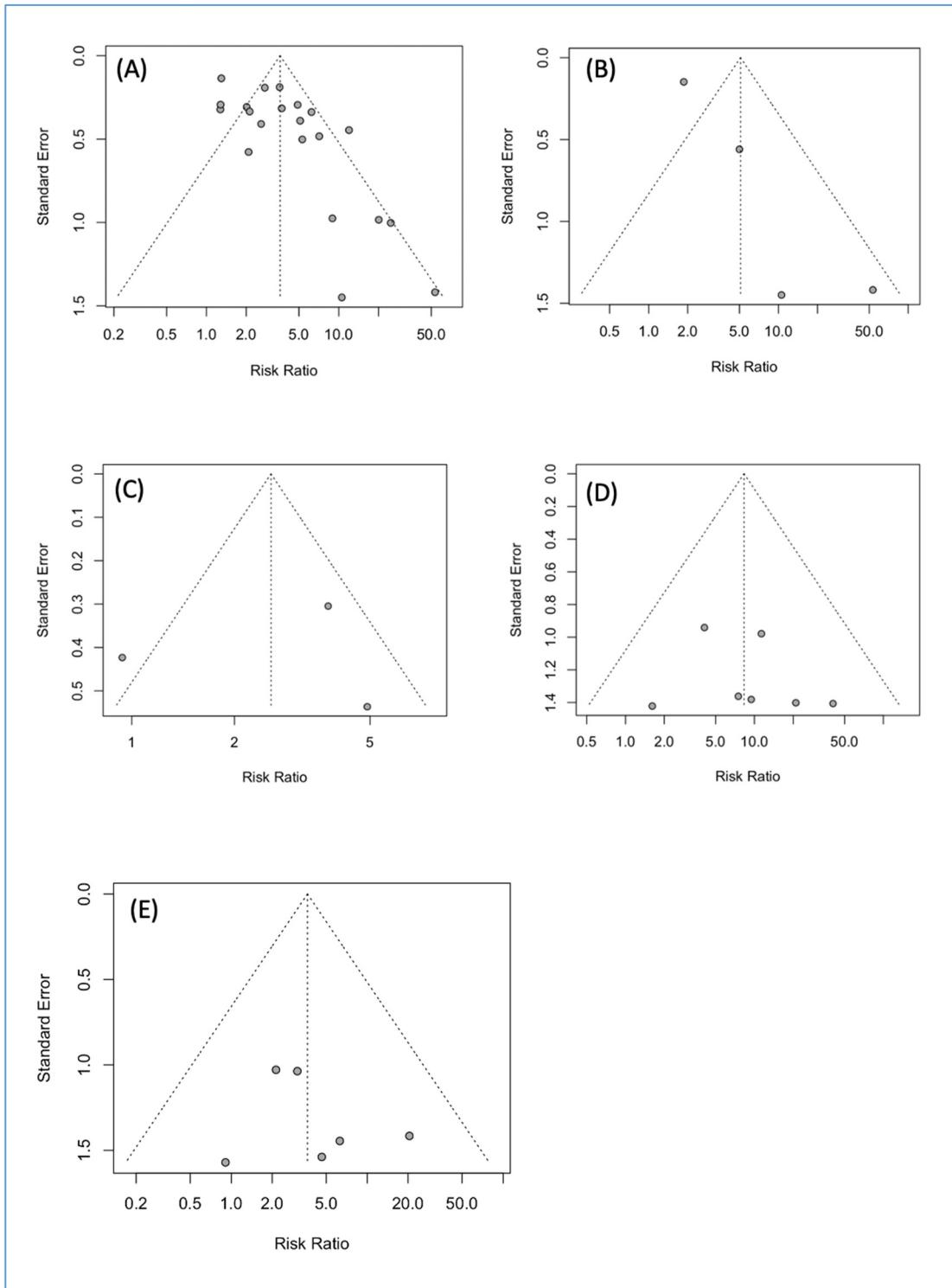


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Supplementary Table 1. Search Strategy Algorithms in the three major databases.



Supplementary Figure 1: Funnel Plots for pooled estimate of the local tumor progression rates between thermal ablation margins of: (A) <5mm vs ≥ 5 mm (B) <5mm vs ≥ 5 mm using 3D confirmation, (C) <5mm vs ≥ 5 mm stratified by KRAS mutation status, (D) <10mm vs ≥ 10 mm and (E) ≥ 5 mm & <10mm vs ≥ 10 mm.