

**Supplementary Table S1.** Key words and derivative words

MeSH terms	Entry Terms
Diabetes	Diabetes, Pregnancy-Induced; Diabetes, Pregnancy Induced; Pregnancy-Induced Diabetes; Gestational
Gestational	Diabetes; Diabetes Mellitus, Gestational; Gestational Diabetes Mellitus
Risk factors	Factor, Risk; Risk Factor; Health Correlates; Correlates, Health; Risk Scores; Risk Score; Score, Risk; Risk Factor Scores; Risk Factor Score; Score, Risk Factor; Population at Risk; Populations at Risk
Cohort study	Cohort Study; Studies, Cohort; Study, Cohort; Concurrent Studies; Studies, Concurrent; Concurrent Study; Study, Concurrent; Closed Cohort Studies; Cohort Studies, Closed; Closed Cohort Study; Cohort Study, Closed; Study, Closed Cohort; Studies, Closed Cohort Analysis, Cohort; Cohort Analysis; Analyses, Cohort; Cohort Analyses; Historical Cohort Studies; Cohort Study, Historical; Historical Cohort Study; Study, Historical Cohort; Cohort Studies, Historical; Studies, Historical Cohort; Incidence Studies; Incidence Study; Studies, Incidence; Study, Incidence

**Supplementary Table S2.** Retrieval strategy

Website	Retrieval strategy	Number of papers
MEDLINE	(((((Diabetes, Gestational[MeSH Terms]) OR (Diabetes, Pregnancy-Induced[MeSH Terms])) OR (Diabetes, Pregnancy Induced[MeSH Terms])) OR (Pregnancy-Induced Diabetes[MeSH Terms])) OR (Gestational Diabetes[MeSH Terms])) OR (Diabetes Mellitus, Gestational[MeSH Terms])) OR (Gestational Diabetes Mellitus[MeSH Terms])) AND (((((Diabetes, Gestational[MeSH Terms]) OR (Diabetes, Pregnancy-Induced[MeSH Terms])) OR (Diabetes, Pregnancy Induced[MeSH Terms])) OR (Pregnancy-Induced Diabetes[MeSH Terms])) OR (Gestational Diabetes[MeSH Terms])) OR (Diabetes Mellitus, Gestational[MeSH Terms])) OR (Gestational Diabetes Mellitus[MeSH Terms])) AND (((((((((Risk Factors[MeSH Terms]) OR (Factor, Risk[MeSH Terms])) OR (Risk Factor[MeSH Terms])) OR (Health Correlates[MeSH Terms])) OR (Correlates, Health[MeSH Terms])) OR (Risk Scores[MeSH Terms])) OR (Risk Score[MeSH Terms])) OR (Score, Risk[MeSH Terms])) OR (Risk Factor Scores[MeSH Terms])) OR (Risk Factor Score[MeSH Terms])) OR (Score, Risk Factor[MeSH Terms])) OR (Population at Risk[MeSH Terms])) OR (Populations at Risk[MeSH Terms])) AND ((((((((((((Cohort Studies[MeSH Terms]) OR (Cohort Study[MeSH Terms])) OR (Studies, Cohort[MeSH Terms])) OR (Study, Cohort[MeSH Terms])) OR (Concurrent Studies[MeSH Terms])) OR (Studies, Concurrent[MeSH Terms])) OR (Concurrent Study[MeSH Terms])) OR (Study, Concurrent[MeSH Terms])) OR (Closed Cohort Studies[MeSH Terms])) OR (Cohort Studies, Closed[MeSH Terms])) OR (Closed Cohort Study[MeSH Terms])) OR (Cohort Study, Closed[MeSH Terms])) OR (Studies, Closed Cohort[MeSH Terms])) OR (Cohort Analysis[MeSH Terms])) OR (Analyses, Cohort[MeSH Terms])) OR (Cohort Analyses[MeSH Terms])) OR (Historical Cohort Studies[MeSH Terms])) OR (Cohort Study, Historical[MeSH Terms])) OR (Historical Cohort Study[MeSH Terms])) OR (Study, Historical Cohort[MeSH Terms])) OR (Cohort Studies, Historical[MeSH Terms])) OR (Studies, Historical Cohort[MeSH Terms])) OR (Incidence Studies[MeSH Terms])) OR (Incidence Study[MeSH Terms])) OR (Studies, Incidence[MeSH Terms])) OR (Study, Incidence[MeSH Terms]))	1650
Web of Science	1 TS=(Diabetes, Gestational OR Diabetes, Pregnancy-Induced OR Diabetes, Pregnancy Induced OR Pregnancy-Induced Diabetes OR Gestational Diabetes OR Diabetes Mellitus, Gestational OR Gestational Diabetes Mellitus)  database = WOS, BCI, CSCD, DIIDW, INSPEC, KJD, MEDLINE, RSCI, SCIELO time span = all year  retrieval language = automatic	40187
	2 TS=(Risk Factors OR Factor, Risk OR Risk Factor OR Health Correlates OR Correlates, Health OR Risk Scores OR Risk Score OR Score, Risk OR Risk Factor Scores	2895742

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	database = WOS, BCI, CSCD, DIIDW, INSPEC, KJD, MEDLINE, RSCI, SCIELO time span = all year	
	retrieval language = automatic	
3	TS=(Cohort Studies OR Cohort Study OR Studies, Cohort OR Study, Cohort OR C oncurrent Studies OR Studies, Concurrent OR Concurrent Study OR Study, Concurr ent OR Closed Cohort Studies OR Cohort Studies, Closed OR Closed Cohort Study OR Cohort Study, Closed OR Study, Closed Cohort OR Studies, Closed Cohort OR Analysis, Cohort OR Cohort Analysis OR Analyses, Cohort OR Cohort Analyses O R Historical Cohort Studies OR Cohort Study, Historical OR Historical Cohort Stud y OR Study, Historical Cohort OR Cohort Studies, Historical OR Studies, Historical Cohort OR Incidence Studies OR Incidence Study OR Studies, Incidence OR Study , Incidence)	1929117
	database = WOS, BCI, CSCD, DIIDW, INSPEC, KJD, MEDLINE, RSCI, SCIELO time span = all year	
	retrieval language = automatic	
4	#3 AND #2 AND #1	5085
	database = WOS, BCI, CSCD, DIIDW, INSPEC, KJD, MEDLINE, RSCI, SCIELO time span = all year	
	retrieval language = automatic	
Embase	('diabetes, gestational'/exp OR 'diabetes, gestational' OR 'diabetes, pregnancy-induced' OR 'diabetes, pregnancy induced' OR 'pregnancy-induced diabetes' OR 'gestational diabetes'/exp OR 'gestational diabetes' OR 'diabetes mellitus, gestational' OR 'gestational diabetes mellitus'/exp OR 'gestational diabetes mellitus') AND ('risk factors'/exp OR 'risk factors' OR 'factor, risk' OR 'risk factor'/exp OR 'risk factor' OR 'health correlates' OR 'correlates, health' OR 'risk scores' OR 'risk score'/exp OR 'risk score' OR 'score, risk' OR 'risk factor scores' OR 'risk factor score' OR 'score, risk factor' OR 'population at risk'/exp OR 'population at risk' OR 'populations at risk') AND ('cohort studies'/exp OR 'cohort studies' OR 'cohort study'/exp OR 'cohort study' OR 'studies, cohort' OR 'study, cohort' OR 'concurrent studies' OR 'studies, concurrent' OR 'concurrent study' OR 'study, concurrent' OR 'closed cohort studies' OR 'cohort studies, closed' OR 'closed cohort study' OR 'cohort study, closed' OR 'study, closed cohort' OR 'studies, closed cohort' OR 'analysis, cohort'/exp OR 'analysis, cohort' OR 'cohort analysis'/exp OR 'cohort analysis' OR 'analyses, cohort' OR 'cohort analyses' OR 'historical cohort studies' OR 'cohort study, historical' OR 'historical cohort study' OR 'study, historical cohort' OR 'cohort studies, historical' OR 'studies, historical cohort' OR 'incidence studies' OR 'incidence study' OR 'studies, incidence' OR 'study, incidence')	2202

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**Supplementary Table S3.** Baseline characteristics of the included studies

First Author/Year/Country or region(continent)	Source of cohort	Study design and period	Sample size	Risk factors for GDM development
Qi 2020 <sup>1</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Sichuan, China)	Retrospective 2013 - 2014	8356	GWG at the 1 <sup>st</sup> trimester
Hedderson 2010 <sup>2</sup>	Cohort of kaiser permanente(Northern California, USA)	Retrospective 1996- 1998	1145	GWG at the 1 <sup>st</sup> trimester
Zhong 2017 <sup>3</sup>	Cohort of mother-infant pairs[Wuhan, China( TMCHC study)]	Prospective 2013 - 2016	2090	GWG at the 1st trimester
Chen 2015 <sup>4</sup>	Nurses' Health Study II (USA)	Prospective, 1989 - 2001	27482	Age at menarche
Dishi 2011 <sup>5</sup>	Omega study (Sweden)	Prospective, 1996 - 2008	3490	Age at menarche
Li 2016 <sup>6</sup>	HBC Study (Wuhan, China)	Prospective, 2012 - 2014	6900	Age at menarche
Shen 2016 <sup>7</sup>	NHANES Study (USA.)	Retrospective, 2007- 2012	5914	Age at menarche
Hao 2016 <sup>8</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Shanghai, China)	Prospective, 2012 - 2014	7084	Thyroid Diseases
Li 2020 <sup>9</sup>	Women and Children's Health Care Center System (Qingdao, China)	Retrospective, 2018 - 2019	17145	Thyroid Diseases, gestational age, pre- BMI
Mannisto 2013 <sup>10</sup>	Consortium on Safe Labor (USA)	Retrospective, 2002 - 2008	223512	Thyroid Diseases
Yang 2016 <sup>11</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Shanghai, China)	Retrospective, 2013 - 2015	27513	Thyroid Diseases
Lei 2019 <sup>12</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Beijing, China)	Retrospective, 2013 - 2015	9024	ART
Barua 2016 <sup>13</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (western Sydney, Australia)	Retrospective, 2007 - 2010	50375	ART
Hu 2019 <sup>14</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Shanghai, China)	Retrospective, 2014 - 2017	1022	ART
Nagata 2019 <sup>15</sup>	Japan environment and children's study (Japan)	Retrospective, 2011 - 2014	97592	ART
Shevell 2005 <sup>16</sup>	The first and second trimester evaluation of risk trial (a international multicenter investigation)	Prospective, 1999 - 2002	36062	ART

Silberstein 2013 <sup>17</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Israel)	Retrospective, 1998 - 2006	174781	ART
Stern 2014 <sup>18</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Massachusetts, USA)	Retrospective, 2004 - 2008	305774	ART
Wang 2013 <sup>19</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Australia)	Retrospective, 2007 - 2009	400392	ART
Cosson 2013 <sup>20</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (an international multicenter investigation)	Prospective, 2002 - 2010	17344	T2DM family history
Schoenaker 2018 <sup>21</sup>	Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health (Australia)	Prospective, 1996 - 2015	6504	T2DM family history
Hossein 2018 <sup>22</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Iran)	Prospective, 2015 - 2017	929	T2DM family history
Larrabure-Torrealva 2018 <sup>23</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Peru)	Retrospective, 2013 - 2014	1300	T2DM family history
Leng 2014 <sup>24</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Tianjin, China)	Retrospective, 2010 - 2012	17808	T2DM family history
Pirjani 2016 <sup>25</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Iran)	Prospective, 2012 - 2013	256	T2DM family history, pre-BMI
Schaefer 2018 <sup>26</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Guangzhou, China)	Prospective, 2012 - 2015	8381	T2DM family history
Shahbazian 2016 <sup>27</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Iran)	Prospective, 2014 - 2015	750	T2DM family history
Wang 2019 <sup>28</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Sichuan, China)	Retrospective, 2016 - 2018	3608	T2DM family history, gestational age
Yan 2016 <sup>29</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Xiamen, China)	Retrospective, 2011 - 2018	78572	T2DM family history
Khaili 2013 <sup>30</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (UK)	Retrospective	76161	Maternal age
Londero 2019 <sup>31</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Italy)	Retrospective, 2001 - 2014	22933	Gestational age
Sweeting 2017 <sup>32</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Sydney, Australia)	Retrospective, 2011 - 2013	980	Gestational age, pre- BMI
Wang 2017 <sup>33</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Beijing, China)	Retrospective, 2013	14970	Gestational age
Koo 2011 <sup>34</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Korea)	Retrospective, 2005 - 2008	29760	Gestational age
Sun 2020 <sup>35</sup>	CPWCS-PUMC cohort study (Beijing, China)	Retrospective, 2017 - 2018	3172	pre-BMI
Rodríguez-Mesa 2019 <sup>36</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Spain)	Retrospective, 2014 - 2015	710	pre-BMI
Shaukat 2019 <sup>37</sup>	PHCC Database (an international multicenter investigation)	Retrospective, 2016 - 2017	1134	pre-BMI

Gao 2017 <sup>38</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Changsha, China)	Retrospective, 2015	919	pre-BMI
Laine 2017 <sup>39</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Vantaa, Finland)	Retrospective, 2009 - 2015	7750	pre-BMI
Yong 2020 <sup>40</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Malaysia)	Retrospective, 2010 - 2012	1951	pre-BMI
Hashemi-Nazari 2018 <sup>41</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Iran)	Retrospective, 2015 - 2016	1009	pre-BMI
Shao 2020 <sup>42</sup>	Cohort of pregnant women (Zhoushan, China)	Retrospective, 2011- 2018	3318	pre-BMI

**Supplementary Table S4.** Newcastle-Ottawa Quality Assessment Scale for the 42 cohort studies

Study (First author/year)	Selection					Comparability	Outcome				Total scores
	Representativeness of exposed cohort	Selectivity of non-exposed cohort	Ascertainment of exposure	Demonstration that outcome of interest was not present at start of study			Assessment of outcome	Was follow-up long enough for outcomes to occur	the follow-up of cohorts		
Qi 2020	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	★	9	
Hedderson 2010	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	★	8	
Zhong 2017	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	★	8	
Chen 2015	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7	
Dishi 2011	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7	
Li 2016	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7	
Shen 2016	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	★	8	
Hao 2016	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	★	9	
Li 2020	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	★	8	
Mannisto 2013	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	★	8	
Yang 2016	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	★	9	
Lei 2019	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7	
Silberstein 2013	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7	
Stern 2014	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	8	
Wang 2013	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	★	9	

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Barua 2016	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	8
Hu 2019	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7
Nagata 2019	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Shevell 2005	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Khaili 2013	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	8
Londero 2019	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Sweeting 2017	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Wang 2017	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Koo 2011	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	8
Wang 2019	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Leng 2014	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Schoenaker 2018	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Schaefer 2018	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	8
Shahbazian 2016	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7
Pirjani 2016	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	8
Cosson 2013	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Hossein 2018	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9

Larrabure-	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	9
Torrealva2018									
Yan 2016	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	8
Sun 2020	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	8
Rodríguez-Mesa 2019	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7
Gao 2017	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	8
Laine 2017	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7
Shaukat 2019	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	8
Yong 2020	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	8
Hashemi-Nazari 2018	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	7
Shao 2020	★	★	★	★	★★	★	★	★	8

**Supplementary Table S5.** Seven risk factors included in the systematic review and meta-analysis

Risk factors	First author/Year	Sample size	Definition of risk factor	OR	95%CI	P value
GWG at the 1st trimester	Qi 2020	632	Above IOM recommended GWG at the 1st trimester	1.07	0.94 - 1.21	>0.05
GWG at the 1st trimester	Hedderson 2010	245	Above IOM recommended GWG at the 1st trimester	1.53	1.09 - 2.15	<0.05
GWG at the 1st trimester	Zhong 2017	921	Above IOM recommended GWG at the 1st trimester	0.59	0.33 - 1.15	>0.05
Thyroid relative antibodies (+)	Hao 2016	281	TSH(H)TgAb(+)	1.44	1.14 - 1.84	<0.05
Thyroid relative antibodies (+)	Hao 2016	648	TSH(N)TPOAb(+)	1.65	1.43 - 1.92	<0.05
Thyroid relative antibodies (+)	Hao 2016	78	TSH(H)TPOAb(+)	3.38	2.63 - 3.45	<0.05
Thyroid relative antibodies (+)	Li 2020	578	TSH 0.1 - 2.5 mIU/L at the 1 <sup>st</sup> trimester or 0.2 - 3.0 mIU/L, TgAb/TPOAb(+) at the 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> trimester	1.47	1.11 - 1.96	<0.05
Thyroid relative antibodies (+)	Mannisto 2013	3183	TgAb(+)	1.57	1.33 - 1.86	<0.05
Thyroid relative antibodies (+)	Yang 2016	393	TPOAb(+)	1.10	0.98 - 1.23	0.118
Age at menarche	Chen 2015	8730	Age at menarche ≤11 yr	1.34	1.14 - 1.58	<0.05
Age at menarche	Dishi 2011	505	Age at menarche ≤11 yr	0.82	0.51 - 1.32	>0.05
Age at menarche	Li 2016	379	Age at menarche ≤11 yr	1.41	1.06 - 1.87	<0.05
Age at menarche	Shen 2016	115	Age at menarche	1.75	1.10-2.79	<0.05

$\leq 11$ yr						
ART	Lei 2019	2256	IVF+ICSI	1.85	1.24 - 2.78	< 0.01
ART	Barua 2016	1721	IVF ICSI IUI OI	1.509	1.30 - 1.75	< 0.001
ART	Hu 2019	237	ICSI	0.859	0.59 - 1.25	0.859
ART	Hu 2019	353	Secondary infertility	1.187	0.85 - 1.65	0.311
ART	Hu 2019	358	Fresh cycles	1.382	1.01 - 1.90	0.046
ART	Nagata 2019	3939	ovulation induction	0.97	0.8 - 1.19	> 0.05
ART	Nagata 2019	1476	IVT-ET	0.99	0.75 - 1.31	> 0.05
ART	Nagata 2019	1671	ICSI	0.97	0.74 - 1.27	> 0.05
ART	Shevell 2005	1222	Ovulation Induction	1.5	1.1 - 2.20	0.01
ART	Shevell 2005	554	IVF	0.5	0.2 - 1.00	0.06
ART	Silberstein 2013	1294	IVF	1.77	1.52 - 2.07	< 0.001
ART	Stern 2014	1901	male factor	1.15	0.96 - 1.38	> 0.05
ART	Stern 2014	406	endometriosis	0.93	0.62 - 1.39	> 0.05
ART	Stern 2014	676	ovulation disorders	2.17	1.72 - 2.73	< 0.05
ART	Stern 2014	706	tubal	1.42	1.09 - 1.84	< 0.05
ART	Wang 2013	13732	IVF, ICSI or gamete intrafallopian transfer	1.26	1.18 - 1.36	< 0.05
T2DM family history	Cosson 2013	3588	T2DM family history	1.14	1.03 - 1.27	< 0.05
T2DM family history	Schoenaker 2018	544	T2DM family history	1.53	0.79 - 2.95	> 0.05
T2DM family history	Hossein 2018	56	Early onset	3.10	1.90 - 5.20	< 0.05
T2DM family history	Hossein 2018	34	Late onset	2.20	1.20 - 3.90	< 0.05
T2DM family history	Larrabure-Torrealva 2018	466	T2DM family history	1.51	1.1 - 2.07	< 0.05
T2DM family history	Leng 2014	191	T2DM family history	1.61	1.36 - 1.91	< 0.05
T2DM family history	Pirjani 2016	91	T2DM family history	2.01	1.13 - 3.56	0.016
T2DM family history	Schaefer 2018	842	T2DM family history	1.51	1.25 - 1.82	< 0.05
T2DM family history	Shahbazian 2016	87	T2DM family history	2.47	1.33 - 4.59	< 0.05
T2DM family history	Wang 2019	299	T2DM family history	2.52	1.94 - 3.27	< 0.05

T2DM family history	Yan 2016	1825	T2DM family history	1.97	1.78 - 2.19	< 0.001
Maternal age	Khaili 2013	35 - 39	16325	1.62	1.43 - 1.83	< 0.05
Maternal age	Khaili 2013	≥40	4061	1.88	1.55 - 2.29	< 0.05
Maternal age	Londero 2019	≥40	1552	1.71	1.37 - 2.12	< 0.05
Maternal age	Sweeting 2017	322	30 - 34	1.18	0.80 - 1.76	> 0.05
Maternal age	Sweeting 2017	404	≥35	1.49	1.03 - 2.16	< 0.05
Maternal age	Wang 2017	4365	30-34	1.51	1.37 - 1.66	< 0.05
Maternal age	Wang 2017	1017	35-40	2.09	1.79 - 2.46	< 0.05
Maternal age	Wang 2017	155	≥40	2.17	1.49 - 3.17	< 0.05
Maternal age	Li 2020	5893	30-40	1.24	1.05 - 1.49	< 0.05
Maternal age	Li 2020	3207	≥35	2.18	1.84 - 2.59	< 0.05
Maternal age	Koo 2011	15496	30-34	2.00	1.60 - 2.60	< 0.001
Maternal age	Koo 2011	5665	35 - 39	3.60	2.80 - 4.80	< 0.001
Maternal age	Koo 2011	649	> 40	5.10	3.30 - 7.80	< 0.001
Maternal age	Wang 2019	1606	30 - 34	1.88	1.54 - 2.30	< 0.05
Maternal age	Wang 2019	527	≥35	2.88	2.24 - 3.71	< 0.05
pre-BMI	Sun 2020	401	overweight	2.01	1.47 - 2.71	< 0.001
pre-BMI	Sun 2020	59	obese	1.91	0.94 - 3.91	0.075
pre-BMI	Rodríguez-Mesa 2019	109	obese	3.61	2.10 - 6.20	< 0.001
pre-BMI	Shaukat 2019	240	overweight (non-Arabs)	1.23	0.76 - 2.00	> 0.05
pre-BMI	Shaukat 2019	159	overweight (Arabs)	1.24	0.84 - 1.82	> 0.05
pre-BMI	Shaukat 2019	114	obese (Arabs)	2.38	1.51 - 3.84	< 0.05
pre-BMI	Shaukat 2019	116	obese(non-Arabs)	1.60	0.97 - 2.65	> 0.05
pre-BMI	Gao 2017	141	overweight and obese	2.19	1.02 - 4.76	< 0.05
pre-BMI	Laine 2017	758	obese	5.36	4.53 - 6.36	< 0.05
pre-BMI	Yong 2020	848	overweight and obese	1.44	1.04 - 1.81	< 0.05
pre-BMI	Hashemi-Nazari 2018	Not given	overweight	1.53	0.96 - 2.43	0.05
pre-BMI	Hashemi-Nazari 2018	Not given	obese	2.19	1.30 - 3.68	0.003
pre-BMI	Shao 2020	342	overweight	1.85	1.41 - 2.43	< 0.001
pre-BMI	Shao 2020	70	obese	1.91	1.12 - 3.27	< 0.05
pre-BMI	Li 2020	2980	overweight	1.63	1.26 - 2.11	< 0.05
pre-BMI	Li 2020	611	obese	1.3	0.75 - 2.26	< 0.05
pre-BMI	Sweeting 2017	255	obese	1.2	0.85 - 1.70	> 0.05
pre-BMI	Pirjani 2016	Not given	overweight	1.01	0.54 - 1.92	> 0.05
pre-BMI	Pirjani 2016	40	obese	2.74	1.28 - 5.8	< 0.05

**Supplementary Table S6.** The clinical characteristics of pregnant women in the GDM and NGT groups at the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester

Variables	NGT	GDM	P value
Number	723	352	-
Maternal age	30.83 ± 0.41	31.13 ± 0.57	0.017
T2DM family history	46 (6.4)	57 (16.2)	< 0.001
pre-BMI	21.02 ± 0.28	22.89 ± 0.40	0.009
Age at menarche≤11yr	36 (5.0)	48 (13.6)	< 0.001
ART	22 (3.0)	62 (17.6)	< 0.001
Thyroid antibodies (+) [TPOAb/TgAb]	45 (6.2)	123 (34.9)	< 0.001
Above IOM			
recommended GWG at the 1 <sup>st</sup> trimester	73 (10.1)	118 (33.5)	< 0.001
History of macrosomia	15 (2.1)	24 (6.8)	< 0.001
Parity	1.47 ± 0.05	1.51 ± 0.08	0.841
FBG (mmol/L)	4.93 ± 0.33	5.06 ± 0.34	< 0.05
Vitamin B12 (pg/mL)	64.51 ± 16.01	64.60 ± 18.92	0.171
Ferritin (ng/mL)	46.58 ± 4.17	48.11 ± 3.54	0.210
Total protein (g/L)	69.85 ± 0.50	69.44 ± 0.50	0.793
Albumin (g/L)	40.71 ± 0.25	40.05 ± 0.39	0.125
Globulin (g/L)	29.15 ± 0.42	28.39 ± 0.37	0.060
ALT(U/L)	17.53 ± 1.38	17.95 ± 2.01	0.105
AST(U/L)	18.92 ± 0.82	18.25 ± 1.10	0.121
CHO (mmol/L)	4.16 (3.12 – 5.35)	4.21(3.38 – 5.72)	0.715
TG (mmol/L)	1.47 ± 0.07	1.51 ± 0.88	0.977
HDL-C (mmol/L)	1.65 ± 0.04	1.61 ± 0.05	0.268
LDL-C (mmol/L)	2.32 ± 0.06	2.36 ± 0.08	0.900

**Note.** Data were presented as n (%), mean (SD, standard deviation). \* One-way ANOVA was used for continuous variables showing normal distribution, and the Chi-square test (or Fisher's Exact test) was used for categorical variables. GDM, gestational diabetes mellitus; NGT, normal glucose tolerance; pre-BMI, pre-pregnancy body mass index; ART, assisted reproductive technology; TPOAb, thyroid peroxidase antibody; TGAb, anti-thyroglobulin antibody; FBG: fasting blood glucose; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; CHO, total cholesterol; TG, triglyceride; HDL-C, high density lipoprotein cholesterol; LDL-C: low density lipoprotein cholesterol.

**Supplementary Table S7.** Performance of the GDM risk prediction model at different cut-off values

Cut-off value	Sensitivity	Specificity	Youden index
1	0.949	0.314	0.263
2.5	0.903	0.336	0.239
3.5	0.903	0.342	0.245
4.5	0.855	0.375	0.23
5.5	0.736	0.674	0.41
6.5	0.733	0.696	0.429
7.5	0.653	0.737	0.39
8.5	0.628	0.817	0.445
9.5	0.585	0.881	0.466
10.5	0.474	0.899	0.373
11.5	0.418	0.923	0.341
12.5	0.324	0.943	0.267
13.5	0.264	0.957	0.221
14.5	0.23	0.97	0.2
15.5	0.173	0.978	0.151
16.5	0.145	0.986	0.131
17.5	0.114	0.989	0.103
18.5	0.08	0.993	0.073
19.5	0.057	0.994	0.051
20.5	0.045	0.997	0.042
21.5	0.034	0.999	0.033
22.5	0.028	1	0.028
23.5	0.014	1	0.014
25	0.011	1	0.011
26.5	0.009	1	0.009
27.5	0.003	1	0.003
29	0	1	0

**Supplementary Table S8.** The comparison of the score-scaled GDM prediction model and logistic regression analysis of the GDM prediction model

Variables	NRI	P	IDI	P
model 1 - model 2	0.208	< 0.001	0.045	< 0.001

Model 1, the score scaled GDM risk prediction model; model 2, the logistic regression analysis of GDM risk prediction model. The test was conducted by Z test. A P value < 0.05 is considered a significant.

**Supplementary Table S9.** The comparison of the two ML models.

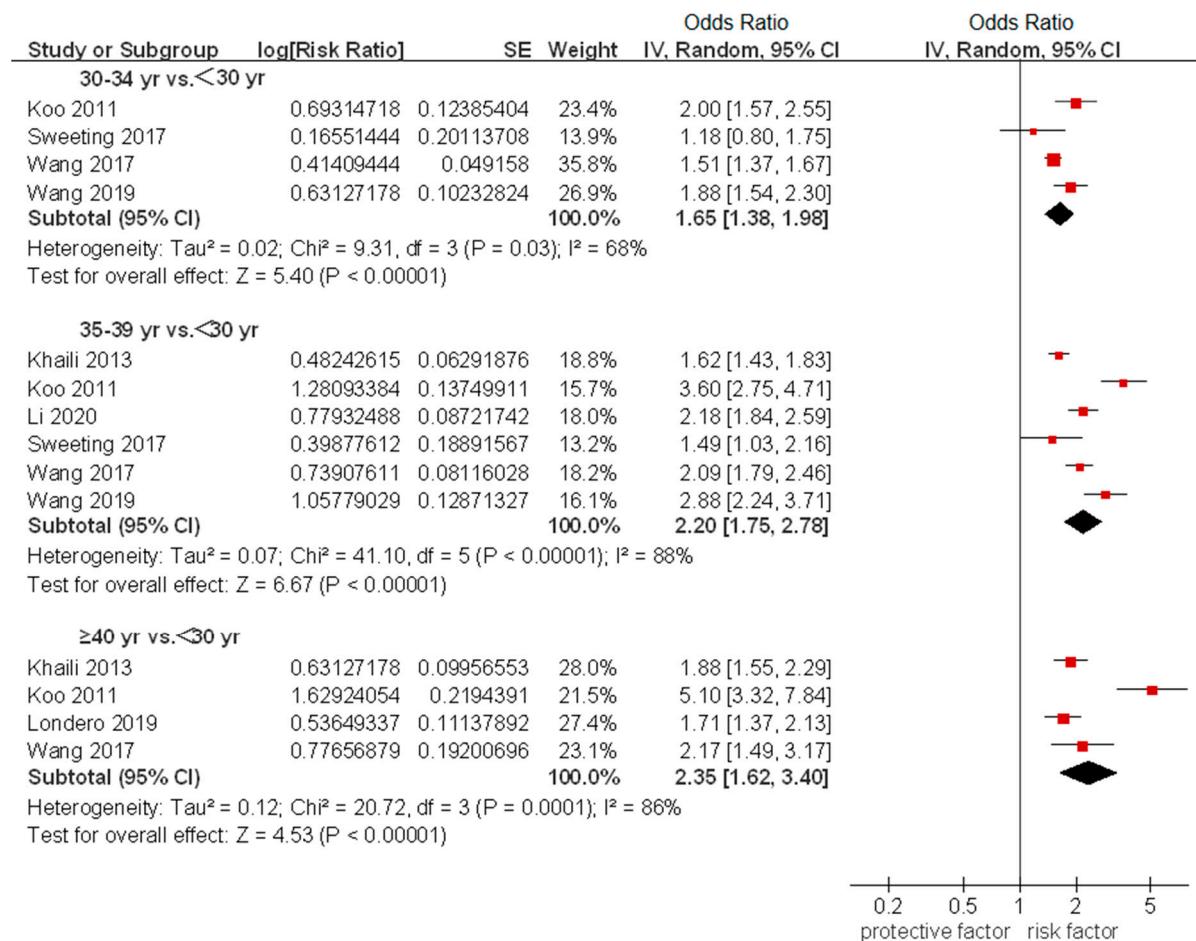
Models	AUC (training set)	AUC (validation set)	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Accuracy	Specificity
Decision Tree	0.825	0.816	0.799	0.709	0.751	76.8%	0.825
Random Forest	0.823	0.827	0.768	0.724	0.745	75.5%	0.785

ML models, machine learning models.  $P$  value  $< 0.05$  was considered statistically significant.

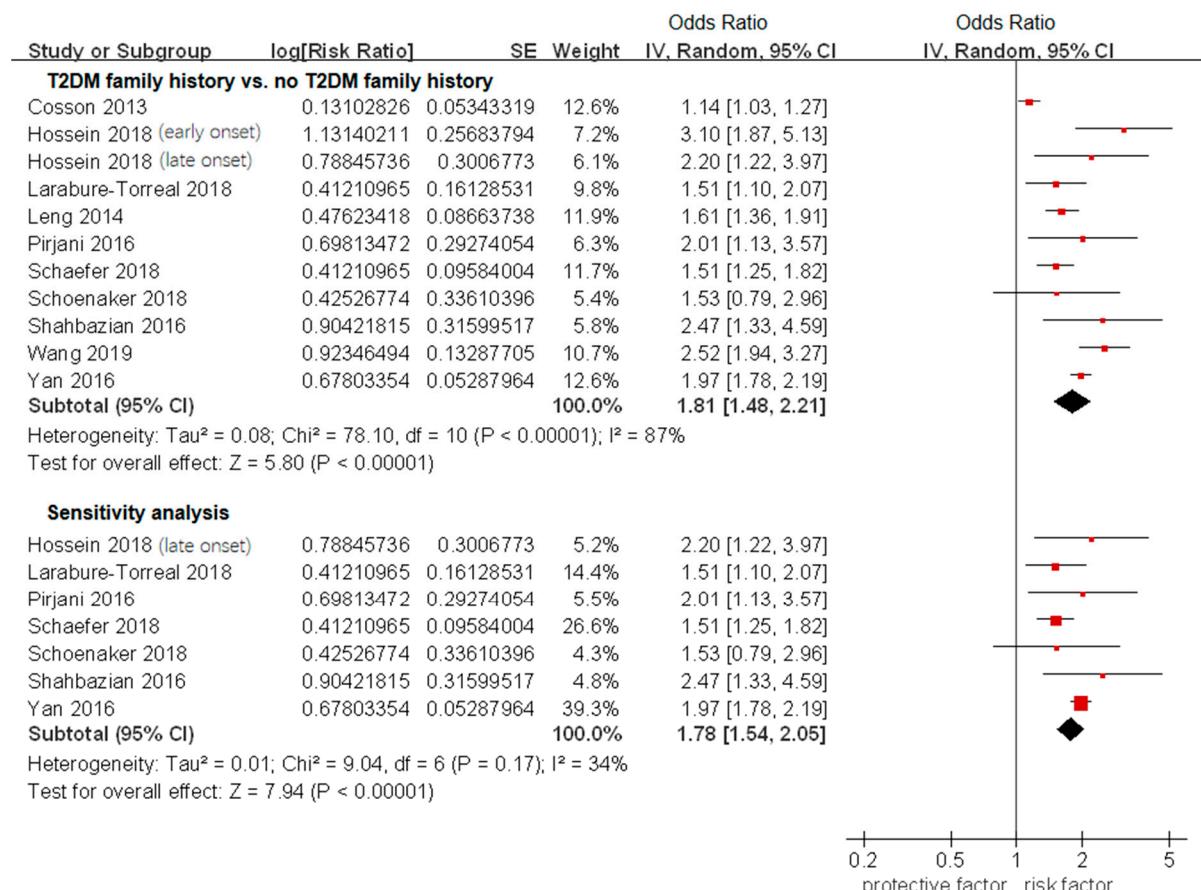
**Supplementary Table S10.** The validation of the published GDM models and models established by in this study

Author/Year	Variables	AUC (95%CI)	P	Sensitivity	Specificity
Published models					
Zheng 2019	Age, BMI, FPG, TG	0.354 (0.266-0.442)	0.092	0.923	0.023
Guo 2020	Age, BMI, FPG, diabetes family history	0.716 (0.625-0.806)	<0.001	0.102	1.0
Zhang 2020	Age, BMI, HbA1c, TG	0.709 (0.614-0.804)	<0.001	0.102	1.0
Models established in this study					
Score-scarred model	-	0.769(0.681-0.858)	<0.001	53.8	87.8
Logistic regression model	-	0.841(0.736-0.891)	<0.001	28.2	99.4
Decision tree model	-	0.777(0.726-0.829)	<0.001	63.2	80.6
Random forest model	-	0.740(0.684-0.795)	<0.001	65.1	74.8

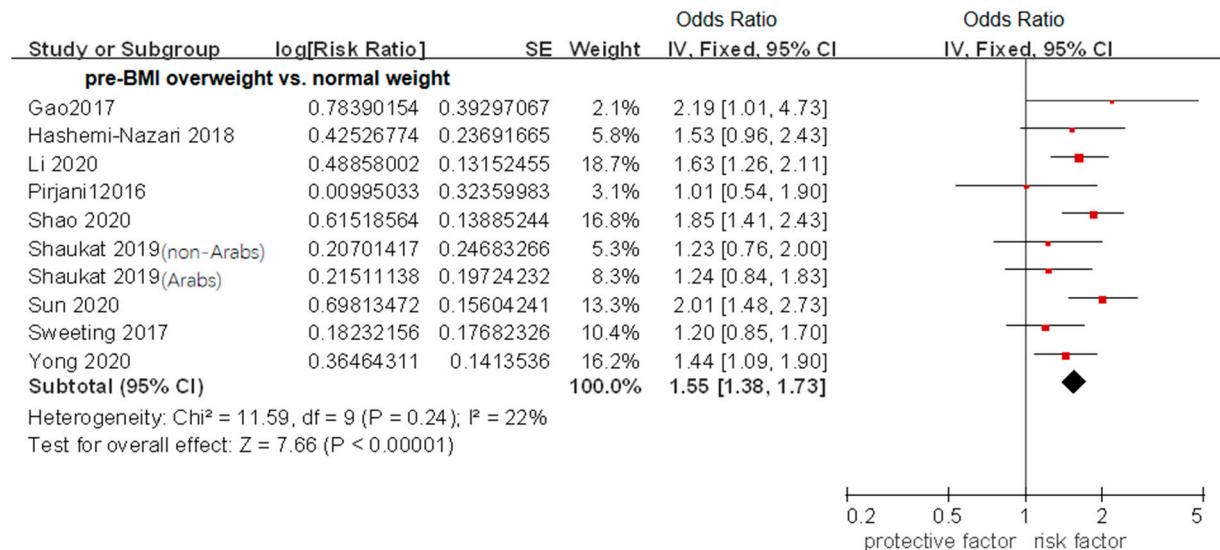
## Supplementary Figure S1. Age



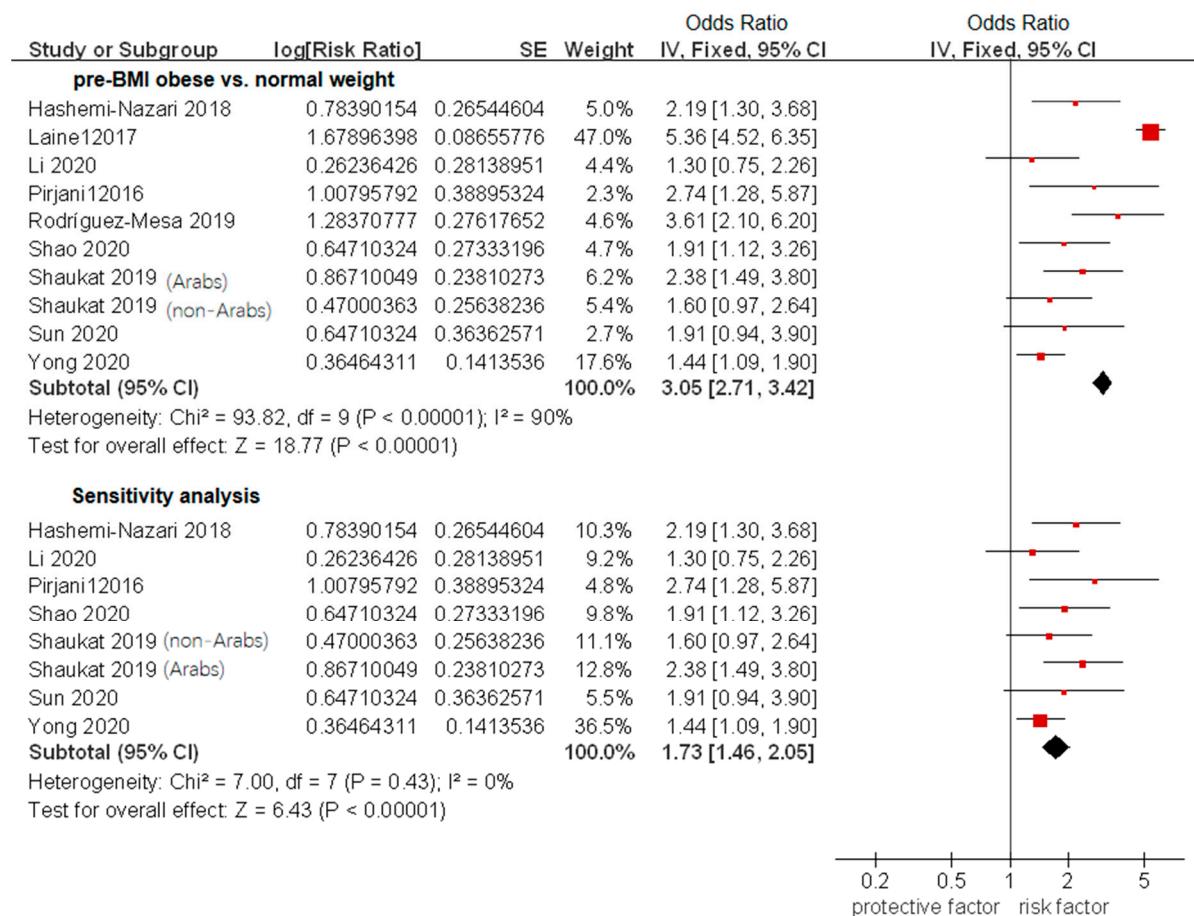
## Supplementary Figure S2. T2DM family history



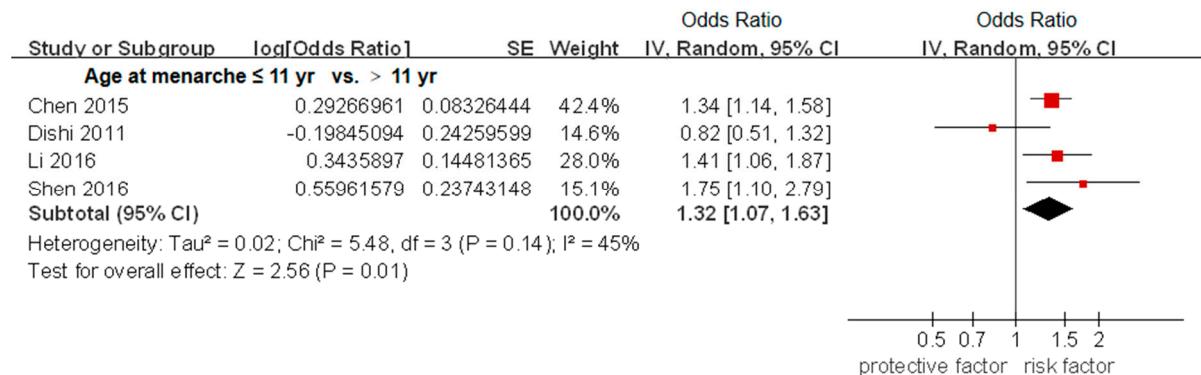
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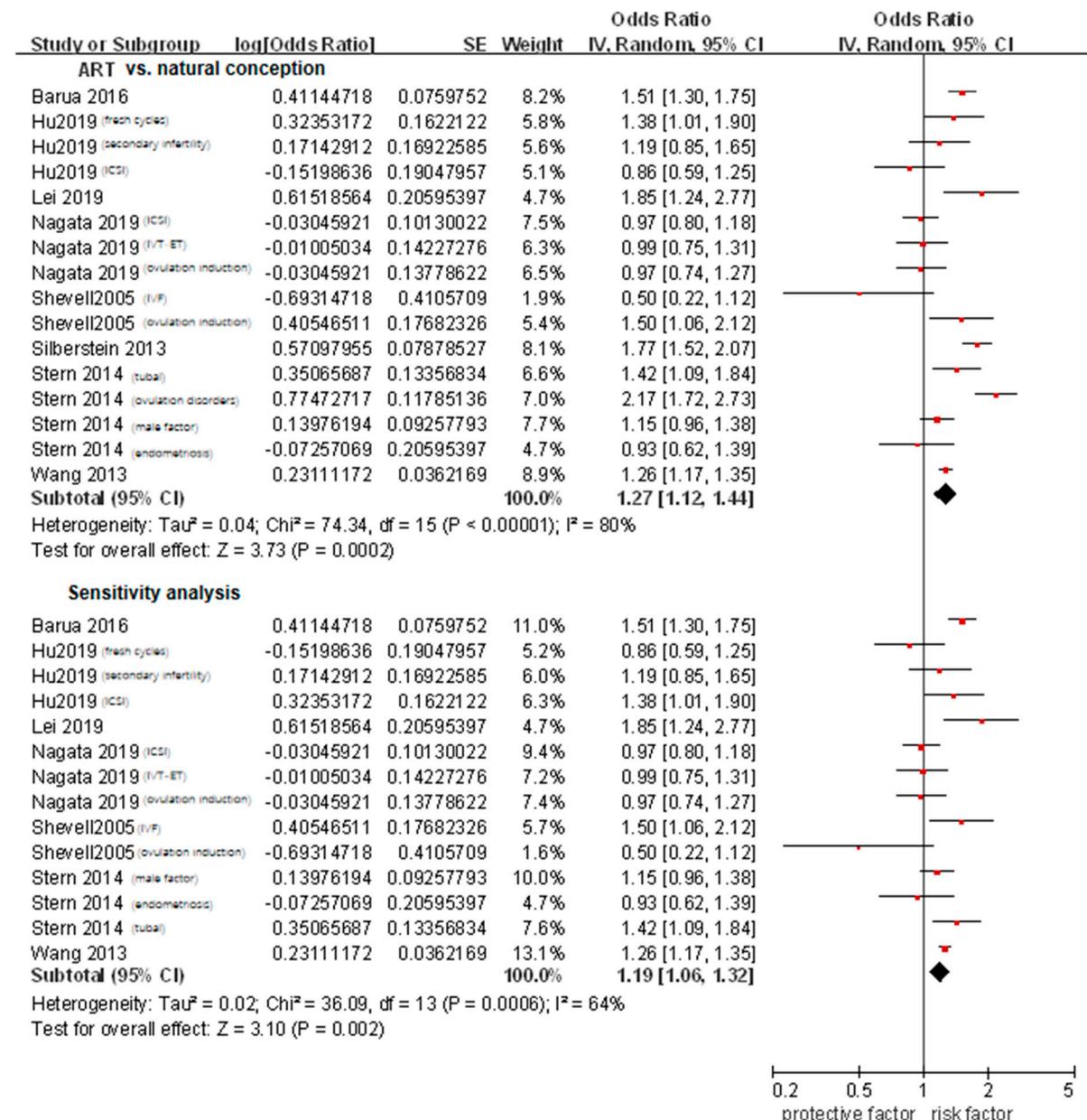
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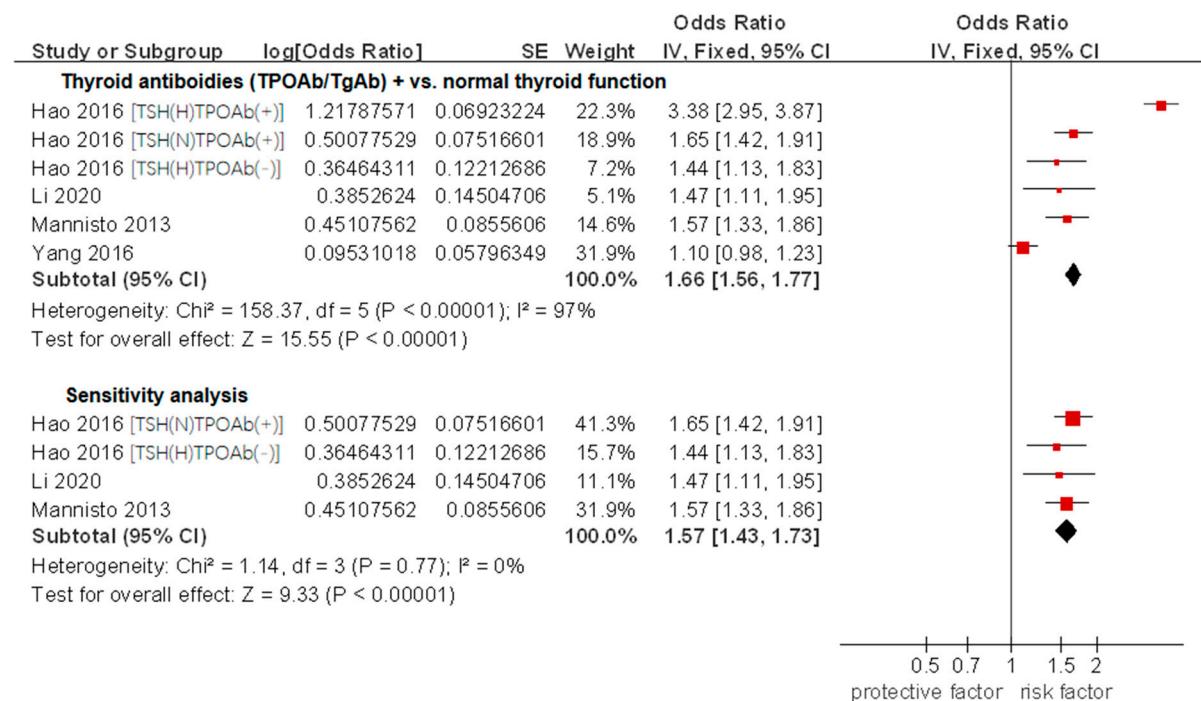
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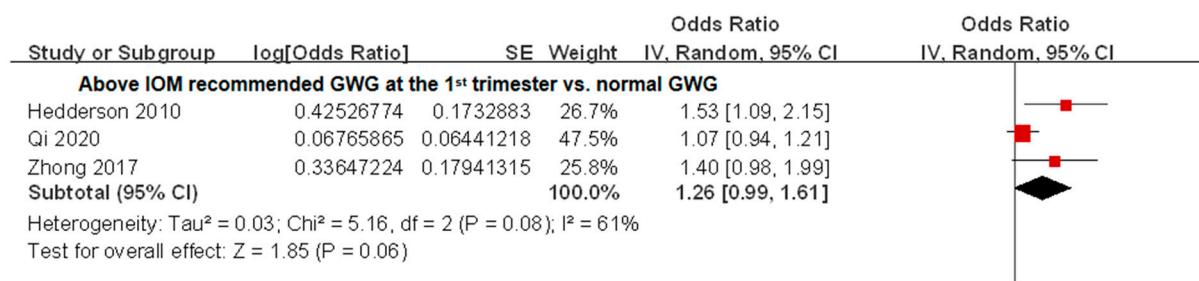
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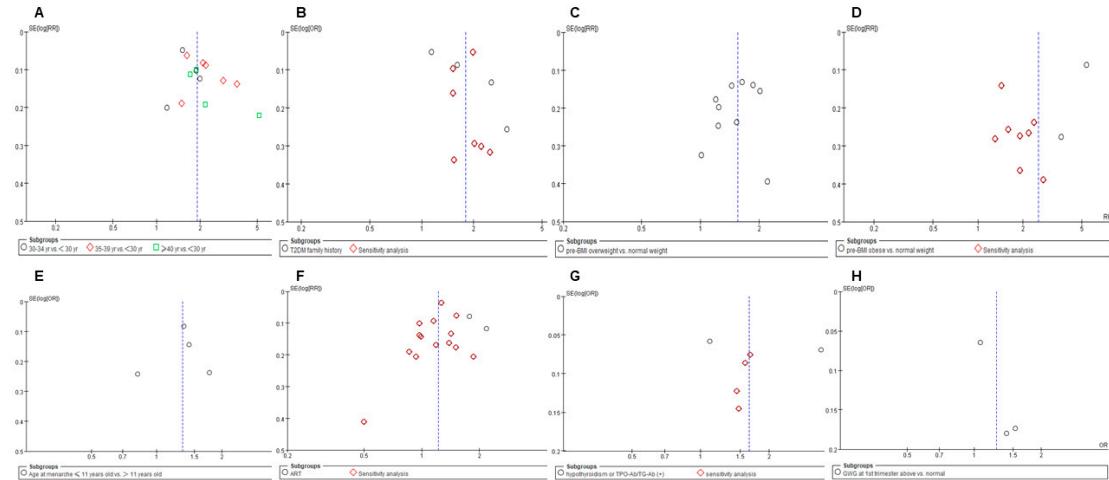
### Supplementary Figure S7. Positive status for thyroid-related antibodies



## Supplementary Figure S8. GWG at the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester

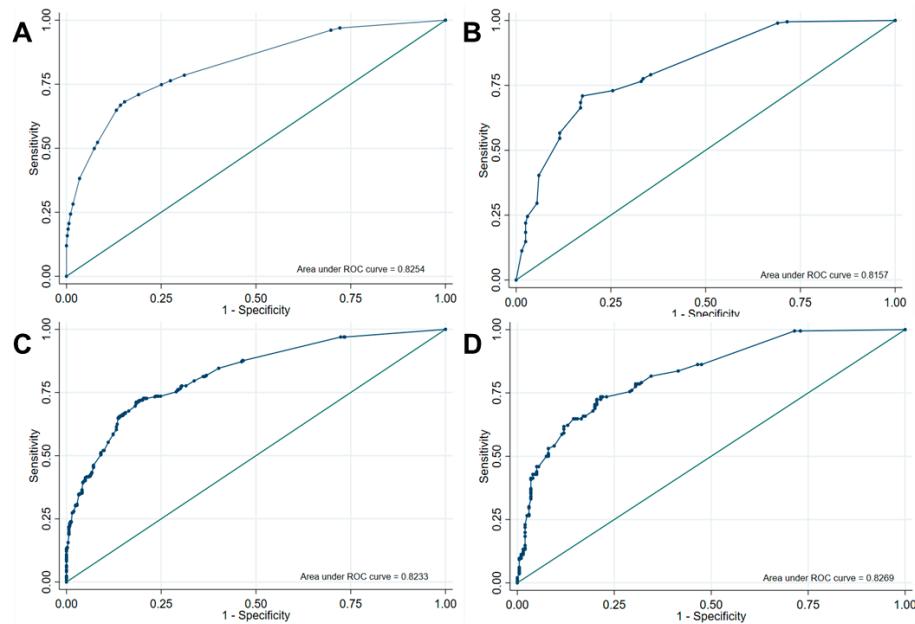


## Supplementary Figure S9. Funnel plot of the included variables in the score-scaled GDM prediction model



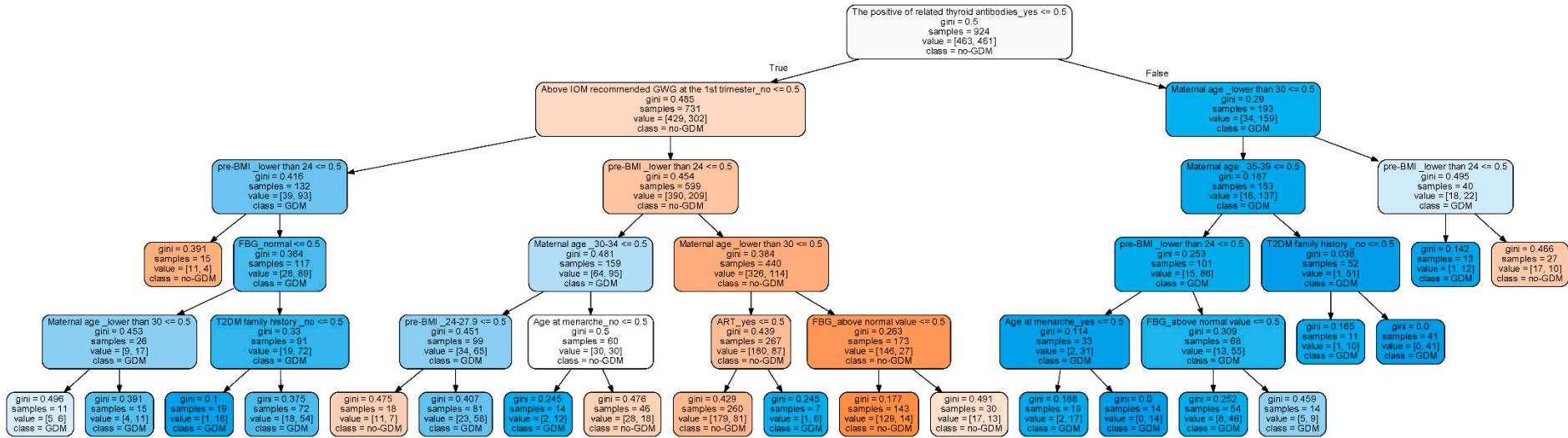
Funnel plot of age (**A**), T2DM family history (**B**), pre-BMI overweight (**C**), pre-BMI obese (**D**), age at menarche (**E**), accept ART treatment (**F**), thyroid relative antibodies positive (**G**), GWG at the 1st trimester (**H**)

### Supplementary Figure S10. The ROC curves for the two ML models

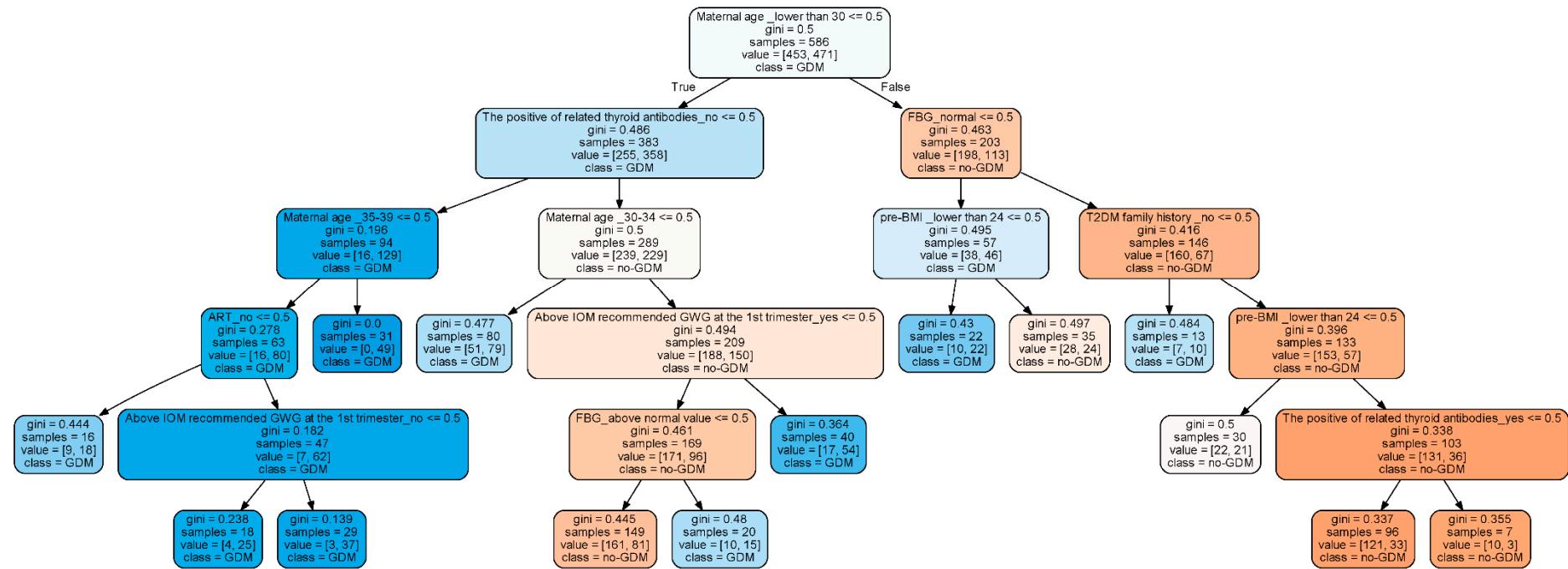


**(A)** ROC curve of the training set for the decision tree model and **(B)** the ROC curve for the validation set. **(C)** ROC curve for the training set for the random forest model, and **(D)** the ROC curve for the validation set.

## Supplementary Figure S11. The tree structure in the decision tree model

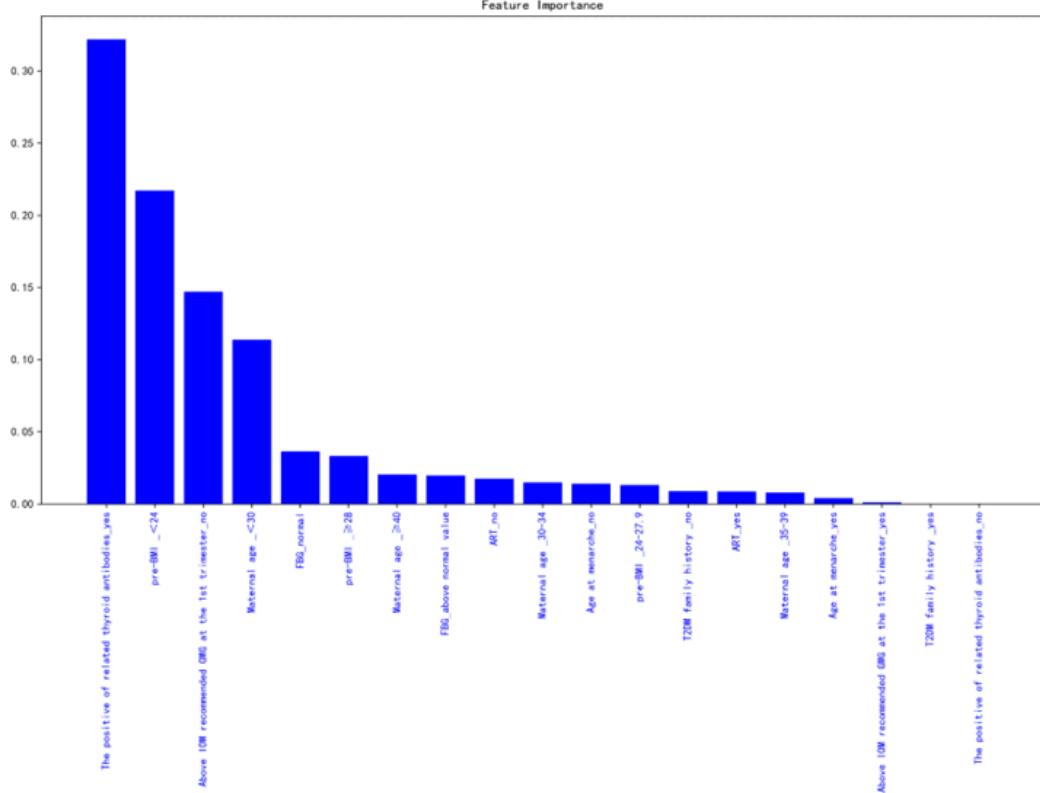


**Supplementary Figure S12. The tree structure in the random forest model**

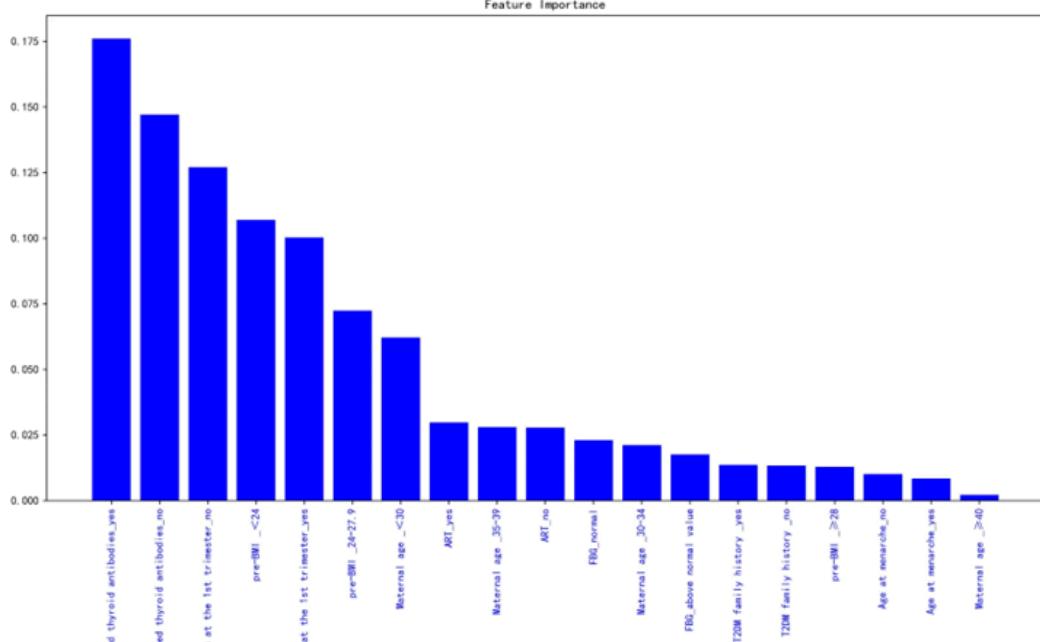


**Supplementary Figure S13. Feature importance curve derived from the decision tree and random forest models**

**A**



**B**



**(A)** Decision tree model. **(B)** Random forest model.

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