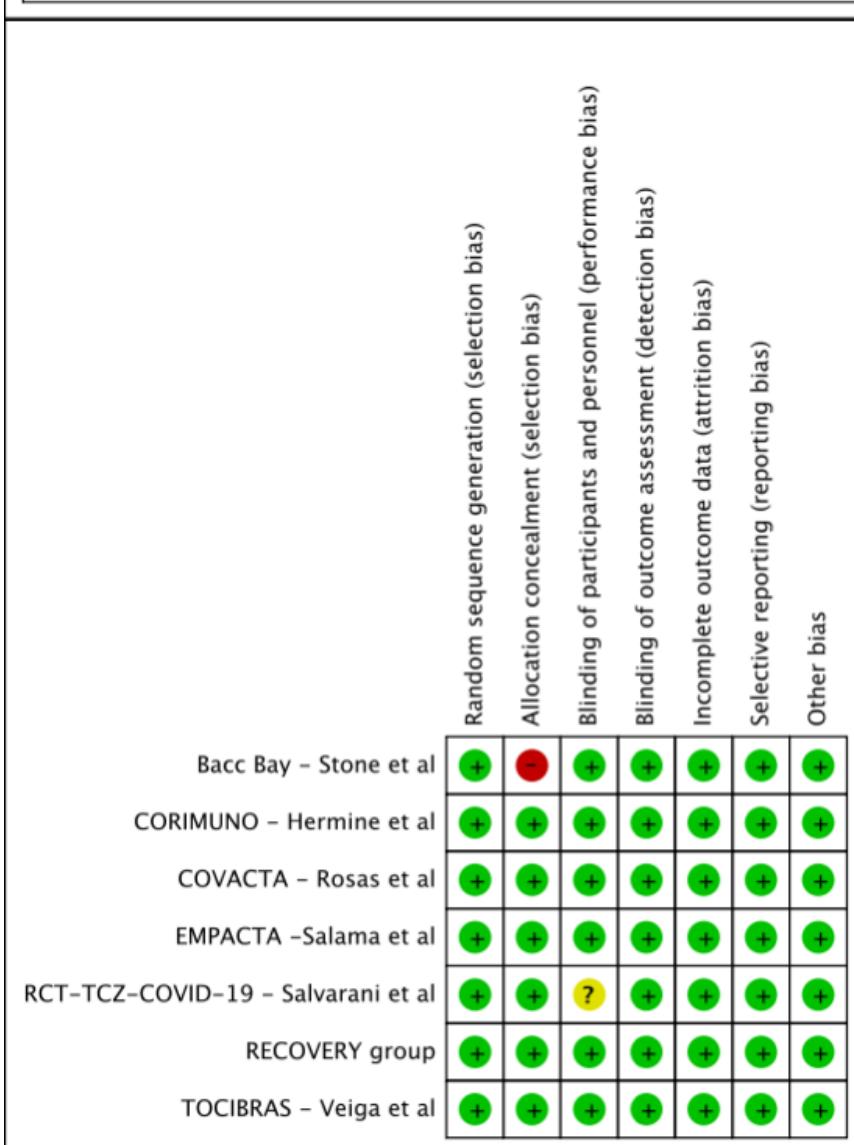
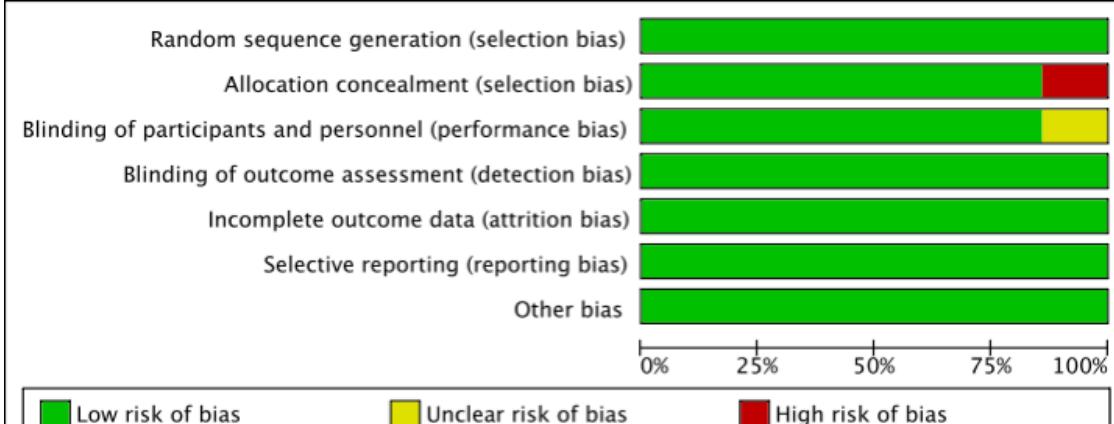


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Participants (studies) Follow up	Risk of bias	Certainty assessment					Summary of findings				
		Inconsistency	Indirectness	Imprecision	Publication bias	Overall certainty of evidence	Study event rates (%)		Relative effect (95% CI)	Anticipated absolute effects	
							With ST	With ST+TCZ		Risk with ST	Risk difference with ST+TCZ
Mortality (follow up: mean 28 days)											
5555 (7 RCTs)	not serious	not serious	not serious	not serious	none	⊕⊕⊕⊕ HIGH	749/2641 (28.4%)	711/2914 (24.4%)	OR 0.89 (0.79 to 1.00)	284 per 1.000	23 fewer per 1.000 (from 45 fewer to 0 fewer)

CI: Confidence interval; OR: Odds ratio

Summary of findings:**TCZ+ST compared to ST for COVID-19**

Patient or population: COVID-19

Setting: hospital

Intervention: TCZ+ST

Comparison: ST

Outcome Nr of participants (studies)	Relative effect (95% CI)	Anticipated absolute effects (95% CI) Difference	Certainty	What happens
Mortality follow up: mean 28 days Nr of participants: 5555 (7 RCTs)	OR 0.89 (0.79 to 1.00)	28.4% (23.8 to 28.4) 2.3% fewer (4.5 fewer to 0 fewer)	⊕⊕⊕⊕ HIGH	

*The risk in the intervention group (and its 95% confidence interval) is based on the assumed risk in the comparison group and the relative effect of the intervention (and its 95% CI).

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Selection																																	
1) Is the case definition adequate?	*	*	*	*	*	—	*	*	—	*	—	*	*	*	—	*	*	*	*	*	*	—	—	*	*	*	—	*	*	*			
2) Representativeness of the cases	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
3) Selection of controls	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
4) Definition of controls	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Comparability																																	
1) Comparability of cases and controls on the basis of the design or analysis	*	**	**	**	**	*	*	*	*	*	*	**	**	**	*	**	*	*	**	*	*	**	*	*	**	*	*	**					
Exposure																																	
1) Ascertainment of exposure	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
2) Same method of ascertainment for cases and controls	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
3) Non-response rate	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Total	8	9	9	9	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	9	9	8	7	9	9	8	8	9	9	9	7	7	8	9	9	8	8	9			

Summary of findings:**[ST+TCZ] compared to [ST] in [COVID-19 positive subjects]**

Patient or population: [COVID-19 positive subjects]

Setting:

Intervention: [ST+TCZ]

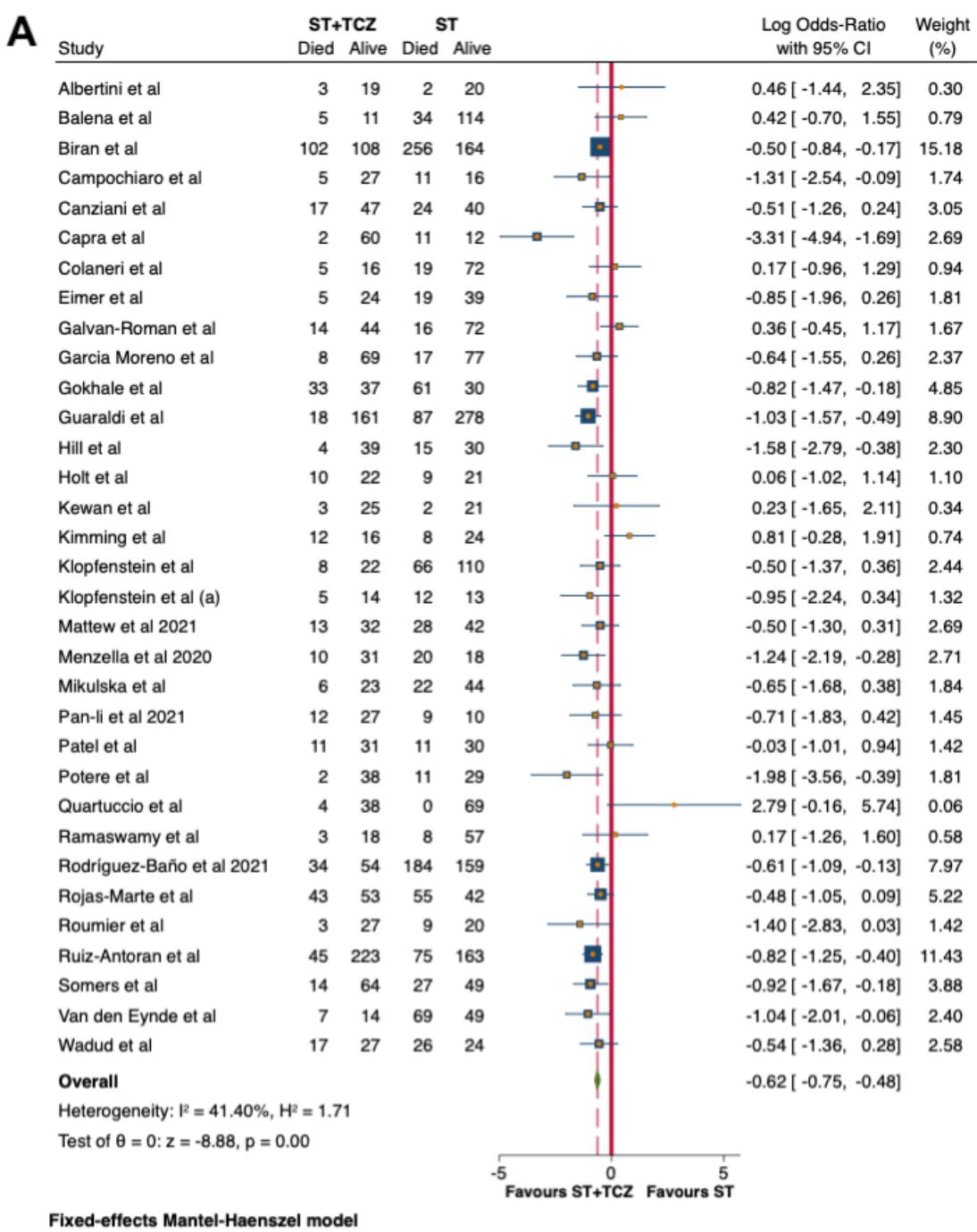
Comparison: [ST]

Outcome Nº of participants (studies)	Relative effect (95% CI)	Anticipated absolute effects (95% CI)			Certainty	What happens
		Difference				
Mortality Nº of participants: 5125 (33 observational studies)	OR 0.54 (0.47 to 0.62)	38.4%	25.2% (22.7 to 27.9)	13.2% fewer (15.8 fewer to 10.5 fewer)	⊕⊕⊕○ MODERATE	[ST+TCZ] likely reduces mortality.

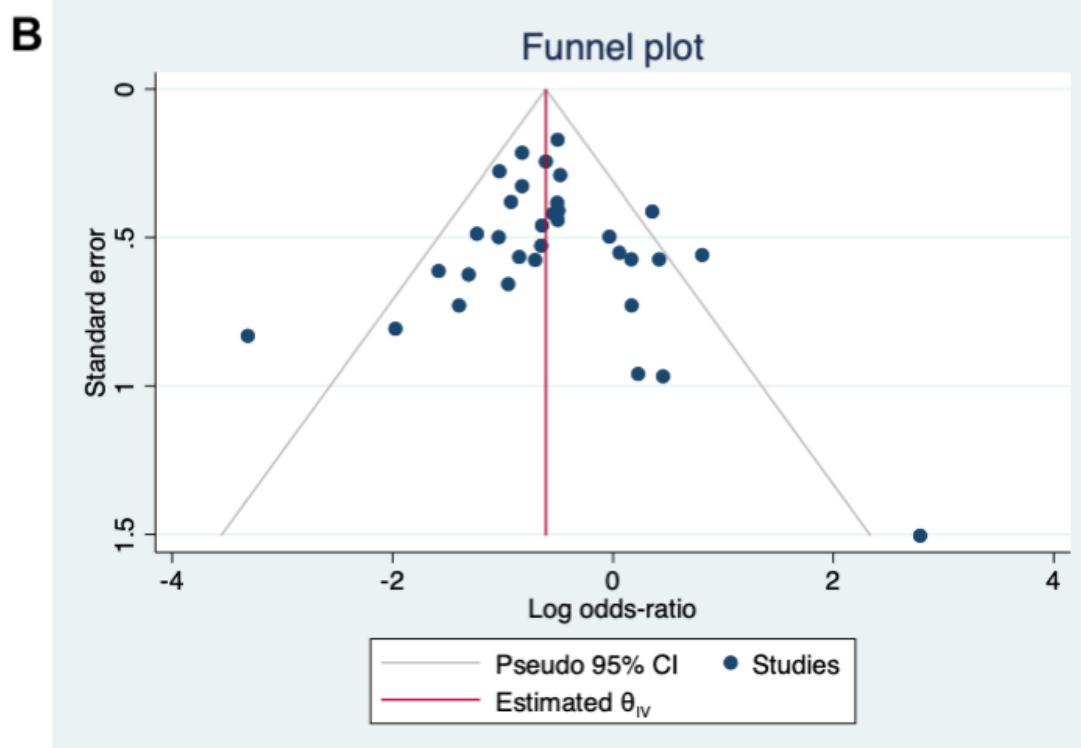
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Fixed-effects Mantel-Haenszel model



A Random-effects meta-regression
 Method: REML

Number of obs	=	39
Residual heterogeneity:		
tau2	=	.7111
I2 (%)	=	84.17
H2	=	6.32
R-squared (%)	=	0.00
Wald chi2(1)	=	0.03
Prob > chi2	=	0.8544

_meta_es	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
Age_total_mean	.0052704	.0287134	0.18	0.854	-.0510068 .0615477
_cons	-.8373497	1.858384	-0.45	0.652	-4.479715 2.805016

B Random-effects meta-regression
 Method: REML

Number of obs	=	37
Residual heterogeneity:		
tau2	=	.7153
I2 (%)	=	84.17
H2	=	6.32
R-squared (%)	=	3.03
Wald chi2(2)	=	3.20
Prob > chi2	=	0.2016

_meta_es	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
Age_total_mean	-.0053736	.0324479	-0.17	0.868	-.0689703 .0582232
Female_tot_perc	.0338997	.0192361	1.76	0.078	-.0038023 .0716017
_cons	-1.266051	2.026761	-0.62	0.532	-5.23843 2.706328

C Random-effects meta-regression
 Method: REML

Number of obs	=	35
Residual heterogeneity:		
tau2	=	.8224
I2 (%)	=	85.96
H2	=	7.12
R-squared (%)	=	0.00
Wald chi2(3)	=	3.00
Prob > chi2	=	0.3912

_meta_es	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
Age_total_mean	-.0055345	.0390578	-0.14	0.887	-.0820864 .0710174
Female_tot_perc	.0337998	.0204396	1.65	0.098	-.006261 .0738605
IMV_cat	-.1208417	.6808665	-0.18	0.859	-1.455315 1.213632
_cons	-1.238272	2.514126	-0.49	0.622	-6.165869 3.689325

D Random-effects meta-regression
Method: REML

Number of obs	=	37
Residual heterogeneity:		
tau2	=	.7255
I2 (%)	=	83.23
H2	=	5.96
R-squared (%)	=	1.65
Wald chi2(3)	=	3.42
Prob > chi2	=	0.3317

_meta_es	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
Age_total_mean	-.0033884	.0328899	-0.10	0.918	-.0678514 .0610746
Female_tot_perc	.031897	.0197744	1.61	0.107	-.00686 .0706541
Dose_cat	.1253835	.2550035	0.49	0.623	-.3744142 .6251812
_cons	-1.4229	2.06364	-0.69	0.491	-5.46756 2.62176

E Random-effects meta-regression
Method: REML

Number of obs	=	25
Residual heterogeneity:		
tau2	=	.7314
I2 (%)	=	82.47
H2	=	5.70
R-squared (%)	=	0.00
Wald chi2(3)	=	2.41
Prob > chi2	=	0.4926

_meta_es	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
Age_total_mean	-.0153946	.0415938	-0.37	0.711	-.096917 .0661278
Female_tot_perc	.038115	.0265789	1.43	0.152	-.0139787 .0902088
Timing_TCZ	-.0081562	.0587429	-0.14	0.890	-.1232902 .1069778
_cons	-.7211457	2.75289	-0.26	0.793	-6.116711 4.674419

F Random-effects meta-regression
Method: REML

Number of obs	=	32
Residual heterogeneity:		
tau2	=	.2786
I2 (%)	=	60.53
H2	=	2.53
R-squared (%)	=	53.74
Wald chi2(3)	=	23.84
Prob > chi2	=	0.0000

_meta_es	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
Age_total_mean	-.0114922	.0248185	-0.46	0.643	-.0601356 .0371511
Female_tot_perc	.0518066	.01654	3.13	0.002	.0193888 .0842244
Mode_injection	-.5746726	.171245	-3.36	0.001	-.9103066 -.2390386
_cons	-1.295176	1.533695	-0.84	0.398	-4.301164 1.710812

G Random-effects meta-regression
Method: REML

Number of obs = **40**
Residual heterogeneity:
tau2 = **.6905**
I2 (%) = **83.58**
H2 = **6.09**
R-squared (%) = **0.00**
Wald chi2(1) = **0.80**
Prob > chi2 = **0.3697**

_meta_es	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
Corticost_cat	.2347404	.2616668	0.90	0.370	-.2781172 .7475979
_cons	-.6887763	.2419221	-2.85	0.004	-1.162935 -.2146176

H Random-effects meta-regression
Method: REML

Number of obs = **37**
Residual heterogeneity:
tau2 = **.7447**
I2 (%) = **84.63**
H2 = **6.51**
R-squared (%) = **0.00**
Wald chi2(3) = **3.17**
Prob > chi2 = **0.3664**

_meta_es	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
Corticost_cat	.0621324	.291176	0.21	0.831	-.5085622 .632827
Age_total_mean	-.0044416	.033387	-0.13	0.894	-.0698789 .0609956
Female_tot_perc	.0325839	.0206067	1.58	0.114	-.0078045 .0729724
_cons	-1.326711	2.085264	-0.64	0.525	-5.413753 2.760331

Random-effects meta-regression
Method: REML

Number of obs = **23**
Residual heterogeneity:
tau2 = **.4674**
I2 (%) = **69.60**
H2 = **3.29**
R-squared (%) = **9.48**
Wald chi2(7) = **13.25**
Prob > chi2 = **0.0663**

_meta_es	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
Age_total_mean	-.0143186	.042169	-0.34	0.734	-.0969684 .0683311
Female_tot_perc	.0381356	.0273911	1.39	0.164	-.01555 .0918211
Corticost_cat	-.2286777	.3767779	-0.61	0.544	-.9671488 .5097934
IMV_cat	-.5189578	.680771	-0.76	0.446	-1.853244 .8153287
Dose_cat	-.2485185	.4477769	-0.56	0.579	-1.126145 .629108
Timing_TCZ	-.0281051	.0657062	-0.43	0.669	-.1568869 .1006767
Mode_injection	-.8200898	.2729461	-3.00	0.003	-1.355054 -.2851253
_cons	-.0077662	3.090532	-0.00	0.998	-6.065097 6.049565

Suppl Table