.001	0.79 (0.72, 0.86)	≤0.001	47.3%	0.127
CRC	2	1.31 (1.05, 1.62)	0.014	1.31 (1.05, 1.62)	0.014	0.0%	0.632
Regimen	37	0.81 (0.73, 0.89)	≤0.001	0.82 (0.79, 0.85)	≤0.001	88.0%	≤0.001
Combination therapy	13	0.75 (0.65, 0.86)	≤0.001	0.72 (0.68, 0.76)	≤0.001	80.4%	≤0.001
Monotherapy	24	0.84 (0.74, 0.95)	0.007	0.87 (0.84, 0.91)	≤0.001	89.0%	≤0.001
Combination Drug	12	0.76 (0.66, 0.89)	≤0.001	0.74 (0.69, 0.78)	≤0.001	80.6%	≤0.001
Chemotherapy	6	0.64 (0.55, 0.76)	≤0.001	0.67 (0.62, 0.72)	≤0.001	70.9%	0.004
Targeted therapy	6	0.94 (0.74, 1.19)	0.602	0.84 (0.76, 0.92)	≤0.001	81.2%	≤0.001
Treatment in control group	34	0.81 (0.73, 0.90)	≤0.001	0.82 (0.80, 0.85)	≤0.001	88.4%	≤0.001
Chemotherapy	24	0.79 (0.69, 0.90)	≤0.001	0.84 (0.80, 0.87)	≤0.001	89.5%	≤0.001
Placebo	2	0.55 (0.47, 0.65)	≤0.001	0.55 (0.48, 0.64)	≤0.001	9.9%	0.292
Biologics	8	0.97 (0.80, 1.17)	0.730	0.87 (0.81, 0.95)	≤0.001	79.9%	≤0.001
Age	163	0.83 (0.73, 0.95)	0.006	0.82 (0.77, 0.87)	≤0.001	78.0%	≤0.001
<65yr	13	0.82 (0.67, 1.02)	0.078	0.81 (0.75, 0.88)	≤0.001	86.3%	≤0.001
≥65yr	11	0.84 (0.69, 1.01)	0.067	0.83 (0.75, 0.92)	≤0.001	69.9%	≤0.001
≥65 to <75yr	2	0.71 (0.39, 1.29)	0.264	0.78 (0.61, 1.01)	0.063	78.1%	0.033
≥75yr	3	0.98 (0.52, 1.85)	0.956	0.99 (0.63, 1.56)	0.971	46.4%	0.155
Sex	11	0.78 (0.67, 0.92)	0.002	0.79 (0.74, 0.84)	≤0.001	83.1%	≤0.001
Male	11	0.75 (0.63, 0.90)	0.002	0.76 (0.71, 0.82)	≤0.001	80.2%	≤0.001
Female	11	0.82 (0.61, 1.11)	0.196	0.83 (0.75, 0.93)	≤0.001	86.2%	≤0.001
ECOG	12	0.84 (0.71, 0.99)	0.036	0.81 (0.76, 0.86)	≤0.001	83.7%	≤0.001
0	12	0.91 (0.67, 1.22)	0.530	0.90 (0.81, 1.00)	0.047	86.7%	≤0.001
1	11	0.77 (0.64, 0.93)	0.005	0.76 (0.70, 0.83)	≤0.001	78.7%	≤0.001
Smoking	8	0.79 (0.63, 0.97)	0.027	0.75 (0.68, 0.82)	≤0.001	78.5%	≤0.001
Current/Former	8	0.72 (0.57, 0.89)	0.003	0.72 (0.65, 0.79)	≤0.001	77.4%	≤0.001
Never	5	1.00 (0.55, 1.79)	0.991	0.90 (0.73, 1.12)	0.352	81.2%	≤0.001
Line	37	0.81 (0.73, 0.89)	≤0.001	0.82 (0.79, 0.85)	≤0.001	88.0%	≤0.001
First-line	15	0.70 (0.60, 0.81)	≤0.001	0.74 (0.70, 0.78)	≤0.001	88.0%	≤0.001
Subsequent line	22	0.89 (0.79, 1.01)	0.081	0.89 (0.85, 0.93)	≤0.001	86.4%	≤0.001
Masking	37	0.81 (0.73, 0.89)	≤0.001	0.82 (0.79, 0.85)	≤0.001	88.0%	≤0.001
Double-blind	9	0.57 (0.49, 0.67)	≤0.001	0.60 (0.56, 0.64)	≤0.001	78.7%	≤0.001
Open-label	28	0.91 (0.82, 1.00)	0.054	0.90 (0.87, 0.94)	≤0.001	82.7%	≤0.001
Target spot	37	0.81 (0.73, 0.89)	≤0.001	0.82 (0.79, 0.85)	≤0.001	88.0%	≤0.001
PD-L1	13	0.88 (0.75, 1.04)	0.143	0.85 (0.81, 0.89)	≤0.001	90.1%	≤0.001
PD-1	24	0.77 (0.68, 0.87)	≤0.001	0.80 (0.76, 0.83)	≤0.001	86.8%	≤0.001
Anti-PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitor	36	0.82 (0.74, 0.90)	≤0.001	0.83 (0.80, 0.86)	≤0.001	87.5%	≤0.001
Atezolizumab	9	0.86 (0.74, 1.00)	0.045	0.83 (0.78, 0.88)	≤0.001	82.5%	≤0.001
Pembrolizumab	15	0.76 (0.65, 0.89)	≤0.001	0.80 (0.75, 0.84)	≤0.001	87.8%	≤0.001
Nivolumab	9	0.78 (0.63, 0.98)	0.029	0.80 (0.75, 0.87)	≤0.001	86.7%	≤0.001
Avelumab	3	1.11 (0.68, 1.83)	0.675	1.09 (0.97, 1.22)	0.163	94.4%	≤0.001
CNS Metastasis	5	0.65 (0.54, 0.80)	≤0.001	0.68 (0.62, 0.75)	≤0.001	66.9%	0.002
Yes	4	0.64 (0.42, 0.97)	0.036	0.62 (0.46, 0.84)	0.002	41.0%	0.166
No	5	0.66 (0.52, 0.83)	≤0.001	0.69 (0.62, 0.77)	≤0.001	78.6%	≤0.001
RAS	3	1.27 (1.06, 1.51)	0.008	1.27 (1.06, 1.51)	0.008	0.0%	0.423
Mutant	3	1.09 (0.82, 1.43)	0.563	1.09 (0.84, 1.41)	0.532	11.0%	0.325
Wildtype	3	1.45 (1.14, 1.84)	0.002	1.45 (1.14, 1.84)	0.002	0.0%	0.929
EGFR	2	1.02 (0.77, 1.36)	0.881	0.89 (0.78, 1.01)	0.070	68.6%	0.023
Mutant	2	1.57 (1.07, 2.31)	0.022	1.57 (1.07, 2.31)	0.022	0.0%	0.621
Wildtype	2	0.83 (0.73, 0.95)	0.007	0.83 (0.73, 0.95)	0.007	0.0%	1.000

Abbreviations: NSCLC, Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer; SCLC, Small Cell Lung Cancer; Mm, Melanoma; RCC, Renal-Cell Carcinoma; UC, Urothelial Carcinoma; GC/GEJC, Gastric or Gastro-oesophageal Junction Cancer; BC, Breast Cancer; HNC, Head-and-Neck Cancer, MM, Multiple Myeloma.

Supplementary Figure 1- Risk of bias graph: Review authors' judgments about each risk of bias item presented as percentages across all included studies.

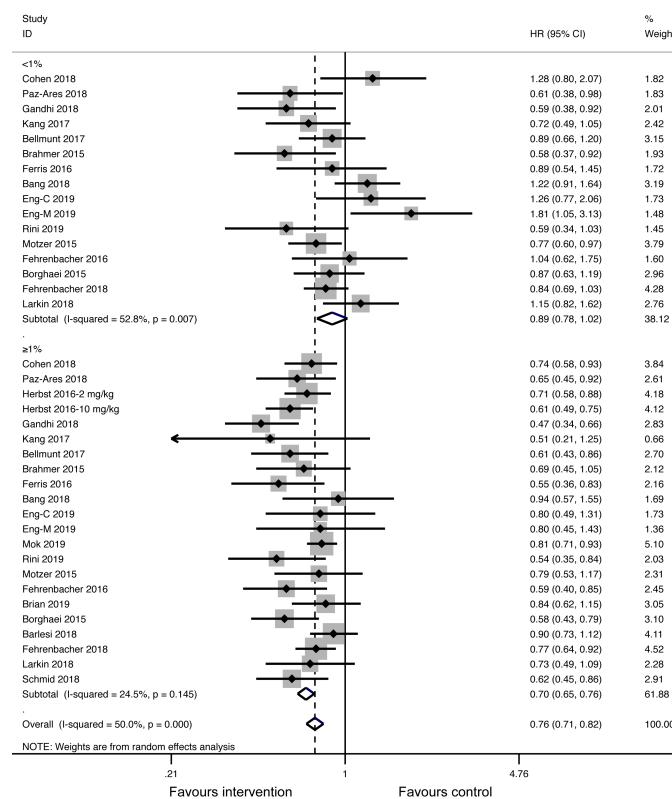


Supplementary Figure 2- Risk of bias summary: Review authors' judgments about each risk of bias item for each included study.

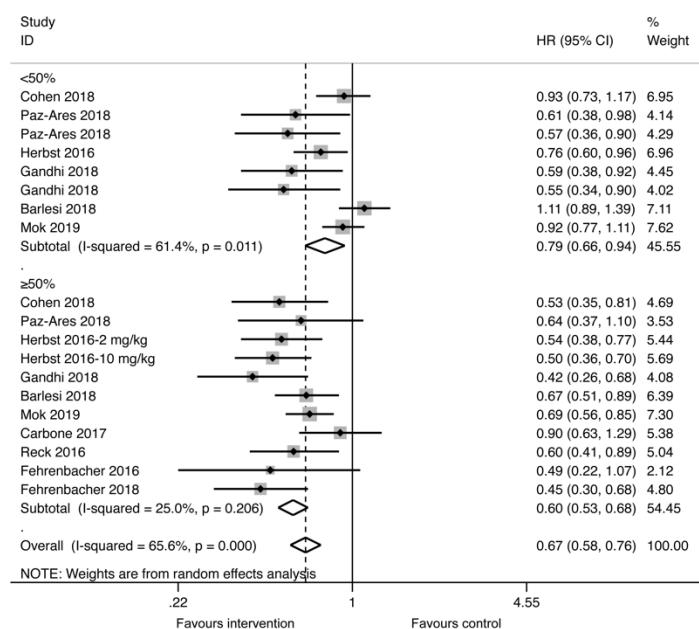
	Random sequence generation (selection bias)	Allocation concealment (selection bias)	Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias)	Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)	Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)	Selective reporting (reporting bias)	Other bias
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Ascierto 2018	?	+	+	?	+	+	?
Bang 2018	+	?	?	+	+	+	?
Barlesi 2018	+	+	?	+	+	+	+
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Brian 2019	+	+	?	+	+	+	?
Carbone 2017	?	?	?	+	+	+	?
Cohen 2018	+	+	?	?	+	+	+
Eng 2019	?	+	?	?	+	+	?
Fehrenbacher 2016	+	+	?	+	+	+	+
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Schmid 2018	+	+	+	+	+	+	?
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Weber 2015	+	+	?	+	+	+	?
West 2019	+	+	?	+	?	+	?

Supplementary Figure 3- PD-L1 biomarker analysis: Analysis of PD-L1 expression pooled hazard ratios and 95%CI of OS with cut-off of 1% (A) and 50% (B) for patients with advanced or metastatic cancer assigned to intervention treatment, compared with those assigned to control treatment.

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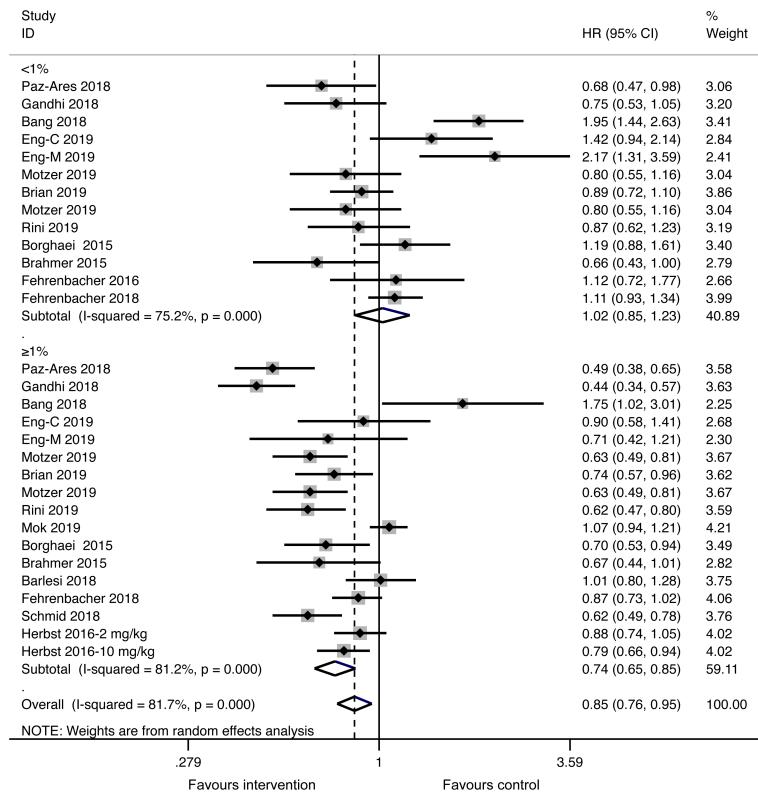


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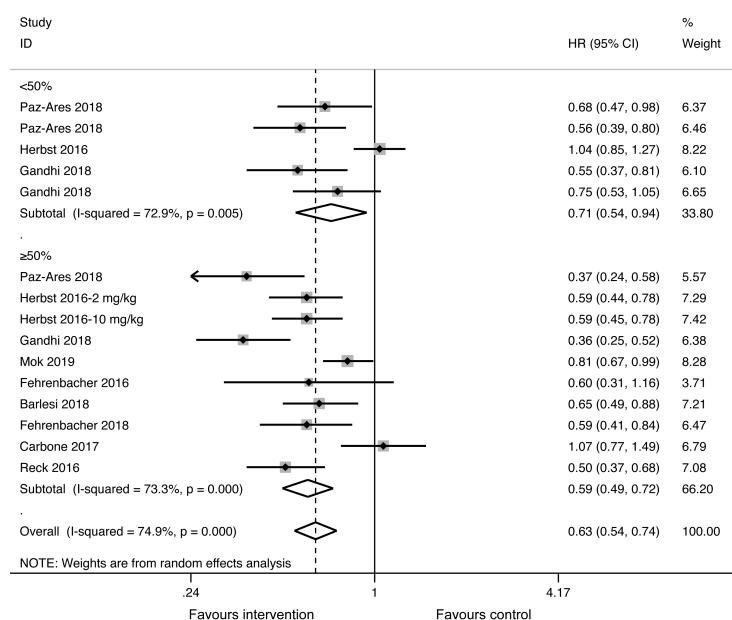


Supplementary Figure 4- PD-L1 biomarker analysis: Analysis of PD-L1 expression pooled hazard ratios and 95%CI of PFS with cut-off of 1% (A) and 50% (B) for patients with advanced or metastatic cancer assigned to intervention treatment, compared with those assigned to control treatment.

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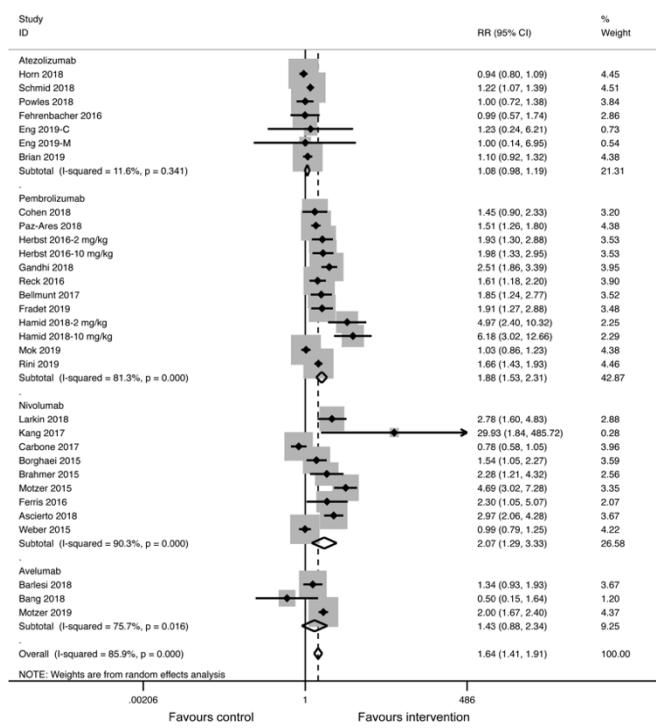


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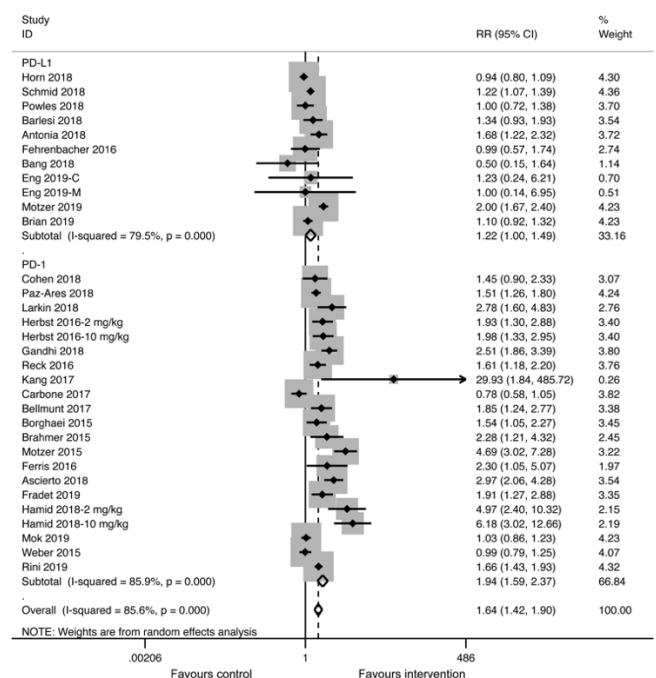


Supplementary Figure 5- ORR analysis: Analysis of ORR pooled relative ratios and 95%CI for patients with advanced or metastatic cancer who received anti-PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitors compared to control therapies based on anti-PD-1/PD- L1 inhibitor used (A) and target spot (B).

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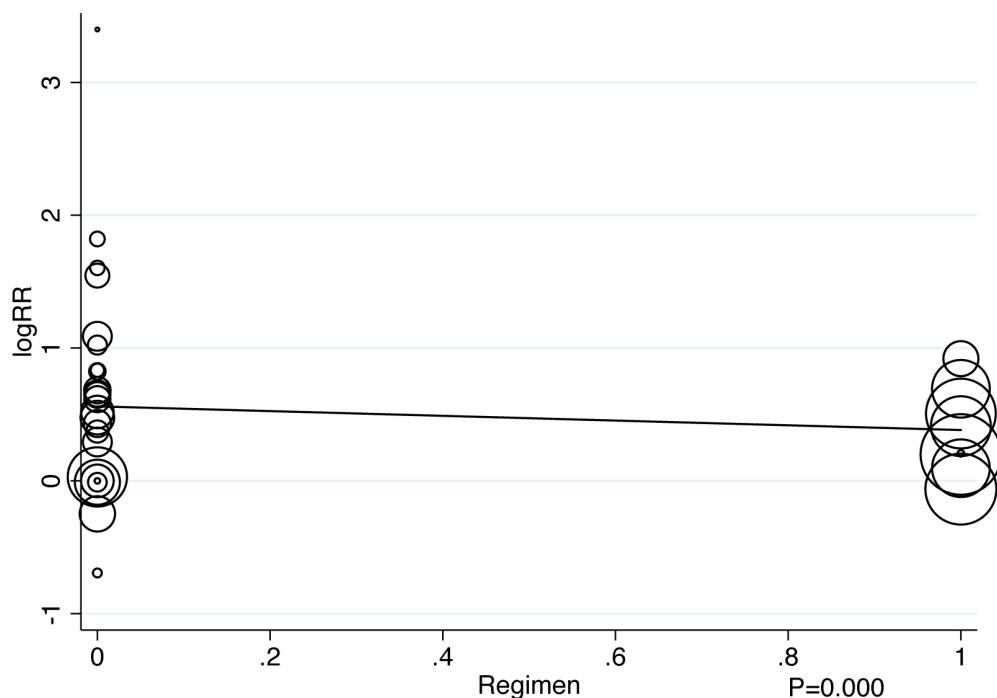


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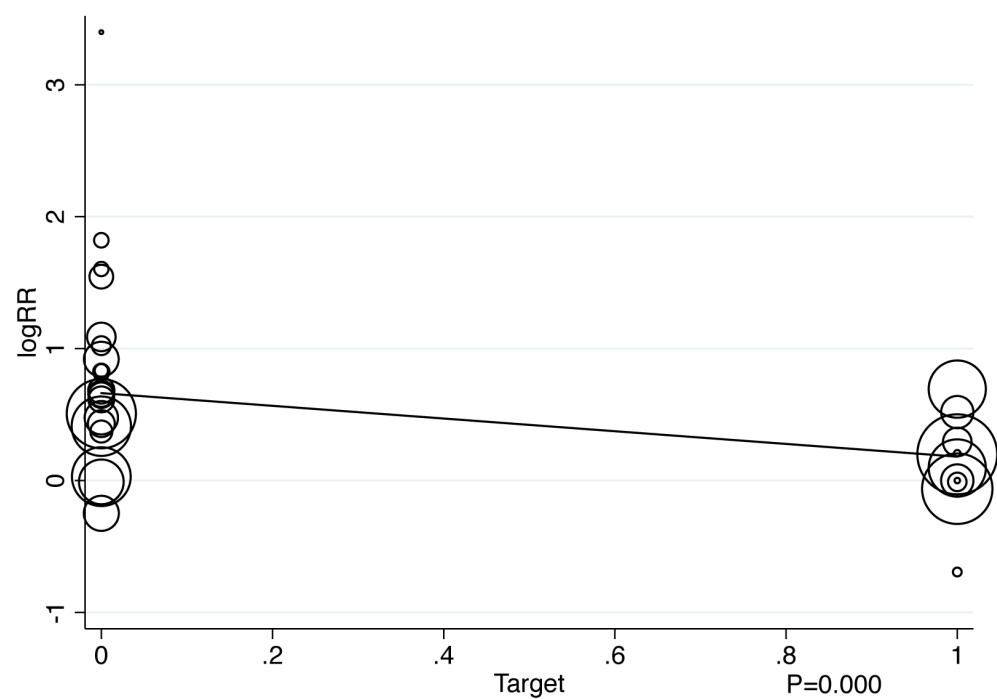


Supplementary Figure 6- ORR analysis: Meta-regression analysis of ORR for patients with advanced or metastatic cancer who received anti-PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitors compared to control therapies based on regimen used (A) and target spot (B).

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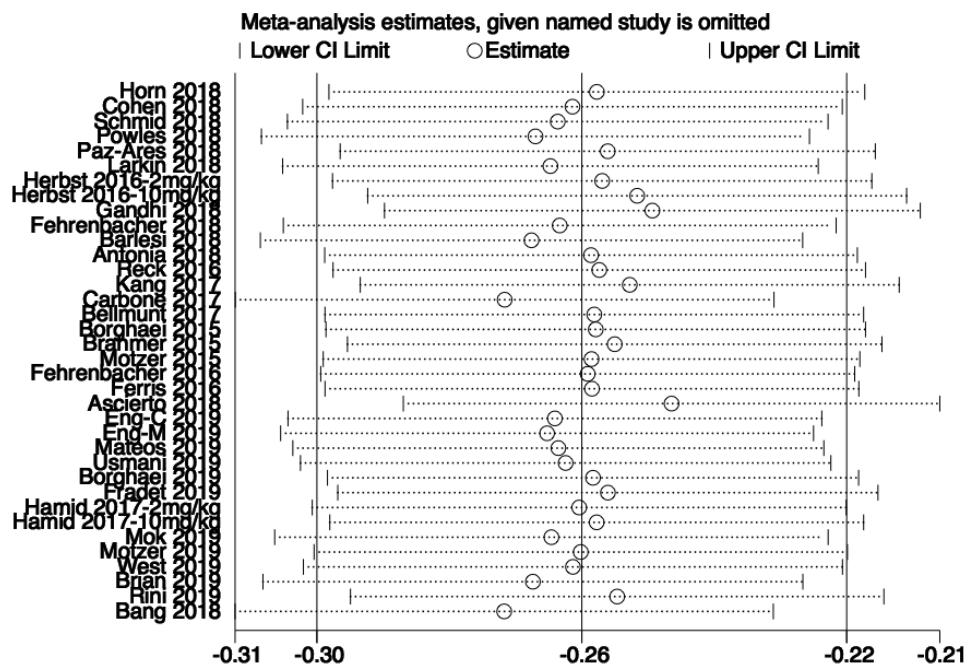


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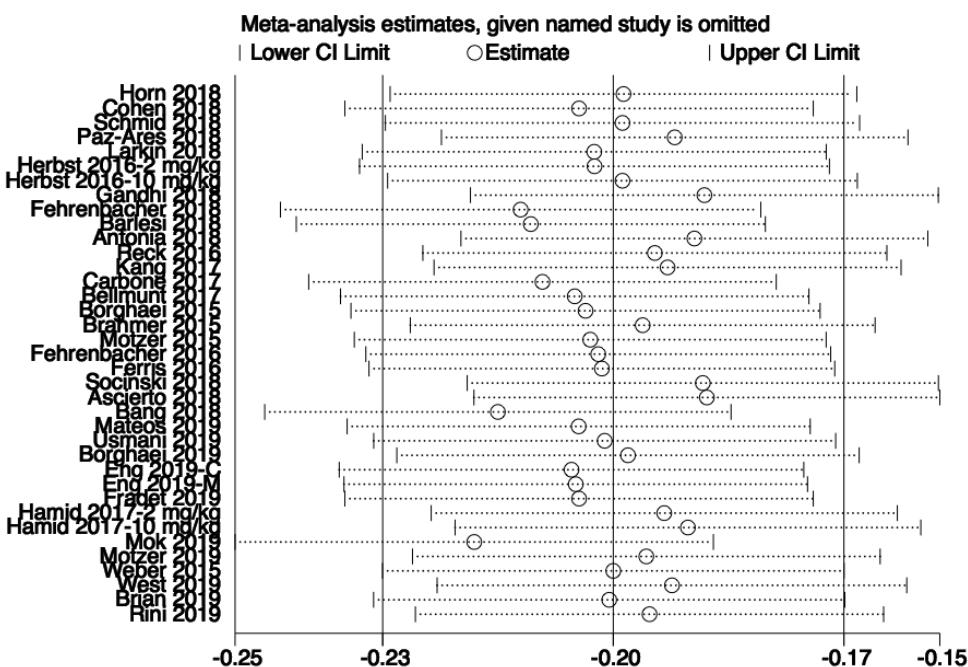


Supplementary Figure 7- Sensitivity analysis: Sensitivity analysis of OS (A) and PFS (B) in included RCTs for the robustness of findings to different aspects of the trials methodology.

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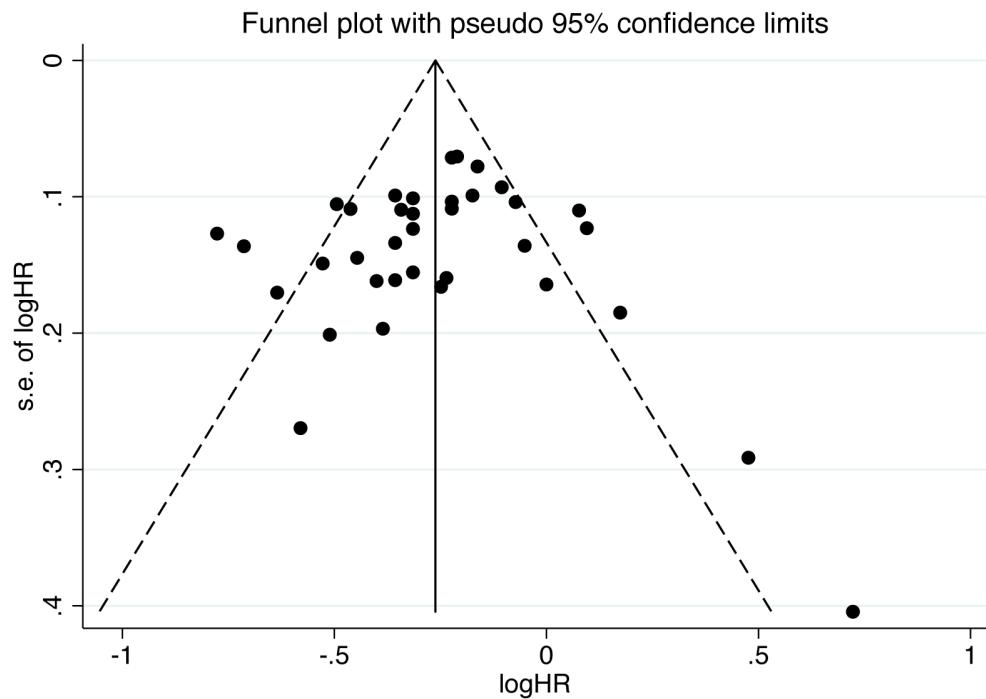


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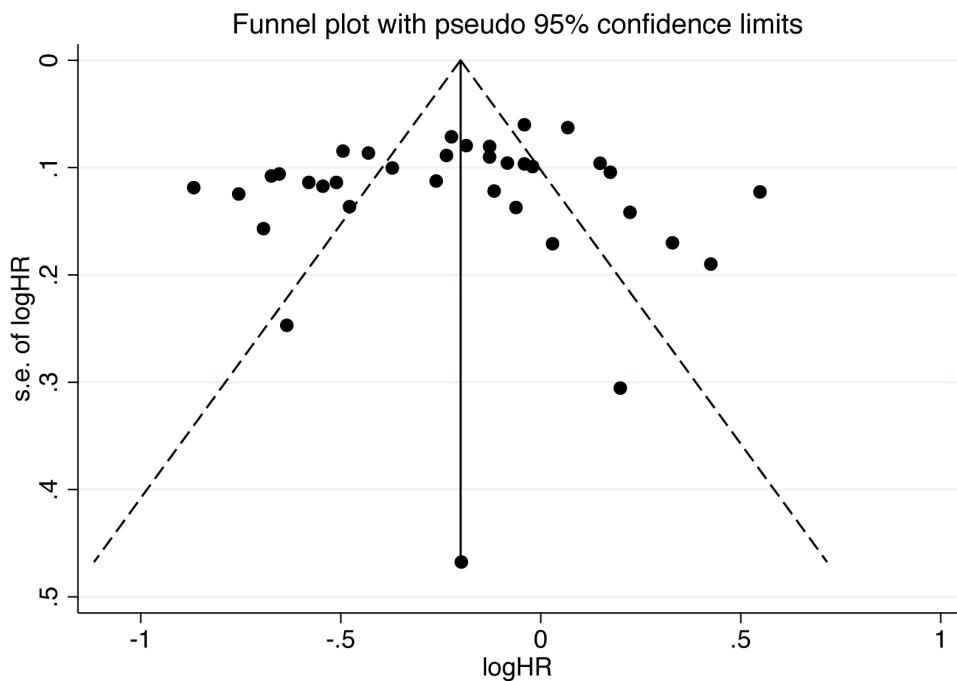


Supplementary Figure 8- Funnel plot: Funnel plot of OS (A) and PFS (B) from included RCTs for the visual detection of systematic publication bias and small study effect.

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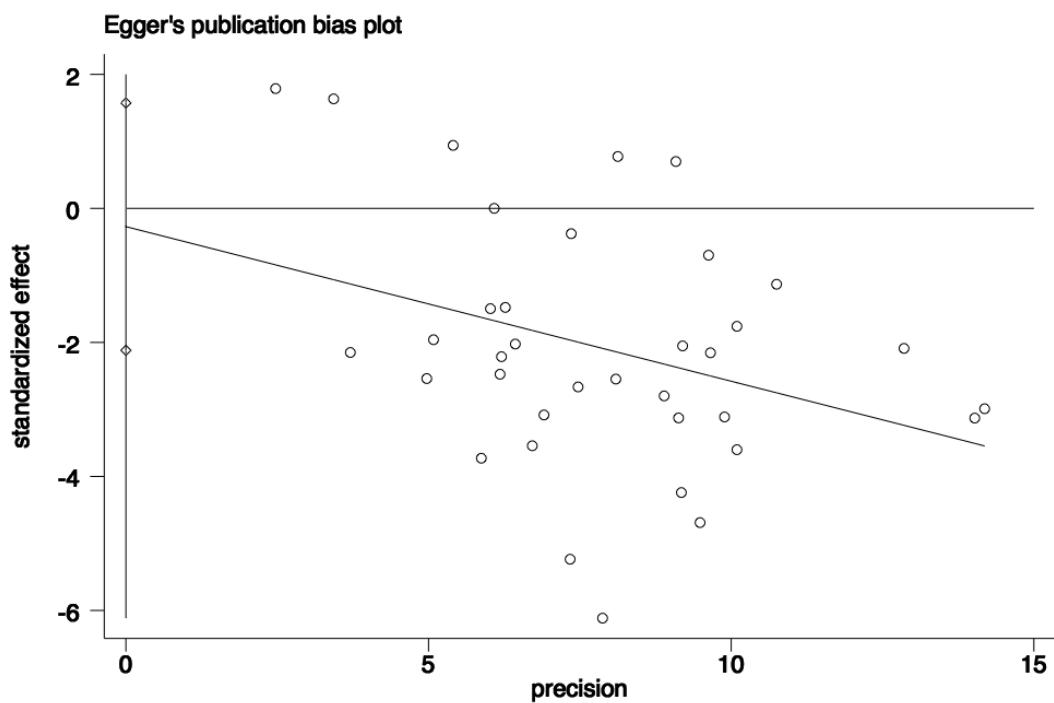


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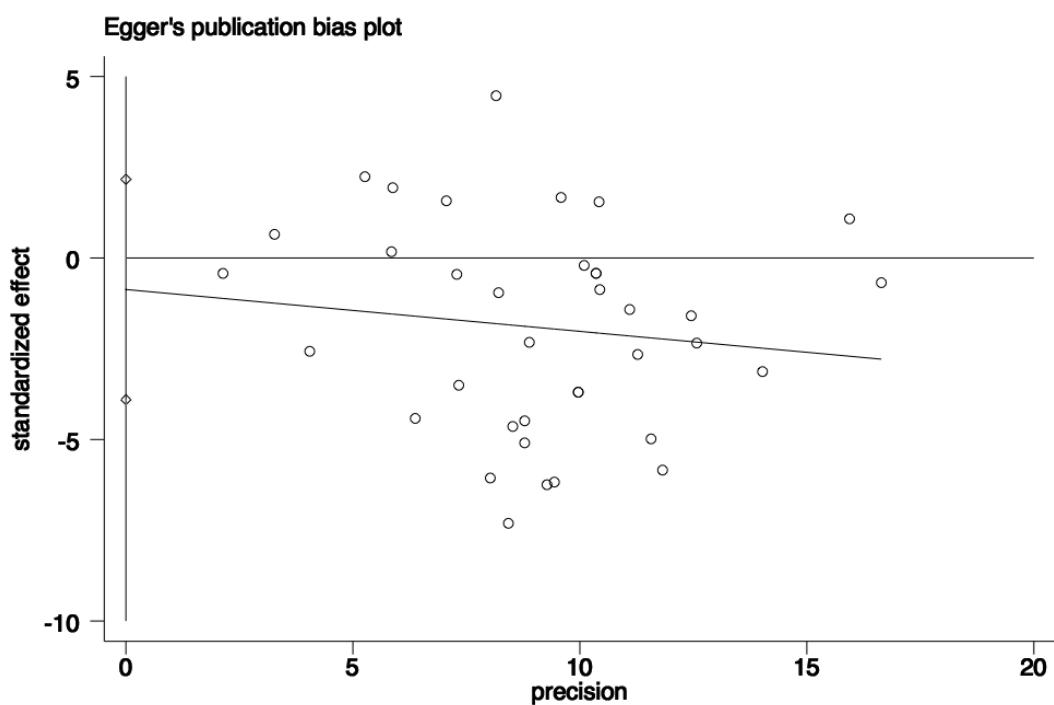


Supplementary Figure 9- Egger's test: Egger's test of OS (A) and PFS (B) from included RCTs for calculative detection of association between the study effects and the study size.

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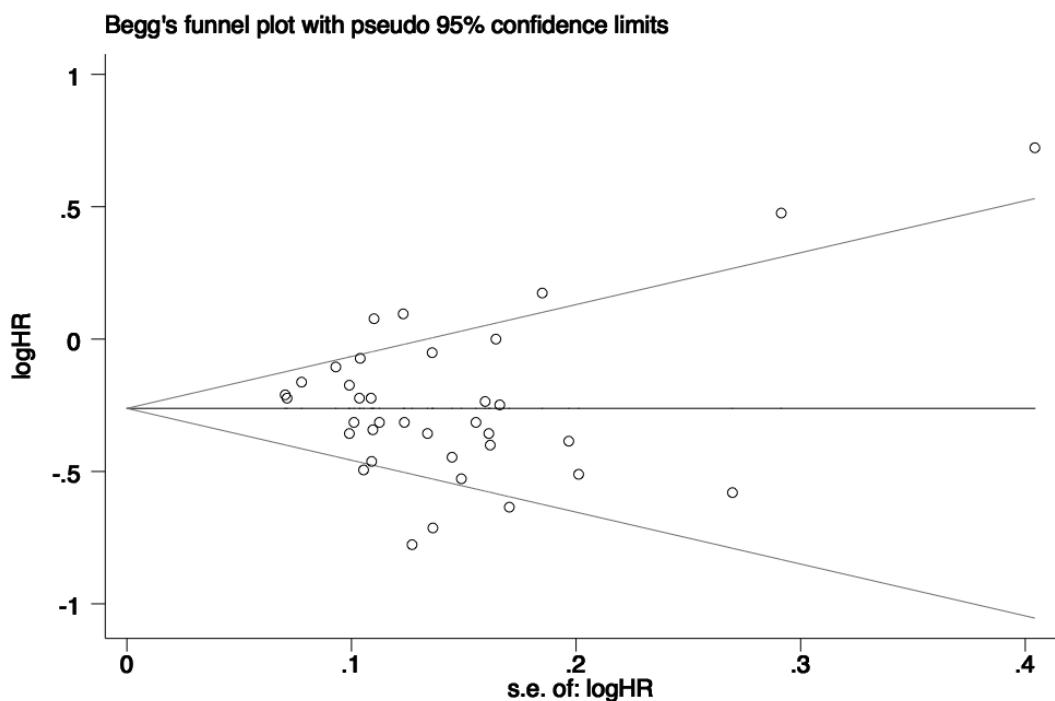


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Supplementary Figure 10- Begg's test: Begg's test of OS (A) and PFS (B) from included RCTs for calculative detection of association between the study effects and the study size.

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