

Buckwheat and Cardiometabolic Health: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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Search Strategy

Table S1. Records identified in the search phase

Database searched	Source	Timespan covered	Records	Records after duplicates removed	Excluded records
EMBASE	Embase.com	1971 - 2022	830	820	10
Medline ALL	Ovid	1946 - 2022	593	129	464
Web of Science Core Collection*	Web of Knowledge	1975 - 2022	1419	842	577
Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials	Wiley	1992 - 2022	2	2	0
Subtotal			2844	1793	1051
<i>Other sources: Google Scholar</i>			200	144	56
Total			3044	1937	1107

Search strings

EMBASE

('lipid analysis'/exp OR (('marker'/exp/mj) AND ('lipid'/exp/mj)) OR 'cardiovascular risk factor'/de OR 'cardiovascular disease'/exp OR 'cardiometabolic disease'/de OR 'heart failure'/de OR 'congestive heart failure'/de OR 'heart disease'/de OR 'hypertensive heart disease'/de OR 'hypertensive heart failure'/de OR 'coronary artery disease'/de OR 'ischemic heart disease'/exp OR 'cerebrovascular accident'/de OR 'atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease'/de OR 'brain ischemia'/exp OR 'cardiovascular mortality'/de OR 'hypertension'/exp OR 'non insulin dependent diabetes mellitus'/exp OR 'insulin homeostasis'/de OR 'glucose homeostasis'/de OR 'insulin response'/exp OR 'glucose blood level'/exp OR 'insulin blood level'/exp OR 'hyperinsulinism'/exp OR 'hypoinsulinemia'/de OR 'impaired glucose tolerance'/de OR 'impaired fasting glucose'/de OR 'hyperglycemia'/de OR 'fasting glucose'/de OR 'glycosylated hemoglobin'/exp OR 'glycemic control'/de OR 'homa ir'/exp OR 'obesity'/exp OR 'body mass'/de OR 'body fat'/de OR 'adipose tissue'/exp OR 'waist circumference'/de OR 'waist hip ratio'/de OR 'peripheral circulation'/de OR 'abnormal blood pressure'/exp OR 'blood pressure'/exp OR (('vasoconstriction'/exp OR 'vasocongestion'/de OR 'vasodilator agent'/exp) AND ('enzyme activity'/de)) OR 'atherosclerosis'/de OR 'atherosclerotic plaque'/de OR 'carotid atherosclerosis'/de OR 'coronary artery atherosclerosis'/de OR 'arterial wall thickness'/de OR 'coronary artery calcification'/de OR 'endothelium'/exp OR 'endothelium cell'/exp OR 'endothelial function'/de OR 'endothelial dysfunction'/de OR 'inflammation'/exp OR 'oxidative stress'/de OR 'antioxidant'/exp OR 'body composition'/exp OR 'mortality'/exp OR 'nitric oxide'/de OR 'endothelium derived relaxing factor'/de OR 'endothelin 1'/de OR 'prostacyclin'/de OR 'intercellular adhesion molecule 1'/de OR 'vascular cell adhesion molecule 1'/de OR 'endothelial leukocyte adhesion molecule 1'/de OR 'PADGEM protein'/de OR 'arterial wall thickening'/de OR 'heart function'/exp OR 'pulse wave'/exp OR 'flow mediated dilatation'/de OR 'flow mediated dilation'/de OR 'peripheral arterial tonometry'/de OR 'echocardiography'/exp OR 'cardiovascular risk'/exp OR 'cardiometabolic risk'/de OR 'Metabolic Syndrome X'/de OR 'arterial stiffness'/de OR 'mortality'/exp OR 'cause of death'/de OR 'mortality risk'/de OR 'survival'/exp OR (hyperten* OR ((high) NEAR/3 (blood*) NEAR/3 (pressu*)) OR ((high) NEAR/3 (bloodpressu*)) OR ((cardiovascu* OR cardio-vascu* OR heart-diseas*) NEAR/3 (risk*)) OR ((cardiovascular OR cardio-vascular* OR coronar* OR cardia* OR heart OR myocard* OR cardiometab* OR cardio-metab* OR cardio-metabol*) NEAR/3 (accident* OR arrest* OR insuff* OR disease* OR event* OR infarct* OR disorder* OR function* OR dysfunct* OR disfunct* OR health* OR failure*)) OR cvd OR cvds OR cardiopath* OR cardio-path* OR angina OR ((ischemi* OR ischaemi* OR fail* OR attack* OR insufficien*) NEAR/3 (heart OR cardi* OR myocard*)) OR ((cerebrovascular*) NEAR/3 (accident* OR lesion* OR vasculopathy* OR vasculit* OR failure*)) OR cva OR stroke* OR ((brain OR cerebral OR cerebro* OR cerebrum*) NEAR/3 (ischemi* OR ischaemi* OR insult* OR accident* OR arrest* OR failure* OR accident*)) OR ((brain) NEAR/2 (attack*)) OR ((diabet* OR dm) NEAR/3 (type-2 OR type2 OR type-II OR non-insulin* OR noninsulin* OR adult-onset* OR slow-onset* OR maturity-onset*)) OR T2DM OR dmt2 OR dm2 OR T2-DM OR dm-t2 OR dm-2 OR niddm OR nid-dm OR MODY OR ((lipid* OR cholester* OR triacylglycerol* OR triglyceride* OR HDL* OR LDL* OR VLDL* OR VHDL*) NEAR/6 (blood* OR panel OR test* OR profile* OR serum OR plasma* OR concentration* OR level* OR peroxidat* OR autooxidat* OR autoxidat*)) OR ((glucose* OR sugar OR insulin*) NEAR/3 (level* OR blood OR serum OR plasma* OR concentration* OR toleran* OR sensitiv* OR insensitiv* OR resistan* OR response* OR dependen* OR homeosta* OR homoeosta*)) OR hypoglycemi* OR hypoglycaemi* OR hyperglycemi* OR hyperglycaemi* OR antihyperglycemi* OR prediabet* OR pre-diabet* OR fasting NEAR/2 glucose OR ((glycat* OR glyco*) NEAR/2 (hemoglob* OR haemoglob*)) OR HbA1c OR Hb-A1c OR hemoglobin-A1c OR haemoglobin-A1c OR HOMA-IR OR glycaem* OR glycem* OR glucosaemia

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Buckwheat | buck-wheat | fagopyrumesculent | "fagopyrum esculentum" cardiovascular | cardiometabolic | diabetes | lipid | glucose | obesity | "blood pressure" | Atherosclerosis | inflammation | "oxidative stress" | mortality | survival | insulin | BMI | "body fat | mass"

Effect of buckwheat products on a variety of cardiovascular risk markers

Table S2. Human interventional and randomized controlled studies describing the effect of buckwheat intake on CVD risk markers

Study (year) [ref.]	Intervention (N)/control (n)	Duration (weeks)	Intervention type	Intervention dose	Control	Health Status	Age (years)*	CVD risk marker	Effect in intervention arm	Difference between arms (95%CI) +
Archimowicz-Cyrylowska et al. (1996) [1]	20/40	12	BW herb mixture	<i>Ad libitum</i>	Troxerutin and Ruscus mixture	T2D	20-75	Glucose	↓↓	-0.35(-1.54;0.84)
								HbA1c	↓↓	0.58(0.45;0.70)
								HDL	↑↑	0.14(-0.33;0.62)
								TC	↓↓	0.30(-0.20;0.80)
								TG	↓↓	0.19(-0.08;0.46)
Bijlani (1984) [2]	7/5	4	Sieved BW flour	100 g	Lunch cereal intake	Healthy	19-22	HDL	↑↑	-0.28(-0.51;-0.06)
								LDL	↑	-0.05(-0.28;0.18)
								TC	↑	-0.13(-0.73;0.48)
								Glucose	↑	-0.05(-0.13;0.02)
								vLDL	↓	-0.20(-0.49;0.09)
Bijlani (1985) [3]	8/9	12	Whole BW flour	100 g	Breakfast cereal	Healthy	19-34	Glucose	↓↓	15.5(10.9;20.1)
								HDL	↑↑	0.003(-0.17;0.18)
								LDL	↑	-0.83(-1.34;-0.32)
								TC	↓	-0.06(-0.53;0.41)
								TG	↓	0.31(0.11;0.502)
								vLDL	↓	-1.39(-0.94;-0.19)
								Glucose	↑	0.33(0.26;0.40)
Dinu et al. (2017) [4]	10/9	6	BW-enriched foods	80 g of 100% BW pasta and BW-rich products: 60 g of tacks, 40 g biscuits and 50 g of flakes (daily)	Usual gluten-free diet	Gluten sensitivity	44	HDL	↓	0.13(0.07;0.19)
								IFN-γ	↓	-4.80(-15.51;5.91)
								IL-10	↑	2.40(-0.72;5.52)
								IL-12	↓	-1.50(-2.33;-0.67)
								IL-1ra	↑	-2.50(-6.04;1.04)
								IL-4	↓	-0.03(-0.06;0.004)
								IL-6	↓	-0.70 (-2.03;0.63)

Study (year) [ref.]	Intervention (N)/control (n)	Duration (weeks)	Intervention type	Intervention dose	Control	Health Status	Age (years)*	CVD risk marker	Effect in intervention arm	Difference between arms (95%CI) [†]
								IL-8	↓	7.50(-4.11;19.11)
								LDL	↑	0.00(-0.76;0.76)
								MCP-1	↓↓	-11.10(-23.56;1.36)
								TNF α	↓	0.10(-0.33;0.53)
								TC	↓	0.26(0.15;0.36)
								TG	↓	-0.09(-0.19;0.01)
								VEGF	↓	-0.70(-47.36;45.96)
								Glucose	↓↓	-2.69(-3.14;-2.24)
								HbA1c	↓↓	-2.15(-2.24;-2.06)
								HDL	↓↓	-1.91(-1.95;-1.87)
Huang et al. (2009) [5]	35/35	8	Tatary BW mixture	Not stated	Control drug	T2D	53	LDL	↓↓	-0.70(-0.73;-0.67)
								TC	↓↓	-1.22(-1.29;-1.15)
								TG	↓↓	-1.68(-1.80;-1.56)
								Adiponectin	↑↑	4.10(3.13;5.07)
								CRP	↓	-0.80(-1.16;-0.439)
								Fat mass	↓	-0.15(-2.91;2.61)
								Glucose	↓	-0.04(-0.22;0.15)
								HDL	↑↑	-0.07(-0.18;0.04)
								LDL	↓↓	0.42(0.17;0.67)
								TC	↓↓	0.49(0.14;0.85)
								TG	↓↓	0.13(-0.10;0.36)
								Weight	↑	0.10(-0.32;0.52)
								Atherogenic index	↓	0.05(0.05;0.06)
Nishimura et al. (2016) [7]	73/71	12	Rutin-rich Tartary BW foods	Tartary BW noodles (80g) and cookies (50g)	Wheat-based noodles (80g) and cookies (50g)	Healthy	54.1	BMI	↓	0.10(-0.56;0.76)
								BF	↓	-0.26(-0.31;-0.21)
								DBP	↑	0.15(-2.26;2.56)

Study (year) [ref.]	Intervention (N)/control (n)	Duration (weeks)	Intervention type	Intervention dose	Control	Health Status	Age (years)*	CVD risk marker	Effect in intervention arm	Difference between arms (95%CI) ⁺
								HDL	↓	0.04(-0.05;0.13)
								LDL	↓	0.05(-0.19;0.29)
								oxLDL	↓	-2.160(-4.31;-0.01)
								SBP	↓	0.98(-2.23;4.19)
								TBARS	↑	-0.98(-0.76;-0.68)
								TC	↓	-0.02(-0.21;0.17)
								TG	↑	-0.12(-0.24;0.01)
								Weight	↓	0.24(-1.97;2.45)
Qiu et al. (2016) (a) [8]	52/52	4	Tartary BW foods	Not stated	Diet plan/education	T2D	58.8	DBP	↓	-1.23(-3.91;1.45)
								SBP	↑	2.35(-1.15;5.85)
								BMI	↓	0.01(-0.61;0.63)
								Glucose	↓	0.35(-0.20;0.90)
								HbA1c	↓	-0.14(-0.17;-0.11)
Qiu et al. (2016) (b) [9]	80/85	4	Tartary BW foods (e.g., kernel, noodle, powder)	<i>Ad libitum</i>	Refined grains	T2D	56.9	HDL	↓	0.01(-0.04;0.06)
								HOMA-IR	↓	-0.40;-0.60;-0.21)
								Insulin	↓↓	-1.29(-1.67;-0.91)
								LDL	↓↓	0.21(0.04;0.38)
								TC	↓↓	0.21(-0.01;0.43)
								TG	↓	-0.06(-0.35;0.23)
								Weight	↓	0.11(-1.78;2.00)
								Glucose	↓↓	5.55(5.13;5.96)
Shakib et al. (2011)[10]	20/NA	6	BW-yoghurt mixture	30 g BW seeds and 160 g yoghurt	No control	HC and NIDDM patients	30-50	HDL	↑↑	-0.09(-0.10;-0.08)
								LDL	↓↓	0.61(0.58;0.64)
								TC	↓↓	1.87(1.85;1.89)
								TG	↓↓	0.82(0.81;0.83)
Sofi et al. (2016) [11]	10/11	8	BW-enriched foods	500 g /week of pasta, 1 kg/week		At risk for CVDs	51.3	Glucose	↓↓	0.10(-0.18;0.38)
								HDL	↓↓	0.08(-0.27;0.43)

Study (year) [ref.]	Intervention (N)/control (n)	Duration (weeks)	Intervention type	Intervention dose	Control	Health Status	Age (years)*	CVD risk marker	Effect in intervention arm	Difference between arms (95%CI) [†]
				of bread, 500 g/month of crackers and 1 kg/month of biscuits				HOMA-IR	↓↓	-0.50(-0.28;3.48)
								IL-10	↓	2.90(-1.06;6.86)
								IL-12	↓	1.60(-0.28;3.48)
								IL-17	↓	0.50(0.356;0.64)
								IL-1ra	↓	5.90(-27.29;39.09)
								IL-4	No effect	0.1(0.1;0.1)
								IL-6	No effect	0.90(0.50;1.30)
								IL-8	↓	-14.90(-35.38;5.58)
								Insulin	↓	-2.20(-3.98;-0.42)
								IP-10	↓	-107.2(- 226.9;12.50)
					Wheat-based bread, pasta, biscuits and crackers			LDL	↓↓	0.35(-0.23; 0.93)
								MIP-1 α	↓	-7(-27.65;13.65)
								Malondialdehyd e	↓↓	-12.7(-21.29;-4.11)
								MCP-1	↓↓	-0.70(-6.76;5.36)
								ROS- granulocytes	↑	-184(-251;-116)
								ROS- lymphocytes	↓	-205(-238;-172)
								TNF α	↑	3.1(0.04;6.16)
								Antioxidant capac.	↑↑	1.6(1.42;1.78)
								TC	↓↓	0.32(-0.348;0.98)
								TG	↓↓	0.17(-0.25;0.58)
								VEGF	↓	3.3(-0.08;6.68)
Stokić et al. (2015) [12]	20/20	4			300 g wheat bread		59.5	BMI	No effect	-0.10(-0.41;0.21)

Study (year) [ref.]	Intervention (N)/control (n)	Duration (weeks)	Intervention type	Intervention dose	Control	Health Status	Age (years)*	CVD risk marker	Effect in intervention arm	Difference between arms (95%CI) [†]
								CRP	↓↓	0.12(0.03;0.21)
								DBP	↓↓	1.25(-0.25;2.75)
			BW-enriched wheat bread	50 g wholegrain BW flour		At risk for CVD		HDL	↑	-0.03(-0.13;0.07)
								LDL	↓↓	0.59(0.41;0.77)
								SBP	↓↓	2(0.28;3.72)
								TC	↓	0.29(0.07;0.51)
								TG	↑	-0.04(-0.16;0.08)
								Apo A1	↑↑	0.45(0.19;0.71)
								Apo B	↓	0.02(0.019;0.03)
								Apo C3	↑	0.06(0.05;0.06)
Stringer et al. (2013) [13]	7/6	1	BW crackers	50 g wholegrain BW flour	Rice cracker	Healthy and T2D	49.5	Glucose	↑↑	0.26(0.03;0.49)
								HDL	↓	0.03(-0.06;0.12)
								LDL	↑	-0.17(-0.38;0.04)
								TC	↑	-0.23(-0.49;0.03)
								TG	↑	-0.19(-0.36;-0.02)
								HDL	↓↓	0.21(0.13;0.29)
								HsCRP	↓	0.25(-0.55;1.05)
								ECP	↓	0.10(-2.66;2.86)
Wieslander (2011) [14]	30/32	4	BW cookies	100 g (rutin≈360 mg)	Common BW cookies (rutin≈17 mg)	Healthy	46	Myeloperoxidas e	↓	13(-12.55;38.55)
								sPLA2-IIA	↓	0.50(-0.33;1.33)
								TC	↓↓	0.72(0.43;1.01)
								DBP	↓	2(-0.82;4.82)
								Glucose	↓↓	1.2(0.78;1.62)
Zhao and Guan (2003) [15]	60/NA	8	BW flour	Not stated	No control	T2D	26-67	HDL	↑↑	-0.1(-0.18;-0.02)
								LDL	↓	0.1(-0.09;0.29)
								SBP	↓↓	6(1.66;10.34)

Study (year) [ref.]	Intervention (N)/control (n)	Duration (weeks)	Intervention type	Intervention dose	Control	Health Status	Age (years)*	CVD risk marker	Effect in intervention arm	Difference between arms (95%CI) [†]
								TC	↓↓	0.3(0.11;0.49)
								TG	↓	0.2(0;0.4)
								Weight	No effect	-
								Apo A1	↑	-14.32(-17.29;-11.35)
								Apo B	↓↓	20.31(17.22;23.40)
								Glucose	↓	0.24(0.01;0.47)
								HbA1c	↑	-8.25(-10.02;-6.48)
								Insulin	↑	-42(-44;-41)
								TC	↓	0.66(0.57;0.75)
								TG	↓↓	0.65(0.49;0.81)
Zheng et al. (1991) [16]	19/NA	12	Tartary BW flour	50g	No control	NIDDM	53.8			

* Age is indicated mean age and in case mean was not available, age range is provided.

[†] Data are provided as difference of the mean differences in the control/intervention group accompanied by their respective 95% confidence intervals. In all cases that this difference was not possible/applicable to quantify this difference, the mean difference in the intervention arm (accompanied by 95%CI) is provided in grey shading – statistically significant values are bolded.

Note: ↑: increase; ↓: decrease; ↑↑: statistically significant increase; ↓↓: statistically significant decrease. Abbreviations: HC: patients with hypercholesterolemia; T2D: type 2 diabetes; NCGS: Non-celiac gluten sensitivity; NIDDM: Non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus TC: Total cholesterol; TG: triglycerides; BMI: Body mass index; CRP: C-reactive protein; SBP: systolic blood pressure; DBP: diastolic blood pressure; TBARS: Thiobarbituric acid reactive substance; ECP: Serum eosinophilic cation protein; sPLA2-IIA: sPLA2 - group IIA secretory phospholipase A2; MPO Serum myeloperoxidase; HsCRP: high-sensitivity C-reactive protein; VEGF: Vascular endothelial growth factor; Apo A1: Apolipoprotein A1; Apo A2: Apolipoprotein A2; Apo B: Apolipoprotein B; Apo C3: Apolipoprotein C3; ROS: reactive oxygen species; MIP-1α: Macrophage Inflammatory Protein-1 beta; IP-10: Interferon Gamma-Induced Protein 10; HOMA-IR: Homeostatic Model Assessment for Insulin Resistance; oxLDL: oxidized LDL cholesterol; HbA1c: Glycated hemoglobin; HDL: High density lipoprotein; LDL: Low density lipoprotein; BF: Body fatness; AIP: Atherogenic index of plasma; TNF-α: Tumor necrosis factor; vLDL: very low density lipoprotein; All 'IL-' abbreviations followed by a number, indicate 'Interleukin': in case of IL-1ra, the 'ra' indicates 'receptor agonist'; Trial duration indicates only the first period in case of crossover trials.

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Meta-analysis summary

Table S3. Meta-analysis of randomized clinical trials comparing buckwheat supplementation versus control

Outcome	Number. of unique studies	Size of the intervention arm	WMD (95% CI)	I ²	P value for heterogeneity	P-value for publication bias
Blood lipids						
Total cholesterol, <i>mmol/L</i>	8	220	-0.14 (-0.30; 0.02)	83.4%	0.002	0.67
Triglycerides, <i>mmol/L</i>	8	220	-0.02 (-0.15; 0.11)	85.5%	<0.001	0.20
HDL, <i>mmol/L</i>	8	220	-0.04 (-0.09; 0.02)	78.3%	0.03	0.78
LDL, <i>mmol/L</i>	7	200	-0.03 (-0.02; 0.16)	89.4%	<0.001	0.98
Body morphology						
Weight, <i>kg</i>	3	165	-0.14 (-1.50; 1.23)	0%	0.99	NA
Glucose Homeostasis						
Glucose, <i>mmol/L</i>	6	139	-0.18 (-0.36; 0.003)	87.7%	0.001	0.26

Note: WMD: Weighted mean difference I²: variation across studies that is due to heterogeneity rather than chance; NA: Not applicable.

Table S4. Sensitivity analysis of the meta-analysis of randomized clinical trials comparing buckwheat supplementation versus control on blood lipids

Outcome	Number of unique studies	WMD (95% CI)	I ²	P value for heterogeneity	P-value for meta regression
Total Cholesterol					
<i>Location</i>					
Europe	4	-0.28 (-0.37; -0.187)	0%	0.57	0.59
Non-Europe	4	0.01 (-0.18; 0.21)	57.8%	0.07	
<i>Trial duration</i>					
≤5 weeks	3	-0.15 (-0.54; 0.24)	85.5%	0.001	0.57
>5 weeks	5	-0.14 (0.32; 0.03)	50.8%	0.09	
<i>Females (%)</i>					
≤50%	3	0.02 (-0.29; 0.32)	71.7%	0.03	0.56
>50%	5	-0.23 (-0.41; -0.05)	59.6%	0.04	
<i>Health status</i>					
Healthy	4	-0.08 (-0.23; 0.07)	12.6%	0.33	0.78
Unhealthy	3	-0.28 (-0.37; -0.19)	69.1%	0.002	
Mix*	1	0.23 (-0.02; 0.48)	NA	NA	
<i>Publication year</i>					
≤2000	2	-0.11 (-0.46; 0.24)	19.5%	0.27	0.38
>2000	6	-0.15 (-0.34; 0.04)	76.4%	0.001	
Triglycerides					
<i>Location</i>					
Europe	4	-0.05 (-0.22; 0.11)	85.3%	0.09	0.83
Non-Europe	4	0.015 (-0.22; 0.24)	53.1%	<0.001	
<i>Trial duration</i>					
≤5 weeks	3	0.05 (-0.16; 0.26)	61.4%	0.08	0.60
>5 weeks	5	-0.07 (-0.24; 0.11)	80.9%	<0.001	

Outcome	Number of unique studies	WMD (95% CI)	I ²	P value for heterogeneity	P-value for meta regression
<i>Females (%)</i>					
≤50%	3	-0.02 (-0.36; 0.32)	88.6%	<0.001	0.68
>50%	5	0.02 (-0.10; 0.13)	47.3%	0.11	
<i>Health status</i>					
Healthy	3	-0.11 (-0.43; 0.21)	87.3%	<0.001	0.98
Unhealthy	4	-0.01 (-0.15; 0.13)	43.5%	0.15	
Mix	1	0.19 (0.03; 0.35)	NA	NA	
<i>Publication year</i>					
≤2000	2	-0.28 (-0.43; -0.13)	0%	0.53	0.66
>2000	6	0.08 (-0.001; 0.16)	29.6%	0.21	
HDL Cholesterol					
<i>Location</i>					
Europe	4	-0.04 (-0.09; 0.02)	72.4%	0.01	0.90
Non-Europe	4	-0.02 (-0.06; 0.02)	0%	0.93	
<i>Trial duration</i>					
≤5 weeks	3	-0.002 (-0.05; 0.02)	13.9%	0.31	0.77
>5 weeks	5	-0.09 (-0.14; -0.04)	6.4%	0.37	
<i>Females (%)</i>					
≤50%	3	-0.01 (-0.06; 0.03)	0%	0.91	0.56
>50%	5	-0.05 (-0.15; 0.04)	65.6%	0.02	
<i>Health status</i>					
Healthy	3	-0.03 (-0.11; 0.04)	0%	0.88	0.78
Unhealthy	4	-0.04 (-0.14; 0.06)	80.6%	0.001	
Mix	1	-0.03 (-0.14; 0.05)	NA	NA	
<i>Publication year</i>					

Outcome	Number of unique studies	WMD (95% CI)	I ²	P value for heterogeneity	P-value for meta regression
≤2000	2	-0.03 (-0.17; 0.11)	0%	0.45	0.41
>2000	6	-0.04 (-0.09; 0.02)	67.5%	0.009	

* 'Mix' category indicates those trials that included both healthy and unhealthy subjects.

Note: WMD: Weighted mean difference I²: variation across studies that is due to heterogeneity rather than chance
 Statistically significant values are bolded.

Methodological quality assessment

Figure S1. Methodological quality of included nonrandomized studies based on ROBINS-I tool

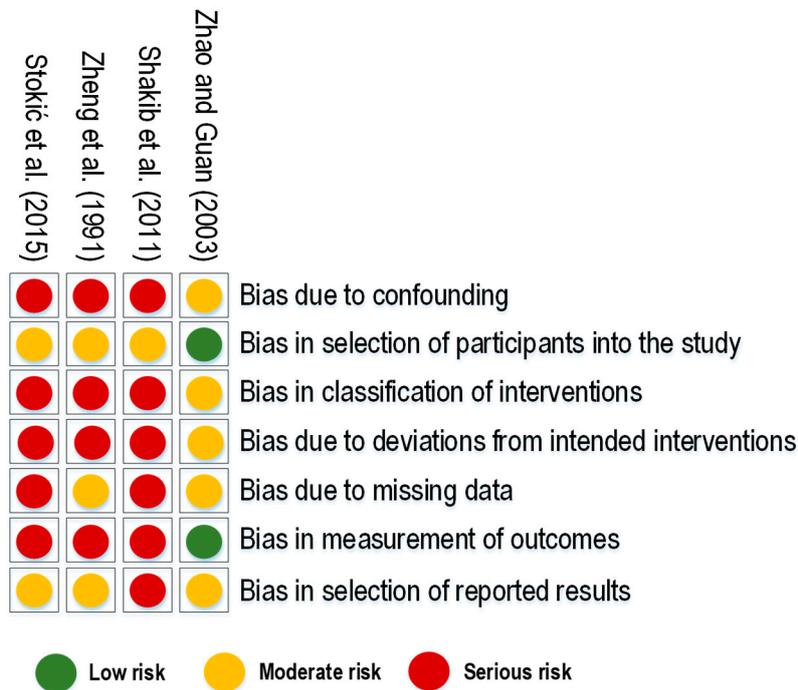
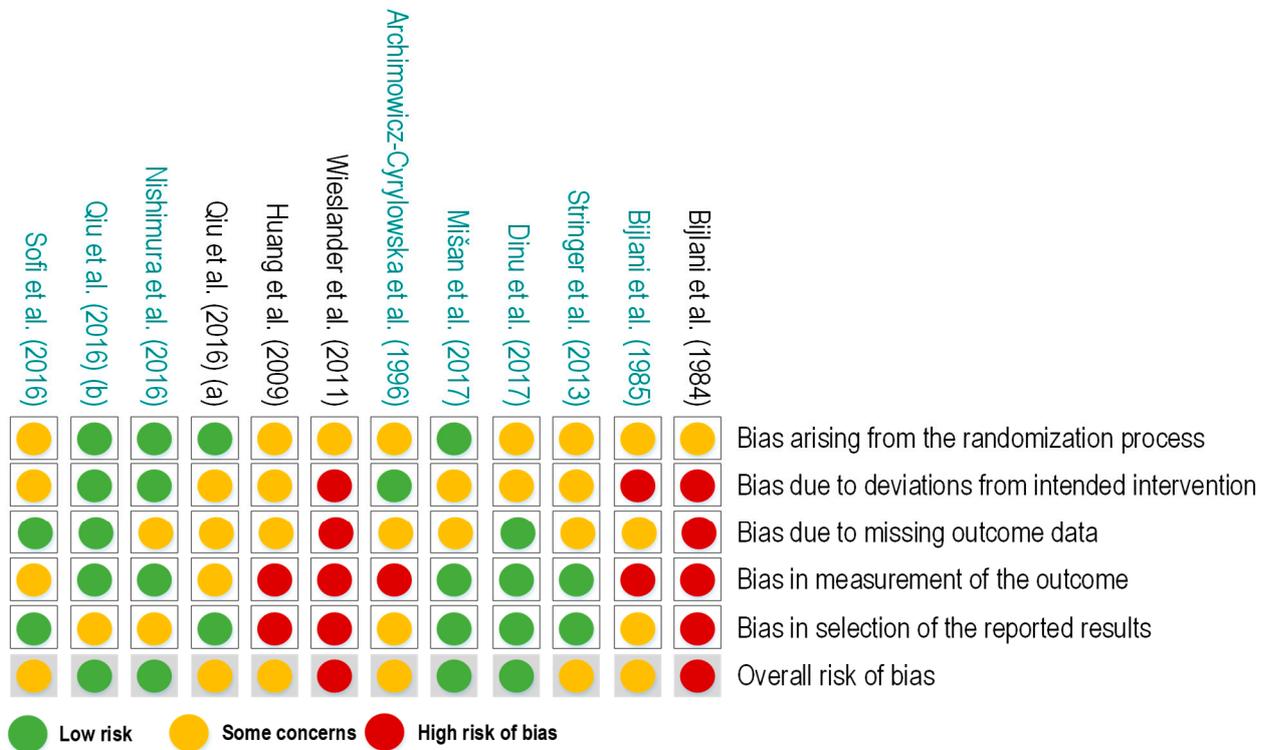


Figure S2. Methodological quality of included randomized controlled trials based on Cochrane's Collaboration Tool (RoB2) for randomized controlled trials



Note: Studies in wood green font colour were included in the meta-analysis

Publication bias

Figure S3. Publication bias of meta-analysis of buckwheat and total cholesterol

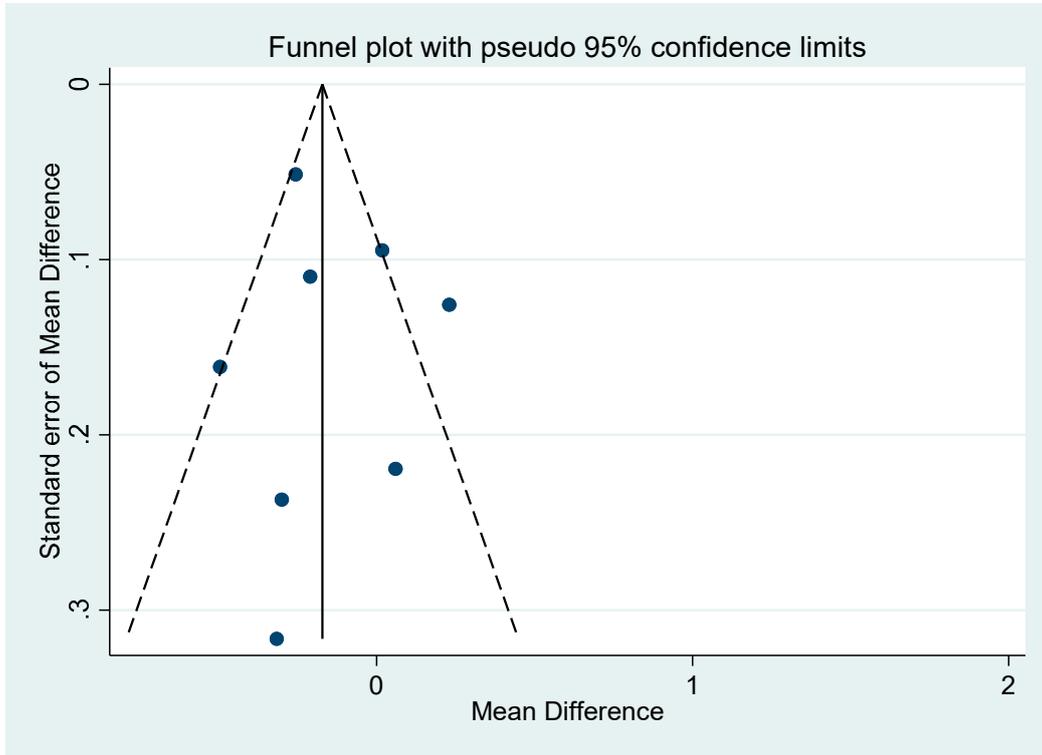


Figure S4. Publication bias of meta-analysis of buckwheat and triglycerides

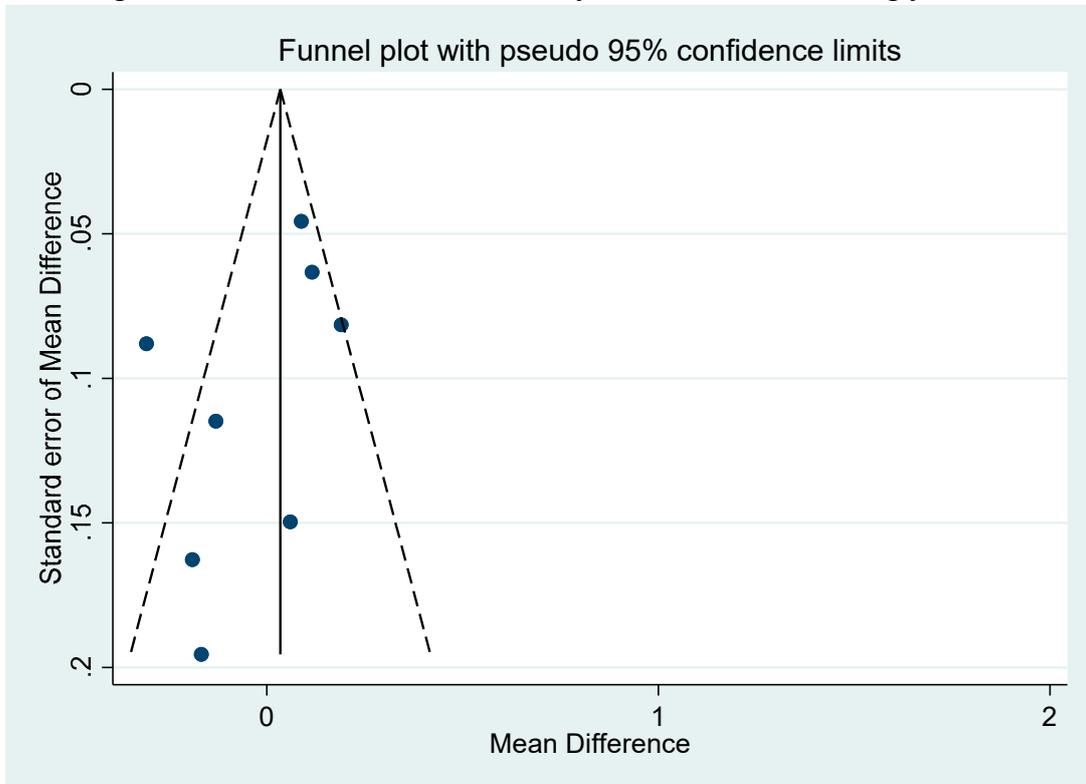


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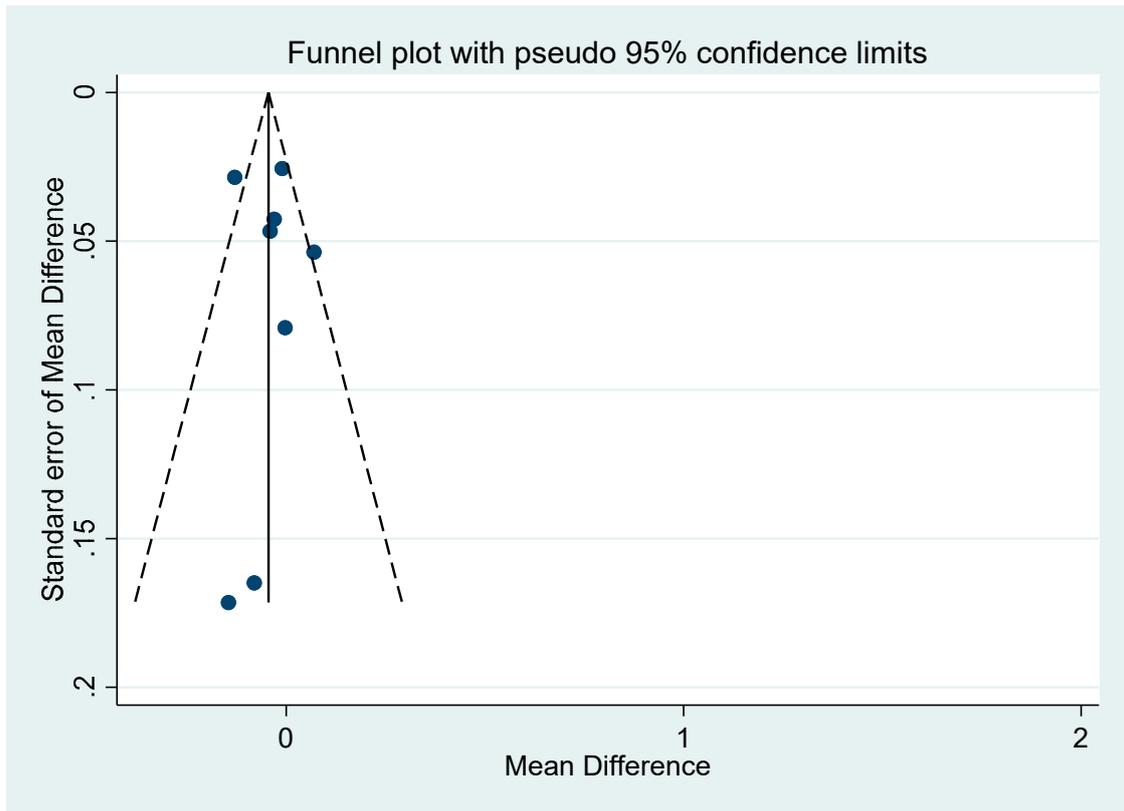


Figure S6. Publication bias of meta-analysis of buckwheat and LDL

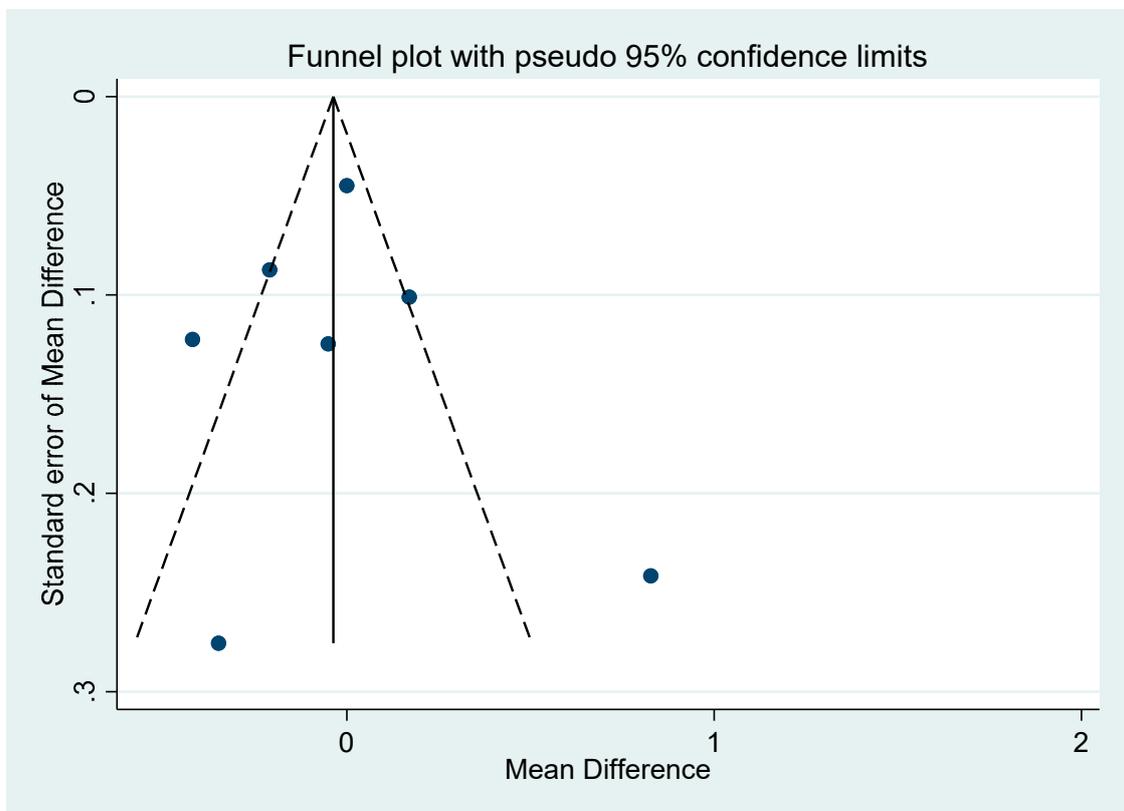
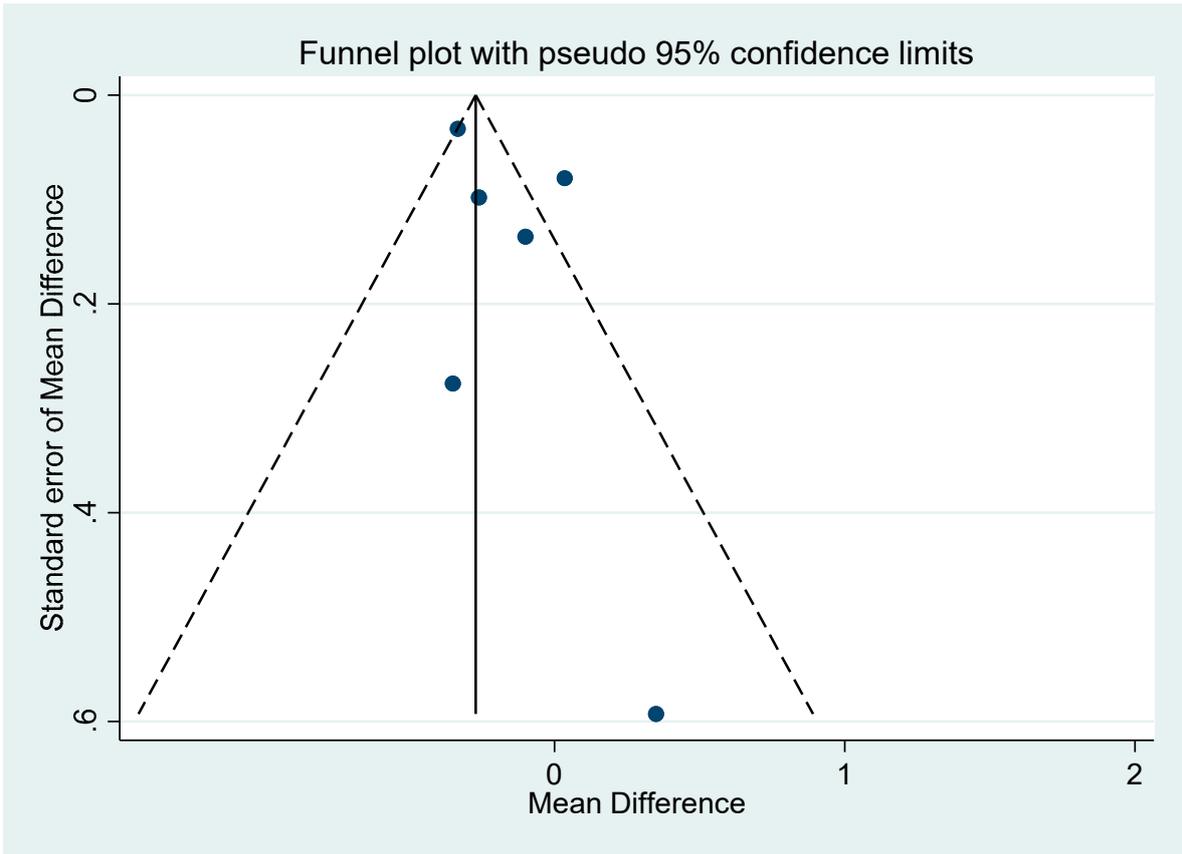


Figure S7. Publication bias of meta-analysis of buckwheat and glucose



Sensitivity analysis of the meta-analysis on total cholesterol after removing the non-grain component study

Figure S8. Sensitivity analysis of the meta-analysis on total cholesterol after removing the non-grain component study (i.e. Archimowicz-Cyrylowska et al. (1996))

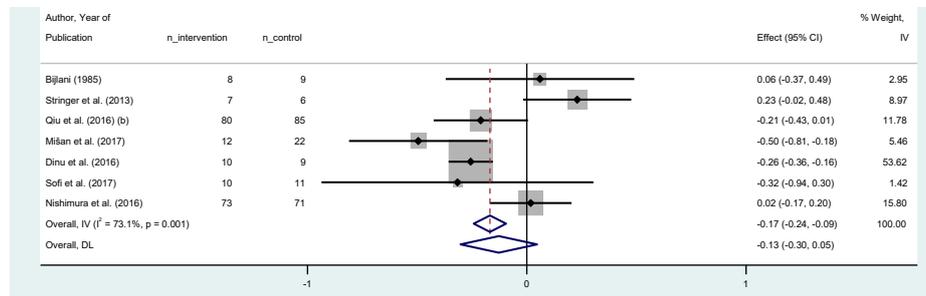


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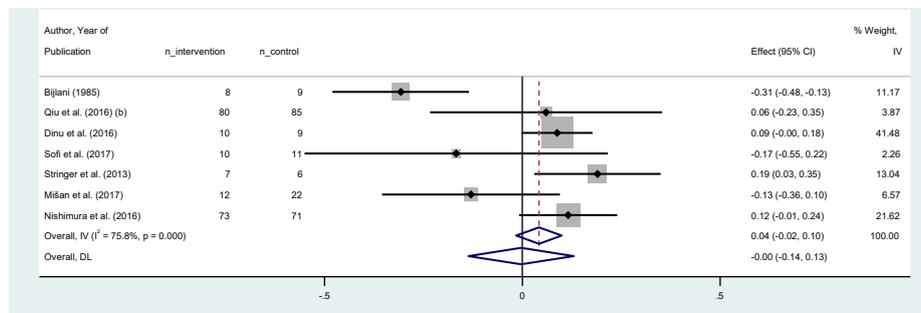


Figure S10. Sensitivity analysis of the meta-analysis on HDL cholesterol after removing the non-grain component study (i.e. Archimowicz-Cyrylowska et al. (1996))

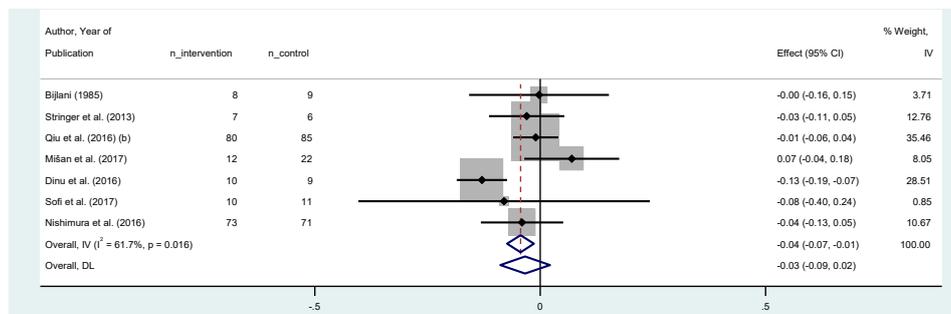


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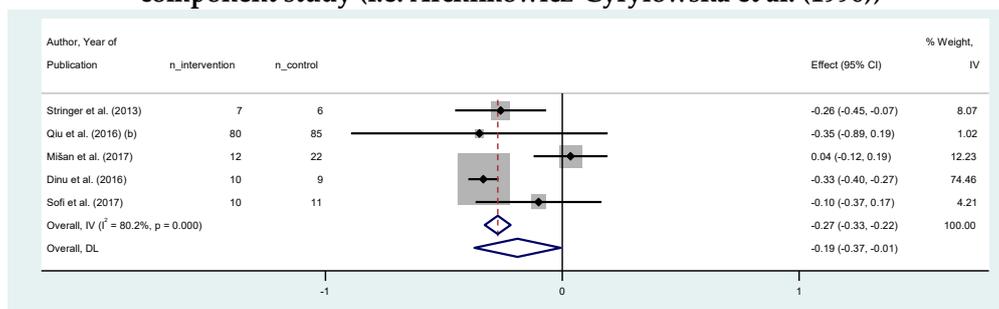


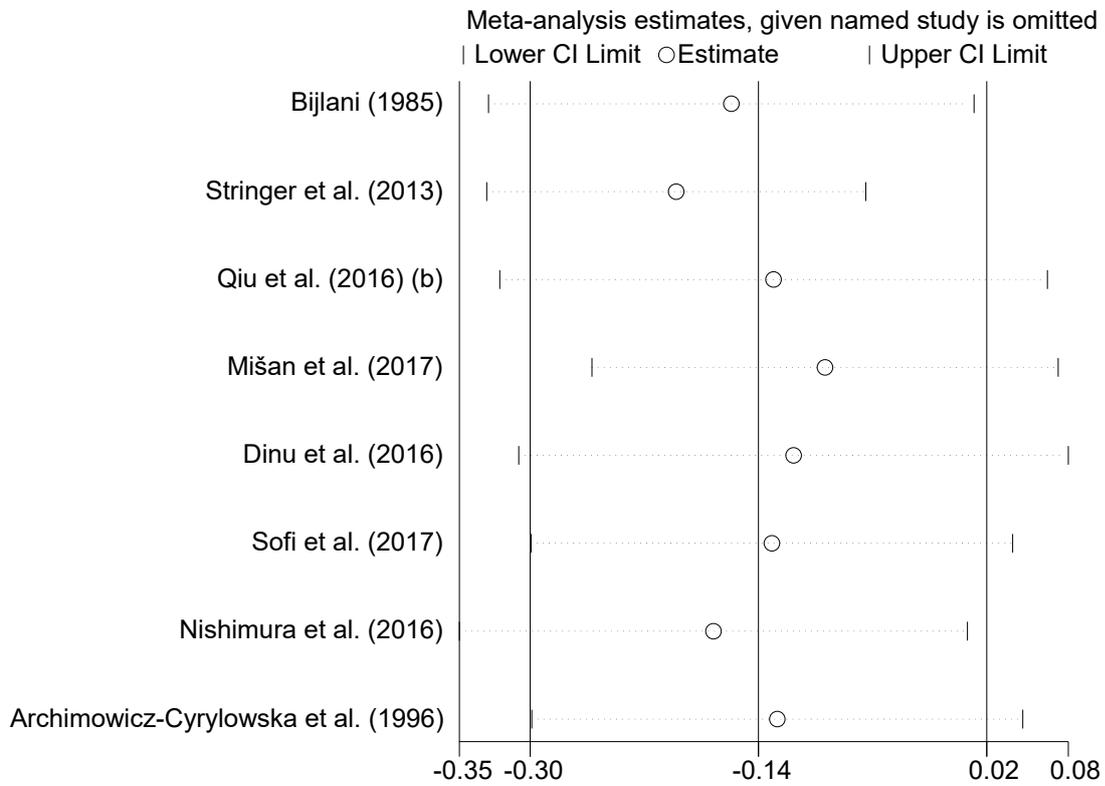
Table S5. Lipid profile markers at baseline

Author, Year of Publication	Outcome	Unit	Intervention arm size	Mean value at baseline
Bijlani (1985)	LDL cholesterol	mmol/L	8	2.08
Stringer et al. (2013)	LDL cholesterol	mmol/L	7	2.65
Qiu et al. (2016) (b)	LDL cholesterol	mmol/L	80	3.00
Mišan et al. (2017)	LDL cholesterol	mmol/L	12	4.55
Dinu et al. (2016)	LDL cholesterol	mmol/L	10	2.89
Sofi et al. (2017)	LDL cholesterol	mmol/L	10	3.14
Nishimura et al. (2016)	LDL cholesterol	mmol/L	73	4.07
Bijlani (1985)	HDL cholesterol	mmol/L	8	1.02
Stringer et al. (2013)	HDL cholesterol	mmol/L	7	1.25
Qiu et al. (2016) (b)	HDL cholesterol	mmol/L	80	1.20
Mišan et al. (2017)	HDL cholesterol	mmol/L	12	1.37
Dinu et al. (2016)	HDL cholesterol	mmol/L	10	1.86
Sofi et al. (2017)	HDL cholesterol	mmol/L	10	1.62
Nishimura et al. (2016)	HDL cholesterol	mmol/L	73	1.87
Archimowicz-Cyrylowska et al. (1996)	HDL cholesterol	mmol/L	20	1.16
Bijlani (1985)	Triglycerides	mmol/L	8	1.00
Qiu et al. (2016) (b)	Triglycerides	mmol/L	80	2.10
Dinu et al. (2016)	Triglycerides	mmol/L	10	0.95
Sofi et al. (2017)	Triglycerides	mmol/L	10	1.28
Archimowicz-Cyrylowska et al. (1996)	Triglycerides	mmol/L	20	1.64
Stringer et al. (2013)	Triglycerides	mmol/L	7	1.27
Mišan et al. (2017)	Triglycerides	mmol/L	12	1.89
Nishimura et al. (2016)	Triglycerides	mmol/L	73	0.95
Bijlani (1985)	Total cholesterol	mmol/L	8	4.55
Stringer et al. (2013)	Total cholesterol	mmol/L	7	4.27
Qiu et al. (2016) (b)	Total cholesterol	mmol/L	80	5.08
Mišan et al. (2017)	Total cholesterol	mmol/L	12	6.82
Dinu et al. (2016)	Total cholesterol	mmol/L	10	5.33
Sofi et al. (2017)	Total cholesterol	mmol/L	10	5.23
Nishimura et al. (2016)	Total cholesterol	mmol/L	73	6.25
Archimowicz-Cyrylowska et al. (1996)	Total cholesterol	mmol/L	20	5.70

Note: Mean values at baseline that were out of normal range are highlighted in grey
Ranges considered normal: LDL cholesterol: <3.4 mmol/L; Total cholesterol: <5.2 mmol/L; HDL cholesterol: >1.6 mmol/L; Triglycerides: <1.7 mmol/L.

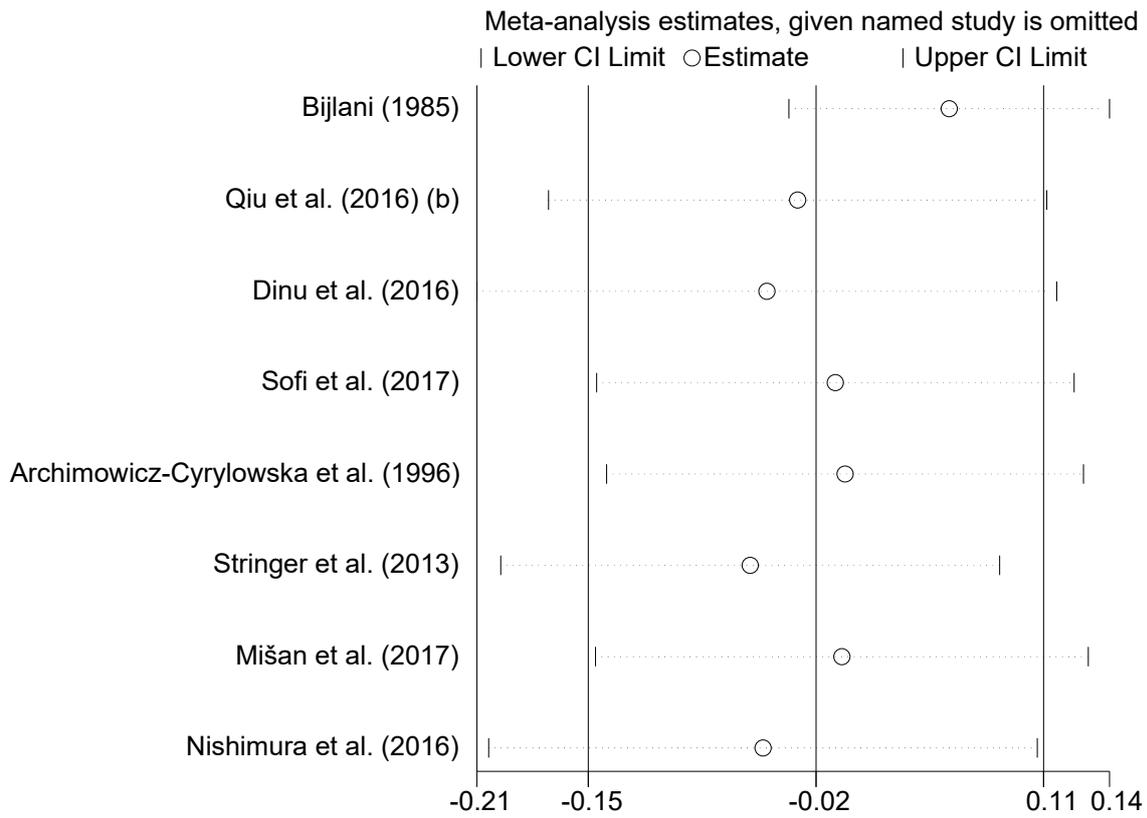
Leave-one-out analysis

Figure S12. Leave one out sensitivity analysis for total cholesterol



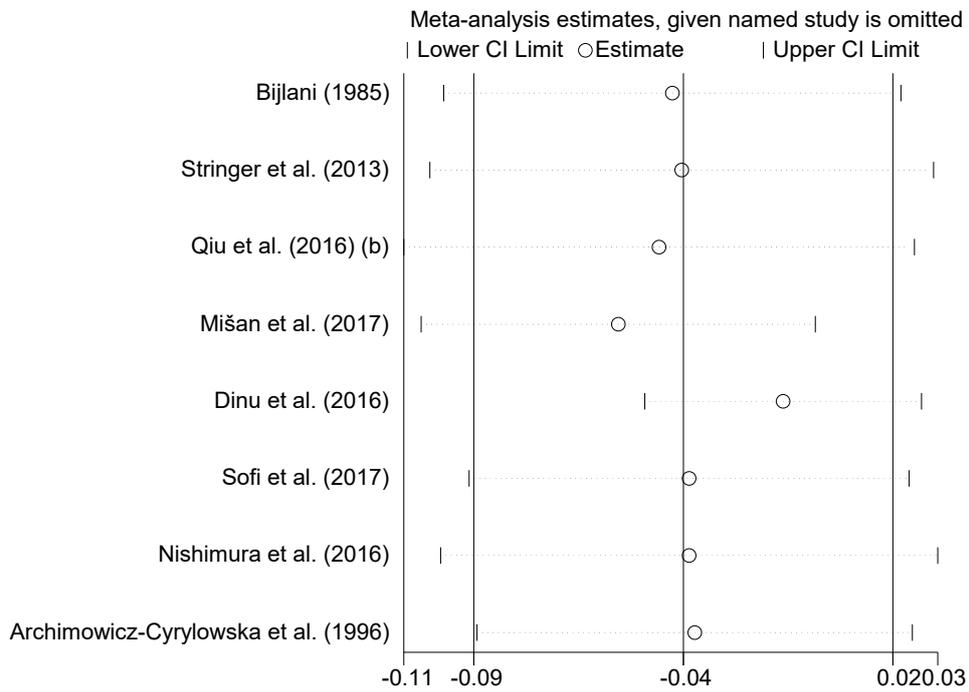
Note: Removing stringer et al makes it significant beneficial -0.20 (-0.33; -0.065)

Figure S13. Leave one out sensitivity analysis for triglycerides



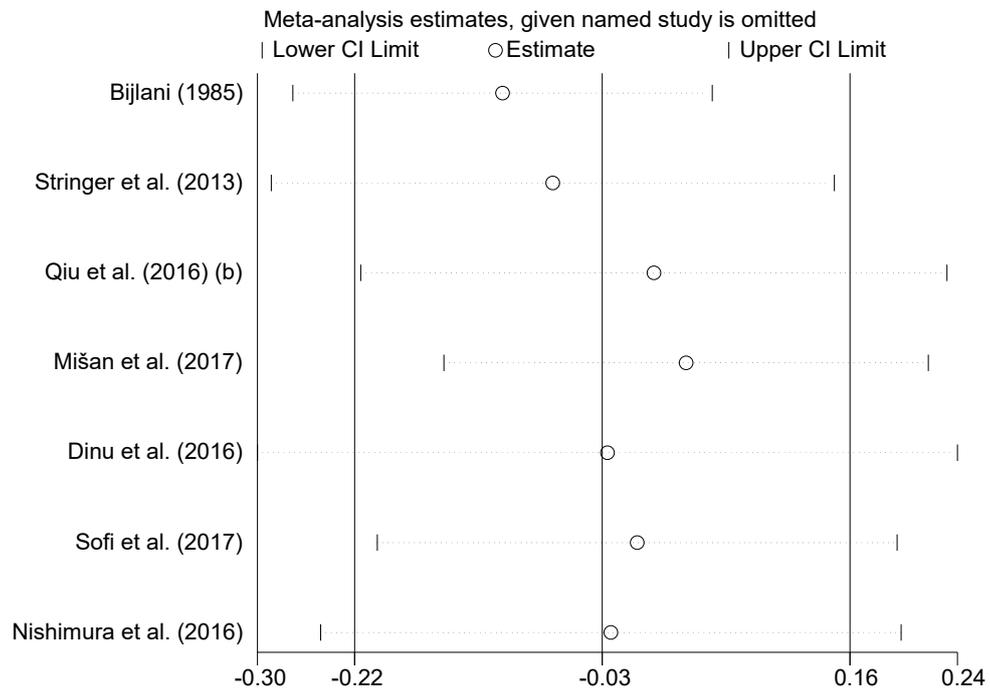
Note: There was no difference in the overall effect for any study

Figure S14. Leave one out sensitivity analysis for HDL Cholesterol



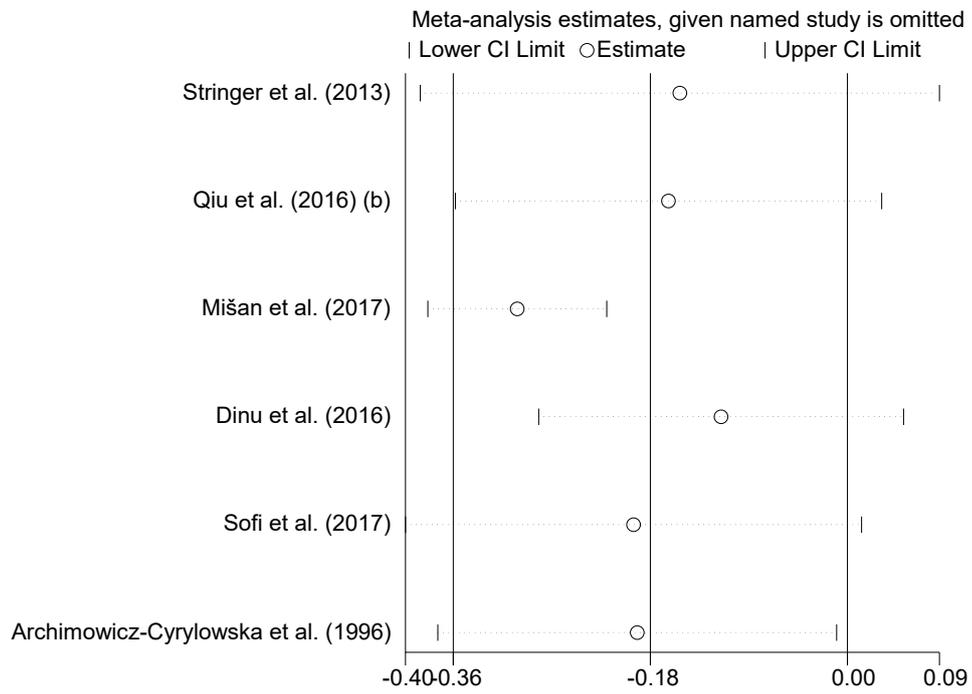
Note: Removing Mišan et al generated a significant beneficial effect on HDL cholesterol: -0.05 (-0.10; -0.03)

Figure S15. Leave one out sensitivity analysis for LDL Cholesterol



Note: There was no difference in the overall effect for any study.

Figure S16. Leave one out sensitivity analysis for glucose



Note: Removing Mišan et al significant beneficial: -0.30; -0.38; -0.22