

Supplementary material Renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system inhibitors and the risk of mortality in patients with hypertension hospitalized for COVID-19: systematic review and meta-analysis

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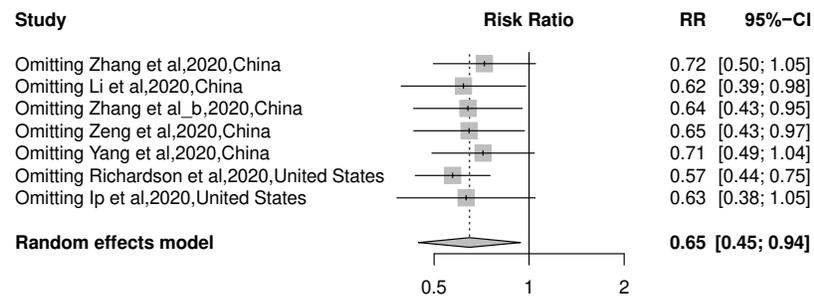
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Supplemental text 1: PubMed Search Terms

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Supplementary Figure 1. Influential sensitivity analysis of random-effects meta-analysis of studies evaluating the association of ACEi/ARB with mortality in patients with hypertension hospitalized with COVID-19 (only study population hypertension)



Supplementary Figure 2. Sensitivity analysis comparing RR estimates between studies with only mixture of patients with and without hypertension compared to studies consisting of only individuals with hypertension

