

Table. Reconciliation of studies included with prior meta-analyses.

| Study | Current meta-analysis | Rothrock 2020 PMID: 32593430 | Sherwin, 2017 PMID 28916120 | Sterling, 2015 PMID 26121073 | Siddiqui, 2010 (Cochrane) PMID 20927754 |
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| Abe (FORECAST), 2019 | No (2) | Yes | | | |
| Alam 2018 | No (1,4) | Yes | | | |
| Ascuntar, 2020 | Yes | Not discussed | | | |
| Badhdadi, 2020 | No (1,3) | Yes | | | |
| Bloos, 2014 | Yes | Yes | | | |
| Castaño, 2019 | No (1) | Yes | | | |
| De Groot, 2015 | No (1,4) | Yes | | | |
| Drumheller, 2016 | No (1,2,3) | Yes | | | |
| Ferrer, 2014 | No (1) | Yes | | | |
| Filbin, 2020 | No (1,2,3) | Yes | | | |
| Gaieski, 2011 | Yes | Not discussed | | | |
| Hwang, 2019 | No (2,3) | Yes | | | |
| Ko, 2006 | Yes | Not discussed | | | |
| Kumar, 2019 | Yes | Not discussed | | | |
| Leisman, 2019 | No (1,2,3,4) | Yes | | | |
| Peltan, 2019 | No (1,2,4) | Yes | | | |
| Puskarich, 2011 | Yes | Yes | | | |
| Ryoo, 2015 | No (2) | Yes | | | |
| Yokota, 2014 | No (1,2)s | Yes | | | |
| Whiles, 2017 | No (1) | Yes | | | |

Notes:

1. Did not report mortality for antibiotics before one hour versus longer
2. Did not confirm that all choices of antibiotics were adequate.
3. Did not adjust the odds ratio for survival
4. Did not restrict patients to those with septic shock or severe sepsis.