Meta-Analysis using Odds Ratios

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1 Load required and new packages

```
if (!require("pacman")) install.packages("pacman")

## Loading required package: pacman

library(pacman)
pacman::p_load("here", "glue", "crayon","readxl", "writexl", "dplyr", "tidyr", "rstatix")
pacman::p_load("metafor", "forestplot")

`%ni%` = Negate(`%in%`)
```

2 Set data paths and details

```
main.path = here::here()
data.path = file.path(main.path, "02 Data")
output.path = file.path(main.path, "04 Outputs")

file.name = "Data - For Analysis.xlsx"
sheet.name = "Final"
output.name = paste0("OUTPUT_", format(Sys.Date(), "%m%d%y"), ".xlsx")
```

3 Load dataset

4 Process data

```
df.final = df
death.overall.df = df.final %>%
 dplyr::filter(Dependent == "Death") %>%
 dplyr::filter(Subset == "All")
outcome.overall.df = df.final %>%
  dplyr::filter(Dependent == "Outcome") %>%
 dplyr::filter(Subset == "All")
outcome.mri.df = df.final %>%
  dplyr::filter(Dependent == "Outcome") %>%
 dplyr::filter(Subset == "MRI")
outcome.time.1yr.df = df.final %>%
 dplyr::filter(Dependent == "Outcome") %>%
 dplyr::filter(Subset == "All") %>%
 dplyr::filter(Outcome_Time == "1 year")
outcome.time.3mo.df = df.final %>%
  dplyr::filter(Dependent == "Outcome") %>%
 dplyr::filter(Subset == "All") %>%
 dplyr::filter(Outcome_Time == "3 months")
```

5 Implement methodology

5.1 For overall death

```
##
## Random-Effects Model (k = 4; tau^2 estimator: REML)
##
##
   logLik deviance
                           AIC
                                     BIC
                                             AICc
## -1.7752
              3.5505
                        7.5505
                                  5.7477
                                          19.5505
##
## tau^2 (estimated amount of total heterogeneity): 0.0176 (SE = 0.0910)
## tau (square root of estimated tau^2 value):
## I^2 (total heterogeneity / total variability):
                                                  13.48%
## H^2 (total variability / sampling variability): 1.16
##
## Test for Heterogeneity:
## Q(df = 3) = 3.3414, p-val = 0.3419
## Model Results:
##
## estimate
            se zval
                              pval ci.lb
    1.3628 0.1697 8.0306 <.0001 1.0302 1.6954 ***
##
##
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```



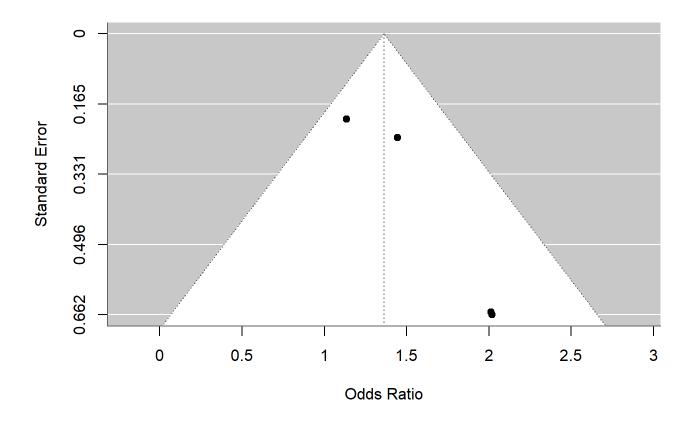
Estimate [95% CI]

```
Li & Liu (2015)
                                                          4.24 [2.63, 6.84]
                               +\blacksquare
Wang et al. (2015)
                                                          3.11 [2.10, 4.61]
He et al. (2017)
                                                         ⊣7.48 [2.07, 27.06]
Shi et al. (2020)
                                                         -7.54 [2.06, 27.57]
Random-Effects Model
                                                          3.91 [2.80, 5.45]
                                 5
                                      10
                                           15
                           0
                                                20
                                                      25
                                                           30
                                      Odds Ratio
```

```
metafor::regtest(death.overall)
```

```
##
## Regression Test for Funnel Plot Asymmetry
##
## Model: mixed-effects meta-regression model
## Predictor: standard error
##
## Test for Funnel Plot Asymmetry: z = 1.6737, p = 0.0942
## Limit Estimate (as sei -> 0): b = 0.8525 (CI: 0.2185, 1.4864)
```

```
metafor::funnel.rma(death.overall, xlab = "Odds Ratio")
```



5.2 For overall outcome

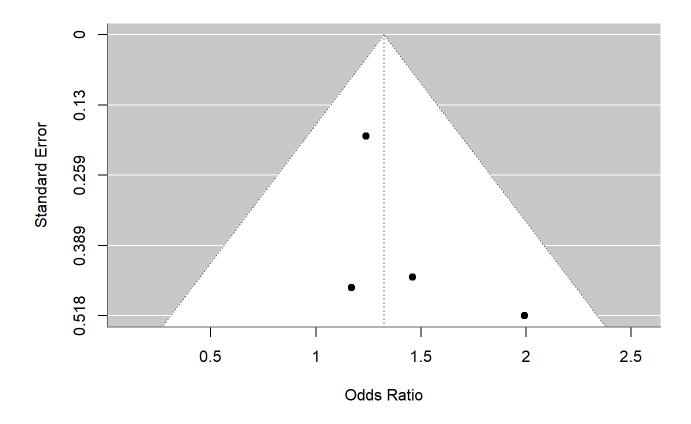
```
##
## Random-Effects Model (k = 4; tau^2 estimator: REML)
##
##
   logLik deviance
                          AIC
                                    BIC
                                             AICc
## -1.0711
              2.1422
                        6.1422
                                  4.3394
                                          18.1422
##
## tau^2 (estimated amount of total heterogeneity): 0 (SE = 0.1033)
## tau (square root of estimated tau^2 value):
## I^2 (total heterogeneity / total variability):
                                                  0.00%
## H^2 (total variability / sampling variability): 1.00
##
## Test for Heterogeneity:
## Q(df = 3) = 2.0825, p-val = 0.5555
## Model Results:
##
## estimate se zval
                             pval ci.lb ci.ub
    1.3246 0.1546 8.5702 <.0001 1.0216 1.6275 ***
##
##
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
Wang et al. (2015)
                                                      4.31 [1.79, 10.35]
Deng, Shen, & Teng (2014)
                                                       3.45 [2.39, 4.98]
He et al. (2017)
                                                      -7.34 [2.66, 20.27]
Shi et al. (2020)
                                                       3.22 [1.29, 8.03]
Random-Effects Model
                                                       3.76 [2.78, 5.09]
                                 5
                                       10
                          0
                                              15
                                                     20
                                                            25
                                      Odds Ratio
```

```
metafor::regtest(outcome.overall)
```

```
##
## Regression Test for Funnel Plot Asymmetry
##
## Model: mixed-effects meta-regression model
## Predictor: standard error
##
## Test for Funnel Plot Asymmetry: z = 0.9230, p = 0.3560
## Limit Estimate (as sei -> 0): b = 1.0291 (CI: 0.3324, 1.7258)
```

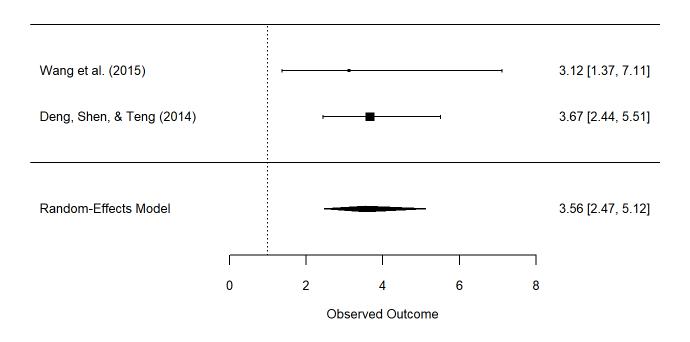
```
metafor::funnel.rma(outcome.overall, xlab = "Odds Ratio")
```



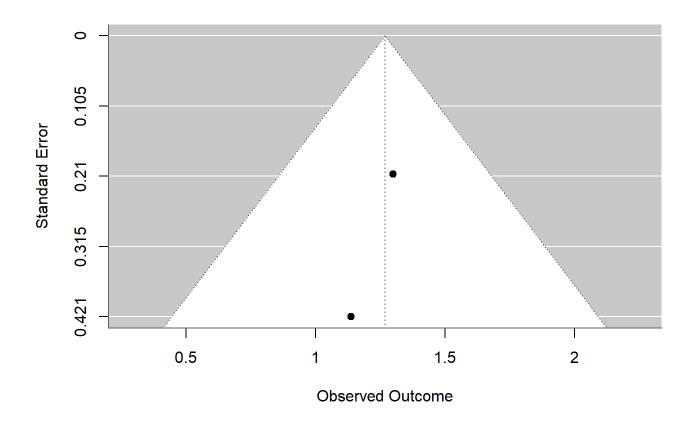
5.3 MRI Outcome

```
##
## Random-Effects Model (k = 2; tau^2 estimator: REML)
##
##
   logLik deviance
                          AIC
                                    BIC
                                             AICc
##
   0.1251
            -0.2502
                        3.7498
                                -0.2502
                                          15.7498
##
## tau^2 (estimated amount of total heterogeneity): 0 (SE = 0.1555)
## tau (square root of estimated tau^2 value):
## I^2 (total heterogeneity / total variability):
                                                  0.00%
## H^2 (total variability / sampling variability): 1.00
##
## Test for Heterogeneity:
## Q(df = 1) = 0.1199, p-val = 0.7291
## Model Results:
##
## estimate se zval
                             pval
                                  ci.lb
    1.2685 0.1859 6.8229 <.0001 0.9041 1.6328 ***
##
##
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Study Estimate [95% CI]



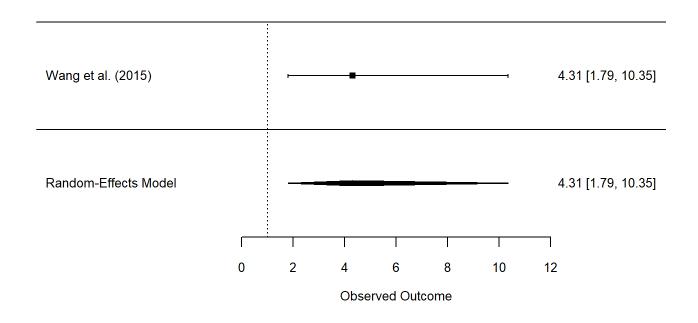
metafor::funnel.rma(outcome.mri)



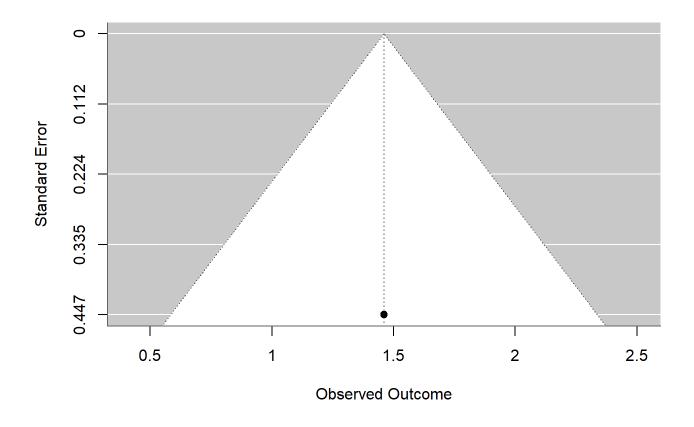
5.4 Outcome in 1 year

```
##
## Random-Effects Model (k = 1; tau^2 estimator: REML)
##
##
   logLik deviance
                           AIC
                                    BIC
                                             AICc
   0.0000
##
            -0.0000
                        4.0000
                                    -Inf
                                           16.0000
##
## tau^2 (estimated amount of total heterogeneity): 0
## tau (square root of estimated tau^2 value):
## I^2 (total heterogeneity / total variability):
                                                  0.00%
## H^2 (total variability / sampling variability): 1.00
##
## Test for Heterogeneity:
## Q(df = 0) = 0.0000, p-val = 1.0000
## Model Results:
##
## estimate
            se zval
                              pval
                                   ci.lb
    1.4609 0.4472 3.2668 0.0011 0.5844 2.3374 **
##
##
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```





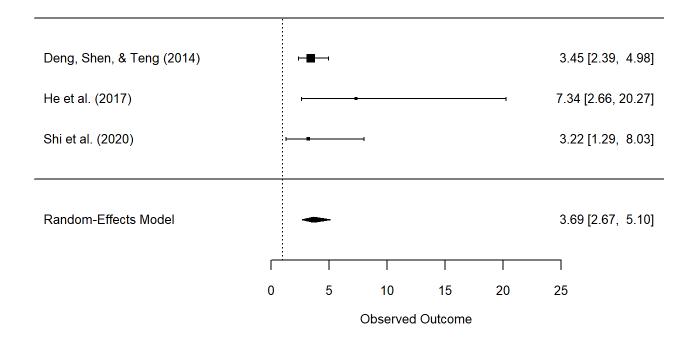
metafor::funnel.rma(outcome.time.1yr)



5.5 Outcome in 3 months

```
##
## Random-Effects Model (k = 3; tau^2 estimator: REML)
##
##
   logLik deviance
                           AIC
                                     BIC
                                              AICc
## -0.9843
              1.9687
                        5.9687
                                  3.3550
                                           17.9687
##
## tau^2 (estimated amount of total heterogeneity): 0.0000 (SE = 0.1340)
## tau (square root of estimated tau^2 value):
                                                  0.0008
## I^2 (total heterogeneity / total variability):
                                                  0.00%
## H^2 (total variability / sampling variability): 1.00
##
## Test for Heterogeneity:
## Q(df = 2) = 1.9769, p-val = 0.3722
## Model Results:
##
## estimate
             se zval
                              pval
                                   ci.lb
    1.3061 0.1647 7.9298 <.0001 0.9833 1.6289 ***
##
##
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

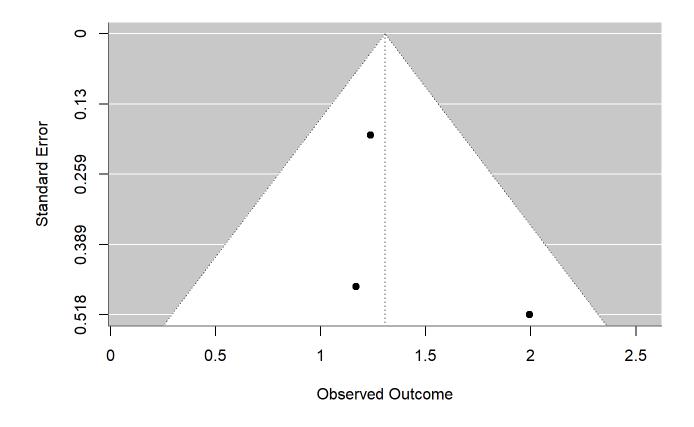
Study Estimate [95% CI]



```
metafor::regtest(outcome.time.3mo)
```

```
##
## Regression Test for Funnel Plot Asymmetry
##
## Model: mixed-effects meta-regression model
## Predictor: standard error
##
## Test for Funnel Plot Asymmetry: z = 0.7491, p = 0.4538
## Limit Estimate (as sei -> 0): b = 0.9973 (CI: -0.0381, 2.0326)
```

```
metafor::funnel.rma(outcome.time.3mo)
```



6 Export necessary data

```
export.list = list()

if(length(export.list) != 0){
    if (!file.exists(file.path(output.path, output.name))) {
        writexl::write_xlsx(export.list, file.path(output.path, output.name))
        cat(crayon::green("File successfully written."))
} else {
    cat(crayon::red(glue::glue("Filename already used: {output.name}")))
    overwrite = readline(prompt = "Overwrite (1 for Yes, 0 for No): ")
    if (overwrite == "1") {
        writexl::write_xlsx(export.list, file.path(output.path, output.name))
        cat(crayon::green("File successfully overwritten"))
    } else {
        cat(crayon::red("File not overwritten"))
    }
}
```