

# Carbapenem-resistance conferring gene variants in *K. pneumoniae* recovered from clinical samples in Africa: Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

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**S1 Table:** searching strings and searched studies using Pub Med, Science direct and Scopus for searching studies

String	Mesh terms	No
PubMed	<p>((((((((((prevalence) OR (epidemiology)) AND (carbapenemase)) OR (carbapenemase producing genes)) OR (BlaOXA)) OR (BlaNDM)) OR (BlaVIM)) OR (BlaKPC)) OR (BlaIMP)) AND (Klebsiella Pneumoniae)) OR (Enterobacteriaceae)) AND (Africa) Filters: from 2010/1/1 - 2023/12/30</p> <p>((((("epidemiology"[MeSH Subheading] OR "epidemiology"[All Fields] OR "prevalence"[All Fields] OR "prevalence"[MeSH Terms] OR "prevalance"[All Fields] OR "prevalences"[All Fields] OR "prevalence s"[All Fields] OR "prevalent"[All Fields] OR "prevalently"[All Fields] OR "prevalents"[All Fields] OR ("epidemiologies"[All Fields] OR "epidemiology"[MeSH Subheading] OR "epidemiology"[All Fields] OR "epidemiology"[MeSH Terms] OR "epidemiology s"[All Fields])) AND ("carbapenemase"[Supplementary Concept] OR "carbapenemase"[All Fields] OR "carbapenemases"[All Fields])) OR (("carbapenemase"[Supplementary Concept] OR "carbapenemase"[All Fields] OR "carbapenemases"[All Fields]) AND ("produce"[All Fields] OR "produced"[All Fields] OR "producent"[All Fields] OR "producer"[All Fields] OR "producer s"[All Fields] OR "producers"[All Fields] OR "produces"[All Fields] OR "producible"[All Fields] OR "producing"[All Fields]) AND ("gene s"[All Fields] OR "genes"[MeSH Terms] OR "genes"[All Fields])) OR "BlaOXA"[All Fields] OR "BlaNDM"[All Fields] OR "BlaVIM"[All Fields] OR "BlaKPC"[All Fields] OR "BlaIMP"[All Fields]) AND ("klebsiella pneumoniae"[MeSH Terms] OR ("klebsiella"[All Fields] AND "pneumoniae"[All Fields]) OR "klebsiella pneumoniae"[All Fields])) OR ("enterobacteriaceae"[All Fields] OR "enterobacteriaceae"[MeSH Terms] OR "enterobacteriaceae"[All Fields])) AND ("africa"[MeSH Terms] OR "africa"[All Fields] OR "africa s"[All Fields] OR "africas"[All Fields])) AND (2010/1/1:2023/12/30[pdat])</p>	3,937
Science direct	prevalence AND carbapenemase genes OR BlaOXA OR BlaNDM OR BlaVIM OR BlaKPC OR BlaIMP AND <i>Klebsiella Pneumoniae</i> AND Africa	4017
Scopus	prevalence* AND carbapenemase-gene* OR bla <sub>oxa</sub> * OR bla <sub>ndm</sub> * OR bla <sub>imp</sub> * OR bla <sub>kpc</sub> * OR bla <sub>vim</sub> * AND klebsiella AND pneumoniae* OR enterobacteriaceae* AND africa AND PUBYEAR > 2009 AND PUBYEAR < 2024 AND ( LIMIT-TO ( DOCTYPE , "ar" ) ) AND( LIMIT-TO ( LANGUAGE , "English" ) )	713

**S2 Table:** Quality appraisal result of included studies for Prevalence of carbapenem-resistance conferring gene variants in *K. pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa. Using Joanna Briggs Institute (JBI) quality appraisal checklist for prevalence studies (1).

Author	Year	1) Was the sample frame appropriate?	2) Were study participants sampled in appropriate way?	3) Was the sample size adequate?	4) Were the study subjects and the setting described in detail?	5) Was the data analysis conducted with sufficient coverage of the identified sample?	6) Were valid methods used for the identification of the condition?	7) Was they measure in a standard, reliable way for all participants?	8) Was there appropriate statistical analysis?	9) Was the response rate adequate, and if not, was the low response rate managed appropriately?	Quality score
Tekele <i>et al</i> (2)	2021	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Kumwenda <i>et al</i> (3)	2019	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	8/9
Turugurwa <i>et al</i> (4)	2019	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	8/9
El-Domany <i>et al</i> (5)	2021	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	8/9
Gandor <i>et al</i> (6)	2022	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	8/9
Martha <i>et al</i> (7)	2014	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	9/9
Mohamed (8)	2023	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Odewale <i>et al</i> (9)	2023	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Awoke <i>et al</i> (10)	2022	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	8/9
Dwomoh <i>et al</i> (11)	2022	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Bourafa <i>et al</i> (12)	2018	YES	No	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	6/9
Muraya <i>et al</i> (13)	2022	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Taha <i>et al</i> (14)	2023	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
tawfik <i>et al</i> (15)	2020	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Suwaiba (16)	2020	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	8/9
Okoche D <i>et al</i> (17)	2016	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Ojo <i>et al</i> (18)	2021	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Ghaith <i>et al</i> (19)	2019	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Hamed <i>et al</i> (20)	2022	No	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	6/9
Abdelaziz (21)	2022	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Ssekatawa <i>et al</i>	2021	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	8/9

(22)											
Adam (23)	2018	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	8/9
El-Badawy (24)	2020	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	8/9
Daniel (25)	2017	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	8/9
Osama et al (26)	2021	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Kopotsa (27)	2020	No	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	6/9
Mansour <i>et al</i> (28)	2017	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	9/9
Vasaikar (29)	2017	No	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	7/9
Perez-Palacios <i>et al</i> (30)	2023	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	9/9
Lowe <i>et al</i> (31)	2019	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Owusu et al (32)	2023	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	8/9
Barguigua <i>et al</i> (33)	2015	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	9/9
Afolayan <i>et al</i> (34)	2021	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Kalambry <i>et al</i> (35)	2023	No	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Aboulela <i>et al</i> (36)	2023	No	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Iegese <i>et al</i> (37)	2022	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	8/9
Arhoune <i>et al</i> (38)	2021	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	9/9
Kieffer <i>et al</i> (39)	2016	No	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	7/9
Messaoudi <i>et al</i> (40)	2019	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	9/9
Ktari (41)	2011	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	7/9
tanfous <i>et al</i> (42)	2016	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	8/9
Elbadawi <i>et al</i> (43)	2021	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI	8/9
Albasha <i>et al</i> (44)	2020	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	NI	7/9
Osman <i>et al</i> (45)	2023	2022	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI
Abdeta <i>et al</i> (46)	2021	2022	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI
Zalegh <i>et al</i> (47)	2023	2018	YES	No	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI
Sherif <i>et al</i> (48)	2021	2022	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI
KHALIFA <i>et al</i> (49)	2017	2022	YES	YES	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI
Khaldi <i>et al</i> (50)	2022	2018	YES	No	No	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NI

**S3 Table:** Sensitivity analysis showing for carbapenemase encoding genes profile in *K. pneumoniae* isolates after deletion of one study.

. meta summarize, leaveoneout

Effect-size label: Effect size  
 Effect size: p  
 Std. err.: se  
 Study label: Nameofauthors

Leave-one-out meta-analysis summary                      Number of studies =        49  
 Random-effects model  
 Method: REML

Omitted study	Effect size	[95% conf. interval]	p-value
Ktari (2011)	34.263	26.180 42.346	0.000
Martha et al (2014)	33.652	25.538 41.765	0.000
Barguigua et al (2015)	34.418	26.372 42.464	0.000
Kieffer et al et al (2016)	33.784	25.663 41.905	0.000
ben tanfous etal (2016)	34.432	26.389 42.474	0.000
Okoche D etal (2016)	33.791	25.669 41.913	0.000
KHALIFA et al (2017)	34.073	25.962 42.184	0.000
Daniel (2017)	34.439	26.402 42.477	0.000
Vasaikar et al (2017)	34.550	26.545 42.555	0.000
Mansour et al (2017)	34.276	26.195 42.357	0.000
Bourafa et al (2018)	34.104	26.009 42.200	0.000
Adam (2018)	33.789	25.671 41.908	0.000
Ghaith et al (2019)	33.141	25.134 41.148	0.000
Kumwenda et al (2019)	34.336	26.271 42.401	0.000
Lowe et al 2019	33.571	25.459 41.682	0.000
Messaoudi et al(2019)	34.343	26.277 42.410	0.000
Turugurwa et al(2019)	33.960	25.853 42.068	0.000
tawfik et al(2020)	32.515	24.809 40.221	0.000
El-Badawy (2020)	33.976	25.856 42.095	0.000
Suwaiba (2020)	34.413	26.367 42.458	0.000
Kopotsa (2020)	32.571	24.831 40.311	0.000
Albasha et al (2020)	32.476	24.796 40.156	0.000
Osama et al (2021)	33.162	25.149 41.176	0.000
Sherif et al (2021)	33.895	25.779 42.012	0.000
El-Domany et al. (2021)	33.990	25.869 42.111	0.000
Tekele et al(2021)	34.350	26.289 42.410	0.000
Abdeta et al(2021)	34.482	26.454 42.509	0.000
Arhoune et al (2021)	34.325	26.255 42.395	0.000
Ojo et al (2021)	34.406	26.359 42.454	0.000
Afolayan et al (2021)	34.382	26.327 42.438	0.000
Elbadawi et al (2021)	32.928	25.001 40.854	0.000
Ssekatawa et al (2021)	33.851	25.724 41.977	0.000
Khalidi et al (2022)	34.034	25.949 42.120	0.000
Hamed et al(2022)	33.675	25.568 41.782	0.000
Abdelaziz (2022)	32.489	24.800 40.177	0.000
Gandor et al (2022)	33.573	25.464 41.682	0.000
Awoke T et al (2022)	34.118	26.011 42.225	0.000
legese et al (2022)	34.118	26.012 42.224	0.000
Dwomoh et al 2022	34.206	26.116 42.295	0.000
Muraya et al (2022)	34.509	26.490 42.527	0.000
Mohamed (2023)	33.546	25.440 41.652	0.000
Taha et al(2023)	33.571	25.462 41.679	0.000
Aboulela et al (2023)	33.947	25.827 42.068	0.000
Owusu et al (2023)	34.328	26.265 42.392	0.000
Kalambry et al (2023)	34.186	26.106 42.266	0.000
Perez-Palacios et al (2023)	33.101	25.112 41.090	0.000
Zalegh et al (2023)	33.558	25.484 41.633	0.000
Odewale et al ( 2023)	32.646	24.860 40.432	0.000
Osman et al (2023)	33.536	25.437 41.635	0.000
theta	33.833	25.875 41.790	0.000

**S4 Table:** Sensitivity analysis showing for Bla<sub>OXA-48</sub> genes in *K. pneumoniae* isolates after deletion of one study.

. meta summarize, leaveoneout

Effect-size label: Effect size  
 Effect size: p  
 Std. err.: se  
 Study label: Nameofauthors

Leave-one-out meta-analysis summary  
 Random-effects model  
 Method: REML

Number of studies = 39

Omitted study	Effect size	[95% conf. interval]		p-value
Martha et al (2014)	15.248	9.724	20.772	0.000
Barguigua et al (2015)	15.298	9.786	20.810	0.000
Okoche D et al (2016)	15.188	9.652	20.725	0.000
Kieffer et al et al (2016)	15.290	9.776	20.804	0.000
Daniel (2017)	15.253	9.732	20.774	0.000
Mansour et al (2017)	15.245	9.719	20.771	0.000
Vasaikar et al (2017)	15.323	9.819	20.828	0.000
KHALIFA et al (2017)	14.753	9.211	20.295	0.000
Adam (2018)	15.161	9.622	20.700	0.000
Ghaith et al (2019)	14.568	9.068	20.068	0.000
Lowe et al (2019)	15.207	9.671	20.743	0.000
Messaoudi et al(2019)	15.310	9.802	20.819	0.000
tawfik et al(2020)	14.033	8.766	19.300	0.000
El-Badawy (2020)	15.245	9.719	20.770	0.000
Kopotsa (2020)	14.576	9.077	20.075	0.000
Albasha et al (2020)	14.879	9.328	20.430	0.000
Tekele et al(2021)	15.263	9.744	20.782	0.000
El-Domany et al. (2021)	14.917	9.356	20.478	0.000
Ssekatawa et al (2021)	15.236	9.707	20.764	0.000
Osama et al (2021)	14.853	9.302	20.403	0.000
Afolayan et al (2021)	15.168	9.627	20.709	0.000
Elbadawi et al (2021)	13.287	8.608	17.967	0.000
Sherif et al (2021)	14.481	9.018	19.944	0.000
Gandor et al (2022)	14.724	9.182	20.266	0.000
Awoke T et al (2022)	14.815	9.263	20.368	0.000
Dwomoh et al 2022	15.265	9.746	20.784	0.000
Muraya et al (2022)	15.297	9.786	20.809	0.000
Abdelaziz (2022)	13.292	8.609	17.975	0.000
legese et al (2022)	14.987	9.429	20.544	0.000
Khaldi et al (2022)	14.797	9.303	20.290	0.000
Mohamed (2023)	14.638	9.112	20.164	0.000
Odewale et al (2023)	15.075	9.522	20.629	0.000
Taha et al(2023)	15.229	9.699	20.759	0.000
Perez-Palacios et al (2023)	14.498	9.029	19.968	0.000
Owusu et al (2023)	15.231	9.706	20.755	0.000
Kalambry et al (2023)	15.090	9.560	20.620	0.000
Aboulela et al (2023)	15.060	9.507	20.612	0.000
Osman et al (2023)	14.537	9.048	20.026	0.000
Zalegh et al (2023)	15.071	9.543	20.600	0.000
theta	14.909	9.502	20.317	0.000

**S5 Table:** Sensitivity analysis showing for BlandM-1 genes in *K. pneumoniae* isolates after deletion of one study.

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Effect-size label: Effect size  
 Effect size: p  
 Std. err.: se  
 Study label: Nameofauthors

Leave-one-out meta-analysis summary                      Number of studies =    39  
 Random-effects model  
 Method: REML

Omitted study	Effect size	[95% conf. interval]	p-value
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Kieffer et al et al (2016)	15.290	9.776 20.804	0.000
Daniel (2017)	15.253	9.732 20.774	0.000
Mansour et al (2017)	15.245	9.719 20.771	0.000
Vasaikar et al (2017)	15.323	9.819 20.828	0.000
KHALIFA et al (2017)	14.753	9.211 20.295	0.000
Adam (2018)	15.161	9.622 20.700	0.000
Ghaith et al (2019)	14.568	9.068 20.068	0.000
Lowe et al (2019)	15.207	9.671 20.743	0.000
Messaoudi et al(2019)	15.310	9.802 20.819	0.000
tawfik et al(2020)	14.033	8.766 19.300	0.000
El-Badawy (2020)	15.245	9.719 20.770	0.000
Kopotsa (2020)	14.576	9.077 20.075	0.000
Albasha et al (2020)	14.879	9.328 20.430	0.000
Tekele et al(2021)	15.263	9.744 20.782	0.000
El-Domany et al. (2021)	14.917	9.356 20.478	0.000
Ssekatawa et al (2021)	15.236	9.707 20.764	0.000
Osama et al (2021)	14.853	9.302 20.403	0.000
Afolayan et al (2021)	15.168	9.627 20.709	0.000
Elbadawi et al (2021)	13.287	8.608 17.967	0.000
Sherif et al (2021)	14.481	9.018 19.944	0.000
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Awoke T et al (2022)	14.815	9.263 20.368	0.000
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Muraya et al (2022)	15.297	9.786 20.809	0.000
Abdelaziz (2022)	13.292	8.609 17.975	0.000
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Mohamed (2023)	14.638	9.112 20.164	0.000
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theta	14.909	9.502 20.317	0.000

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Model and method
      Model: Random effects
      Method: REML

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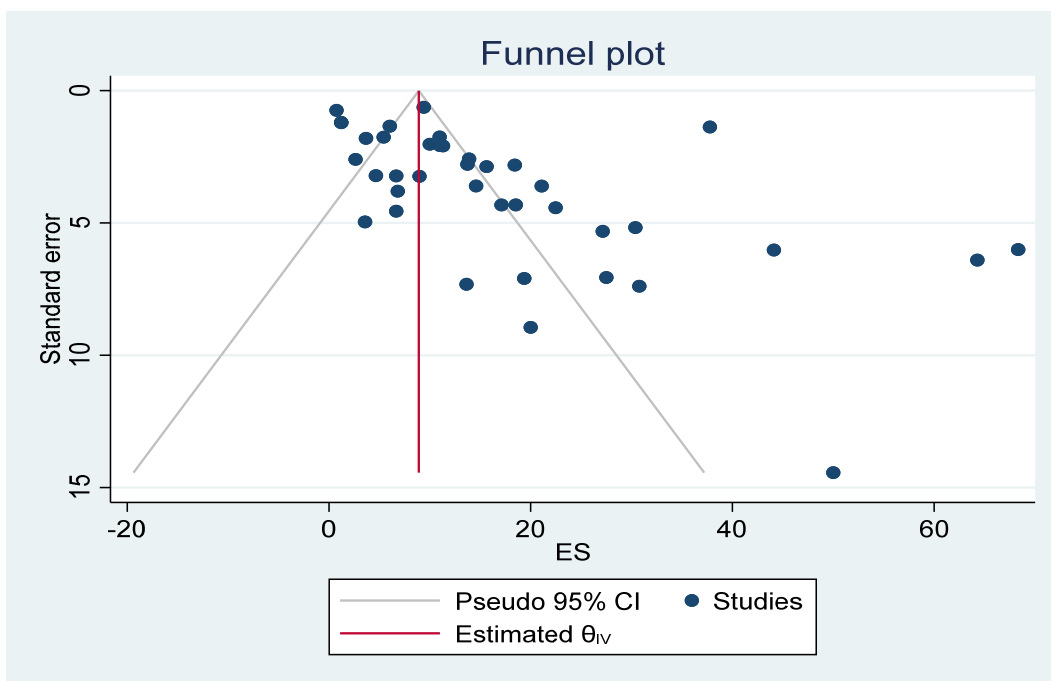
Effect-size label: Effect size
Effect size: p
Std. err.: se

Regression-based Egger test for small-study effects
Random-effects model
Method: REML

H0: beta1 = 0; no small-study effects
      beta1 =      0.82
SE of beta1 =     1.434
          z =      0.57
Prob > |z| =     0.5670

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**S1 Figure:** Egger's test showing for publication biases of the included studies for carbapenemase genes in *K. pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.



**S2 Figure:** Funnel plot showing publication biases of bla<sub>OXA-48</sub> gene in *K. pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.

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Model and method
      Model: Random effects
      Method: REML

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Effect-size label: Effect size
Effect size: p
Std. err.: se

Regression-based Egger test for small-study effects
Random-effects model
Method: REML

H0: beta1 = 0; no small-study effects
      beta1 =      3.85
SE of beta1 =     0.852
          z =      4.52
Prob > |z| =     0.0000

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**S3 Figure:** Egger’s test showing for publication bias of bla<sub>OXA-48</sub> gene in *K. pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.

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Effect-size label: ES
Effect size: p
Std. err.: se

Nonparametric trim-and-fill analysis of publication bias
Linear estimator, imputing on the right

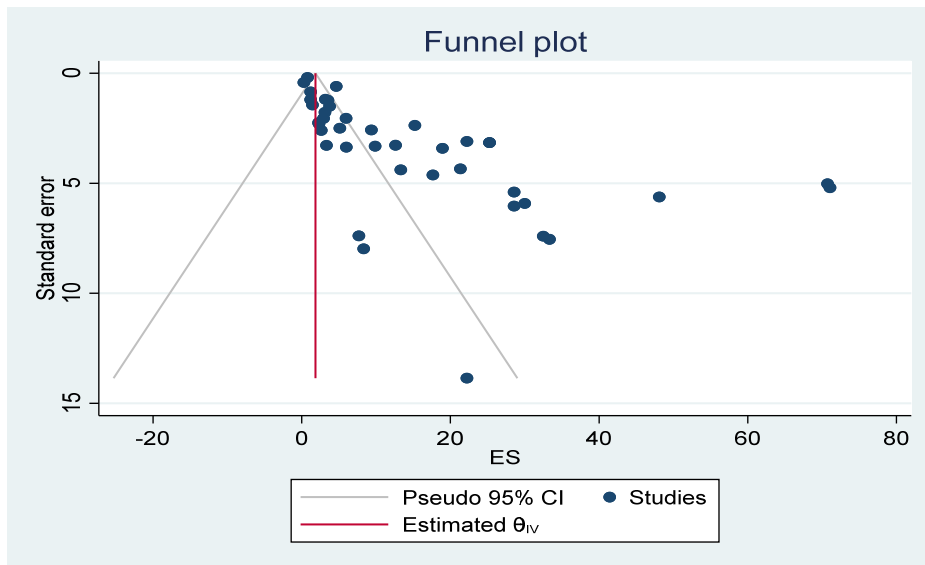
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  Model: Random-effects                    observed =    39
  Method: REML                             imputed =     7

Pooling
  Model: Random-effects
  Method: REML

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Studies	ES	[95% conf. interval]	
Observed	16.964	12.169	21.759
Observed + Imputed	20.420	15.721	25.119

**S4 Figure:** Trim-and-fill analysis for the prevalence bla<sub>OXA-48</sub> gene in *K. pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.



**S5 Figure:** Funnel plot showing publication biases of bla<sub>NDM-1</sub> gene in *K. pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.

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Model and method
  Model: Random effects
  Method: REML

. meta bias, egger random(reml)

Effect-size label: Effect size
Effect size: p
Std. err.: se

Regression-based Egger test for small-study effects
Random-effects model
Method: REML

H0: beta1 = 0; no small-study effects
      beta1 =      4.01
SE of beta1 =    0.933
      z =      4.30
Prob > |z| =    0.0000

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**S6 Figure:** Eggers test showing publication biases of bla<sub>NDM-1</sub> gene in *K. pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.

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Effect-size label: Effect size
Effect size: p
Std. err.: se

Nonparametric trim-and-fill analysis of publication bias
Linear estimator, imputing on the right

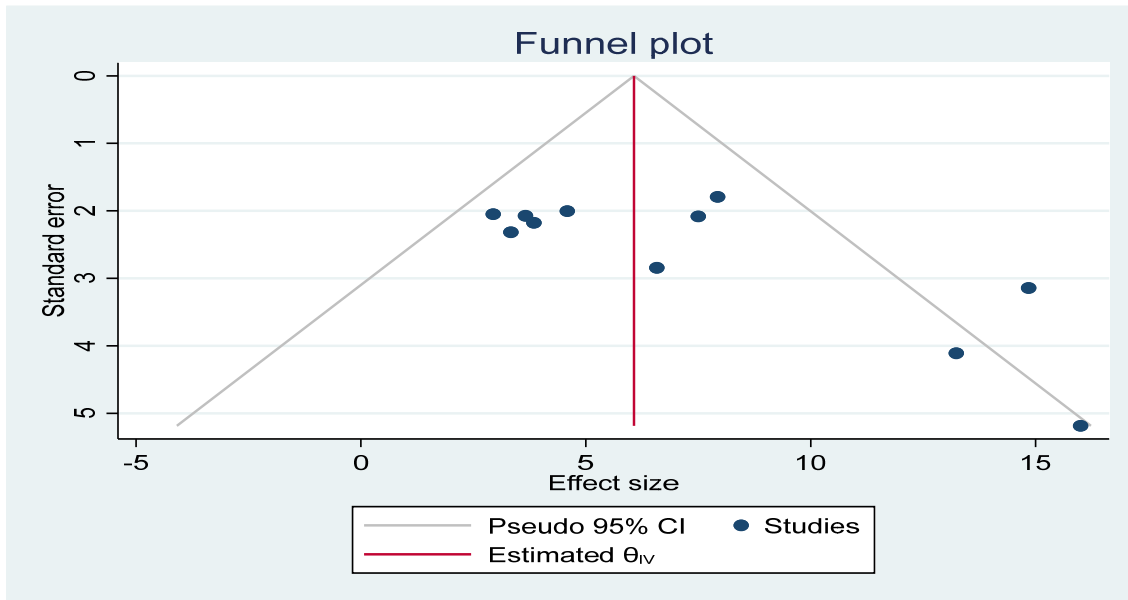
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  Method: REML                             imputed =            9

Pooling
  Model: Random-effects
  Method: REML

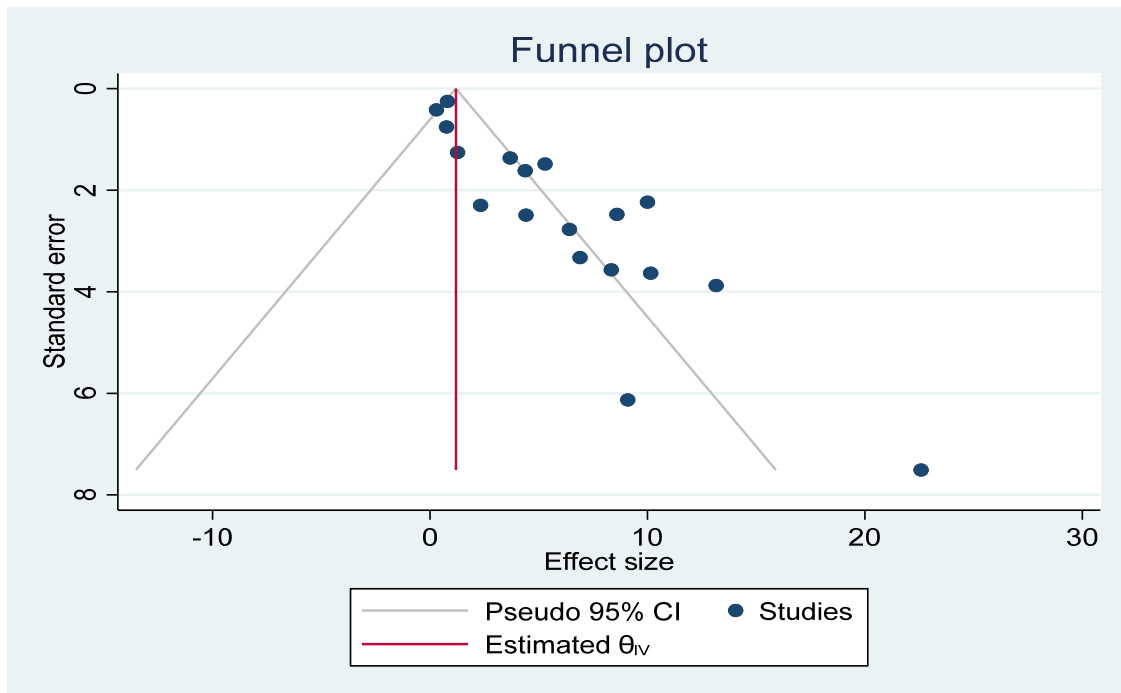
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Studies	Effect size	[95% conf. interval]	
Observed	15.083	9.792	20.374
Observed + Imputed	19.282	14.320	24.243

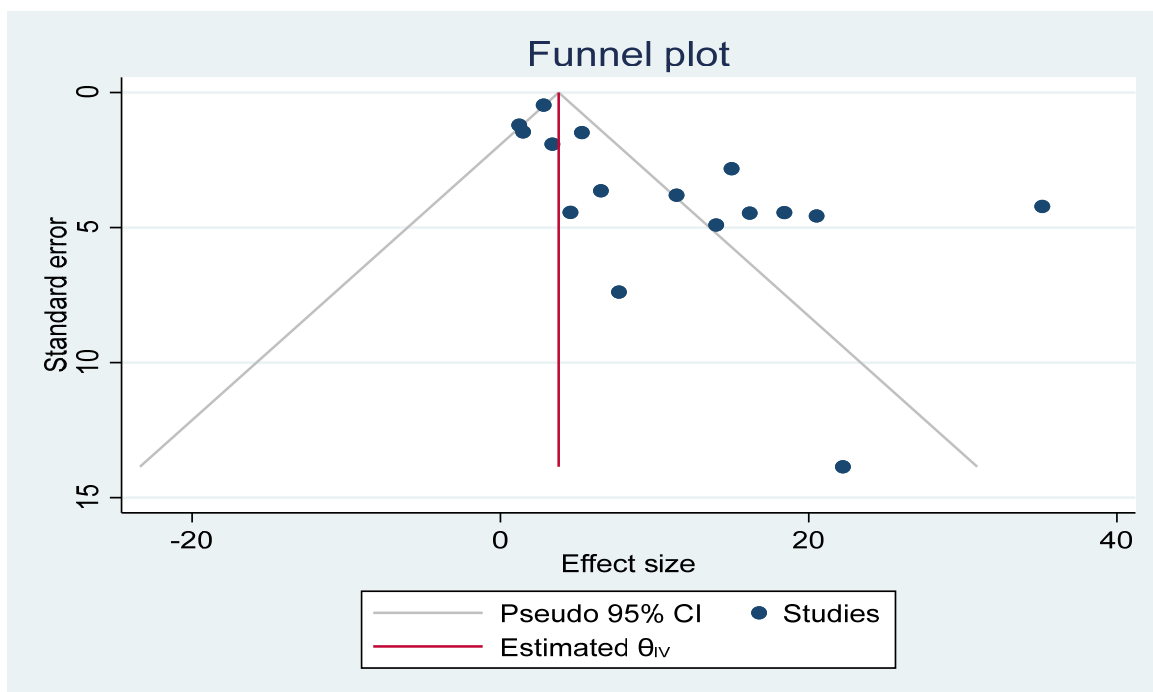
**S7 Figure:** Trim-and-fill analysis for the prevalence bla<sub>NDM-1</sub> gene in *K. pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa



**S8 Figure:** Funnel plot showing publication biases of bla<sub>IMP</sub> gene in *K.pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.



**S9 Figure:** Funnel plot showing publication biases of bla<sub>KPC</sub> gene in *K.pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.



**S10 Figure:** Funnel plot showing publication biases of bla<sub>VIM</sub> in *K.pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.

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Model and method
  Model: Random effects
  Method: REML

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. meta bias, egger random(reml)

Effect-size label: Effect size
  Effect size: p
  Std. err.: se

Regression-based Egger test for small-study effects
Random-effects model
Method: REML

H0: beta1 = 0; no small-study effects
      beta1 =      3.78
SE of beta1 =      1.277
      z =      2.96
Prob > |z| =      0.0030

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**S11 Figure:** Egger’s test showing for publication biases of bla<sub>IMP</sub> genes in *K.pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.

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Model and method
  Model: Random effects
  Method: REML

.
. meta bias, egger random(reml)

Effect-size label: Effect size
  Effect size: p
  Std. err.: se

Regression-based Egger test for small-study effects
Random-effects model
Method: REML

H0: beta1 = 0; no small-study effects
      beta1 =      2.55
SE of beta1 =      0.351
      z =      7.25
Prob > |z| =      0.0000

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**S12 Figure:** Egger’s test showing for publication biases of bla<sub>KPC</sub> gene in *K.pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.

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Model and method
      Model: Random effects
      Method: REML

.
. meta bias, egger random(reml)

Effect-size label: Effect size
      Effect size: p
      Std. err.: se

Regression-based Egger test for small-study effects
Random-effects model
Method: REML

H0: beta1 = 0; no small-study effects
      beta1 =      2.26
SE of beta1 =      0.892
      z =      2.53
      Prob > |z| =      0.0113

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**S13 Figure:** Egger’s test showing for publication biases of *bla<sub>TEM</sub>* gene in *K.pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.

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Effect-size label: Effect size
      Effect size: p
      Std. err.: se

Nonparametric trim-and-fill analysis of publication bias
Linear estimator, imputing on the left

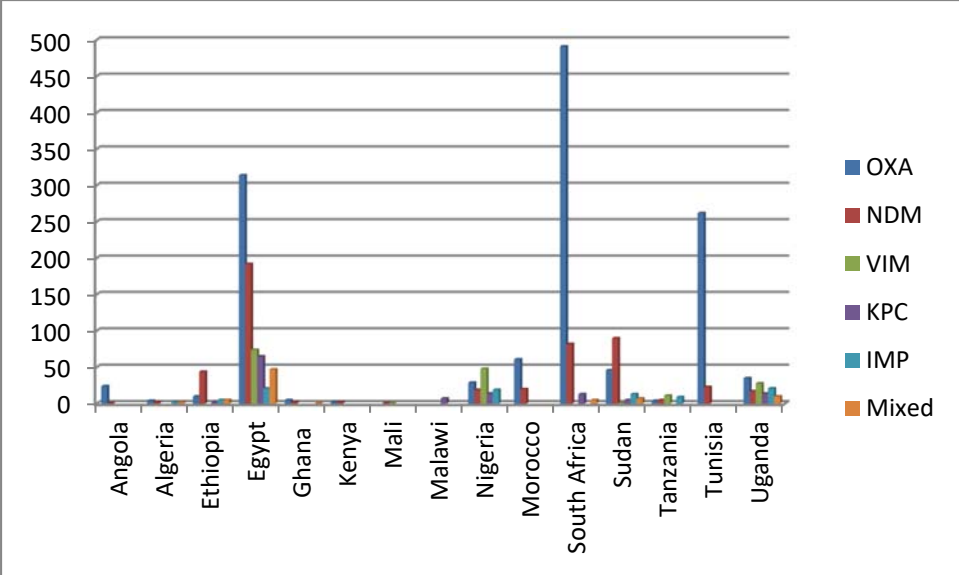
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      Model: Random-effects                                observed =      20
      Method: REML                                        imputed =      8

Pooling
      Model: Random-effects
      Method: REML

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Studies	Effect size	[95% conf. interval]	
Observed	4.401	2.732	6.071
Observed + Imputed	2.351	0.246	4.457

**S14 Figure:** Trim-and-fill analysis for the prevalence *bla<sub>KPC</sub>* gene in *K. pneumoniae* clinical isolates in Africa.



**S15 Figure 15.** Graph showing country wise distribution of genes encoding carbapenem resistance for *K. pneumoniae* isolate

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