

Supplementary material for:

Prevalence of *Borrelia burgdorferi* in Ixodidae tick around Asia: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Supplementary Material 1: Assessment of risk of bias

Items
Was the study's target population a close representation of the population in relation to relevant variables?
0. No or Unclear
1. Clear description of infection diagnosis: Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR), immunofluorescent antibody assay (IFA), Direct Immunofluorescent Assay (DFA), Spirochete Culture, and so on
Was the sampling frame a true or close representation of the target population?
0. No or Unclear
1. Yes
Was some form of random selection used to select the sample, OR was a census undertaken?
0. No or Unclear
1. Yes
Was the likelihood of nonresponse bias minimal?
0. No or Unclear
1. Yes
Were data collected directly from the subjects (as opposed to a proxy)?
0. No: proxy, databases, medical reports only
1. Directly from the subjects
Was an acceptable case definition of positive infection used in the study?
0. Unclear
1. Laboratory-based
Was the study method that diagnosed Positive <i>B.burgdorferi</i> infection shown to have validity and reliability?
0. No description of the method
1. Yes: Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR), immunofluorescent antibody assay (IFA), Direct Immunofluorescent Assay (DFA), Spirochete Culture, and so on
Was the same mode of data collection used for all subjects?
0. No or Unclear
1. Yes
Was the length of the shortest prevalence period for the parameter of interest appropriate?
0. No or Unclear
1. Yes
Were the numerator(s) and denominator(s) for the parameter of interest appropriate and clearly reported?
0. No or Unclear
1. Yes

Study	Authors	Score	Low risk	Moderate risk	High risk
1	Gao Y (2021)	10	+	-	-
2	Seo HJ (2021)	8	-	+	-
3	Wang Q (2021)	10	+	-	-
4	Seo MG (2020)	8	-	+	-
5	Kim SY (2020)	9	+	-	-
6	Nakayama S (2020)	8	-	+	-
7	Seto J (2020)	10	+	-	-
8	Orkun Ö (2020)	9	+	-	-
9	Kaenkan W (2020)	9	+	-	-
10	Fischer T (2020)	10	+	-	-
11	Ghafar A (2020)	9	+	-	-
12	Rar V (2019)	9	+	-	-
13	Pukhovskaya NM (2019)	8	-	+	-
14	Kim CM (2019)	10	+	-	-
15	Duan CJ (2019)	9	+	-	-
16	Jiang BG (2018)	10	+	-	-
17	Hagen RM (2018)	9	+	-	-
18	Narankhajid M (2018)	8	-	+	-
19	Zheng WQ (2018)	8	-	+	-
20	Khoo JJ (2018)	8	-	+	-
21	Ye NN (2018)	9	+	-	-
22	Qin LX (2018)	7	-	+	-
23	Yang Y (2018)	9	+	-	-
24	Tang F (2018)	9	+	-	-
25	Liu XY (2017)	10	+	-	-
26	Karasartova D (2017)	10	+	-	-
27	Kuo CC (2017)	7	-	+	-
28	Pan YP (2017)	8	-	+	-
29	Li HY (2017)	10	+	-	-
30	Sakakibara K (2016)	9	+	-	-
31	Khasnatinov MA (2016)	9	+	-	-
32	Yu PF (2016)	9	+	-	-
33	Yang Y (2016)	8	-	+	-
34	Zang F (2016)	10	+	-	-
35	Han H (2016)	9	+	-	-
36	Yang J (2016)	9	+	-	-
37	Hong XK (2016)	9	+	-	-
38	Liu L (2015)	9	+	-	-
39	Chen C (2015)	8	-	+	-
40	Han H (2015)	10	+	-	-
41	Wang XR (2015)	9	+	-	-
42	Chen Z (2014)	10	+	-	-
43	Takano A (2014)	10	+	-	-
44	Lee K (2014)	10	+	-	-
45	Hou J (2014)	8	-	+	-

46	Masuzawa T (2014)	9	+	-	-
47	Orkun O (2014)	8	-	+	-
48	Wang W (2013)	9	+	-	-
49	Sun X (2013)	9	+	-	-
50	Wang XL (2013)	8	-	+	-
51	Murase Y (2012)	9	+	-	-
52	Chao LL (2012)	8	-	+	-
53	Scholz HC (2012)	9	+	-	-
54	Li YP (2012)	10	+	-	-
55	Ahantarig A (2011)	10	+	-	-
56	Sen E (2011)	8	-	+	-
57	Yang Y (2011)	9	+	-	-
58	Huang CM (2010)	8	-	+	-
59	Chao LL (2010)	8	-	+	-
60	Geng Z (2010)	8	-	+	-
61	Niu QL (2010)	10	+	-	-
62	Chao LL (2009)	7	-	+	-
63	Wang CS (2009)	8	-	+	-
64	Chu CY (2008)	9	+	-	-
65	He H (2007)	9	+	-	-
66	Gao LY (2007)	9	+	-	-
67	Chu CY (2006)	10	+	-	-
68	Huang HM (2006)	9	+	-	-
69	Hiroko H (2005)	9	+	-	-
70	Zhao QM (2005)	10	+	-	-
71	Güner ES (2003)	9	+	-	-
72	Cao WC (2003)	10	+	-	-
73	Wang ZX (2003)	7	-	+	-
74	Takada N (2001)	9	+	-	-
75	Ishiguro F (2000)	8	-	+	-
76	Hua MT (2000)	9	+	-	-
77	Tian W (1998)	10	+	-	-
78	Takada N (1998)	9	+	-	-
79	Wan KL (1998)	8	-	+	-
80	Seo MG (2020)	8	-	+	-
81	Miyamoto K (1997)	9	+	-	-
82	Sato Y (1996)	10	+	-	-
83	NAKAO M (1992)	8	-	+	-
84	Takada N (1994)	9	+	-	-
85	Mo YM (1994)	7	-	+	-
86	NAKAO M (1992)	9	+	-	-
87	Miyamoto K (1992)	7	-	+	-
88	Du Y (1992)	9	+	-	-
89	Zhag QN (1991)	8		+	-
90	Ai CX (1990)	9	+	-	-
91	Li SQ (1990)	9	+	-	-

Supplementary Material 2: PRISMA checklist

Section/topic	#	Checklist item	Reported on page #
TITLE			
Title	1	Identify the report as a systematic review, meta-analysis, or both.	Title
ABSTRACT			
Structured summary	2	Provide a structured summary including, as applicable: background; objectives; data sources; study eligibility criteria, participants, and interventions; study appraisal and synthesis methods; results; limitations; conclusions and implications of key findings; systematic review registration number.	Abstract
INTRODUCTION			
Rationale	3	Describe the rationale for the review in the context of what is already known.	Introduction, paragraph 1-3
Objectives	4	Provide an explicit statement of questions being addressed with reference to participants, interventions, comparisons, outcomes, and study design (PICOS).	Introduction, paragraph 4
METHODS			
Protocol and registration	5	Indicate if a review protocol exists, if and where it can be accessed (e.g., Web address), and, if available, provide registration information including registration number.	Methods, paragraph 1-8
Eligibility criteria	6	Specify study characteristics (e.g., PICOS, length of follow-up) and report characteristics (e.g., years considered, language, publication status) used as criteria for eligibility, giving rationale.	Methods, paragraph 2
Information sources	7	Describe all information sources (e.g., databases with dates of coverage, contact with study authors to identify additional studies) in the search and date last searched.	Methods, paragraph 1
Search	8	Present full electronic search strategy for at least one database, including any limits used, such that it could be repeated.	Methods, paragraph 1
Study selection	9	State the process for selecting studies (i.e., screening, eligibility, included in systematic review, and, if applicable, included in the meta-analysis).	Methods, paragraph 2
Data collection process	10	Describe method of data extraction from reports (e.g., piloted forms, independently, in duplicate) and any processes for obtaining and confirming data from investigators.	Methods, paragraph 2-3
Data items	11	List and define all variables for which data were sought (e.g., PICOS, funding sources) and any assumptions and simplifications made.	Methods, paragraph 3
Risk of bias in individual studies	12	Describe methods used for assessing risk of bias of individual studies (including specification of whether this was done at the study or outcome level), and how this information is to be used in any data synthesis.	Methods, paragraph 4
Summary measures	13	State the principal summary measures (e.g., risk ratio, difference in means).	Methods, paragraph 4-6
Synthesis of results	14	Describe the methods of handling data and combining results of studies, if done, including measures of consistency (e.g., I^2) for each meta-analysis.	Methods, paragraph 4-6

Risk of bias across studies	15	Specify any assessment of risk of bias that may affect the cumulative evidence (e.g., publication bias, selective reporting within studies).	Methods, paragraph 4
Additional analyses	16	Describe methods of additional analyses (e.g., sensitivity or subgroup analyses, meta-regression), if done, indicating which were pre-specified.	Methods, paragraph 4
RESULTS			
Study selection	17	Give numbers of studies screened, assessed for eligibility, and included in the review, with reasons for exclusions at each stage, ideally with a flow diagram.	Results, paragraph 1 Figure1
Study characteristics	18	For each study, present characteristics for which data were extracted (e.g., study size, PICOS, follow-up period) and provide the citations.	Results, paragraph 2 Table 1
Risk of bias within studies	19	Present data on risk of bias of each study and, if available, any outcome level assessment (see item 12).	Results, paragraph 2
Results of individual studies	20	For all outcomes considered (benefits or harms), present, for each study: (a) simple summary data for each intervention group (b) effect estimates and confidence intervals, ideally with a forest plot.	Results, paragraph 3 Figure 2
Synthesis of results	21	Present results of each meta-analysis done, including confidence intervals and measures of consistency.	Results, paragraph 2-4 Table1
Risk of bias across studies	22	Present results of any assessment of risk of bias across studies (see Item 15).	Results, paragraph 7 Figure 1-3 Table 1
Additional analysis	23	Give results of additional analyses, if done (e.g., sensitivity or subgroup analyses, meta-regression [see Item 16]).	Supplementary
DISCUSSION			
Summary of evidence	24	Summarize the main findings including the strength of evidence for each main outcome; consider their relevance to key groups (e.g., healthcare providers, users, and policy makers).	Discussion, paragraph 1-6
Limitations	25	Discuss limitations at study and outcome level (e.g., risk of bias), and at review-level (e.g., incomplete retrieval of identified research, reporting bias).	Discussion, paragraph 6
Conclusions	26	Provide a general interpretation of the results in the context of other evidence, and implications for future research.	Discussion, paragraph 6
FUNDING			
Funding	27	Describe sources of funding for the systematic review and other support (e.g., supply of data); role of funders for the systematic review.	Acknowledgments

Supplementary Material 3: Meta-analysis included articles

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Supplementary Material 4: Study characteristic

Study	Authors	Event	No	Country	Method	Phase	Captu re month	Genus	No.infection/No.examined
1	Gao Y (2021)	10	774	China	PCR	-	4-9	264 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 127 <i>D. nuttalli</i> , 78 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 275 <i>H. longicornis</i> 40 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 230 <i>I. turdus</i> , 74 <i>H. flava</i> , 2 <i>H. formosensis</i> , 29 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 4 <i>H. phasiana</i> , 1 <i>A. testudinarium</i> 120 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 21 <i>D. nuttalli</i> ,	7/264 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 1/127 <i>D. nuttalli</i> , 1/78 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 1/275 <i>H. longicornis</i> 0/40 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 14/230 <i>I. turdus</i> , 1/74 <i>H. flava</i> , 0/2 <i>H. formosensis</i> , 0/29 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 0/4 <i>H. phasiana</i> , 0/1 <i>A. testudinarium</i>
2	Seo HJ (2021)	15	380	South Korea	PCR	adult, larva, nymph	-	4 H. phasiana, 1 <i>A. testudinarium</i> 120 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 21 <i>D. nuttalli</i> , 47 <i>H. concinna</i> , 38 <i>H. japonica</i> , 42 <i>I. persulcatus</i>	1/74 <i>H. flava</i> , 0/2 <i>H. formosensis</i> , 0/29 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 0/4 <i>H. phasiana</i> , 0/1 <i>A. testudinarium</i>
3	Wang Q (2021)	18	250	China	PCR	adult, nymph	4-6	47 <i>H. concinna</i> , 38 <i>H. japonica</i> , 42 <i>I. persulcatus</i>	1/120 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 0/21 <i>D. nuttalli</i> , 2/47 <i>H. concinna</i> , 2/38 <i>H. japonica</i> , 13/42 <i>I. persulcatus</i>
4	Seo MG (2020)	6	329	South Korea	PCR	adult, nymph	5-9	14 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 282 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 33 <i>H. flava</i>	2/14 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 3/282 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 1/33 <i>H. flava</i>
5	Kim SY (2020)	248	738	South Korea	PCR	larva, nymph	3-5, 9- 11	193 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 96 <i>I. angustus</i> , 440 <i>I. spp.</i> , 9 <i>H. longicornis</i> 3 <i>I. turdus</i> , 5 <i>I. ovatus</i> , 22 <i>A. testudinarium</i> , 213 <i>H. flava</i> , 78 <i>H. formosensis</i> , 24 <i>H. kitaokai</i> , 137 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 15 <i>H. hystricis</i> , 28 <i>H. megaspinosa</i>	109/193 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 3/96 <i>I. angustus</i> , 135/440 <i>I. spp.</i> , 1/9 <i>H. longicornis</i> 1/3 <i>I. turdus</i> , 0/5 <i>I. ovatus</i> , 0/22 <i>A. testudinarium</i> , 0/213 <i>H. flava</i> , 0/78 <i>H. formosensis</i> ,
6	Nakayama S (2020)	2	561	Japan	PCR	adult, larva, nymph	1-12	37 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 95 <i>I. ovatus</i> , 4 <i>I. tanuki</i> , 30 <i>I. ricinus</i> , 739 <i>H. parva</i> , 16 <i>H. sulcata</i> , 3 <i>H. punctata</i> , 105 <i>H. marginatum</i> , 11 <i>H. excavatum</i> , 9 <i>H. aegyptium</i> , 41 <i>D. marginatus</i> , 2 <i>D. reticulatus</i> , 9 <i>Rh. turanicus</i>	0/24 <i>H. kitaokai</i> , 0/137 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 0/15 <i>H. hystricis</i> , 1/28 <i>H. megaspinosa</i> 1/9 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 11/95 <i>I. ovatus</i> , 0/37 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 0/4 <i>I. tanuki</i> , 0/7 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 0/10 <i>H. flava</i> , 0/2 <i>H. japonica</i>
7	Seto J (2020)	12	164	Japan	PCR	adult	3-7	37 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 7 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 10 <i>H. flava</i> , 2 <i>H. japonica</i>	3/30 <i>I. ricinus</i> , 0/739 <i>H. parva</i> , 0/16 <i>H. sulcata</i> , 0/3 <i>H. punctata</i> , 0/105 <i>H. marginatum</i> , 0/11 <i>H. excavatum</i> , 0/9 <i>H. aegyptium</i> , 0/41 <i>D. marginatus</i> , 0/2 <i>D. reticulatus</i> , 0/9 <i>Rh. turanicus</i>
8	Orkun Ö (2020)	3	1019	Turkey	PCR	adult, nymph	-		

9	Kaenkan W (2020)	20	127	Thailand	PCR	adult, nymph	-	28 <i>A. helvolum</i> , 62 <i>A. varanense</i> , 31 <i>A. geoemydae</i> , 6 <i>A. spp</i>	1/28 <i>A. helvolum</i> , 17/62 <i>A. varanense</i> , 2/31 <i>A. geoemydae</i> , 0/6 <i>A. spp</i>
10	Fischer T (2020)	1	310	Mongolia	PCR	adult	5-6	310 <i>D. nuttalli</i>	1/310 <i>D. nuttalli</i>
11	Ghafar A (2020)	15	234	Pakistan	PCR	-	9-11	212 <i>Hy. Anatolicum</i> , 3 <i>Hy. Hussaini</i> , 1 <i>Hy. Scupense</i> , 17 <i>Rh. Microplus</i> , 1 <i>Rh. annulatus</i>	14/212 <i>Hy. Anatolicum</i> , 0/3 <i>Hy.</i> <i>Hussaini</i> , 0/1 <i>Hy. Scupense</i> , 1/17 <i>Rh. Microplus</i> , 0/1 <i>Rh. annulatus</i>
12	Rar V (2019)	742	1822	Russia (Siberia)	PCR	-	5-6	668 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 1154 <i>I. pavlovskiyi</i>	252/668 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 490/1154 <i>I.</i> <i>pavlovskiyi</i>
13	Pukhovskaya NM (2019)	605	2158	Russia (Siberia)	PCR	-	-	1599 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 481 <i>H. concinna</i> , 49 <i>H. japonica</i> , 29 <i>D. silvarum</i>	582/1599 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 14/481 <i>H.</i> <i>concinna</i> , 7/49 <i>H. japonica</i> , 2/29 <i>D. silvarum</i>
14	Kim CM (2019)	5	484	South Korea	PCR	adult, larva, nymph	4-9	25 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 417 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 42 <i>H. flava</i>	5/25 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 0/417 <i>H.</i> <i>longicornis</i> , 0/42 <i>H. flava</i>
15	Duan CJ (2019)	3	724	China	other	-	3	724 <i>R(B). microplus</i>	3/724 <i>R(B). microplus</i>
16	Jiang BG (2018)	20	692	China	PCR	adult	-	627 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 36 <i>H. concinna</i> , 29 <i>D. silvarum</i>	19/627 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 1/36 <i>H. concinna</i> , 0/29 <i>D. silvarum</i>
17	Hagen RM (2018)	23	403	South Korea	PCR	adult, nymph	-	255 <i>A. variegatum</i> , 148 <i>R. microplus</i>	21/255 <i>A. variegatum</i> , 2/148 <i>R.</i> <i>microplus</i>
18	Narankhajid M (2018)	9	360	Mongolia	PCR	adult	-	16 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 402 <i>D. nuttalli</i> , 44 <i>D. marginatus</i> , 6 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 60 <i>H. asiaticum</i>	2/7 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 6/272 <i>D. nuttalli</i> , 0/35 <i>D. marginatus</i> , 0/2 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 1/44 <i>H. asiaticum</i>
19	Zheng WQ (2018)	3	311	China	PCR	adult, larva, nymph	-	16 <i>I. granulatus</i> , 1 <i>I. acuminatus</i> , 4 <i>I. sinensis</i> , 173 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 21 <i>H.</i> <i>flava</i> , 77 <i>R. microplus</i> , 5 <i>H. phasiana</i> , 9 <i>R. sanguineus</i> , 3 <i>R. haemaphysaloides</i> , 1 <i>A. testudinarium</i> , 1 <i>D. auratus</i>	3/16 <i>I. granulatus</i> , 0/1 <i>I. acuminatus</i> , 0/4 <i>I. sinensis</i> , 0/173 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 0/21 <i>H. flava</i> , 0/77 <i>R. microplus</i> , 0/5 <i>H. phasiana</i> , 0/9 <i>R. sanguineus</i> , 0/3 <i>R.</i> <i>haemaphysaloides</i> , 0/1 <i>A. testudinarium</i> , 0/1 <i>D. auratus</i>
20	Khoo JJ (2018)	72	156	Malaysia	PCR	-	1-12	122 <i>I. granulatus</i> , 24 <i>D. spp</i> , 3 <i>A. spp</i>	72/122 <i>I. granulatus</i> , 0/24 <i>D. spp</i> , 0/3 <i>A.</i> <i>spp</i>
21	Ye NN (2018)	0	1111	China	PCR	-	4-10	1054 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 236 <i>H. concinna</i> , 53 <i>I. persulcatus</i>	0/1054 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 0/236 <i>H. concinna</i> , 0/53 <i>I. persulcatus</i>

22	Qin LX (2018)	51	96	China	PCR	-	-	96 <i>D. spp</i>	51/96 <i>D. spp</i>
23	Yang Y (2018)	20	388	China	PCR	-	5-7	267 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 559 <i>D. nuttalli</i>	0/125 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 20/263 <i>D. nuttalli</i>
24	Tang F (2018)	86	320	China	PCR	-	4-6	293 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 22 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 5 <i>H. concinna</i>	85/293 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 1/22 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 0/5 <i>H. concinna</i>
25	Liu XY (2017)	0	500	China	PCR	adult	1-12	500 <i>H. longicornis</i>	0/500 <i>H. longicornis</i>
26	Karasartova D (2017)	1	322	Turkey	PCR	-	-	4 <i>I. ricinus</i> , 164 <i>H. marginatum</i> , 5 <i>H. excavatum</i> , 1 <i>H. aegyptium</i> , 41 <i>H. Parva</i> , 6 <i>H. Punctata</i> , 1 <i>H. Sulcata</i> , 46 <i>H. spp.</i> , 34 <i>R. turanicus</i> , 3 <i>R. bursa</i> , 17 <i>D. marginatus</i> 42 <i>H. doenitzi</i> , 1 <i>H. flava</i> , 2 <i>H. formosensis</i> , 12 <i>H. hystricis</i> , 21 <i>H. ornithophila</i> ,	1/4 <i>I. ricinus</i> , 0/164 <i>H. marginatum</i> , 0/5 <i>H. excavatum</i> , 0/1 <i>H. aegyptium</i> , 0/41 <i>H. Parva</i> , 0/6 <i>H. Punctata</i> , 0/1 <i>H. Sulcata</i> , 0/46 <i>H. spp.</i> , 0/34 <i>R. turanicus</i> , 0/3 <i>R. bursa</i> , 0/17 <i>D. marginatus</i>
27	Kuo CC (2017)	5	85	China	PCR	adult, larva, nymph	1-12	17 <i>H. wellingtoni</i> , 17 <i>I. columnae</i> , 6 <i>A. spp</i> 5 <i>I. granulatus</i> , 1 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 4 <i>I. turdus</i> , 1 <i>R. haemaphysaloides</i> , 4 <i>I. spp</i> , 6 <i>H. spp</i> ,	3/4 <i>I. granulatus</i> , 2/5 <i>I. turdus</i> , 0/24 <i>H. doenitzi</i> , 0/1 <i>H. flava</i> , 0/1 <i>H. formosensis</i> , 0/9 <i>H. hystricis</i> , 0/6 <i>H. ornithophila</i> , 0/8 <i>H. wellingtoni</i> , 0/17 <i>I. columnae</i> , 0/1 <i>I. nipponensis</i> , 0/1 <i>R. haemaphysaloides</i> , 0/3 <i>H. spp.</i> , 0/5 <i>A. spp</i> .
28	Pan YP (2017)	5	25	China	PCR	adult	4-5	25 <i>I. persulcatus</i>	5/25 <i>I. persulcatus</i>
29	Li HY (2017)	97	546	China	PCR	-	4-5	210 <i>H. asiaticum</i> , 209 <i>H. punctate</i> , 61 <i>D. nuttalli</i> , 40 <i>D. marginatus</i> , 26 <i>R. turanicus</i>	-
30	Sakakibara K (2016)	1	248	Turkey	PCR	adult	6	248 <i>I. ricinus</i>	1/248 <i>I. ricinus</i>
31	Khasnatino v MA (2016)	90	445	Russia (Siberia)	PCR	adult	-	445 <i>I. persulcatus</i>	0/445 <i>I. persulcatus</i>
32	Yu PF (2016)	156	849	China	PCR	-	-	34 <i>H. bispinosa</i> , 165 <i>D. silvarum</i> ,	11/ 34 <i>H. bispinosa</i> , 3/165 <i>D. silvarum</i> ,

33	Yang Y (2016)	0	178	China	PCR	-	-	213 <i>R. (B.) microplus</i> , 125 <i>H. qinghaiensis</i> , 186 <i>R. sanguineus</i> , 84 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 42 <i>I. persulcatus</i>	18/213 <i>R. (B.) microplus</i> , 18/42 <i>I. persulcatus</i>
34	Zang F (2016)	97	618	China	PCR	adult	3-4	249 <i>D. nuttalli</i> , 152 <i>H. garhwalensis</i> , 217 <i>H. qinghaiensis</i>	3/125 <i>H. qinghaiensis</i> , 65/84 <i>H. longicornis</i>
35	Han H (2016)	3	232	China	PCR	-	-	69 <i>H. nepalensis</i> , 5 <i>H. formosensis</i> , 86 <i>R. microplus</i> , 72 unidentified	38/186 <i>R. sanguineus</i>
36	Yang J (2016)	0	257	China	PCR	-	4-6	106 <i>H. concinna</i> , 84 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 66 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 1 <i>H. japonica</i>	0/178 <i>H. asiaticum</i>
37	Hong XK (2016)	2	90	China	PCR	-	3-10	-	28/249 <i>D. nuttalli</i> , 22/152 <i>H. garhwalensis</i> , 47/217 <i>H. qinghaiensis</i>
38	Liu L (2015)	0	292	China	PCR	adult	5-6	113 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 179 <i>D. nuttalli</i>	3/86 <i>R. microplus</i> , 0/69 <i>H. nepalensis</i> , 0/5 <i>H. formosensis</i> , 0/72 unidentified
39	Cheng C (2015)	4	44	China	PCR	-	4-6	8 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 34 <i>H. concinna</i> , 2 <i>D. silvarum</i>	0/106 <i>H. concinna</i> , 0/84 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 0/66 <i>D. silvarum</i> , 0/1 <i>H. japonica</i>
40	Han H (2015)	12	643	China	PCR	-	5	573 <i>H. concinna</i> , 70 <i>I. persulcatus</i>	0/113 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 0/179 <i>D. nuttalli</i>
41	Wang XR(2015)	53	227	China	other	-	3-8	117 <i>H. qinghaiensis</i> , 110 <i>D. nuttalli</i>	3/8 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 1/34 <i>H. concinna</i> , 0/2 <i>D. silvarum</i>
42	Chen Z (2014)	0	308	China	PCR	adult, larva, nymph	4-12	298 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 10 <i>R. microplus</i>	1/573 <i>H. concinna</i> , 11/70 <i>I. persulcatus</i>
43	Takano A (2014)	77	4325	Japan	PCR	adult	4-7	3532 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 117 <i>I. pavlovskyi</i> , 676 <i>I. ovatus</i>	28/117 <i>H. qinghaiensis</i> , 25/110 <i>D. nuttalli</i>
44	Lee K (2014)	6	670	Japan	PCR	adult, nymph	5-9	670 <i>H. spp.</i>	0/298 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 0/10 <i>R. microplus</i>
45	Hou J (2014)	21	447	China	PCR	adult	1-12	212 <i>H. longicornis</i> , 20 <i>R. haemaphysaloides</i> , 29 <i>A. testudinarium</i> , 94 <i>I. sinensis</i> , 20 <i>B. microplus</i> , 19 <i>H. yensi</i> , 9 <i>D. taiwanensis</i> , 5 <i>H. hystricis</i> ,	71/3532 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 5/117 <i>I. pavlovskyi</i> , 1/676 <i>I. ovatus</i>
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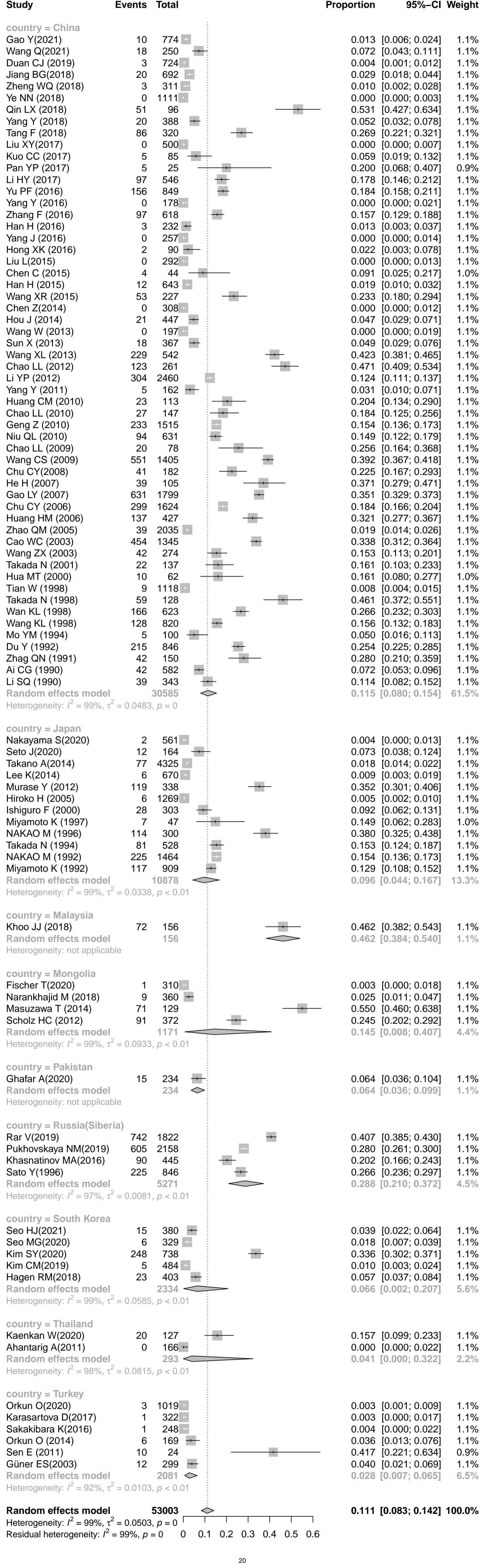
								1 <i>H. asiaticum</i> , 36 <i>I. granulatus</i> , 2 <i>I. ovatus</i>	0/1 <i>H. asiaticum</i> , 7/36 <i>I. granulatus</i> , 0/2 <i>I. ovatus</i>
46	Masuzawa T (2014)	71	129	Mongolia	PCR	-	6	129 <i>I. persulcatus</i>	71/129 <i>I. persulcatus</i>
47	Orkun O (2014)	6	169	Turkey	PCR	-	1-12	17 <i>H. excavatum</i> , 30 <i>H. marginatum</i> , 6 <i>Hy. spp.</i> , 35 <i>H. Parva</i> , 28 <i>R. turanicus</i> , 25 <i>D. marginatus</i> , 16 <i>H. aegyptium</i> , 3 <i>H. punctata</i> , 3 <i>R. bursa</i> , 3 <i>R. sanguineus</i> , 2 <i>I. ricinus</i> , 1 <i>H. spp.</i>	1/17 <i>H. excavatum</i> , 1/30 <i>H. marginatum</i> , 2/6 <i>Hy. spp.</i> , 2/35 <i>H. Parva</i> , 0/28 <i>R. turanicus</i> , 0/25 <i>D. marginatus</i> , 0/16 <i>H. aegyptium</i> , 0/3 <i>H. punctata</i> , 0/3 <i>R. bursa</i> , 0/3 <i>R. sanguineus</i> , 0/2 <i>I. ricinus</i> , 0/1 <i>H. spp.</i> 0/58 <i>I. persulcatus</i> , 0/139 <i>H. longicornis</i>
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49	Sun X (2013)	18	367	China	PCR	-	4	174 <i>H. asiaticum</i> , 138 <i>R. pumilio</i> , 14 <i>R. turanicus</i> , 41 <i>D. marginatus</i>	-
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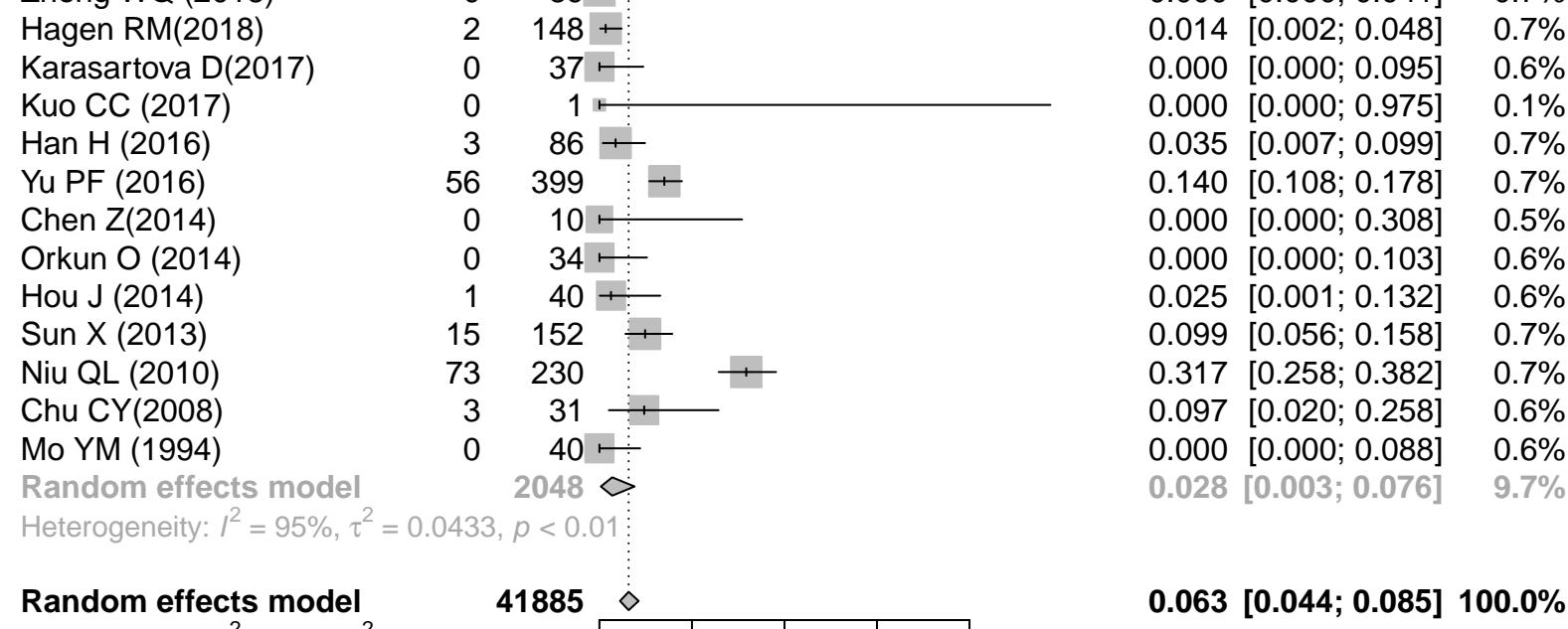
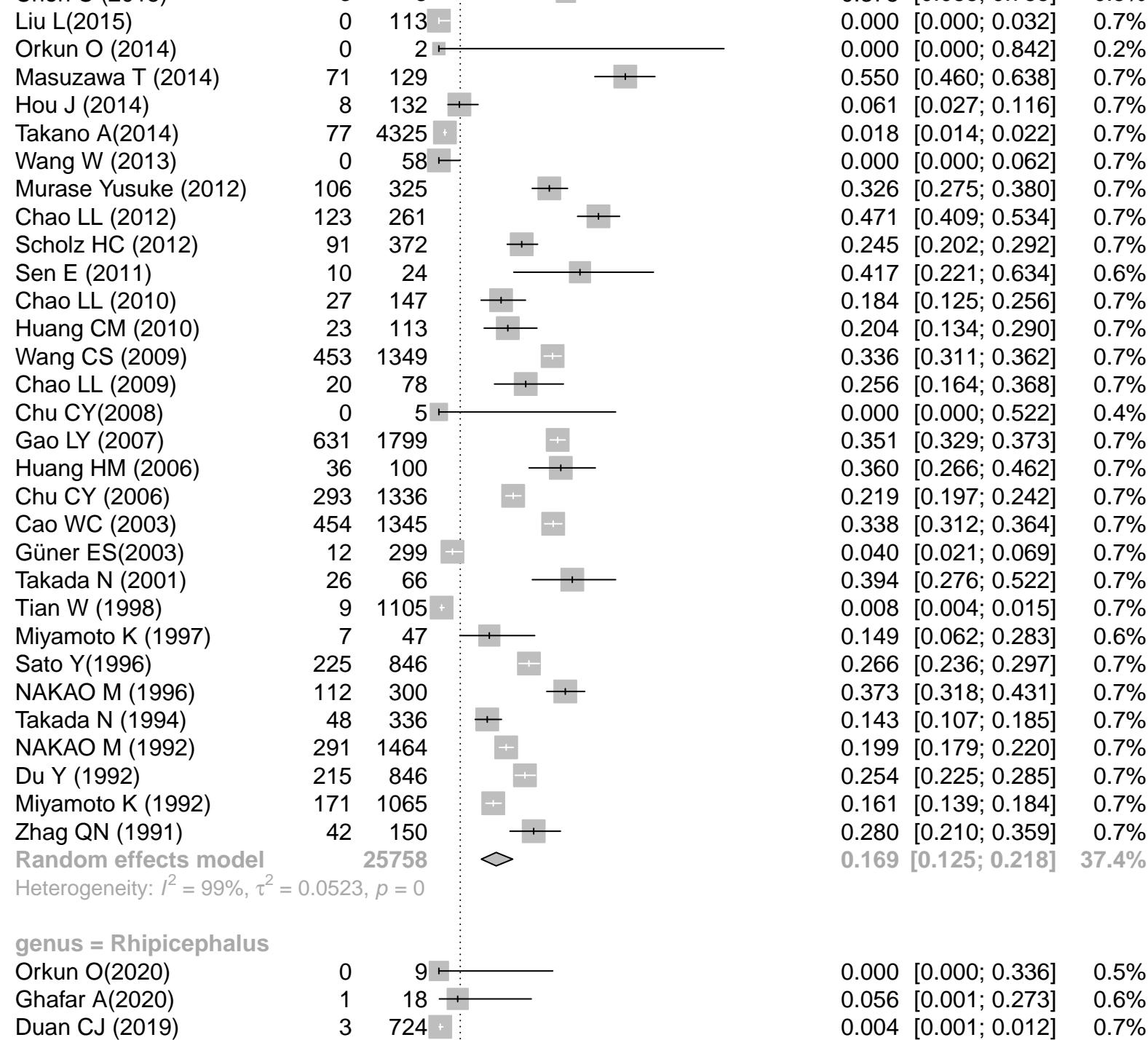
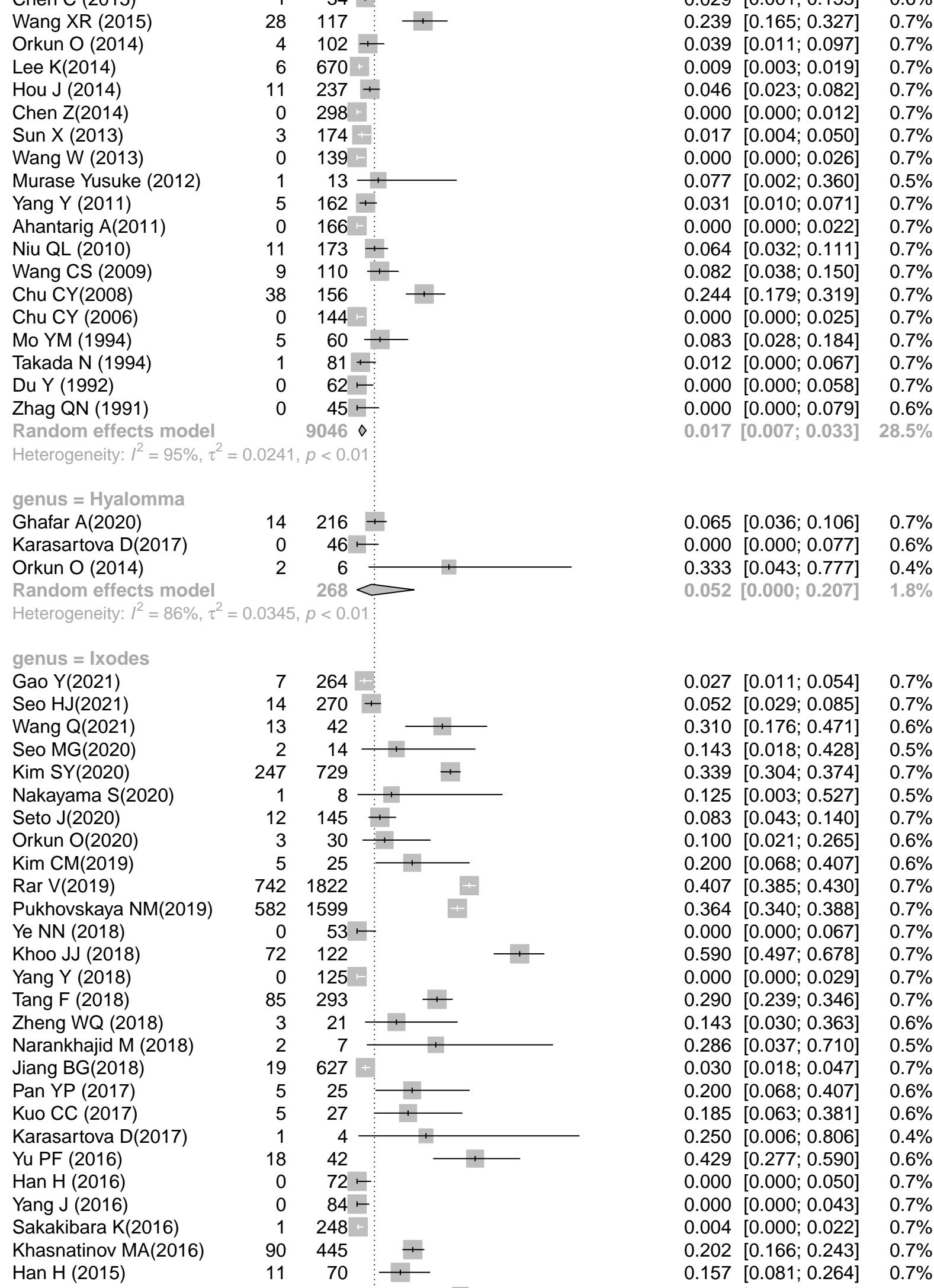
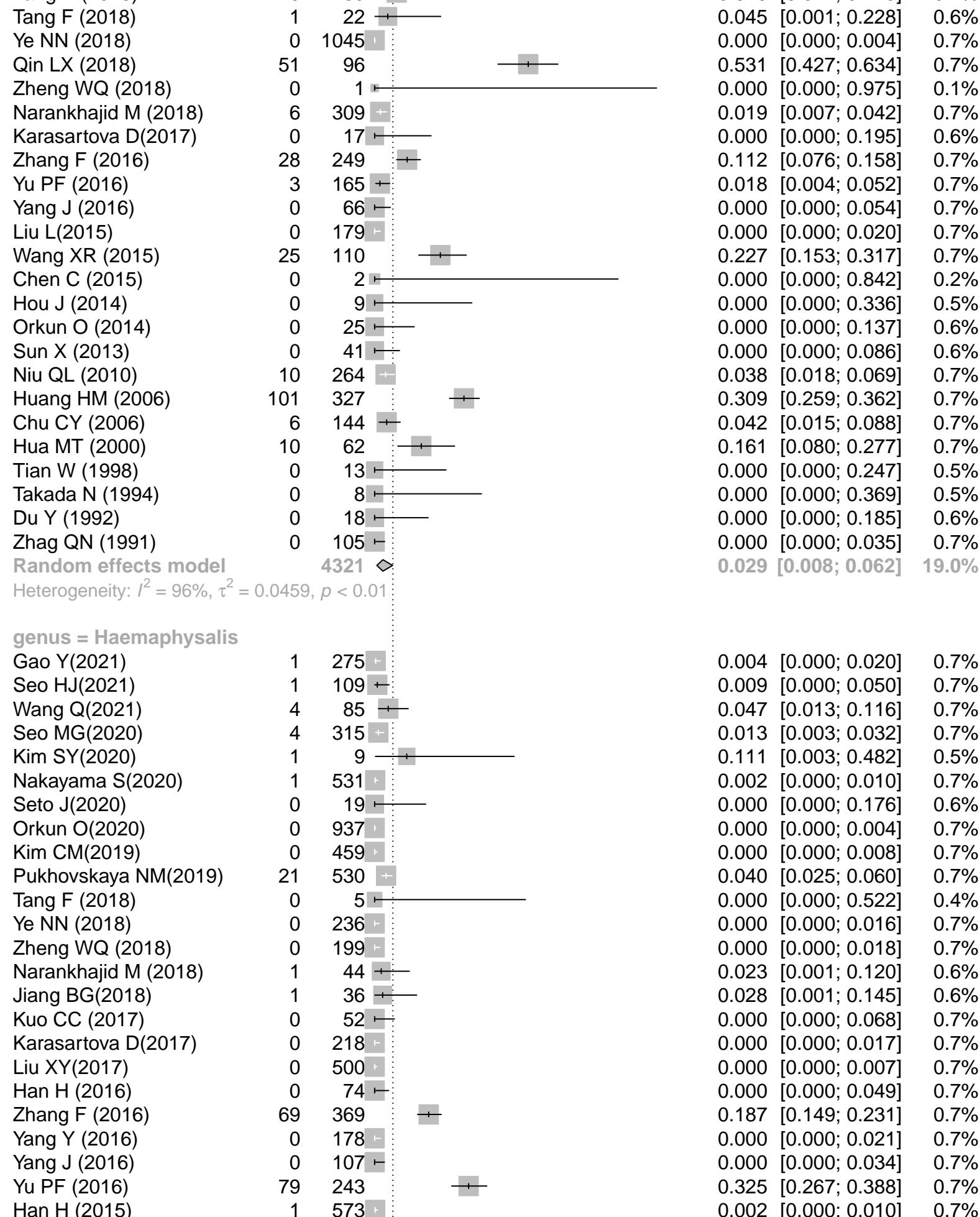
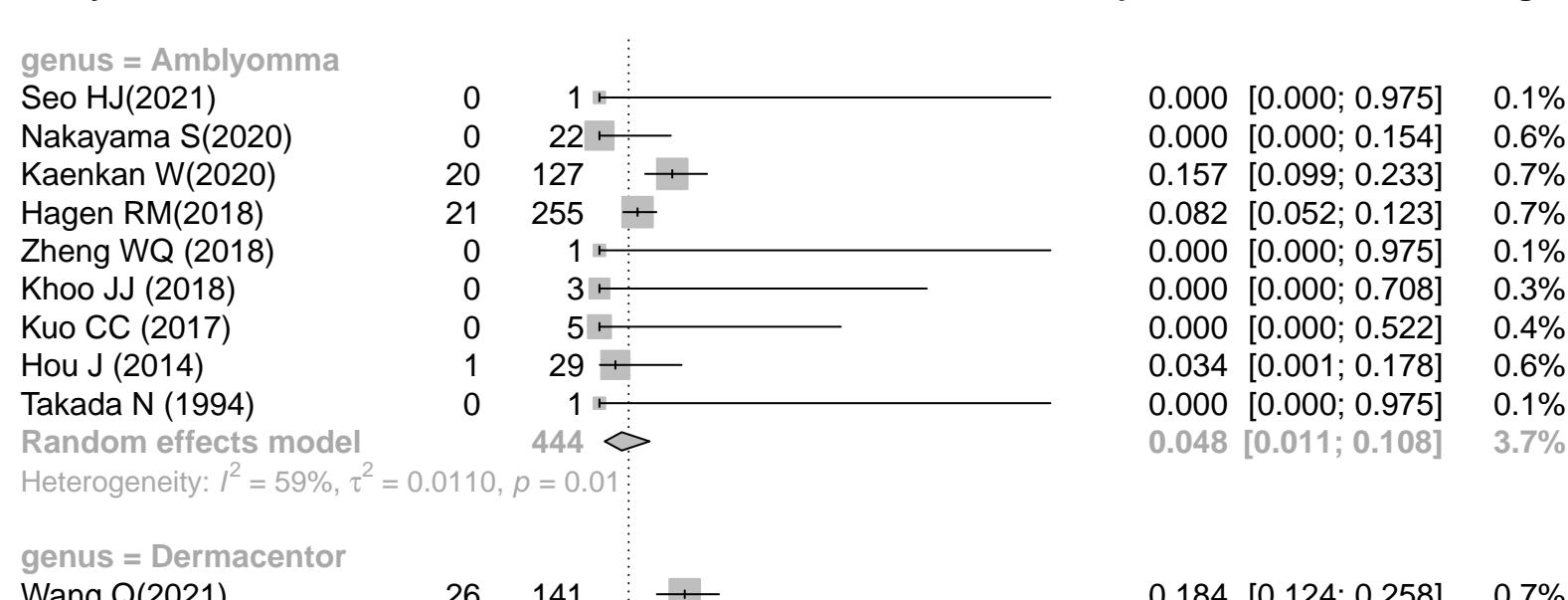
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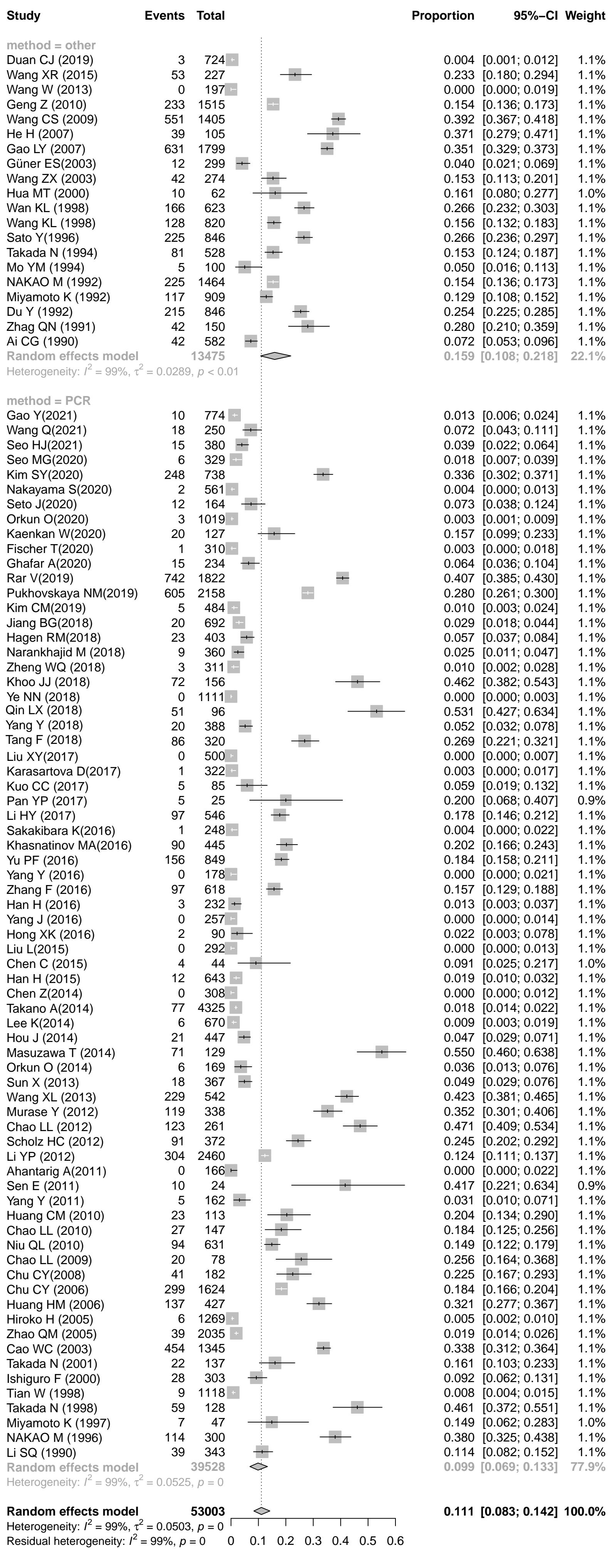
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85	Mo YM (1994)	5	100	China	other	-	-	308 <i>R(B). microplus</i> , 136 <i>H. hystricis</i> , 40 <i>H. bispinosa</i> 0/40 <i>R(B). microplus</i> , 2/40 <i>H. hystricis</i> , 3/20 <i>H. bispinosa</i>
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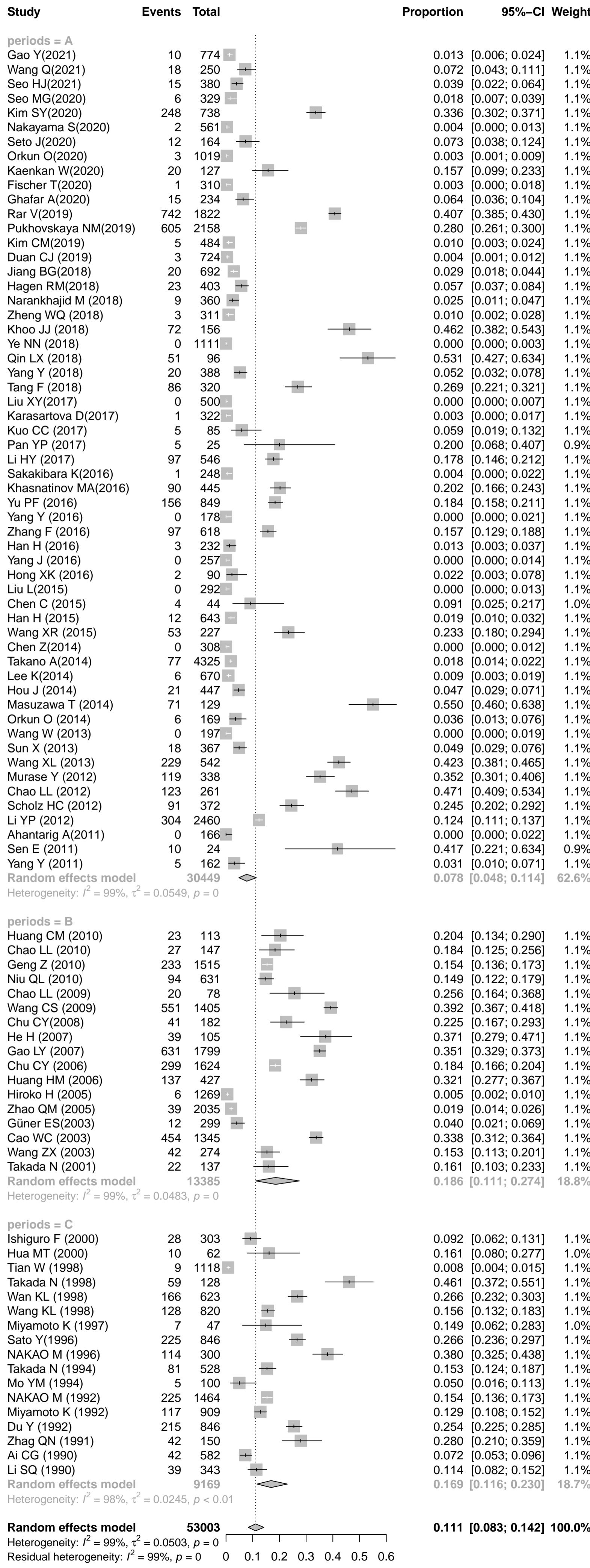
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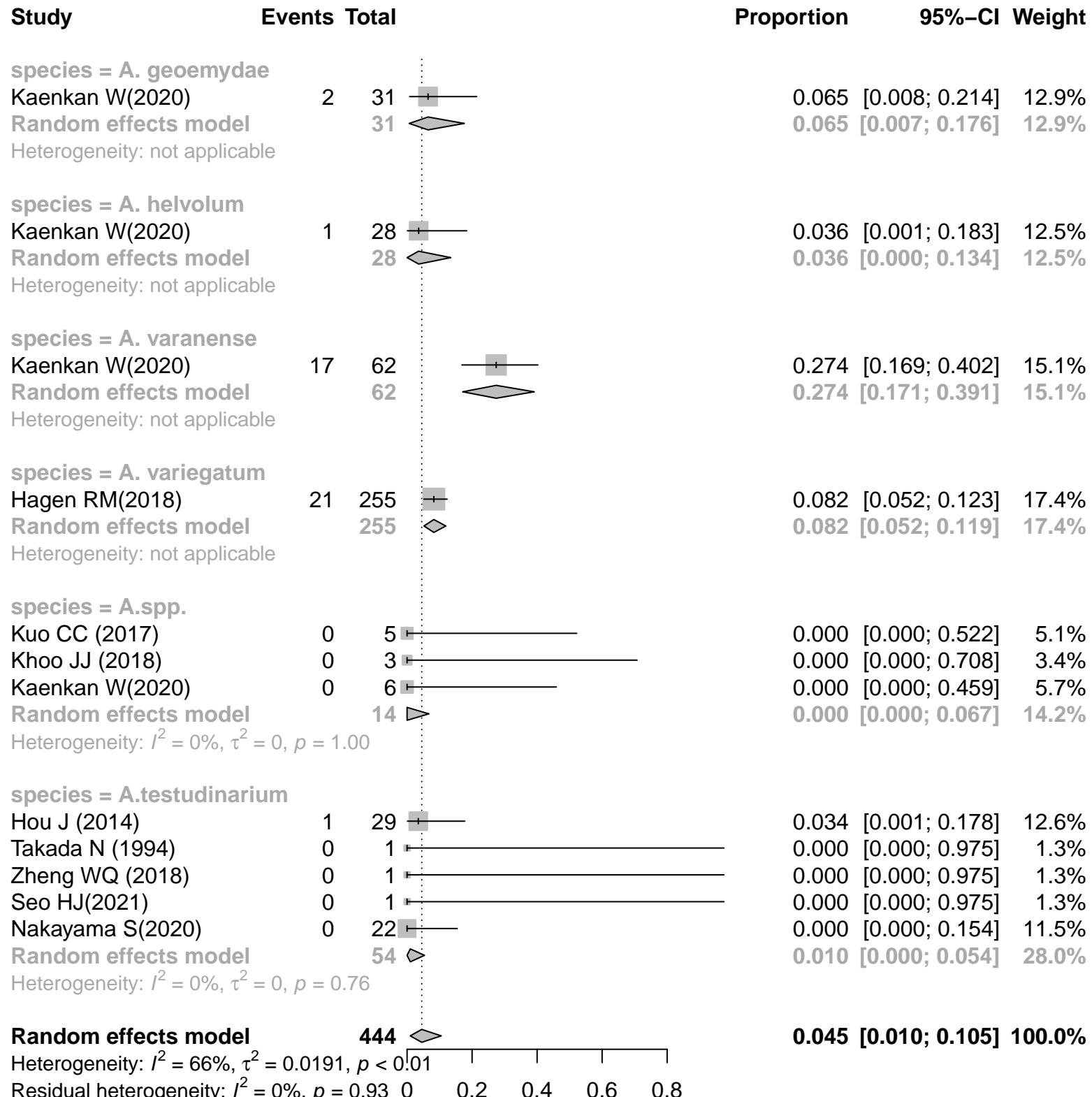
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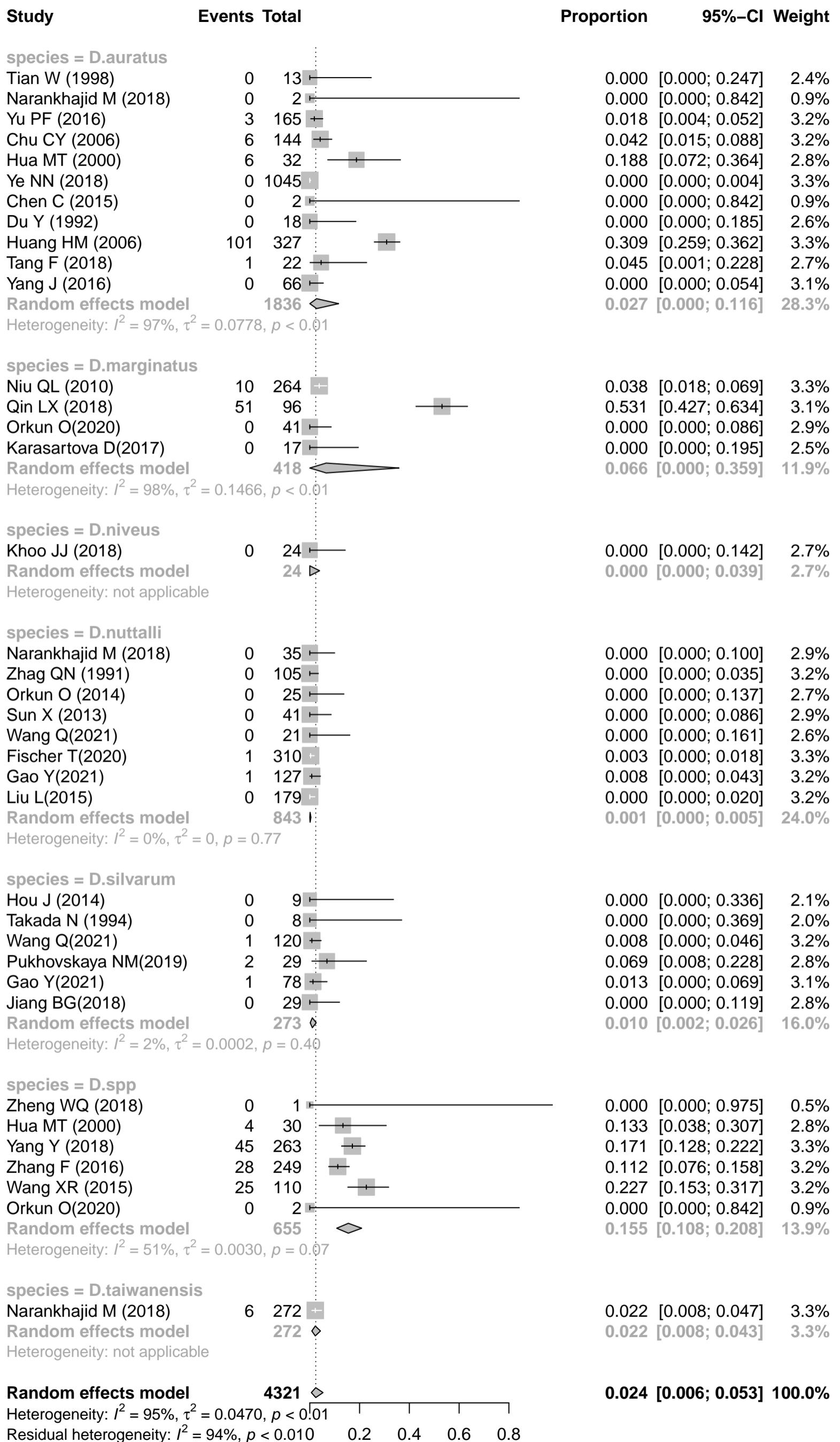


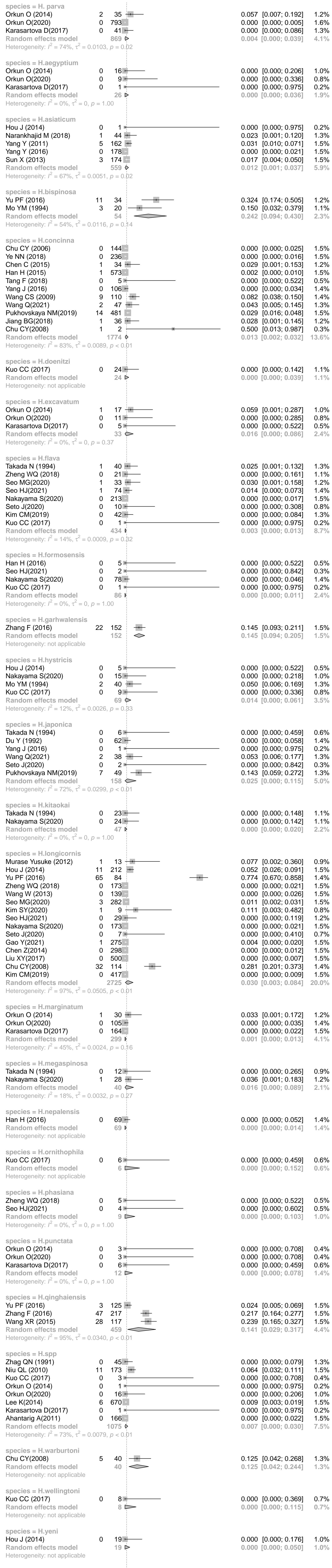


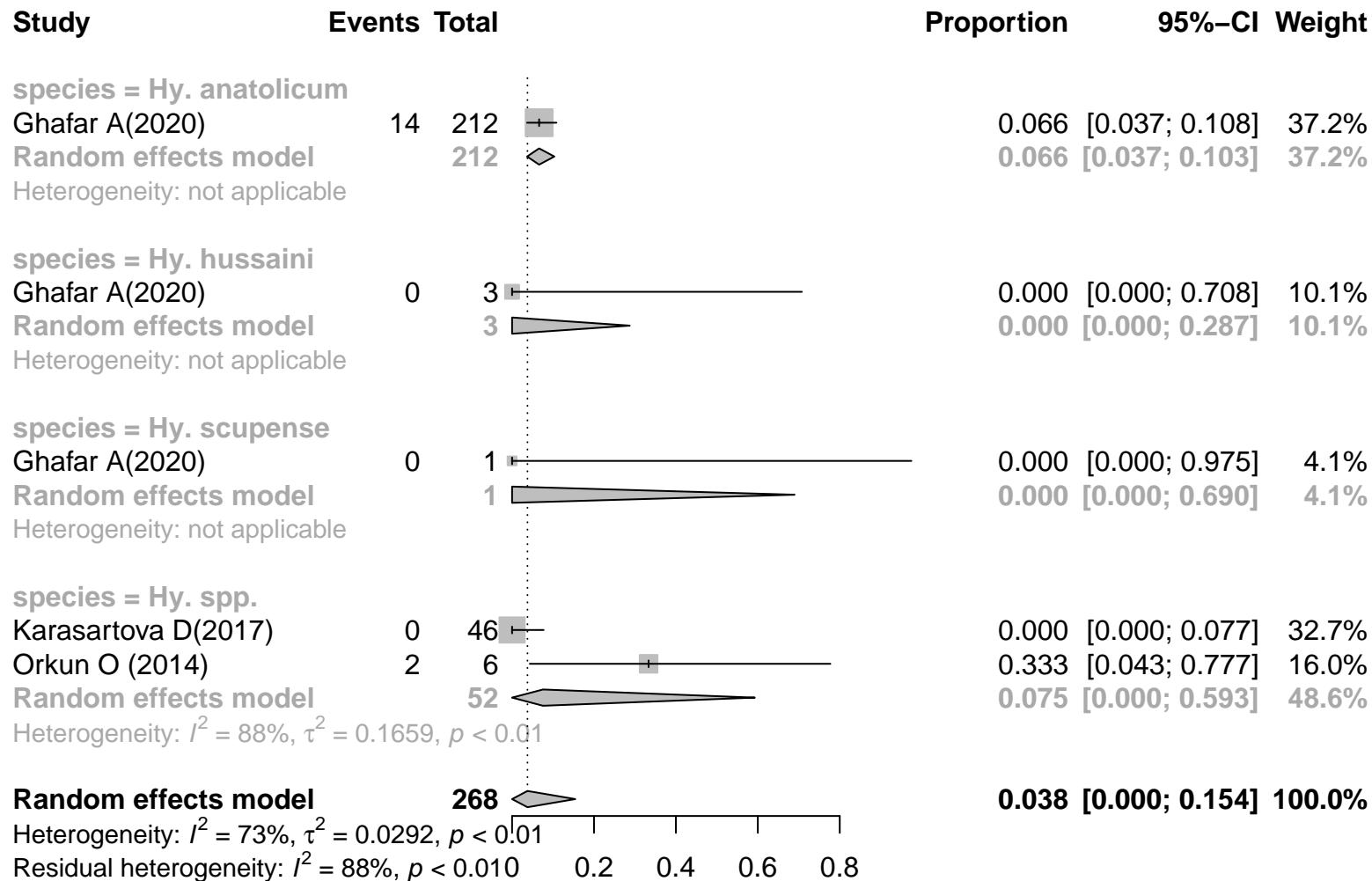


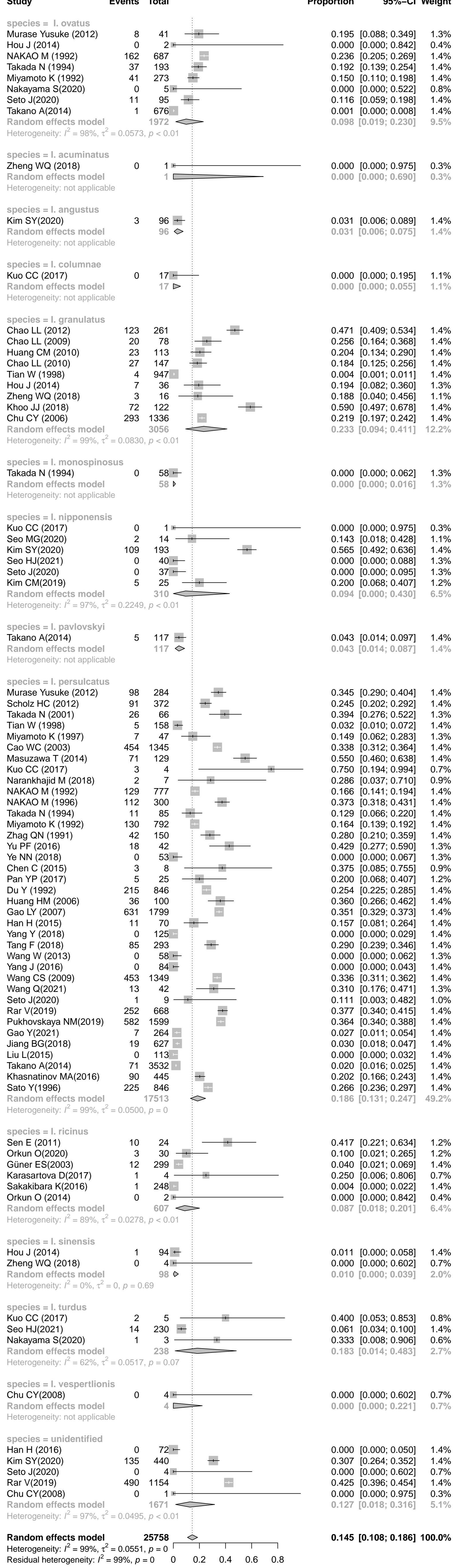


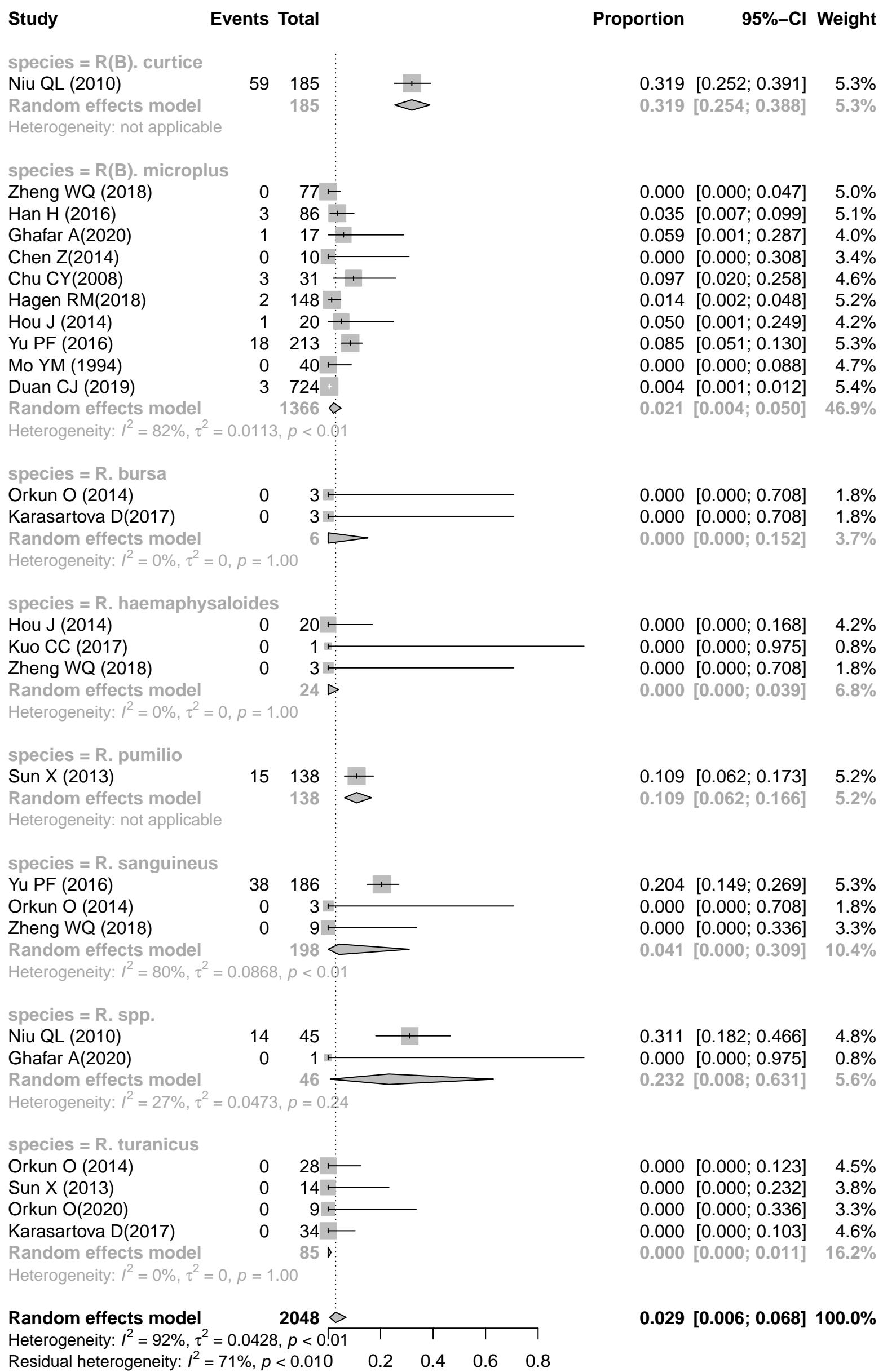












Supplementary Material 6: Funnel plot

(A) Egg's plot of the Asia prevalence of *B. burgdorferi* s.l. in Ixodidae. (B) Funnel plot of the Asia prevalence of *B. burgdorferi* s.l. in Ixodidae.

