

Supplementary Material

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Supplementary file 1: Search strategy

Grid of key concepts and terms

Concept 1		Concept 2		Concept 3
Adverse birth outcomes	OR	Pregnancy risk factors	AND	Pacific Island countries

CINAHL searches for key concept terms and terms

Key concept terms	CINAHL Mesh and subject headings identified
Adverse birth outcomes	MH "Pregnancy outcome*" OR MH "Infant very Low birth weight" OR MH "Outcome* of prematurity"
Pregnancy risk factors	MH "Risk factor*" OR MH "Pregnancy risk" OR MH "High risk*" OR MH "Pregnancy in adolescence" OR MH "Pregnancy risk*"
Pacific Island region	MH "Pacific Island*"

Search strings developed

<p>Key concept and general terms and synonyms search string ("adverse birth outcome*" OR "poor birth outcome*" OR "preterm birth*" OR "premature birth*" OR "Poor fetal growth*" OR "fetal growth restriction*" OR "intrauterine growth retardation" OR "growth retardation" OR "low birth weight" OR "low birth weight " OR "very low birth weight" OR "very low birth weight " OR "extremely low birth weight" OR "extremely low birth weight " OR "stillbirth" OR "still birth") AND ("pregnancy risk factor*" OR "adverse pregnancy outcome*" OR "poor pregnancy outcome*") AND ("Pacific Island*" OR "Oceania" OR "South Pacific Island*" OR "Pacific Island country*")</p>
<p>MeSH terms search string (MH "pregnancy outcome*" OR MH "infant very low birth weight" OR MH "outcome* of prematurity") AND (MH "risk factor*" OR MH "pregnancy risk*" OR MH "high risk*" OR MH "pregnancy in adolescence*" OR MH "pregnancy risk*") AND ("MH Pacific Island*")</p>
<p>General and MeSH terms combined search string ("adverse birth outcome*" OR "poor birth outcome*" OR "preterm birth*" OR "premature birth*" OR "Poor fetal growth*" OR "fetal growth restriction*" OR "intrauterine growth retardation" OR "growth retardation" OR "small baby*" OR "very small baby*" OR "low birth weight" OR "low birth weight " OR "very low birth weight" OR "very low birth weight " OR "extremely low birth weight" OR "extremely low birth weight " OR "stillbirth" OR "still birth" OR MH "pregnancy outcome*" OR MH "infant very low birth weight" OR MH "outcome* of prematurity") AND ("pregnancy risk factor*" OR "adverse pregnancy outcome*" OR "poor pregnancy outcome*" OR MH "risk factor*" OR MH "pregnancy risk*" OR MH "high risk*" OR MH "pregnancy in adolescence*" OR MH "pregnancy risk*") AND ("Pacific Island*" OR "Oceania" OR "South Pacific Island*" OR "Pacific Island country*" OR "MH Pacific Island*")</p>
<p>Specific and MeSH terms combined search string ("preterm birth*" OR "premature birth*" OR "Poor fetal growth*" OR "fetal growth restriction*" OR "intrauterine growth retardation" OR "growth retardation" OR "small baby*" OR "very small baby*" OR "low birth weight" OR "low birth weight " OR "very low birth weight" OR "very low birth weight " OR "extremely low birth weight" OR "extremely low birth weight " OR "stillbirth" OR "still birth" OR MH "pregnancy outcome*" OR MH "infant very low birth weight" OR MH "outcome* of prematurity") AND ("malaria in pregnancy" OR "anaemia in pregnancy" OR "substance use" OR "alcohol use" OR "betel nut use" OR "areca nut use" OR "tobacco use" OR "cigarette use" OR "maternal obesity" OR "maternal malnutrition" OR "maternal undernutrition" OR "teenage pregnancy") AND ("American Samoa" OR "Cook Island*" OR "Easter Island*" OR "Federated States of Micronesia" OR "Fiji" OR "Guam" OR "Kiribati" OR "Mariana Island*" OR "Marshall Island*" OR "Nauru" OR "New Caledonia" OR "Niue" OR "Palau" OR "Papua New Guinea" OR "Samoa" OR "Solomon Island*" OR "Tahiti" OR "Tokelau" OR "Tonga" OR "Tuvalu" OR "Vanuatu" OR "Wallis and Futuna") Filter/limiter used</p>
<p>Filter/Limiter used -Year inclusion 2000-1st January-28th 2021 -Full text articles -English Language</p>

Abbreviation used. MS: Medical subject heading or MeSH term

Supplementary file 2: Data extraction table

Main category
a. Author(s)
b. Year of publication
c. Origin/country study was conducted
d. Study design
e. Aims/purpose.
f. Sampling strategy
g. Study population
h. Sample size
i. Methodology
j. Intervention/exposure type (if applicable) and comparison group (if applicable)
k. Duration of the exposure/intervention (if applicable)
l. Outcome assessment and method to assess associations (if applicable)
m. Key findings that relate to the scoping review question(s)

Supplementary File 3: Prevalence of adverse birth outcome

Countries	Sources	Adverse birth outcome prevalence	Effect size 95%
Low birth weight			
PNG	Peters, Vince ⁵⁰	8%	(7%, 11%)
	Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	17%	(14%, 28%)
	Unger, Ome-Kaius ⁵³	16%	(14%, 23%)
	Ome-Kaius, Unger ⁴⁹	14%	(14%, 19%)
	Lufele, Umbers ⁴⁸	14%	(14%, 19%)
	Fowkes, Davidson ⁴⁷	17%	(14%, 29%)
	Unger, Rosanas-Urgell ⁵⁴	15%	(16%, 20%)
	National Statistics Office ²¹	14%	(15%, 18%)
Vanuatu	Ministry of Health ⁵⁹	11%	(10%, 15%)
Solomon Islands	Cafaro, Randle ⁴⁵	12%	(11%, 17%)
	National Statistic Office ⁶¹	10%	(10%, 13%)
Tonga	Ministry of Health ²⁰	4%	(3%, 5%)
Samoa	Bureau of Statistics ¹⁹	5%	(4%, 6%)
Tuvalu	Central Statistics Division ⁵⁷	6%	(4%, 10%)
CNMI	Cruz, Grant ^{46,55}	3%	(3%, 4%)
Palau	Berger, Masterson ⁴⁴	8%	(7%, 11%)
Kiribati	National Statistic Office ⁶⁰	13%	(11%, 17%)
Marshall Is.	Economic Policy ⁵⁸	18%	(18%, 26%)
Nauru	Bureau of Statistics ⁵⁵	27%	(27%, 50%)
Preterm birth			
PNG	Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	22%	(20%, 39%)
	Fowkes, Davidson ⁴⁷	22%	(20%, 40%)
	Unger, Rosanas-Urgell ⁵⁴	9 %	(8%, 13%)
Solomon Islands	Cafaro, Randle ⁴⁵	24%	(26%, 36%)
CNMI	Cruz, Grant ⁴⁶	7 %	(6%, 8%)
Palau	Berger, Masterson ⁴⁴	9%	(8%, 12%)
Preterm low birth weight			
Palau	Berger, Masterson ⁴⁴	5%	(4%, 5%)
Term low birth weight			
	Berger, Masterson ⁴⁴	4%	(3%, 5%)
Preterm normal weight			
Palau	Berger, Masterson ⁴⁴	4%	(3%, 6%)
Small for gestational age			
PNG	Unger, Rosanas-Urgell ⁵⁴	2%	(1%, 3%)
Smaller than average babies			
PNG	National Statistics Office ²¹	19%	(21%, 25%)
Solomon Islands	National Statistic Office ⁶¹	11%	(11%, 14%)
Samoa	Bureau of Statistics ¹⁹	11%	(11%, 14%)
Tuvalu	Central Statistics Division ⁵⁷	11%	(9%, 17%)
Kiribati	National Statistic Office ⁶⁰	5%	(4%, 7%)
Marshall Islands	Economic Policy ⁵⁸	18%	(18%, 26%)
Very small babies			
Solomon	National Statistic Office ⁶¹	3%	(3%, 4%)
Tonga	Ministry of Health ²⁰	5%	(4%, 7%)
Samoa	Bureau of Statistics ¹⁹	1%	(0%, 1%)
Tuvalu	Central Statistics Division ⁵⁷	3%	(2%, 5%)
Kiribati	National Statistic Office ⁶⁰	2%	(1%, 3%)
Marshall Islands	Economic Policy ⁵⁸	5%	(4%, 7%)
Nauru	Bureau of Statistics ⁵⁵	22%	(21%, 39%)

Supplementary File 4: Preferred reporting items for systematic reviews and meta-analyses extension for scoping reviews (PRISMA-ScR) checklist

SECTION	ITEM	PRISMA-ScR CHECKLIST ITEM	REPORTED ON PAGE #
TITLE			
Title	1	Identify the report as a scoping review.	1
ABSTRACT			
Structured summary	2	Provide a structured summary that includes (as applicable): background, objectives, eligibility criteria, sources of evidence, charting methods, results, and conclusions that relate to the review questions and objectives.	2
INTRODUCTION			
Rationale	3	Describe the rationale for the review in the context of what is already known. Explain why the review questions/objectives lend themselves to a scoping review approach.	4
Objectives	4	Provide an explicit statement of the questions and objectives being addressed with reference to their key elements (e.g., population or participants, concepts, and context) or other relevant key elements used to conceptualize the review questions and/or objectives.	4
METHODS			
Protocol and registration	5	Indicate whether a review protocol exists; state if and where it can be accessed (e.g., a Web address); and if available, provide registration information, including the registration number.	https://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/11/4/e042423
Eligibility criteria	6	Specify characteristics of the sources of evidence used as eligibility criteria (e.g., years considered, language, and publication status), and provide a rationale.	4 Detailed in protocol inclusion and exclusion criteria"
Information sources	7	Describe all information sources in the search (e.g., databases with dates of coverage and contact with authors to identify additional sources), as well as the date the most recent search was executed.	5
Search	8	Present the full electronic search strategy for at least 1 database, including any limits used, such that it could be repeated.	Outlined in page 5 More detail in Supplementary file 1
Selection of sources of evidence	9	State the process for selecting sources of evidence (i.e., screening and eligibility) included in the scoping review.	6 Figure 1 PRISMA flow diagram
Data charting process	10	Describe the methods of charting data from the included sources of evidence (e.g., calibrated forms or forms that have been tested by the team before their use, and whether data charting was done independently or in duplicate) and any processes for obtaining and confirming data from investigators.	5
Data items	11	List and define all variables for which data were sought and any assumptions and simplifications made.	Table 1 summary of studies

Critical appraisal of individual sources of evidence	12	If done, provide a rationale for conducting a critical appraisal of included sources of evidence; describe the methods used and how this information was used in any data synthesis (if appropriate).	Not applicable
Synthesis of results	13	Describe the methods of handling and summarizing the data that were charted.	5
RESULTS			
Selection of sources of evidence	14	Give numbers of sources of evidence screened, assessed for eligibility, and included in the review, with reasons for exclusions at each stage, ideally using a flow diagram.	6, Figure 1 PRISMA flow diagram
Characteristics of sources of evidence	15	For each source of evidence, present characteristics for which data were charted and provide the citations.	6-7, supplementary 5 and 6 presenting effect estimates
Critical appraisal within sources of evidence	16	If done, present data on critical appraisal of included sources of evidence (see item 12).	Not applicable
Results of individual sources of evidence	17	For each included source of evidence, present the relevant data that were charted that relate to the review questions and objectives.	6-7, supplementary 5 and 6 presenting effect estimates
Synthesis of results	18	Summarize and/or present the charting results as they relate to the review questions and objectives.	6-7, supplementary 4 and 5 presenting effect estimates
DISCUSSION			
Summary of evidence	19	Summarize the main results (including an overview of concepts, themes, and types of evidence available), link to the review questions and objectives, and consider the relevance to key groups.	6-7
Limitations	20	Discuss the limitations of the scoping review process.	11
Conclusions	21	Provide a general interpretation of the results with respect to the review questions and objectives, as well as potential implications and/or next steps.	11
FUNDING			
Funding	22	Describe sources of funding for the included sources of evidence, as well as sources of funding for the scoping review. Describe the role of the funders of the scoping review.	11

Retrieved from: Tricco AC, Lillie E, Zarin W, O'Brien KK, Colquhoun H, Levac D, et al. PRISMA Extension for Scoping Reviews (PRISMA-ScR): Checklist and Explanation. *Ann Intern Med.* 2018;169:467–473. doi: 10.7326/M18-0850.

Supplementary file 5. Health, demographic and social risk factors associated with low birth weight

AUTHORS	EXPOSURES COMPARISON	EFFECT ESTIMATE (95%, confidence interval)
Lufele, Umbers ⁴⁸	Placenta malaria infection	
	No	Reference
	Acute	aOR 2.00 (0.89, 3.95)
	Chronic	aOR 1.2 (0.59, 2.50)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Past	aOR 1.0 (0.61, 1.63)
	Placenta malaria infection	
	No	Reference
	Chronic	aOR 3.3 (1.0, 10.60)
	Acute	aOR 0.7 (0.22, 2.0)
	Past	aOR 1.5 (0.37, 6.10)
	Sub-microscopic malaria infection	
Negative	Reference	
Positive	aOR 2.4 (0.99, 5.89)	
Unger, Rosanas-Urgell ⁵⁴	Plasmodium falciparum malaria infection	
	No	Reference
	Sub-microscopic	aOR 1.0 (0.55, 1.84)
	Microscopic	aOR 1.0 (0.54, 1.75)
	Plasmodium falciparum malaria (peripheral blood)	
	No	Reference
	Sub-microscopic	aOR 1.0 (0.35, 2.83)
	Microscopic	aOR 2.8 (1.27, 5.94)
	P.falciparum malaria (placenta blood)	
	No	Reference
Sub-microscopic	aOR 2.9 (0.82, 9.91)	
Microscopic	aOR 2.1 (0.87, 4.98)	
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Clinical history of infection	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aOR 1.0 (0.42, 1.90)
	Maternal parasitaemia (enrolment)	
	No	Reference
Yes	aOR 1.0 (0.50, 2.20)	
Berger, Masterson ⁴⁴	Betel nut users with tobacco use	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aOR 2.4 (1.0, 6.0)
Senn, Baiwog ⁵¹	Betel nut users	
	No	Reference
	Yes	OR 1.9 (0.4, 17.0)
	Betel nut users (term LBW)	
	No	Reference
Yes	OR 3.0 (0.4, 13.0)	
Peters, Vince ⁵⁰	Maternal tobacco users	
	No	Reference
	Yes	OR 2.9 (1.28, 6.32)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Maternal tobacco users	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aOR 1.4 (0.62, 3.35)
Fowkes, Davidson ⁴⁷	Iron deficiency and gravidity	
	Primigravida	aOR 0.3 (0.10, 0.66)
	Multigravida	Reference
	Southeast Asian ovalocytosis	
	Normal	Reference

Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Infected	aOR 2.3 (0.94, 5.75)
	Alpha thalassaemia infection	
	Wildtype	Reference
	Heterozygote	aOR 0.7 (0.27, 1.58)
	Homozygote	aOR 0.6 (0.22, 1.34)
	Maternal anaemia (Hb <8 g/dL)	
	No	Reference
Yes	OR 1.0 (0.52, 1.80)	
Ome-Kaius, Unger ⁴⁹	Maternal height (<150cm)	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aOR 1.7 (1.22, 2.41)
	Maternal MUAC (<23 cm)	
	Yes	aOR 1.5 (1.10, 2.03)
Peters, Vince ⁵⁰	Maternal age (years)	
	22-35	Reference
	< 22 years and >35	OR 1.9 (1.04, 3.56)
Berger, Masterson ⁴⁴	Body mass index (kgm³)	
	<30 kgm ³	Reference
	≥30 kgm ³	aOR 0.6 (0.3, 1.4)
Peters, Vince ⁵⁰	Birth intervals (years)	
	> 2 years	Reference
	<2 years	OR 3.6 (1.39, 9.30)
	Antenatal booking	
	Booked	Reference
	Unbooked	aOR 4.0 (2.12, 7.57)
	Antenatal visits	
	≥3 visits	Reference
	<3 visits	OR 2.9 (1.36, 6.14)
	Fever during pregnancy	
No	Reference	
Yes	OR 2.8 (0.87, 8.83)	
Ome-Kaius, Unger ⁴⁹	Female infants	
	Yes	Reference
	No	OR 1.6 (1.22, 2.22)
	Primigravida	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aOR 2.9 (2.13, 3.96)
	Number of antenatal visits	
≥3 visits	Reference	
1-2 visits	aOR 0.7 (0.46, 0.92)	
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Gravidity	
	Primigravida	Reference
	Multigravida	aOR 0.3 (0.13, 0.57)
Ome-Kaius, Unger ⁴⁹	Malaria prophylaxis (SPAZ-IPTp)	
	Yes	Reference
	No	aOR 0.6 (0.48, 0.85)
	PNG highlands mothers	
	Yes	Reference
No	aOR 0.3 (0.14, 0.80)	
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Maternal education status	
	No	Reference
	Primary	aOR 0.5 (0.13, 1.70)
	Secondary	aOR 0.6 (0.16, 2.0)

Abbreviation and notes. aOR: adjusted odds ratio, cm: centimetre, g/dL: gram per decilitre, kgm³: kilogram per cubic metre, SPAZ-IPTp: sulphadoxine-pyrimethamine and azithromycin, Odds ratio rounded to the nearest one decimal place

Supplementary file 6. Health, demographic and social risk factors associated with preterm births

AUTHORS	EXPOSURES COMPARISON	EFFECT ESTIMATE (95%, confidence interval)
Lufele, Umbers ⁴⁸	Placenta malaria infection	
	No	Reference
	Acute	aOR 2.3 (0.86, 6.35)
	Chronic	aOR 3.9 (1.64, 9.38)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Placenta malaria infection	
	No	Reference
	Acute	aOR 2.1 (0.75, 5.80)
	Chronic	aOR 4.2 (1.30, 13.40)
Unger, Rosanas-Urgell ⁵⁴	Plasmodium falciparum malaria infection	
	No	Reference
	Sub-microscopic	aOR 0.2 (0.02, 1.26)
	Microscopic	aOR 1.2 (0.49, 1.26)
	Plasmodium falciparum malaria (peripheral blood)	
	No	Reference
	Sub-microscopic	aOR 0.5 (0.07, 4.29)
	Microscopic	aOR 6.6 (2.46, 17.62)
	Plasmodium falciparum malaria (placenta blood)	
	No	Reference
	Sub-microscopic	aOR 3.3 (0.66, 16.83)
	Microscopic	aOR 3.0 (0.87, 10.30)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Tobacco smoke users	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aOR 1.1 (0.50, 2.62)
Berger, Masterson ⁴⁴	Betel nut and tobacco smoke users	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aOR 1.0 (0.6, 1.70)
Senn, Baiwog ⁵¹	Betel nut users	
	No	Reference
	Yes	OR 0.6 (0.1, 5.4)
Ome-Kaius, Unger ⁴⁹	Betel nut users	
	No	Reference
	Yes	OR 0.9 (0.65, 1.38)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Southeast Asian ovalocytosis infection	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aOR 1.1 (0.40, 2.99)
	Alpha thalassaemia infection	
	Wildtype	Reference
	Heterozygote	aOR 0.9 (0.38, 2.23)
Homozygote	aOR 0.6 (0.25, 1.56)	
Berger, Masterson ⁴⁴	Body mass index (kgm3)	
	<30 kgm3	Reference
	≥30 kgm3	aOR 1.5 (1.0, 2.3)
Cruz, Grant ⁴⁶	Maternal age (years)	
	20-34 years	Reference
	<20 years	aOR 1.3 (1.0, 1.80)
	≥35 years	aOR 1.5 (1.20, 1.9)
	Number of antenatal visits	
	≥9 visits	Reference
0 visit	aOR 3.9 (2.90, 5.3)	

	1-8 visits	aOR 2.8 (2.10, 3.7)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Gravidity	
	Primigravida	Reference
	Multigravida	aOR 0.4 (0.19, 0.79)
	Used of bed nets during pregnancy	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aOR 0.8 (0.36, 1.7)
Cruz, Grant ⁴⁶	Maternal race/ethnicity	
	Chinese women	Reference
	CNMI women	aOR 2.7 (2.0, 3.6)
	Pacific Island women	aOR 2.9 (2.1, 4.1)
	Filipino	aOR 2.3 (1.7, 3.1)
	Another non-Pacific Islander	aOR 1.1 (0.7, 1.7)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Maternal education status	
	No	Reference
	Primary	aOR 0.2 (0.07, 0.66)
	Secondary	aOR 0.1 (0.04, 0.42)

Abbreviation and notes. aOR: adjusted odds ratio, kgm3: kilogram per cubic metre, OR: odds ratio, Odds ratio rounded to the nearest one decimal place

Supplementary file 7. Health, demographic and social risk factors associated with small for gestational age

AUTHORS	EXPOSURES COMPARISON	EFFECT ESTIMATE (95%, confidence interval)
Lufele, Umbers ⁴⁸	Placenta malaria infection	
	No	Reference
	Acute	aOR -0.7 (-5.02, 3.71)
	Chronic	aOR -3.4 (-7.79, 1.02)
Unger, Rosanas-Urgell ⁵⁴	Plasmodium falciparum malaria	
	No	Reference
	Sub-microscopic	aOR 1.7 (0.93, 2.92)
	Microscopic	aOR 0.7 (0.35, 1.43)
	Plasmodium falciparum malaria (peripheral blood)	
	No	Reference
	Sub-microscopic	aOR 1.3 (0.44, 3.96)
	Microscopic	aOR 1.7 (0.67, 4.39)
	Plasmodium Falciparum malaria (placenta blood)	
	No	Reference
	Sub-microscopic	aOR 2.6 (0.71, 9.56)
	Microscopic	aOR 1.6 (0.61, 4.34)
Unger, Ome-Kaius ⁵³	Malaria infection	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aRR 1.1 (0.91, 1.36)
	Maternal recent infection (weeks)	
	>6	Reference
	<6	aRR 1.0 (0.81, 1.32)
	Maternal infection	
	1 infection	Reference
	≥2 infection	aRR 1.2 (0.85, 1.63)
	Betel nut chewing	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aRR 0.9 (0.72, 1.09)
	Tobacco smoke	
	No	Reference
	Yes	aRR 1.0 (0.79, 1.22)
	Anaemia at enrolment (mg/L)	
	Hb<90	aRR 1.3 (1.06, 1.51)
	Hb>90	Reference
	Mid upper arm circumference (cm)	
	>22	Reference
	<22	aRR 1.5 (1.29, 1.76)
	Maternal height (cm)	
	>150	Reference
	<150	aRR 1.3 (1.04, 1.55)
	Maternal body mass index (kg/m3)	
	>18.5	Reference
	<18.5	aRR 1.3 (0.95, 1.80)
	Gravidity	
	Multigravida	Reference
	Primigravida	RR 1.4 (1.13, 1.61)
Recent IPTp malaria prophylaxis		
No	Reference	
Yes	aRR 0.2 (0.04, 0.27)	
Maternal ethnicity		

	Madang/Morobe	Reference
	Other	RR 0.8 (0.70, 1.02)
	Literate mother	
	No	Reference
	Yes	RR 1.1 (0.81, 1.49)
	Mother generating income	
	No	Reference
	Yes	RR 1.0 (0.87, 1.24)
	Partner generating income	
	No	Reference
	Yes	RR 0.9 (0.73, 1.02)
	Maternal area of residence	
	Urban area	Reference
	Peri-urban area	RR 1.2 (0.87, 1.52)
	Rural area	RR 1.1 (0.83, 1.37)
Stillbirth and miscarriage risks		
	Betel nut chewing mothers	
Ome-Kaius, et al. 6	Non-users	Reference
	Heavy users	RR 1.8 (0.63, 2.97)*
	Malaria Infection	
	No infection	Reference
Unger, Rosanas-Urgell 54	Submicroscopic infection	aOR 0.8 (0.19, 3.41)
	Microscopic infection	aOR 2.0 (0.68, 5.66)

Abbreviation and notes. aOR: adjusted odds ratio, aRR: adjusted relative risks, cm: centimetre, Hb: haemoglobin, kg/m: kilogram per cubic metre, mg/L: milligram per litre, RR: relative risk, * RR and CI recalculated, Odds ratio rounded to the nearest one decimal place

Supplementary file 8. Health, demographic and social risk factors associated with changes in mean birth weight

AUTHORS	EXPOSURES COMPARISON	EFFECT ESTIMATE (95%, confidence interval)
Lufele, Umbers ⁴⁸	Placenta malaria infection	
	No infection	Reference
	Acute infection	-189.0 (-323.3, -54.6)
	Chronic infection	-63.6 (-199.08, -71.7)
Senn, Baiwog ⁵¹	Past infection	-76.1 (-159, -6.8)
	Malaria infection	
	Non-infected	Reference
	Infected	-42 (NR)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Submicroscopic Plasmodium falciparum malaria infection	
	Negative	Reference
	Positive	-64 (-188, 59)
	Clinical history taken during antenatal care	
	No	Reference
	Yes	-104 (-230, 22)
	Parasitaemia	
	No	Reference
	Yes	-30 (-149, 89)
	Tobacco smoke users	
No	Reference	
Yes	-197 (-333, -261)	
Senn, Baiwog ⁵¹	Betel nut users	
	Non-users	Reference
	Users	-238 (NR)
Ome-Kaius, Unger ⁴⁹	Betel nut users	
	Non-users	Reference
	Users	-1 (NR)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Haemoglobin test at enrolment	
	No	Reference
	Yes	61 (19, 102)
	Anaemia	
No	Reference	
Yes	-101 (-215, 13)	
Fowkes, Davidson ⁴⁷	Gravidity and iron deficiency	
	Primigravida	351 (188, 514)
	Multigravida	125 (-28, 277)
Senn, Baiwog ⁵¹	Anaemia (g/l)	
	Hb >80	Reference
	Hb <80	-65 NR
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Southeast Asian ovalocytosis infection	
	Yes	Reference
	Infected	-129 (-287, 29)
	Alpha thalassemia	
	Wildtype	Reference
	Heterozygote	-12 (-159, 135)
Homozygote	47 (-100, 194)	
Senn, Baiwog ⁵¹	Body mass index (kgm3)	
	<20	Reference
	>20	-175 (NR)
Ome-Kaius, Unger ⁴⁹	Mid upper arm circumference (cm)	
	>23	Reference
	<23	-99 (NR)

	Short stature	
	>150cm	Reference
	<150 cm	-151 (NR)
Senn, Baiwog ⁵¹	Gravidity	
	Multigravida	Reference
	Primigravida	-467 (NR)
	Hypertension	
	No	Reference
	Yes	-117 (NR)
	Haemoglobin (g/l)	
	>80	Reference
	<80	-65 (NR)
	Antenatal care	
Yes	Reference	
No	-23 (NR)	
Ome-Kaius, Unger ⁴⁹	Gravidity	
	Multigravida	Reference
	Primigravida	-214 (NR)
	Fewer antenatal visits	
	≥3 visits	Reference
	1-2 visits	-73 (NR)
	Infant sex	
	Male	Reference
	Female	-78 (NR)
	Malaria prophylaxis	
	Yes	Reference
	No	44 (NR)
	Use of bed net	
Regular	Reference	
Irregular	16 (NR)	
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Use of bed net	
	No	Reference
	Yes	-40 (-165, 84)
	Gravidity	
	Primigravida	Reference
Multigravida	325 (211, 439)	
Ome-Kaius, Unger ⁴⁹	PNG ethnicity	
	Highlander	Reference
	Non-Highlander	-311 (NR)
	Received income	
	Yes	Reference
No	-22 (NR)	
Senn, Baiwog ⁵¹	Socio-economic level	
	High	Reference
	Low	-54 (NR)
	Education level	
	High	Reference
	Low	-33 (NR)
Stanisic, Moore ⁵²	Maternal education status	
	No education	Reference
	Primary education	100 (-104, 305)
	Secondary education	79 (-127, 286)

Abbreviation. cm: centimetre, kgm³:kilogram per cubic metre, g/l: grams per litre, Hb: haemoglobin, NR: confidence interval not reported. Note: Effect estimate illustrated changes in mean birth weight in grams.

Supplementary file 9: Reported adverse birth outcomes and counts of risk factors nominated by health professionals interviewed (n=18)

Reported adverse birth outcomes	Health professionals (n=18)
Preterm birth	14
LBW	12
SGA	11
Stillbirth	8
Miscarriage or abortion	8
Reported risk factors for adverse birth outcomes	
Physical and emotional stress	13
Teenaged pregnancy	11
Malaria during pregnancy	11
Poverty	11
Poor antenatal care access	10
Pre-eclampsia	10
Anaemia and iron deficiency	9
Sexually transmitted infections including HIV	9
Hypertension or pregnancy-induced hypertension	7
Unplanned or unwanted pregnancies	6
Substance use (betel nut, tobacco, kava and marijuana)	7
Type 2 diabetes or gestational diabetes	5
Abortion (spontaneous)	5
History of rheumatic heart disease	4
Domestic violence	5
Maternal illiteracy	5
Poor nutrition	4
Tuberculosis	4
Falls and accidents	3
Poor health seeking behaviour	3
Urinary tract infection and intrauterine infection	2
Food taboo	2