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eTable 1. Search Strategies for Meta-analysis of Observational Studies Reporting the Incubation Period of COVID-19

Database	Search strategy
PubMed	("Coronavirus"[MeSH Terms] OR "Coronavirus Infections"[MeSH Terms] OR "COVID-19"[Supplementary Concept] OR "coronavir*"[Title/Abstract] OR "corona virus*"[Title/Abstract] OR "covid"[Title/Abstract] OR "nCoV"[Title/Abstract] OR "2019 novel*"[Title/Abstract] OR "2019nCoV"[Title/Abstract] OR "2019-CoV"[Title/Abstract] OR "nCoV2019"[Title/Abstract] OR "pneumonia virus*"[Title/Abstract] OR "Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome"[Title/Abstract] OR "SARS"[Title/Abstract] OR "sarscov*"[Title/Abstract]) AND ("incubation period"[Text Word] OR "incubation"[Text Word])
EMBASE	('covid 19'/exp OR 'coronavirus disease 2019'/exp OR 'severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2'/exp OR 'SARS-related coronavirus'/exp OR 'coronaviridae'/de OR 'coronavirinae'/exp OR 'coronavirus infection'/exp OR (coronavir* OR 'corona virus*' OR covid OR COVID19 OR nCoV OR '2019-novel*' OR 2019nCoV OR 2019 - CoV OR nCoV2019 OR 'pneumonia virus*' OR 'Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome*' OR SARS OR SARSCoV*):ab,ti,kw) AND ('incubation period' OR incubation)
Web of science	TS = (((coronavir* OR "corona virus*" OR covid OR COVID19 OR nCoV OR "2019-novel Cov" OR 2019nCoV OR 2019 - CoV OR nCoV2019 OR "pneumonia virus*" OR "Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome" OR SARS OR SARS-CoV-2)) AND (("incubation period" OR incubation)))

eTable 2. Quality Assessment Scale

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External validity	1) Representativeness of the study cohort a) No selection of cases based on age, sex or general health status, supported by descriptive statistics demonstrating comparability with overall population※ b) No selection of cases based on age, sex or general health status, not supported by descriptive statistics※ c) Cases are likely to be biased towards those with more severe COVID-19 symptoms due to selection process – e.g. records from hospitalised patients d) Cases are selected (e.g. based on age or sex) to represent a particular cohort of individuals e) No description of the derivation of the cohort
Internal validity	**Exposure window** 2) Ascertainment of exposure a) original data collected through interview ※ b) travel period only ※ c) secondary data (using publicly available reports) 3) Precision of the exposure window for cases used in final analysis a) only includes cases with a 1-day exposure window ※ b) only includes cases with less than or equal to 3-day exposure window c) includes cases with a range of exposure windows but statistical methods are used to account for this d) includes cases with a range of exposure windows e) no description/not clear
	Outcome 4) Assessment of outcome (onset of symptoms) a) original data collected through interview ※ b) no description/not clear 5) Precision of estimate of outcome a) Precise date ※ b) Window c) no description/not clear

eTable 3. Quality Assessment of Final Studies Used in the Meta-analysis of Incubation Period

Author	Area	Time period	Quality assessment item category					Quality assessment
			1	2	3	4	5	
Areekal et al [16], 2021	India	2020.06-2020.07	a	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Backer et al [18], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.01.28	a	c	d	b	a	Moderate
Backer et al [17], 2020	Netherlands	2021.12.13-2021.12.26	a	a	c	a	a	Strong
Bao et al [19], 2020	China	2020.01.15-2020.02.06	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Brandal et al [20], 2021	Norway	2021.11.26-2021.12.13	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Bui et al [21], 2020	Vietnam	2020.01.23-2020.04.13	a	c	c	b	a	Moderate
Chen et al [22], 2020	China	2020.01.24-2020.02.13	c	a	d	a	c	Moderate
Covid-Epidemiology Investigation Team [23], 2021	China	2020.12.23-2021.01.31	a	a	c	a	a	Strong
Dai et al [24], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.02.29	a	b	d	a	a	Moderate
Del Águila-Mejía et al [26], 2022	Spain	2021.11-2021.12	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Deng et al [27], 2021	China	by 2020.03.09	c	a	a	a	a	Strong
Deng et al [28], 2020	China	by 2020.03.31	a	c	e	a	a	Moderate
Denis et al [29], 2021	France	2020.12.15-2020.12.24	a	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Ding et al [30], 2020	China	2020.01.21-2020.03.10	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Dong et al [31], 2020	China	2020.01.13-2020.02.21	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Du et al [32], 2020	China	2020.01.08-2020.02.05	a	c	d	b	b	Weak
Gao et al [34], 2020	China	2020.01.21-2020.02.11	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Gao et al [33], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.03.17	c	a	e	a	b	Moderate
Grant et al [35], 2022	France	2021.05.23-2021.08.13	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Guo et al [36], 2020	China	2020.01.15-2020.03.15	c	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Han et al [37], 2020	South Korea	2020.03.28-2020.04.08	a	a	d	a	a	Strong
Han et al [39], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.03.10	a	a	c	b	a	Moderate
Han et al [38], 2020	China	2020.01.31-2020.02.16	c	a	e	a	a	Moderate
Hong et al [40], 2020	China	2020.01.14-2020.03.09	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Hua et al [41], 2020	China	2020.01.01-2020.02.29	d	a	b	b	a	Moderate
Huang et al [43], 2020	China	2020.01.08-2020.02.16	a	c	c	b	c	Weak
Huang et al [42], 2020	China	2020.01.22-2020.06.18	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Huang et al [44], 2021	China	2020.01.01-2020.04.08	a	c	d	b	a	Moderate
Je et al [45], 2021	Australia	2020.02-2020.04	a	c	d	b	a	Moderate
Jeong et al [46], 2020	South Korea	2020.02.22-2020.02.26	c	a	a	a	a	Strong
Jiang et al [47], 2020	China	2020.01.12-2020.02.20	a	a	e	a	a	Strong
Jiang et al [48], 2021	China	2020.01.19-2020.01.23	a	c	c	b	a	Moderate
Jin et al [49], 2020	China	2020.01.17-2020.02.08	a	b	a	b	a	Moderate
Khonyongwa et al [50], 2020	UK	2020.03.01-2020.04.18	c	a	c	a	a	Moderate
Ki et al [51], 2020	South Korea	2020.03.01-2020.06.30	a	c	d	b	b	Weak
Kim et al [52], 2020	South Korea	2020.02.04-2020.04.07	c	a	a	a	a	Strong

Kong et al [53], 2020	China	2020.01.08-2020.01.27	a	c	e	a	a	Moderate
Kong et al [55], 2020	China	2020.01.22-2020.02.15	d	e	b	b	a	Weak
Kong et al [54], 2020	China	2020.01.25-2020.02.20	a	a	c	b	a	Moderate
Lai et al [56], 2020	China	2020.01.11-2020.02.10	c	c	e	a	a	Moderate
Lau et al [57], 2021	China	2020.01.01-2020.01.29	a	c	c	b	b	Weak
Laval et al [25], 2021	France	2020.02.25-2020.03.04	a	a	e	a	a	Strong
Le et al [58], 2020	Vietnam	2020.01-2020.02	a	a	c	a	a	Strong
Lee et al [59], 2021	South Korea	2021.11.24-2021.12.10	a	a	d	a	a	Strong
Lei et al [60], 2020	China	2020.01.22.2020.02.01	d	a	d	a	a	Moderate
Leung et al [61], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.02.12	a	c	d	b	a	Moderate
Li et al [63], 2020	China	2020.01.21-2020.02.09	c	a	d	a	c	Moderate
Li et al [64], 2022	China	2021.05.21-2021.06.24	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Li et al [62], 2020	China	2019.12-2020.01	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Linton et al [65], 2020	China	by 2020.01.31	a	c	d	b	a	Moderate
Liu et al [66], 2021	China	2020.01.20-2020.02.23	a	a	d	a	a	Strong
Liu et al [68], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.04.15	c	a	a	a	a	Strong
Liu et al [69], 2020	China	2019.12.25-2020.02.05	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Liu et al [70], 2020	China	2020.01.28-2020.04.12	a	c	e	b	a	Moderate
Liu et al [71], 2020	China	2020.01.22-2020.02.21	a	a	a	a	a	Moderate
Liu et al [72], 2020	China	2020.01.23-2020.02.10	c	a	e	a	c	Strong
Liu et al [74], 2021	China	2020.01.01-2020.03.30	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Liu et al [67], 2020	China	by 2020.02.11	a	c	c	b	a	Moderate
Liu et al [73], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.03.17	c	a	e	a	a	Moderate
Llaque-Quiroz et al [75], 2020	Peru	2020.03-2020.05	d	a	e	a	a	Moderate
Mao et al [76], 2020	China	by 2020.03.17	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Moazzami et al [77], 2021	Iran	2020.04	c	a	c	a	a	Moderate
Ng et al [78], 2021	China	by 2020.03.21	a	c	e	b	a	Moderate
Nie et al [79], 2020	China	2020.01.19-2020.02.08	a	c	c	b	a	Moderate
Ogata et al [80], 2022	Japan	2020.07.01-2021.09.16	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Pak et al [81], 2020	Global	2019.12.01-2020.03.30	a	c	c	b	b	Weak
Pan et al [82], 2020	China	2020.01-2020.02.20	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Patrikar et al [83], 2020	India	by 2020.05	a	c	a	b	c	Moderate
Paul et al [84], 2021	Canada	by 2020.11.07	b	c	e	b	c	Weak
Ping et al [85], 2021	China	2020.01.03-2020.03.05	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Pongpirul et al [86], 2020	Thailand	2020.01.08-2020.04.16	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Pung et al [87], 2020	Singapore	2020.02.03-2020.02.15	a	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Qi et al [88], 2020	China	2020.01.13-2020.03.23	c	a	c	a	b	Moderate
Qian et al [89], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.02.11	a	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Qiu et al [90], 2020	China	2020.01.22-2020.02.12	c	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Ratovoson et al [91], 2021	Madagascar	2020.03.09-2020.07.30	a	a	c	a	a	Strong
Ren et al [92], 2020	China	by 2020.01.23	a	c	d	b	a	Moderate
Samrah et al [93], 2021	Jordan	2020.03.15-2020.06.09	c	b	a	a	a	Strong

Sanche et al [94], 2020	China	2020.01.15-2020.01.30	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Shen et al [95], 2020	China	2020.01.08-2020.02.19	d	c	a	a	a	Moderate
Shen et al [96], 2020	China	2020.01-2020.02	a	b	b	a	b	Moderate
Shi et al [97], 2020	China	2020.01.17-2020.03.05	c	b	b	a	a	Moderate
Shi et al [98], 2020	China	2020.01.18-2020.03.02	a	a	c	a	a	Strong
Shiel et al [99], 2021	Australia	2020.01-2020.06	a	c	a	a	a	Strong
Shu et al [100], 2020	China	by 2020.02.28	c	a	d	a	c	Moderate
Song et al [101], 2020	China	by 2020.01.26	b	c	c	b	a	Moderate
Song et al [102], 2020	China	2020.01.16-2020.01.29	a	a	d	a	a	Strong
Song et al [103], 2020	China	2020.02-2020.03	c	a	e	b	c	Weak
Su et al [104], 2021	China	2020.01.21-2020.04.18	a	c	e	b	c	Weak
Sugano et al [105], 2020	Japan	2020.01.15-2020.03.19	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Sun et al [106], 2021	China	2020.12.23-2021.01.10	a	a	e	b	c	Moderate
Sun et al [107], 2020	China	2020.01.24-2020.02.16	a	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Sun et al [108], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.02.15	c	a	e	a	a	Moderate
Sun et al [109], 2021	China	2020.06-2020.07.10	a	b	a	b	a	Strong
Sun et al [110], 2020	China	2020.02	c	c	a	a	b	Moderate
Tan et al [111], 2020	Singapore	2020.01.23-2020.04.02	a	a	a	a	b	Strong
Tanaka et al [112], 2022	Japan	2022.01.01-2022.01.28	a	a	c	a	a	Strong
The SARS-CoV-2 variant with line [113], 2021	France	2020.12-2021.01	a	a	e	a	a	Strong
Tian et al [114], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.02.10	c	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Tindale et al [115], 2020	China	2020.01.21-2020.02.22	b	c	b	b	c	Weak
Viego et al [116], 2020	Argentina	2020.03.20-2020.05.08	b	a	e	b	c	Moderate
Wang et al [158], 2021	China	by2020.02.26	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Wang et al [117], 2020	China	2020.01.23-2020.02.20	a	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Wang et al [118], 2020	China	2020.01.01-2020.04.03	a	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Wang et al [119], 2020	China	2020.01.05-2020.02.12	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Wang et al [120], 2020	China	2020.01.20-2020.02.10	c	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Wei et al [123], 2021	China	2020.01.19-2020.03.01	c	a	e	b	c	Weak
Wei et al [122], 2020	China	2020.01.27-2020.03.11	c	a	a	a	c	Moderate
Won et al [124], 2021	South Korea	2020.01.20-2020.02.10	b	c	e	b	a	Moderate
Wong et al [125], 2020	Brunei	2020.03.09-2020.04.05	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Wu et al [128], 2021	China	-	a	c	a	b	c	Moderate
Wu et al [127], 2020	China	2020.01-2020.02	c	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Wu et al [126], 2020	China	by 2020.02.18	a	a	b	a	a	Strong
Wu et al [129], 2020	China	2020.01.23-2020.02.09	a	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Xiao et al [131], 2020	China	2020.01.19-2020.03.03	c	a	c	a	c	Moderate
Xiao et al [133], 2021	China	by 2020.02.21	a	c	d	b	a	Moderate
Xiao et al [132], 2020	China	by 2020.02.12	a	c	c	b	a	Moderate
Xiao et al [130], 2020	China	2020.01.24-2020.02.16	d	c	e	b	c	Weak
Xie et al [134], 2020	China	2020.01.01-2020.02.15	c	c	e	b	c	Weak
Xin et al [135], 2020	China	2020.07.10-2021.04.02	a	c	c	b	a	Moderate

Xu et al [136], 2020	China	2020.01.23-2020.02.18	a	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Xu et al [137], 2020	China	2020.01.10-2020.01.26	c	a	a	a	c	Moderate
Yang et al [138], 2020	China	2020.01.01-2020.02.20	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Yang et al [139], 2021	China	2020.01.21-2020.02.25	c	a	e	a	a	Moderate
Yang et al [140], 2020	China	2020.01.25-2020.02.08	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
You et al [141], 2020	China	by 2020.03.31	b	a	b	a	a	Strong
Yu et al [143], 2022	China	2020.01.01-2020.12.31	a	c	e	b	c	Weak
Yu et al [142], 2020	China	by 2020.02.19	a	a	c	a	a	Strong
Zhang et al [146], 2021	China	2020.01.27-2020.02.13	a	a	c	a	a	Strong
Zhang et al [144], 2020	China	2020.01.19-2020.02.17	a	c	c	b	a	Moderate
Zhang et al [145], 2020	China	2020.01.26-2020.02.20	a	a	b	a	c	Moderate
Zhang et al [147], 2021	China	by 2020.03.11	a	c	d	a	a	Moderate
Zhang et al [148], 2021	China	-	a	a	a	a	a	Strong
Zhao et al [151], 2021	China	by 2020.04.08	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Zhao et al [152], 2020	China	2020.01.16-2020.02.17	c	a	a	a	a	Strong
Zhao et al [153], 2021	China	2020.01.07-2020.05.17	a	a	c	a	a	Strong
Zhao et al [150], 2021	China	2021.05.21-2021.06.18	a	c	a	b	a	Moderate
Zhao et al [149], 2020	China	2020.01.21-2020.02.22	c	c	e	b	c	Weak
Zhong et al [154], 2020	China	2020.01.21-2020.02.10	c	a	c	a	a	Moderate
Zhu et al [156], 2021	China	2020.02.26-2020.04.04	a	c	c	b	a	Moderate
Zhu et al [155], 2020	China	by 2020.03.26	b	a	e	a	c	Moderate
Zhu et al [157], 2021	China	2021.01.02-2021.02.14	a	c	c	b	a	Moderate

eTable 4. Characteristics of the Studies Included in the Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

Author	Time period	Type of design	Method of assessing strain types	Virus strain	Sample size
Areekal et al [16], 2021	2020.06-2020.07	Cross-sectional study	PCR/Rapid Antigen Test	Wild-type strain	311
Backer et al [18], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.01.28	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	88
Backer et al [17], 2020	2021.12.13-2021.12.26	Cohort study	PCR	Multiple strains	258
Bao et al [19], 2020	2020.01.15-2020.02.06	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	57
Brandal et al [20], 2021	2021.11.26-2021.12.13	Case series	PCR/WGS	Omicron variant	81
Bui et al [21], 2020	2020.01.23-2020.04.13	Model study		Wild-type strain	19
Chen et al [22], 2020	2020.01.24-2020.02.13	Case series		Wild-type strain	18
Covid-Epidemiology Investigation Team [23], 2021	2020.12.23-2021.01.31	Case series	PCR/Sequence alignment and phylogenetic analyses	B.1.160.4 variant	31
Dai et al [24], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.02.29	Model study		Wild-type strain	180
Del Águila-Mejía et al [26], 2022	2021.11-2021.12	Cohort study	PCR/WGS	Multiple strains	333
Deng et al [27], 2021	by 2020.03.09	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	43
Deng et al [28], 2020	by 2020.03.31	Model study		Wild-type strain	198
Denis et al [29], 2021	2020.12.15-2020.12.24	Cross-sectional study	PCR/Rapid Antigen Test	Wild-type strain	1676
Ding et al [30], 2020	2020.01.21-2020.03.10	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	27
Dong et al [31], 2020	2020.01.13-2020.02.21	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	16
Du et al [32], 2020	2020.01.08-2020.02.05	Model study		Wild-type strain	109

Gao et al [34], 2020	2020.01.21-2020.02.11	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	24
Gao et al [33], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.03.17	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	12
Grant et al [35], 2022	2021.05.23-2021.08.13	Case control study	PCR	Multiple strains	7553
Guo et al [36], 2020	2020.01.15-2020.03.15	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	85
Han et al [37], 2020	2020.03.28-2020.04.08	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	8
Han et al [39], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.03.10	Cross-sectional study 研究	PCR	Wild-type strain	226
Han et al [38], 2020	2020.01.31-2020.02.16	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	25
Hong et al [40], 2020	2020.01.14-2020.03.09	Model study		Wild-type strain	58
Hua et al [41], 2020	2020.01.01-2020.02.29	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	43
Huang et al [43], 2020	2020.01.08-2020.02.16	Cross-sectional study 研究		Wild-type strain	734
Huang et al [42], 2020	2020.01.22-2020.06.18	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	429
Huang et al [44], 2021	2020.01.01-2020.04.08	Model study		Wild-type strain	787
Je et al [45], 2021	2020.02-2020.04	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	29
Jeong et al [46], 2020	2020.02.22-2020.02.26	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	25
Jiang et al [47], 2020	2020.01.12-2020.02.20	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	43
Jiang et al [48], 2021	2020.01.19-2020.01.23	Model study		Wild-type strain	147
Jin et al [49], 2020	2020.01.17-2020.02.08	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	195
Khonyongwa et al [50], 2020	2020.03.01-2020.04.18	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	44
Ki et al [51], 2020	2020.03.01-2020.06.30	Model study		Wild-type strain	79

Kim et al [52], 2020	2020.02.04-2020.04.07	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	7
Kong et al [53], 2020	2020.01.08-2020.01.27	Case series		Wild-type strain	10
Kong et al [55], 2020	2020.01.22-2020.02.15	Cohort study		Wild-type strain	136
Kong et al [54], 2020	2020.01.25-2020.02.20	Cohort study	PCR/WGS	Wild-type strain	411
Lai et al [56], 2020	2020.01.11-2020.02.10	Cohort study	PCR/WGS	Wild-type strain	330
Lau et al [57], 2021	2020.01.01-2020.01.29	Model study		Wild-type strain	160
Laval et al [25], 2021	2020.02.25-2020.03.04	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	23
Le et al [58], 2020	2020.01-2020.02	Case series	PCR/WGS	Wild-type strain	11
Lee et al [59], 2021	2021.11.24-2021.12.10	Case series	PCR	Omicron variant	80
Lei et al [60], 2020	2020.01.22.2020.02.01	Case series		Wild-type strain	7
Leung et al [61], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.02.12	Model study		Wild-type strain	90
Li et al [63], 2020	2020.01.21-2020.02.09	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	74
Li et al [64], 2022	2021.05.21-2021.06.24	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Delta variant	103
Li et al [62], 2020	2019.12-2020.01	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	10
Linton et al [65], 2020	by 2020.01.31	Model study		Wild-type strain	158
Liu et al [66], 2021	2020.01.20-2020.02.23	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	6
Liu et al [68], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.04.15	Cohort study		Wild-type strain	49
Liu et al [69], 2020	2019.12.25-2020.02.05	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	33
Liu et al [70], 2020	2020.01.28-2020.04.12	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	27
Liu et al [71], 2020	2020.01.22-2020.02.21	Cohort study		Wild-type strain	41

Liu et al [72], 2020	2020.01.23-2020.02.10	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	44
Liu et al [74], 2021	2020.01.01-2020.03.30	Cross-sectional study	PCR/NGS	Wild-type strain	57
Liu et al [67], 2020	by 2020.02.11	Cross-sectional study	PCR/WGS	Wild-type strain	431
Liu et al [73], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.03.17	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	90
Llaque-Quiroz et al [75], 2020	2020.03-2020.05	Cross-sectional study	PCR/Rapid Antigen Test	Wild-type strain	33
Mao et al [76], 2020	by 2020.03.17	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	28
Moazzami et al [77], 2021	2020.04	Case series		Wild-type strain	23
Ng et al [78], 2021	by 2020.03.21	Case series		Wild-type strain	158
Nie et al [79], 2020	2020.01.19-2020.02.08	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	2907
Ogata et al [80], 2022	2020.07.01-2021.09.16	Cohort study	PCR/WGS	Multiple strains	121
Pak et al [81], 2020	2019.12.01-2020.03.30	Model study		Wild-type strain	207
Pan et al [82], 2020	2020.01-2020.02.20	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	18
Patrikar et al [83], 2020	by 2020.05	Model study		Wild-type strain	268
Paul et al [84], 2021	by 2020.11.07	Model study		Unknown strain	211735
Ping et al [85], 2021	2020.01.03-2020.03.05	Cross-sectional study	PCR/WGS	Wild-type strain	90
Pongpirul et al [86], 2020	2020.01.08-2020.04.16	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	83
Pung et al [87], 2020	2020.02.03-2020.02.15	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	19

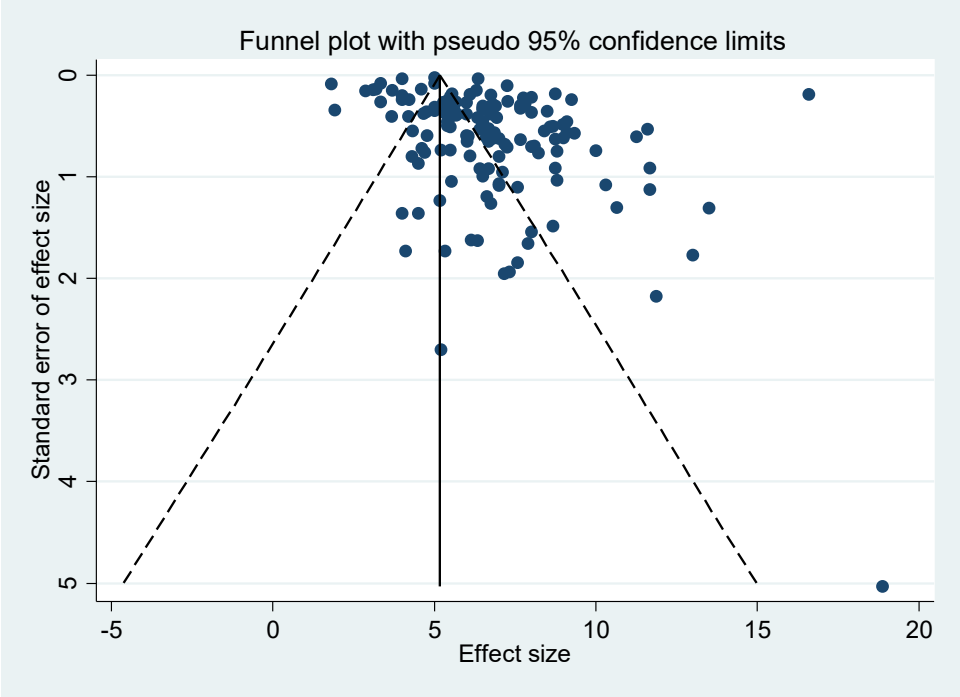
Qi et al [88], 2020	2020.01.13-2020.03.23	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	56
Qian et al [89], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.02.11	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	91
Qiu et al [90], 2020	2020.01.22-2020.02.12	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	104
Ratovoson et al [91], 2021	2020.03.09-2020.07.30	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	32
Ren et al [92], 2020	by 2020.01.23	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	98
Samrah et al [93], 2021	2020.03.15-2020.06.09	Cohort study	PCR	Unknown strain	157
Sanche et al [94], 2020	2020.01.15-2020.01.30	Model study		Wild-type strain	24
Shen et al [95], 2020	2020.01.08-2020.02.19	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	6
Shen et al [96], 2020	2020.01-2020.02	Case series		Wild-type strain	7
Shi et al [97], 2020	2020.01.17-2020.03.05	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	38
Shi et al [98], 2020	2020.01.18-2020.03.02	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	46
Shiel et al [99], 2021	2020.01-2020.06	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Unknown strain	100
Shu et al [100], 2020	by 2020.02.28	Cross-sectional study	PCR/WGS	Wild-type strain	32
Song et al [101], 2020	by 2020.01.26	Model study		Wild-type strain	90
Song et al [102], 2020	2020.01.16-2020.01.29	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	22
Song et al [103], 2020	2020.02-2020.03	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	17
Su et al [104], 2021	2020.01.21-2020.04.18	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	101

Sugano et al [105], 2020	2020.01.15-2020.03.19	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	40
Sun et al [106], 2021	2020.12.23-2021.01.10	Case series	PCR	Unknown strain	19
Sun et al [107], 2020	2020.01.24-2020.02.16	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	
Sun et al [108], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.02.15	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	55
Sun et al [109], 2021	2020.06-2020.07.10	Case series	PCR/WGS	B.1.1 variant	
Sun et al [110], 2020	2020.02	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	
Tan et al [111], 2020	2020.01.23-2020.04.02	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	164
Tanaka et al [112], 2022	2022.01.01-2022.01.28	Cross-sectional study	PCR/Time perid	Multiple strains	77
The SARS-CoV-2 variant with line [113], 2021	2020.12-2021.01	Case series	PCR/WGS	Beta variant	10
Tian et al [114], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.02.10	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	262
Tindale et al [115], 2020	2020.01.21-2020.02.22	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	135
Viego et al [116], 2020	2020.03.20-2020.05.08	Cross-sectional study		Unknown strain	15
Wang et al [158], 2021	by2020.02.26	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	14
Wang et al [117], 2020	2020.01.23-2020.02.20	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	62
Wang et al [118], 2020	2020.01.01-2020.04.03	Cross-sectional study	PCR/NGS	Wild-type strain	219
Wang et al [119], 2020	2020.01.05-2020.02.12	Case series	PCR/WGS	Wild-type strain	14
Wang et al [120], 2020	2020.01.20-2020.02.10	Case series	PCR/WGS	Wild-type strain	275
Wei et al [123], 2021	2020.01.19-2020.03.01	Case series		Wild-type strain	28
Wei et al [122], 2020	2020.01.27-2020.03.11	Case series	PCR/NGS	Wild-type strain	71

Won et al [124], 2021	2020.01.20-2020.02.10	Model study		Wild-type strain	28
Wong et al [125], 2020	2020.03.09-2020.04.05	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	15
Wu et al [128], 2021	-	Cross-sectional study	PCR/WGS	Unknown strain	39
Wu et al [127], 2020	2020.01-2020.02	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	14
Wu et al [126], 2020	by 2020.02.18	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	19
Wu et al [129], 2020	2020.01.23-2020.02.09	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	41
Xiao et al [131], 2020	2020.01.19-2020.03.03	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	44
Xiao et al [133], 2021	by 2020.02.21	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	217
Xiao et al [132], 2020	by 2020.02.12	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	2555
Xiao et al [130], 2020	2020.01.24-2020.02.16	Cross-sectional study	PCR	Wild-type strain	279
Xie et al [134], 2020	2020.01.01-2020.02.15	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	21
Xin et al [135], 2020	2020.07.10-2021.04.02	Model study	PCR	Unknown strain	177
Xu et al [136], 2020	2020.01.23-2020.02.18	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	19
Xu et al [137], 2020	2020.01.10-2020.01.26	Case series		Wild-type strain	56
Yang et al [138], 2020	2020.01.01-2020.02.20	Case series		Wild-type strain	325
Yang et al [139], 2021	2020.01.21-2020.02.25	Case series		Wild-type strain	74
Yang et al [140], 2020	2020.01.25-2020.02.08	Case series	PCR	Wild-type strain	10
You et al [141], 2020	by 2020.03.31	Model study		Wild-type strain	169
Yu et al [143], 2022	2020.01.01-2020.12.31	Model study		Unknown strain	211

Yu et al [142], 2020	by 2020.02.19	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	57
Zhang et al [146], 2021	2020.01.27-2020.02.13	Case series		Wild-type strain	10
Zhang et al [144], 2020	2020.01.19-2020.02.17	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	49
Zhang et al [145], 2020	2020.01.26-2020.02.20	Cohort study	PCR	Wild-type strain	6
Zhang et al [147], 2021	by 2020.03.11	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	139
Zhang et al [148], 2021	-	Cross-sectional study		Unknown strain	353
Zhao et al [151], 2021	by 2020.04.08	Model study		Wild-type strain	254
Zhao et al [152], 2020	2020.01.16-2020.02.17	Case series		Wild-type strain	45
Zhao et al [153], 2021	2020.01.07-2020.05.17	Model study		Unknown strain	102
Zhao et al [150], 2021	2021.05.21-2021.06.18	Cross-sectional study	PCR/WGS	Delta variant	39
Zhao et al [149], 2020	2020.01.21-2020.02.22	Case series		Wild-type strain	26
Zhong et al [154], 2020	2020.01.21-2020.02.10	Case series		Wild-type strain	62
Zhu et al [156], 2021	2020.02.26-2020.04.04	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	197
Zhu et al [155], 2020	by 2020.03.26	Cross-sectional study		Wild-type strain	245
Zhu et al [157], 2021	2021.01.02-2021.02.14	Model study		Unknown strain	869

eFigure 1. Funnel Plot with a 95% Confidence Interval for Included Studies in the Meta-analysis



eFigure 2. Forest Plot for the Meta-analysis of Incubation Period for COVID-19 Caused by Wild-type Strain