

**Supplemental Table 1.** STROBE (Strengthening the Reporting of Observational Studies in Epidemiology) guideline

|                              | <b>Item No</b> | <b>Recommendation</b>  | <b>Reported on page number</b> |
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| <b>Title and abstract</b>    | 1              | (a) Indicate the study's design with a commonly used term in the title or the abstract   | 1                              |
|                              |                | (b) Provide in the abstract an informative and balanced summary of what was done and what was found  | 4                              |
| <b>Introduction</b>          |                |  |                                |
| Background/rationale         | 2              | Explain the scientific background and rationale for the investigation being reported   | 5                              |
| Objectives                   | 3              | State specific objectives, including any prespecified hypotheses   | 5                              |
| <b>Methods</b>               |                |  |                                |
| Study design                 | 4              | Present key elements of study design early in the paper  | 6                              |
| Setting                      | 5              | Describe the setting, locations, and relevant dates, including periods of recruitment, exposure, follow-up, and data collection  | 6                              |
| Participants                 | 6              | (a) Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources and methods of selection of participants  | 6                              |
| Variables                    | 7              | Clearly define all outcomes, exposures, predictors, potential confounders, and effect modifiers. Give diagnostic criteria, if applicable   | 7                              |
| Data sources/<br>measurement | 8*             | For each variable of interest, give sources of data and details of methods of assessment (measurement). Describe comparability of assessment methods if there is more than one group | -                              |
| Bias                         | 9              | Describe any efforts to address potential sources of bias  | -                              |
| Study size                   | 10             | Explain how the study size was arrived at  | 6                              |
| Quantitative variables       | 11             | Explain how quantitative variables were handled in the analyses. If applicable, describe which groupings were chosen and why   | 8                              |
| Statistical methods          | 12             | (a) Describe all statistical methods, including those used to control for confounding  | 8                              |
|                              |                | (b) Describe any methods used to examine subgroups and interactions  | 8                              |
|                              |                | (c) Explain how missing data were addressed  | -                              |
|                              |                | (d) If applicable, describe analytical methods taking account of sampling strategy   | -                              |
|                              |                | (e) Describe any sensitivity analyses  | -                              |

| <b>Results</b>           |     |  |      |
|--------------------------|-----|--|------|
| Participants             | 13* | (a) Report numbers of individuals at each stage of study—eg numbers potentially eligible, examined for eligibility, confirmed eligible, included in the study, completing follow-up, and analysed            | 9    |
|                          |     | (b) Give reasons for non-participation at each stage   | -    |
|                          |     | (c) Consider use of a flow diagram   | -    |
| Descriptive data         | 14* | (a) Give characteristics of study participants (eg demographic, clinical, social) and information on exposures and potential confounders   | 9    |
|                          |     | (b) Indicate number of participants with missing data for each variable of interest  | 9    |
| Outcome data             | 15* | Report numbers of outcome events or summary measures   | 9-10 |
| Main results             | 16  | (a) Give unadjusted estimates and, if applicable, confounder-adjusted estimates and their precision (eg, 95% confidence interval). Make clear which confounders were adjusted for and why they were included | -    |
|                          |     | (b) Report category boundaries when continuous variables were categorized  | -    |
|                          |     | (c) If relevant, consider translating estimates of relative risk into absolute risk for a meaningful time period   | -    |
| Other analyses           | 17  | Report other analyses done—eg analyses of subgroups and interactions, and sensitivity analyses   | 11   |
| <b>Discussion</b>        |     |  |      |
| Key results              | 18  | Summarise key results with reference to study objectives   | 11   |
| Limitations              | 19  | Discuss limitations of the study, taking into account sources of potential bias or imprecision. Discuss both direction and magnitude of any potential bias   | 14   |
| Interpretation           | 20  | Give a cautious overall interpretation of results considering objectives, limitations, multiplicity of analyses, results from similar studies, and other relevant evidence                                   | 14   |
| Generalisability         | 21  | Discuss the generalisability (external validity) of the study results  | 14   |
| <b>Other information</b> |     |  |      |
| Funding                  | 22  | Give the source of funding and the role of the funders for the present study and, if applicable, for the original study on which the present article is based  | -    |

**Supplemental Table 2.** Demographic characteristics of the CBCT images included, organized by country

| Country               | Gender                |                       | Age                |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
|                       | Female                | Male                  | Median (IQR)       |
| <b>Africa</b>         |                       |                       |                    |
| Egypt (n=300)         | 145.0 (48.3%)         | 155.0 (51.7%)         | 37 (30, 45)        |
| Libya (n=300)         | 203.0 (67.7%)         | 97.0 (32.3%)          | 36 (28, 45)        |
| South Africa (n=300)  | 181.0 (60.3%)         | 119.0 (39.7%)         | 27 (22, 41)        |
| <b>Asia</b>           |                       |                       |                    |
| India (n=300)         | 143.0 (47.7%)         | 157.0 (52.3%)         | 32 (24, 40)        |
| Jordan (n=300)        | 170.0 (56.7%)         | 130.0 (43.3%)         | 34 (25, 42)        |
| Kazakhstan (n=300)    | 153.0 (51.0%)         | 147.0 (49.0%)         | 25 (19, 31)        |
| Saudi Arabia (n=300)  | 184.0 (61.3%)         | 116.0 (38.7%)         | 35 (28, 45)        |
| Singapore (n=300)     | 131.0 (43.7%)         | 169.0 (56.3%)         | 39 (25, 56)        |
| Syria (n=300)         | 164.0 (54.7%)         | 136.0 (45.3%)         | 26 (22, 33)        |
| Uzbekistan (n=300)    | 177.0 (59.0%)         | 123.0 (41.0%)         | 32 (25, 44)        |
| Yemen (n=300)         | 187.0 (62.3%)         | 113.0 (37.7%)         | 24 (19, 29)        |
| <b>Australia</b>      |                       |                       |                    |
| Australia (n=300)     | 150.0 (50.0%)         | 150.0 (50.0%)         | 49 (41, 57)        |
| <b>Europe</b>         |                       |                       |                    |
| Croatia (n=300)       | 182.0 (60.7%)         | 118.0 (39.3%)         | 36 (30, 51)        |
| Germany (n=300)       | 155.0 (51.7%)         | 145.0 (48.3%)         | 41 (31, 52)        |
| Greece (n=300)        | 185.0 (61.7%)         | 115.0 (38.3%)         | 60 (49, 70)        |
| Poland (n=300)        | 189.0 (63.0%)         | 111.0 (37.0%)         | 24 (16, 29)        |
| Portugal (n=300)      | 178.0 (59.3%)         | 122.0 (40.7%)         | 31 (23, 43)        |
| Spain (n=300)         | 163.0 (54.3%)         | 137.0 (45.7%)         | 43 (30, 54)        |
| Turkiye (n=300)       | 153.0 (51.0%)         | 147.0 (49.0%)         | 32 (20, 42)        |
| <b>North America</b>  |                       |                       |                    |
| U.S.A (n=300)         | 160.0 (53.3%)         | 140.0 (46.7%)         | 56 (42, 64)        |
| <b>South America</b>  |                       |                       |                    |
| Colombia (n=300)      | 148.0 (49.3%)         | 152.0 (50.7%)         | 42 (29, 54)        |
| Ecuador (n=300)       | 176.0 (58.7%)         | 124.0 (41.3%)         | 33 (24, 43)        |
| <b>Total (n=6600)</b> | <b>3677.0 (55.7%)</b> | <b>2923.0 (44.3%)</b> | <b>34 (25, 48)</b> |

**Supplemental Table 3.** Pooled estimates of the prevalence of the ten most common root canal configurations in maxillary right first premolar teeth, based on the Ahmed classification

|                         | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>1</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>1-2-1</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>1-2-2</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>2-1-1</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>2-1-2</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>2-2-1</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>2</sup> | <sup>2</sup> MP B <sup>1</sup> P <sup>1</sup> | <sup>2</sup> MP B <sup>2-1</sup> P <sup>1</sup> | <sup>3</sup> MP MB <sup>1</sup> DB <sup>1</sup> P <sup>1</sup> |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|--|
| <b>Africa</b>           |                              |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                              |   |   |  |
| Egypt                   | 0.21 [0.16, 0.26]            | 0.14 [0.10, 0.18]                | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]                | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | Not estimable                    | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]            | 0.53 [0.47, 0.58]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]  |
| Libya                   | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]            | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.15 [0.11, 0.19]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]                | Not estimable                    | 0.13 [0.09, 0.17]            | 0.61 [0.55, 0.67]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| South Africa            | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]            | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]                | 0.07 [0.04, 0.10]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]                | Not estimable                    | 0.10 [0.07, 0.14]            | 0.61 [0.55, 0.66]                             | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]                               | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]  |
| Subtotal (95% CI)       | 0.10 [0.02, 0.18]            | 0.05 [0.01, 0.09]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.03]                | 0.08 [0.01, 0.15]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.03]                | Not estimable                    | 0.09 [0.03, 0.15]            | 0.58 [0.53, 0.63]                             | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]                               | 0.02 [0.01, 0.03]  |
| Heterogeneity           | I <sup>2</sup> =95%          | I <sup>2</sup> =95%              | I <sup>2</sup> = 0%              | I <sup>2</sup> =94%              | I <sup>2</sup> =21%              | Not applicable                   | I <sup>2</sup> =90%          | I <sup>2</sup> =63%                           | Not applicable                                  | I <sup>2</sup> = 9%  |
| Test for overall effect | P = 0.01                     | P = 0.03                         | P < 0.0001                       | P = 0.02                         | P < 0.0001                       | Not applicable                   | P = 0.002                    | P < 0.00001                                   | P = 0.01  | P < 0.0001   |
| <b>Asia</b>             |                              |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                              |   |   |  |
| India                   | Not estimable                | 0.05 [0.03, 0.07]                | 0.09 [0.05, 0.12]                | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.85 [0.81, 0.89]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Jordan                  | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]            | 0.16 [0.12, 0.20]                | 0.17 [0.13, 0.21]                | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]            | 0.54 [0.49, 0.60]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]  |
| Kazakhstan              | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]            | 0.17 [0.13, 0.21]                | 0.12 [0.09, 0.16]                | 0.12 [0.08, 0.16]                | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.42 [0.36, 0.47]                             | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]                               | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]   |
| Saudi Arabia            | 0.05 [0.03, 0.07]            | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]                | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.18 [0.13, 0.22]                | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]            | 0.61 [0.56, 0.67]                             | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]                              | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]  |
| Singapore               | 0.17 [0.12, 0.21]            | 0.21 [0.16, 0.25]                | 0.09 [0.05, 0.12]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]                | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.49 [0.44, 0.55]                             | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]                              | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| Syria                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]           | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | 0.09 [0.06, 0.12]                | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]                | 0.09 [0.06, 0.12]                | 0.10 [0.07, 0.13]            | 0.60 [0.55, 0.66]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| Uzbekistan              | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]            | 0.17 [0.13, 0.21]                | 0.12 [0.09, 0.16]                | 0.12 [0.08, 0.16]                | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.42 [0.36, 0.47]                             | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]                               | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]   |
| Yemen                   | 0.05 [0.03, 0.07]            | 0.16 [0.12, 0.20]                | 0.17 [0.13, 0.21]                | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]                | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | Not estimable                    | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]            | 0.49 [0.43, 0.54]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Subtotal (95% CI)       | 0.06 [0.03, 0.09]            | 0.13 [0.07, 0.20]                | 0.11 [0.06, 0.16]                | 0.05 [0.03, 0.08]                | 0.01 [0.00, 0.01]                | 0.09 [-0.01, 0.19]               | 0.04 [0.02, 0.07]            | 0.55 [0.44, 0.67]                             | 0.04 [0.01, 0.06]                               | 0.01 [0.00, 0.01]  |
| Heterogeneity           | I <sup>2</sup> =91%          | I <sup>2</sup> =97%              | I <sup>2</sup> =94%              | I <sup>2</sup> =93%              | I <sup>2</sup> =80%              | I <sup>2</sup> =97%              | I <sup>2</sup> =88%          | I <sup>2</sup> =97%                           | I <sup>2</sup> =94%                             | I <sup>2</sup> =39%  |
| Test for overall effect | P < 0.0001                   | P < 0.0001                       | P < 0.00001                      | P < 0.0001                       | P = 0.05                         | P = 0.07                         | P = 0.003                    | P < 0.00001                                   | P = 0.005                                       | P = 0.0002   |
| <b>Australia</b>        |                              |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                              |   |   |  |
| Australia               | 0.16 [0.12, 0.21]            | 0.11 [0.08, 0.15]                | 0.18 [0.13, 0.22]                | 0.15 [0.11, 0.19]                | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.38 [0.32, 0.43]                             | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]                              | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Subtotal (95% CI)       | 0.16 [0.12, 0.21]            | 0.11 [0.08, 0.15]                | 0.18 [0.13, 0.22]                | 0.15 [0.11, 0.19]                | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.38 [0.32, 0.43]                             | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]                              | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Heterogeneity           | Not applicable               | Not applicable                   | Not applicable                   | Not applicable                   | Not applicable                   | Not applicable                   | Not applicable               | Not applicable                                | Not applicable                                  | Not applicable   |
| Test for overall effect | P < 0.00001                  | P < 0.00001                      | P < 0.00001                      | P < 0.00001                      | Not applicable                   | Not applicable                   | Not applicable               | P < 0.00001                                   | P = 0.08  | P = 0.08   |
| <b>Europe</b>           |                              |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                              |   |   |  |
| Croatia                 | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]            | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]                | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | Not estimable                    | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]            | 0.89 [0.85, 0.92]                             | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]                              | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Germany                 | 0.05 [0.03, 0.08]            | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.21 [0.17, 0.26]                | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | Not estimable                    | 0.12 [0.09, 0.16]            | 0.56 [0.50, 0.62]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| Greece                  | 0.04 [0.02, 0.07]            | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | Not estimable                    | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.15 [0.11, 0.19]                | 0.09 [0.06, 0.13]            | 0.68 [0.63, 0.74]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Poland                  | 0.09 [0.05, 0.12]            | 0.12 [0.08, 0.16]                | 0.06 [0.03, 0.09]                | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]                | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]            | 0.57 [0.51, 0.62]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Portugal                | 0.07 [0.04, 0.10]            | Not estimable                    | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | Not estimable                    | 0.12 [0.08, 0.16]                | 0.09 [0.06, 0.12]            | 0.66 [0.61, 0.71]                             | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]                              | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]  |
| Spain                   | 0.11 [0.07, 0.15]            | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]                | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.09 [0.06, 0.13]                | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]                | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]                | 0.15 [0.11, 0.19]            | 0.41 [0.35, 0.46]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Turkiye                 | 0.09 [0.06, 0.13]            | 0.14 [0.10, 0.18]                | 0.04 [0.02, 0.07]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]                | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]                | 0.06 [0.03, 0.09]            | 0.53 [0.47, 0.58]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| Subtotal (95% CI)       | 0.07 [0.04, 0.09]            | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.03]                | 0.06 [0.03, 0.09]                | 0.01 [0.00, 0.02]                | 0.09 [0.04, 0.14]                | 0.09 [0.06, 0.12]            | 0.61 [0.48, 0.75]                             | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]                              | 0.01 [0.01, 0.01]  |

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| Heterogeneity                        | I <sup>2</sup> =82%      | I <sup>2</sup> =95%      | I <sup>2</sup> =73%      | I <sup>2</sup> =94%      | I <sup>2</sup> =70%      | I <sup>2</sup> =91%      | I <sup>2</sup> =84%      | I <sup>2</sup> =98%      | I <sup>2</sup> = 0%      | I <sup>2</sup> = 0%      |
| Test for overall effect              | P < 0.00001              | P < 0.0001               | P = 0.0004               | P = 0.0001               | P = 0.007                | P = 0.0006               | P < 0.00001              | P < 0.00001              | P = 0.16                 | P < 0.00001              |
| <b>North America</b>                 |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| U.S.A                                | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]        | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]        | Not estimable            | 0.11 [0.07, 0.14]        | 0.04 [0.02, 0.07]        | Not estimable            | Not estimable            | 0.59 [0.53, 0.64]        | Not estimable            | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]        |
| Subtotal (95% CI)                    | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]        | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]        | Not estimable            | 0.11 [0.07, 0.14]        | 0.04 [0.02, 0.07]        | Not estimable            | Not estimable            | 0.59 [0.53, 0.64]        | Not estimable            | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]        |
| Heterogeneity                        | Not applicable           | Not applicable           | Not applicable           | Not applicable           | Not applicable           | Not applicable           | Not applicable           | Not applicable           | Not applicable           | Not applicable           |
| Test for overall effect              | P < 0.00001              | P < 0.0001               | Not applicable           | P < 0.00001              | P = 0.0002               | Not applicable           | Not applicable           | P < 0.00001              | Not applicable           | P < 0.0001               |
| <b>South America</b>                 |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| Colombia                             | 0.28 [0.23, 0.33]        | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]        | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]       | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]        | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]        | 0.15 [0.11, 0.19]        | 0.13 [0.09, 0.17]        | 0.34 [0.28, 0.39]        | Not estimable            | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]        |
| Ecuador                              | 0.26 [0.21, 0.31]        | 0.24 [0.19, 0.29]        | 0.07 [0.04, 0.10]        | 0.09 [0.06, 0.13]        | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]       | Not estimable            | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]        | 0.24 [0.19, 0.29]        | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]       | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]       |
| Subtotal (95% CI)                    | 0.27 [0.24, 0.31]        | 0.13 [-0.08, 0.35]       | 0.04 [-0.03, 0.10]       | 0.05 [-0.03, 0.13]       | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.03]       | 0.15 [0.11, 0.19]        | 0.08 [-0.01, 0.17]       | 0.29 [0.20, 0.38]        | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]       | 0.01 [0.00, 0.02]        |
| Heterogeneity                        | I <sup>2</sup> = 0%      | I <sup>2</sup> =99%      | I <sup>2</sup> =94%      | I <sup>2</sup> =95%      | I <sup>2</sup> =65%      | Not applicable           | I <sup>2</sup> =94%      | I <sup>2</sup> =84%      | Not applicable           | I <sup>2</sup> = 0%      |
| Test for overall effect              | P < 0.00001              | P = 0.22                 | P = 0.24                 | P = 0.19                 | P = 0.10                 | P < 0.00001              | P = 0.08                 | P < 0.00001              | P = 0.16                 | P = 0.006                |
| <b>Total (95% CI)</b>                | <b>0.09 [0.07, 0.12]</b> | <b>0.09 [0.07, 0.10]</b> | <b>0.06 [0.04, 0.07]</b> | <b>0.06 [0.05, 0.08]</b> | <b>0.01 [0.01, 0.02]</b> | <b>0.10 [0.05, 0.14]</b> | <b>0.08 [0.06, 0.10]</b> | <b>0.55 [0.47, 0.62]</b> | <b>0.01 [0.01, 0.02]</b> | <b>0.01 [0.01, 0.02]</b> |
| <b>Heterogeneity</b>                 | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=94%</b> | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=97%</b> | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=94%</b> | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=94%</b> | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=76%</b> | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=96%</b> | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=90%</b> | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=98%</b> | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=85%</b> | <b>I<sup>2</sup>=46%</b> |
| <b>Test for overall effect</b>       | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P &lt; 0.0001</b>     | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P = 0.0008</b>        | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    |
| <b>Test for subgroup differences</b> | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P = 0.004</b>         | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P = 0.002</b>         | <b>P = 0.03</b>          | <b>P = 0.12</b>          | <b>P = 0.19</b>          | <b>P &lt; 0.00001</b>    | <b>P = 0.03</b>          | <b>P = 0.007</b>         |

**Supplemental Table 4.** Pooled estimates of the prevalence of the ten most common root canal configurations in maxillary left first premolar teeth, based on the Ahmed classification

|                         | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>1</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>1-2-1</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>1-2-2</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>2-1-1</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>2-1-2</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>2-2-1</sup> | <sup>1</sup> MP <sup>2</sup> | <sup>2</sup> MP B <sup>1</sup> P <sup>1</sup> | <sup>2</sup> MP B <sup>2-1</sup> P <sup>1</sup> | <sup>3</sup> MP MB <sup>1</sup> DB <sup>1</sup> P <sup>1</sup> |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|--|
| <b>Africa</b>           |                              |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                              |   |   |  |
| Egypt                   | 0.09 [0.05, 0.12]            | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]                | Not estimable                    | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]                | Not estimable                    | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]            | 0.44 [0.38, 0.50]                             | Not estimable                                   | Not estimable  |
| Libya                   | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]            | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.15 [0.11, 0.19]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]                | Not estimable                    | 0.13 [0.09, 0.16]            | 0.61 [0.55, 0.66]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| South Africa            | 0.06 [0.03, 0.09]            | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]                | 0.09 [0.05, 0.12]                | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]                | Not estimable                    | 0.11 [0.07, 0.15]            | 0.60 [0.55, 0.66]                             | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                               | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]  |
| Subtotal (95% CI)       | 0.06 [0.03, 0.09]            | 0.02 [0.01, 0.03]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.03]                | 0.10 [0.06, 0.15]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.03]                | Not estimable                    | 0.10 [0.05, 0.14]            | 0.55 [0.44, 0.66]                             | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                               | 0.02 [0.01, 0.03]  |
| Heterogeneity           | I <sup>2</sup> =71%          | I <sup>2</sup> =36%              | I <sup>2</sup> =27%              | I <sup>2</sup> =79%              | I <sup>2</sup> = 0%              | Not applicable                   | I <sup>2</sup> =82%          | I <sup>2</sup> =91%                           | Not applicable                                  | I <sup>2</sup> = 0%  |
| Test for overall effect | P < 0.0001                   | P = 0.0003                       | P = 0.004                        | P < 0.00001                      | P < 0.00001                      | Not applicable                   | P < 0.0001                   | P < 0.00001                                   | P = 0.04  | P = 0.002  |
| <b>Asia</b>             |                              |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                              |   |   |  |
| India                   | Not estimable                | 0.07 [0.04, 0.10]                | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]                | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.87 [0.83, 0.91]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]  |
| Jordan                  | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]            | 0.17 [0.12, 0.21]                | 0.22 [0.17, 0.27]                | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]            | 0.43 [0.38, 0.49]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| Kazakhstan              | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]            | 0.17 [0.12, 0.21]                | 0.13 [0.09, 0.16]                | 0.12 [0.09, 0.16]                | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.42 [0.36, 0.47]                             | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]                               | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]   |
| Saudi Arabia            | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]            | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]                | Not estimable                    | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.18 [0.14, 0.23]                | 0.05 [0.03, 0.08]            | 0.60 [0.54, 0.66]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]  |
| Singapore               | 0.18 [0.13, 0.22]            | 0.23 [0.18, 0.27]                | 0.10 [0.06, 0.13]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]                | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.45 [0.40, 0.51]                             | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]                              | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Syria                   | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]            | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | 0.07 [0.04, 0.10]                | 0.10 [0.06, 0.13]                | 0.11 [0.07, 0.15]                | 0.10 [0.07, 0.14]            | 0.57 [0.52, 0.63]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Uzbekistan              | 0.07 [0.04, 0.09]            | 0.17 [0.12, 0.21]                | 0.13 [0.09, 0.17]                | 0.12 [0.09, 0.16]                | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.41 [0.36, 0.47]                             | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]                               | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]   |
| Yemen                   | 0.05 [0.03, 0.08]            | 0.19 [0.14, 0.23]                | 0.20 [0.15, 0.25]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]                | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | Not estimable                    | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]           | 0.41 [0.35, 0.46]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| Subtotal (95% CI)       | 0.07 [0.04, 0.10]            | 0.14 [0.07, 0.21]                | 0.12 [0.06, 0.17]                | 0.06 [0.02, 0.10]                | 0.01 [0.00, 0.02]                | 0.10 [-0.01, 0.21]               | 0.05 [0.01, 0.08]            | 0.52 [0.39, 0.65]                             | 0.05 [-0.00, 0.11]                              | 0.01 [0.00, 0.01]  |
| Heterogeneity           | I <sup>2</sup> =86%          | I <sup>2</sup> =97%              | I <sup>2</sup> =96%              | I <sup>2</sup> =95%              | I <sup>2</sup> =84%              | I <sup>2</sup> =97%              | I <sup>2</sup> =91%          | I <sup>2</sup> =98%                           | I <sup>2</sup> =95%                             | I <sup>2</sup> =44%  |
| Test for overall effect | P < 0.00001                  | P < 0.0001                       | P < 0.0001                       | P = 0.0008                       | P = 0.02                         | P = 0.07                         | P = 0.007                    | P < 0.00001                                   | P = 0.07  | P = 0.0002   |
| <b>Australia</b>        |                              |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                              |   |   |  |
| Australia               | 0.17 [0.13, 0.21]            | 0.11 [0.08, 0.15]                | 0.18 [0.13, 0.22]                | 0.13 [0.09, 0.17]                | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.37 [0.32, 0.43]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| Subtotal (95% CI)       | 0.17 [0.13, 0.21]            | 0.11 [0.08, 0.15]                | 0.18 [0.13, 0.22]                | 0.13 [0.09, 0.17]                | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                | 0.37 [0.32, 0.43]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]  |
| Heterogeneity           | Not applicable               | Not applicable                   | Not applicable                   | Not applicable                   | Not applicable                   | Not applicable                   | Not applicable               | Not applicable                                | Not applicable                                  | Not applicable   |
| Test for overall effect | P < 0.00001                  | P < 0.00001                      | P < 0.00001                      | P < 0.00001                      | P = 0.16                         | Not applicable                   | Not applicable               | P < 0.00001                                   | Not applicable                                  | P = 0.02   |
| <b>Europe</b>           |                              |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                                  |                              |   |   |  |
| Croatia                 | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]           | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]                | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]            | 0.88 [0.85, 0.92]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]  |
| Germany                 | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]            | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.24 [0.19, 0.28]                | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]                | Not estimable                    | 0.11 [0.07, 0.14]            | 0.52 [0.47, 0.58]                             | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]                              | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]  |
| Greece                  | 0.05 [0.02, 0.07]            | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | 0.16 [0.12, 0.21]                | 0.10 [0.07, 0.14]            | 0.66 [0.60, 0.71]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Poland                  | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]            | 0.11 [0.07, 0.15]                | 0.11 [0.08, 0.15]                | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]                | Not estimable                    | Not estimable                    | 0.11 [0.07, 0.14]            | 0.52 [0.46, 0.57]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Portugal                | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]            | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]               | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]                | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]               | Not estimable                    | 0.13 [0.09, 0.17]                | 0.07 [0.04, 0.10]            | 0.68 [0.63, 0.73]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]  |
| Spain                   | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]            | 0.06 [0.03, 0.09]                | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]                | 0.29 [0.24, 0.34]                | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]                | Not estimable                    | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]            | 0.36 [0.31, 0.42]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]   |
| Turkey                  | 0.11 [0.07, 0.15]            | 0.09 [0.06, 0.13]                | 0.06 [0.03, 0.08]                | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]                | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]                | 0.04 [0.02, 0.06]                | 0.05 [0.03, 0.08]            | 0.51 [0.45, 0.57]                             | Not estimable                                   | 0.02 [0.00, 0.04]  |
| Subtotal (95% CI)       | 0.06 [0.03, 0.09]            | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]                | 0.05 [0.02, 0.07]                | 0.10 [0.05, 0.16]                | 0.02 [0.01, 0.02]                | 0.11 [0.03, 0.19]                | 0.08 [0.05, 0.10]            | 0.59 [0.45, 0.73]                             | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]                              | 0.01 [0.01, 0.02]  |

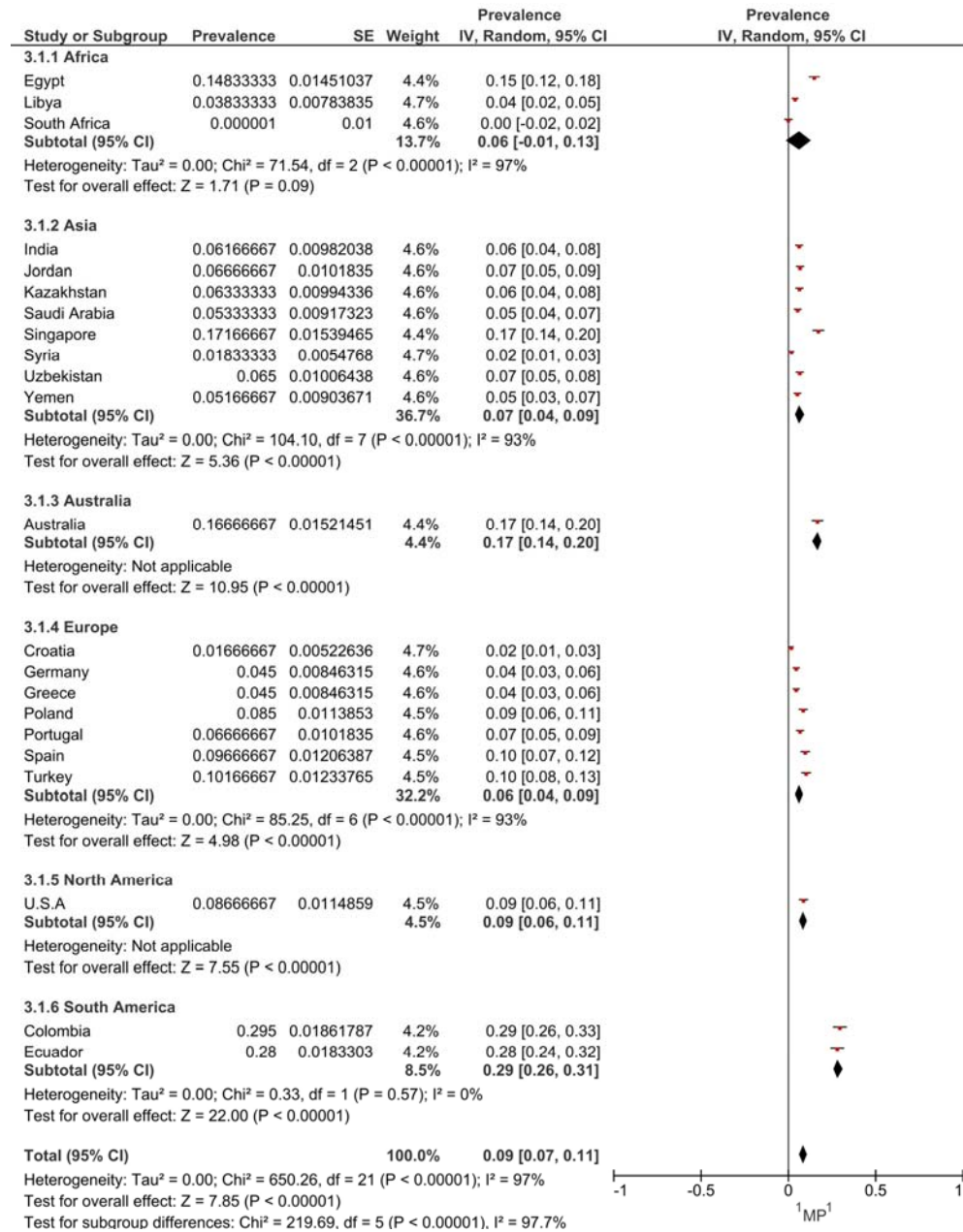
|                                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Heterogeneity                        | I <sup>2</sup> =90% | I <sup>2</sup> =92% | I <sup>2</sup> =91% | I <sup>2</sup> =98% | I <sup>2</sup> = 0% | I <sup>2</sup> =95% | I <sup>2</sup> =74% | I <sup>2</sup> =98% | Not applicable      | I <sup>2</sup> =38% |
| Test for overall effect              | P < 0.0001          | P = 0.0001          | P = 0.0004          | P = 0.0002          | P < 0.00001         | P = 0.01            | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P = 0.32            | P < 0.0001          |
| <b>North America</b>                 |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| U.S.A                                | 0.09 [0.06, 0.13]   | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]   | Not estimable       | 0.22 [0.17, 0.27]   | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]   | Not estimable       | Not estimable       | 0.44 [0.39, 0.50]   | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]   | 0.07 [0.04, 0.10]   |
| Subtotal (95% CI)                    | 0.09 [0.06, 0.13]   | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]   | Not estimable       | 0.22 [0.17, 0.27]   | 0.03 [0.01, 0.05]   | Not estimable       | Not estimable       | 0.44 [0.39, 0.50]   | 0.06 [0.04, 0.09]   | 0.07 [0.04, 0.10]   |
| Heterogeneity                        | Not applicable      | Not applicable      | Not applicable      | Not applicable      | Not applicable      | Not applicable      | Not applicable      | Not applicable      | Not applicable      | Not applicable      |
| Test for overall effect              | P < 0.00001         | P = 0.002           | Not applicable      | P < 0.00001         | P = 0.001           | Not applicable      | Not applicable      | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         |
| <b>South America</b>                 |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| Colombia                             | 0.31 [0.25, 0.36]   | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]   | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]  | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]  | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]   | 0.17 [0.13, 0.22]   | 0.08 [0.05, 0.11]   | 0.36 [0.31, 0.41]   | Not estimable       | 0.01 [0.00, 0.03]   |
| Ecuador                              | 0.30 [0.25, 0.35]   | 0.24 [0.19, 0.29]   | 0.07 [0.04, 0.09]   | 0.11 [0.07, 0.14]   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]  | Not estimable       | 0.02 [0.01, 0.04]   | 0.23 [0.19, 0.28]   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]  | 0.00 [-0.00, 0.01]  |
| Subtotal (95% CI)                    | 0.30 [0.27, 0.34]   | 0.13 [-0.10, 0.35]  | 0.03 [-0.03, 0.10]  | 0.06 [-0.04, 0.15]  | 0.02 [0.00, 0.03]   | 0.17 [0.13, 0.22]   | 0.05 [-0.01, 0.11]  | 0.30 [0.17, 0.42]   | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]  | 0.01 [-0.00, 0.02]  |
| Heterogeneity                        | I <sup>2</sup> = 0% | I <sup>2</sup> =99% | I <sup>2</sup> =95% | I <sup>2</sup> =96% | I <sup>2</sup> =39% | Not applicable      | I <sup>2</sup> =90% | I <sup>2</sup> =91% | Not applicable      | I <sup>2</sup> =45% |
| Test for overall effect              | P < 0.00001         | P = 0.27            | P = 0.29            | P = 0.24            | P = 0.02            | P < 0.00001         | P = 0.08            | P < 0.00001         | P = 0.16            | P = 0.16            |
| <b>Total (95% CI)</b>                | 0.09 [0.07, 0.11]   | 0.07 [0.06, 0.09]   | 0.07 [0.05, 0.09]   | 0.09 [0.07, 0.11]   | 0.02 [0.01, 0.02]   | 0.11 [0.06, 0.17]   | 0.07 [0.05, 0.09]   | 0.52 [0.44, 0.60]   | 0.03 [0.01, 0.04]   | 0.01 [0.01, 0.02]   |
| <b>Heterogeneity</b>                 | I <sup>2</sup> =94% | I <sup>2</sup> =96% | I <sup>2</sup> =95% | I <sup>2</sup> =96% | I <sup>2</sup> =74% | I <sup>2</sup> =97% | I <sup>2</sup> =89% | I <sup>2</sup> =98% | I <sup>2</sup> =90% | I <sup>2</sup> =59% |
| <b>Test for overall effect</b>       | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.0001          | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P = 0.0002          | P < 0.00001         |
| <b>Test for subgroup differences</b> | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P < 0.00001         | P = 0.10            | P = 0.23            | P = 0.34            | P = 0.001           | P = 0.0004          | P = 0.002           |

**Supplemental Table 5.** The rate of bilateral symmetry in teeth and Cramer's V Score

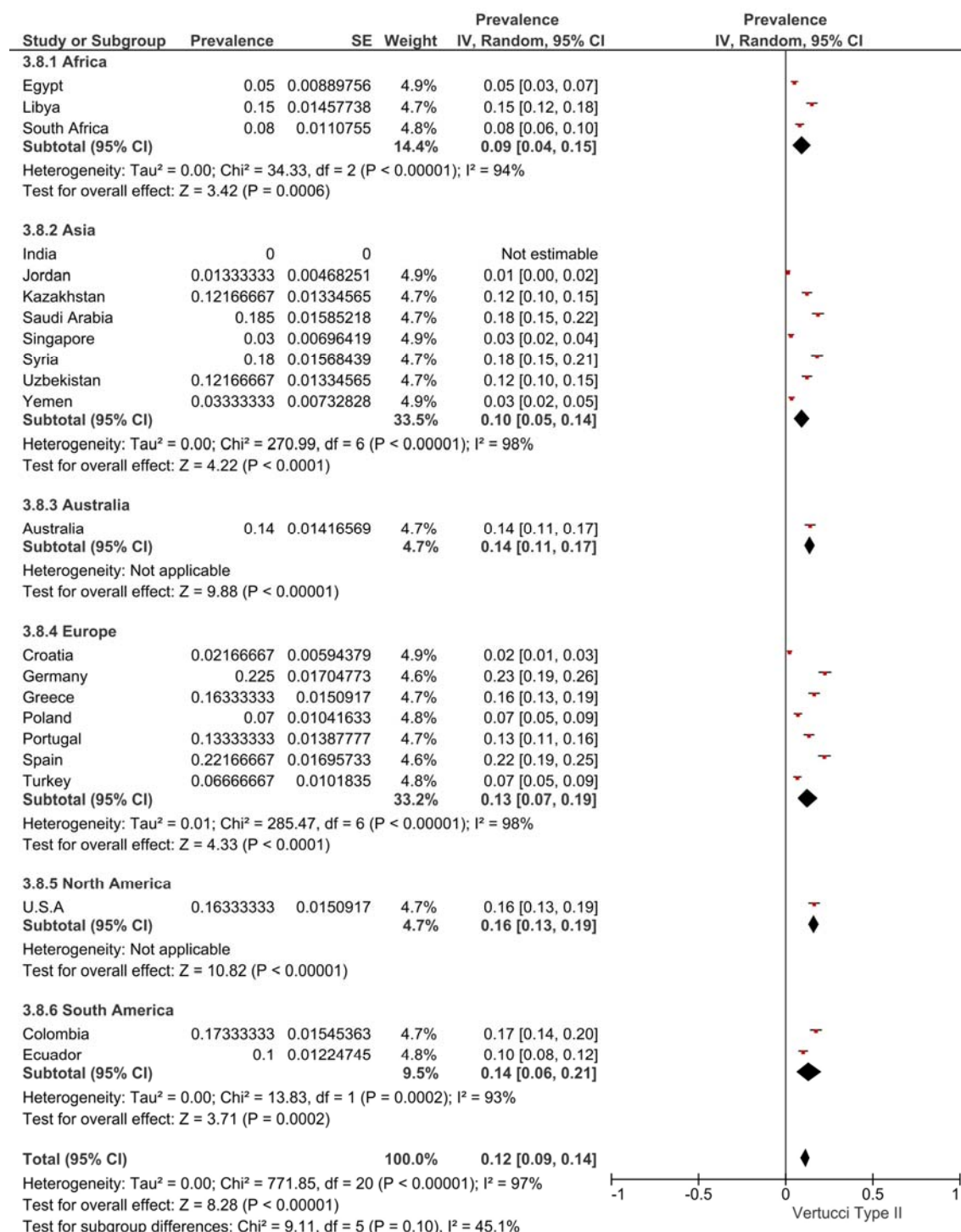
|                                   | Ahmed's classification | Vertucci classification |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Similarity between left and right | 75.52%                 | 79.17%                  |
| Cramer's V Score                  | 0.535                  | 0.553                   |

weak: >0.05; moderate: >0.10; strong: >0.15; and very strong: >0.25.

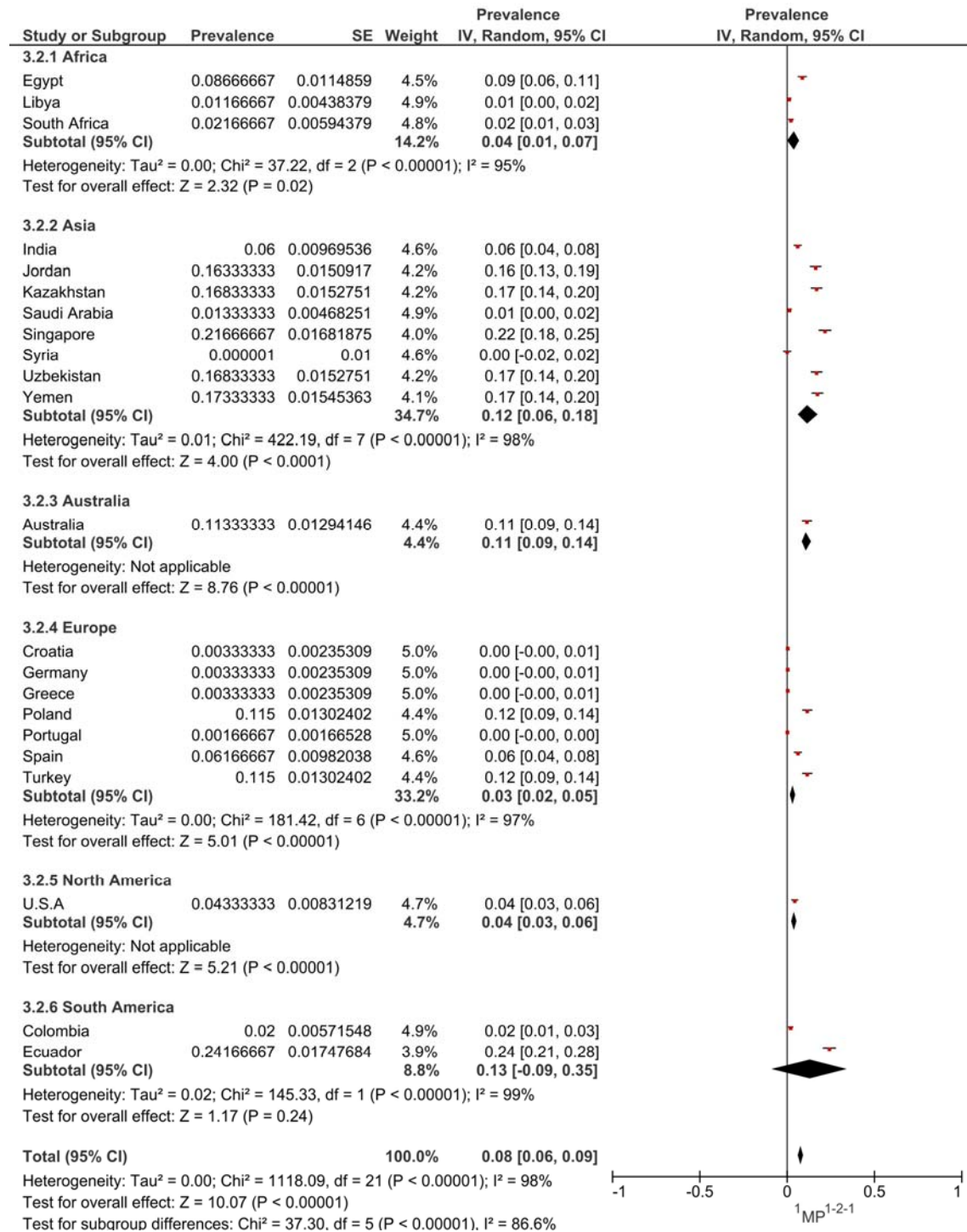
**Supplemental Figure 1.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of Vertucci Type I and <sup>1</sup>MP<sup>1</sup>



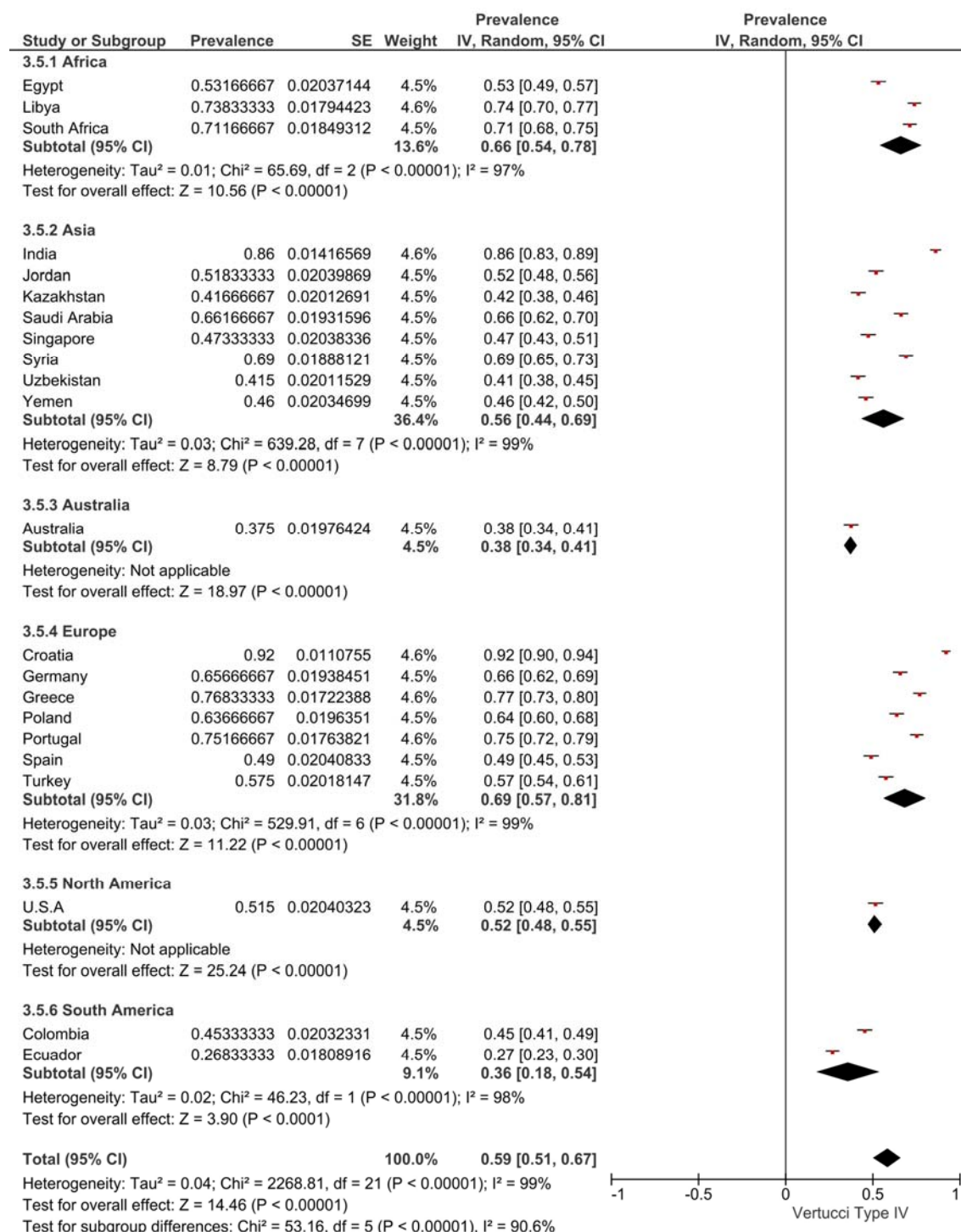
**Supplemental Figure 2.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of Vertucci Type II



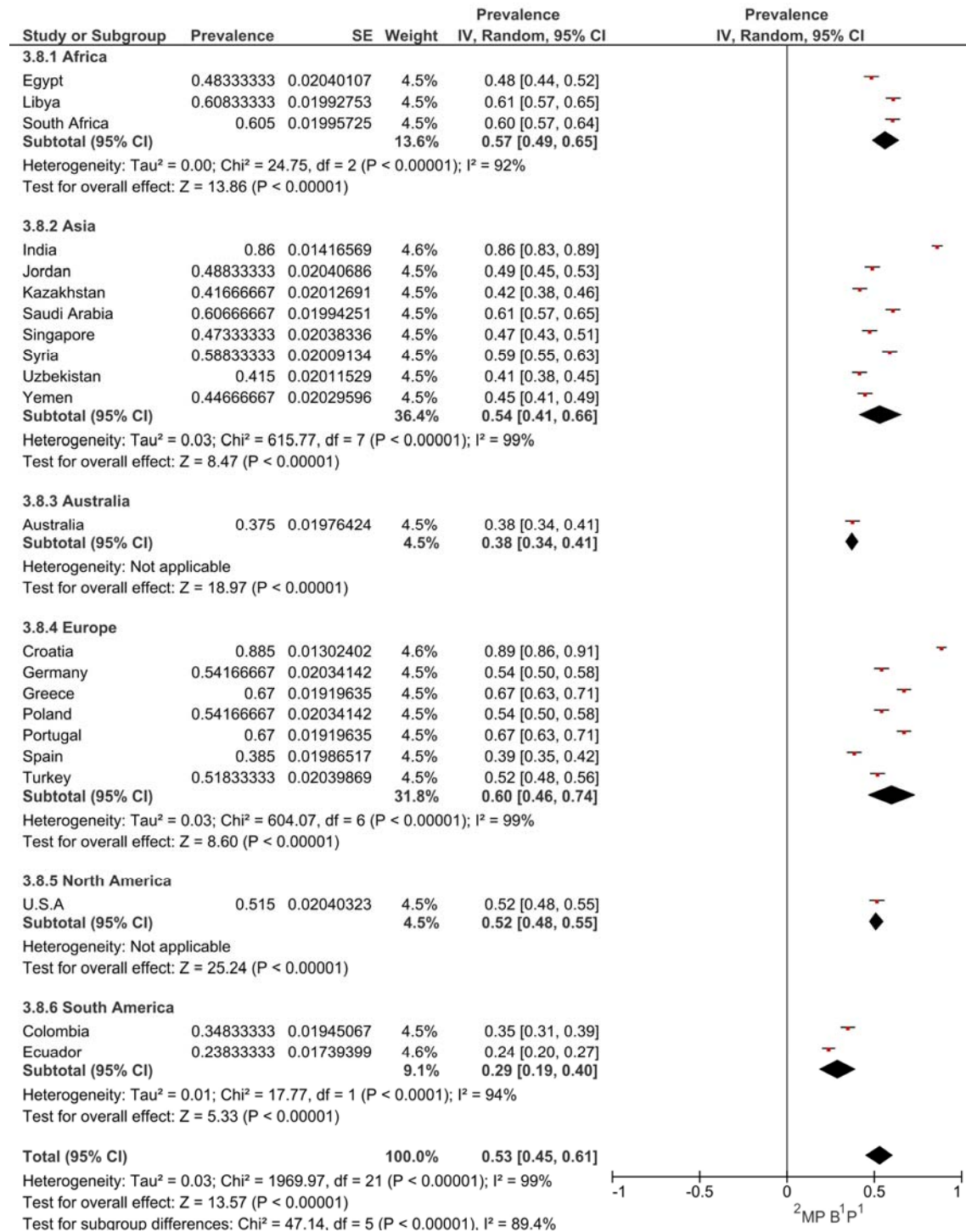
**Supplemental Figure 3.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of Vertucci Type III and <sup>1</sup>MP<sup>1-2-1</sup>



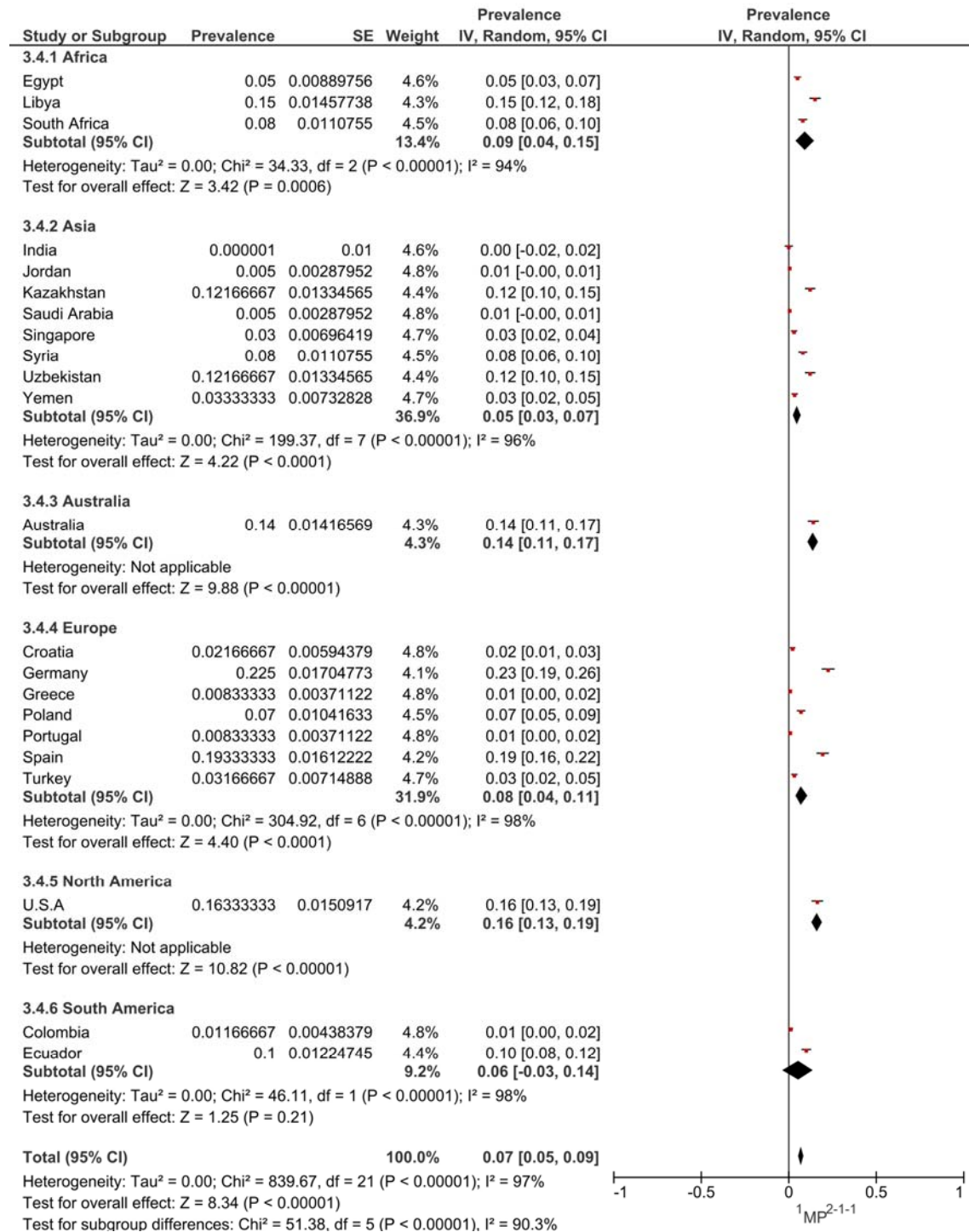
**Supplemental Figure 4.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of Vertucci Type IV



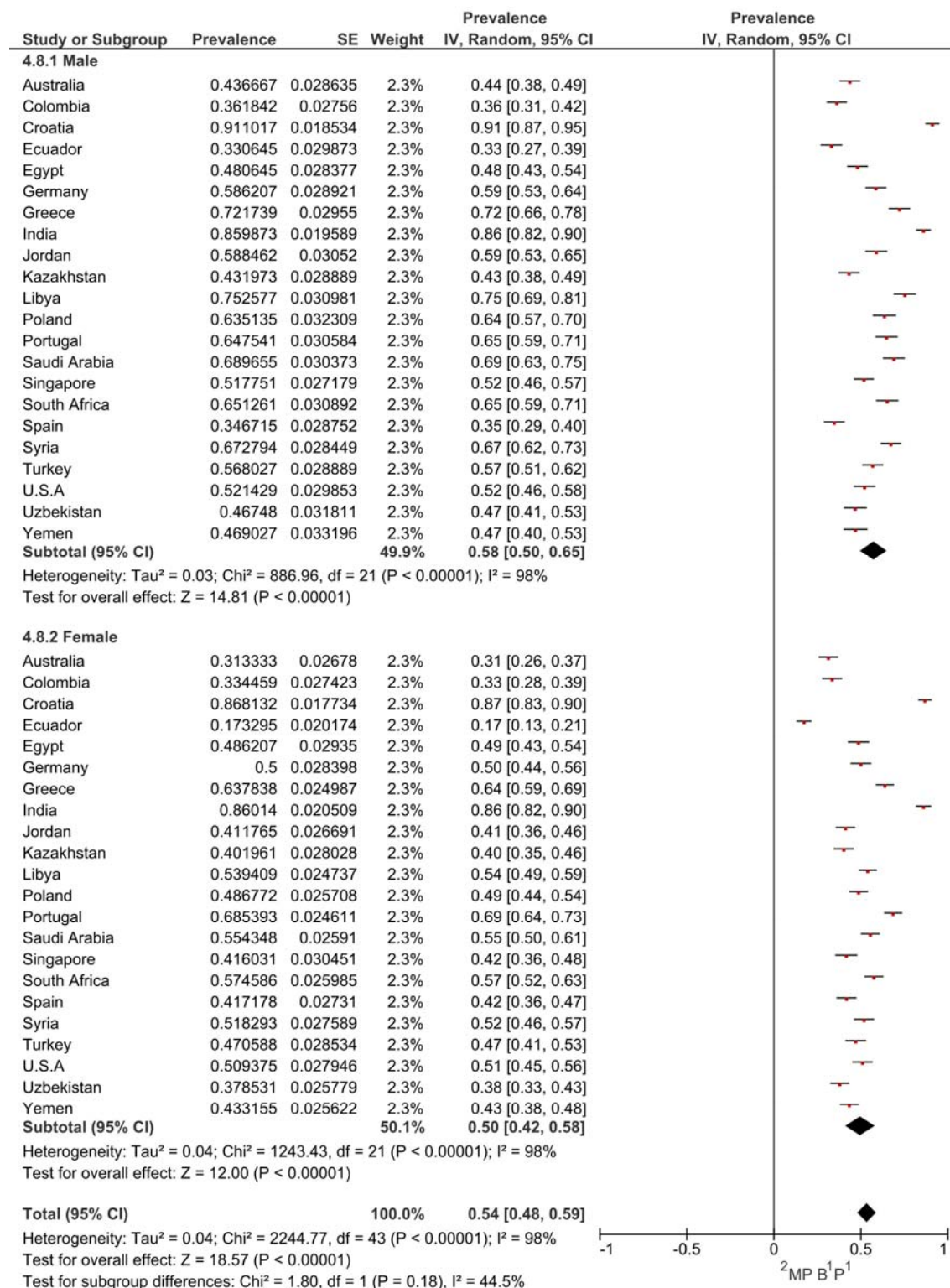
Supplemental Figure 5. Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of <sup>2</sup>MP B<sup>1</sup> P<sup>1</sup>



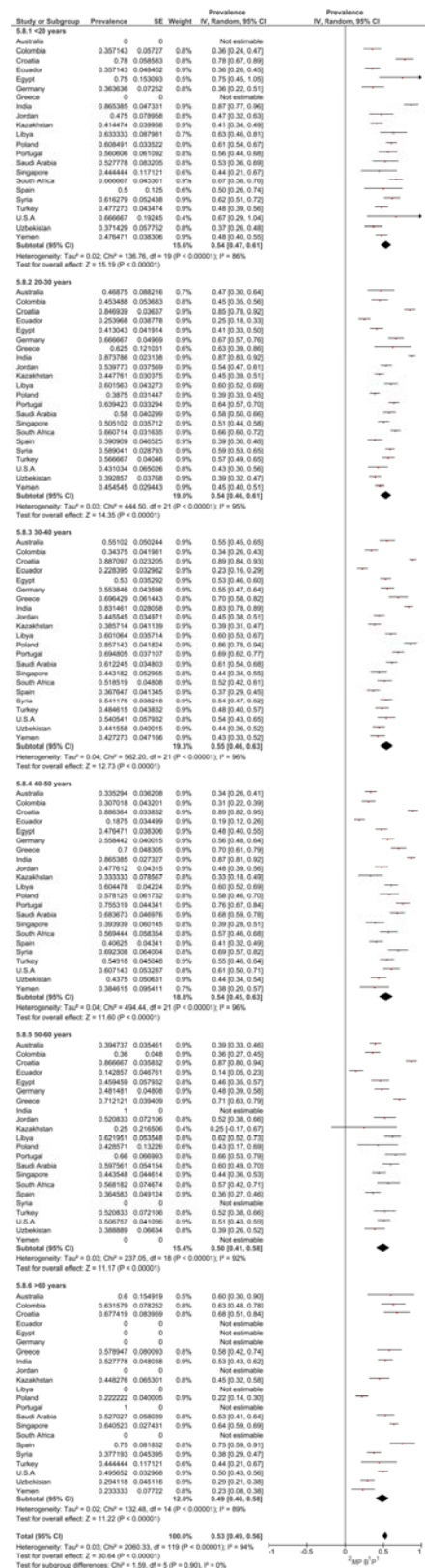
Supplemental Figure 6. Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of <sup>1</sup>MP<sup>2-1-1</sup>



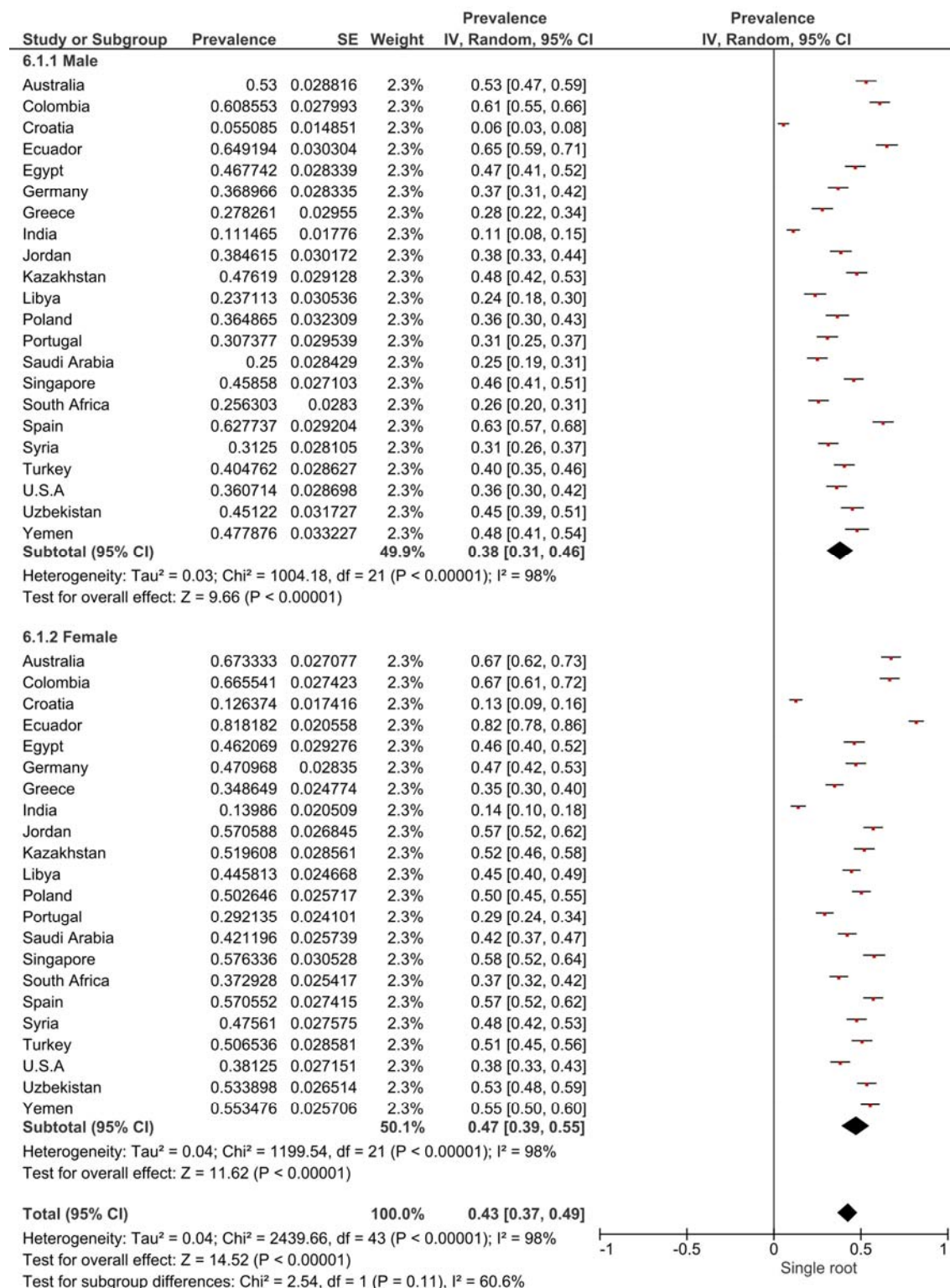
Supplemental Figure 7. Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of <sup>1</sup>MP B<sup>1</sup> P<sup>1</sup> according to gender



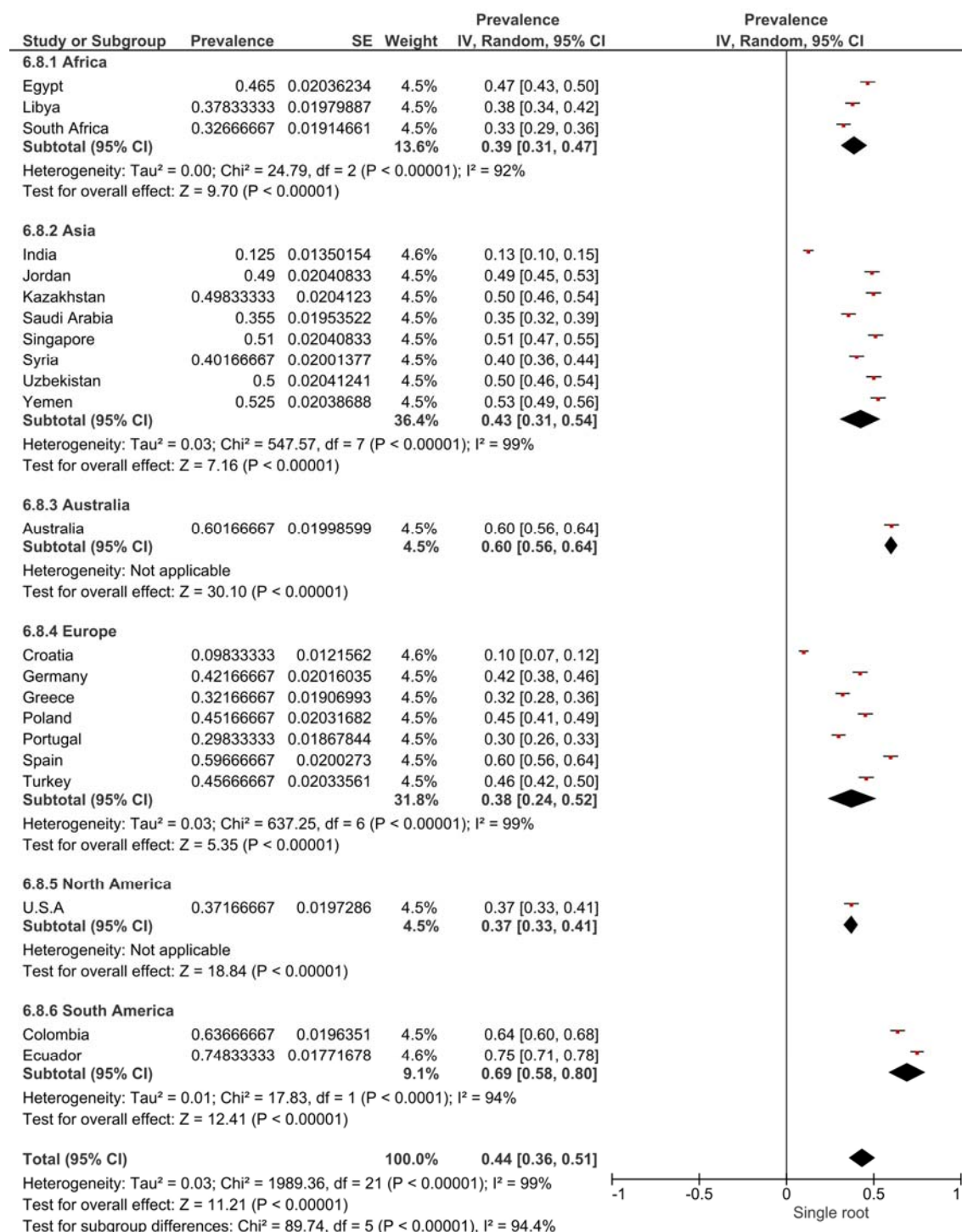
Supplemental Figure 8. Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of <sup>1</sup>MP B<sup>1</sup> P<sup>1</sup> according to age range



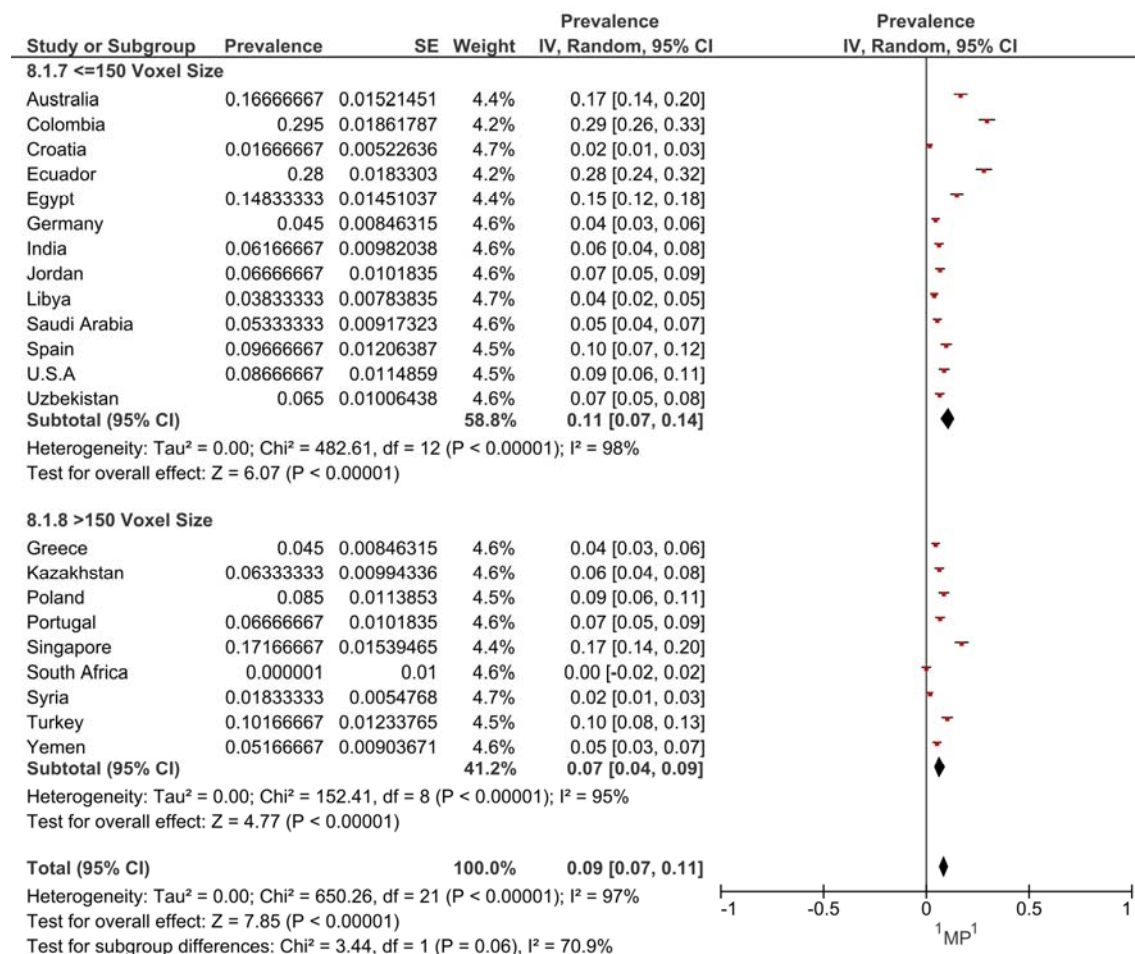
**Supplemental Figure 9.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of single root according to gender



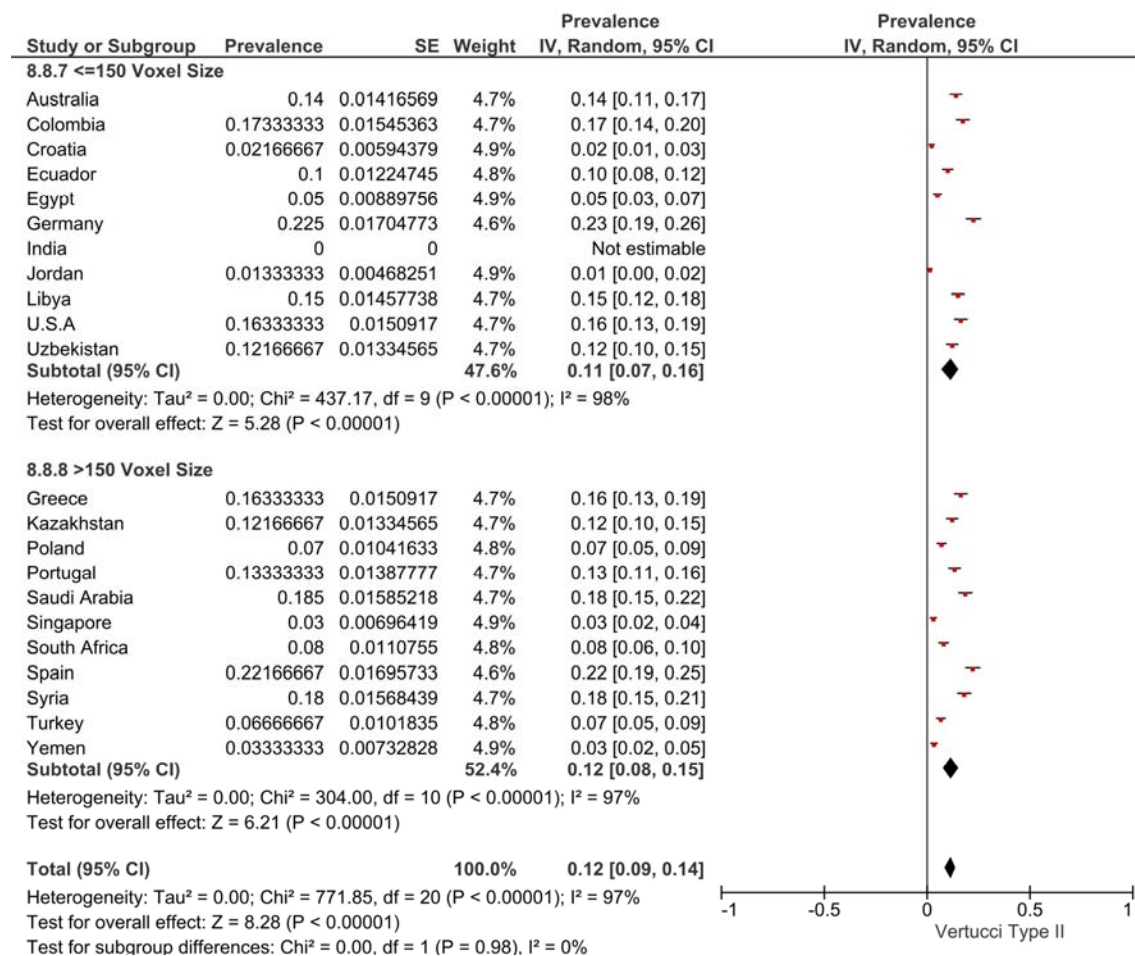
**Supplemental Figure 10.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of single root according to continents



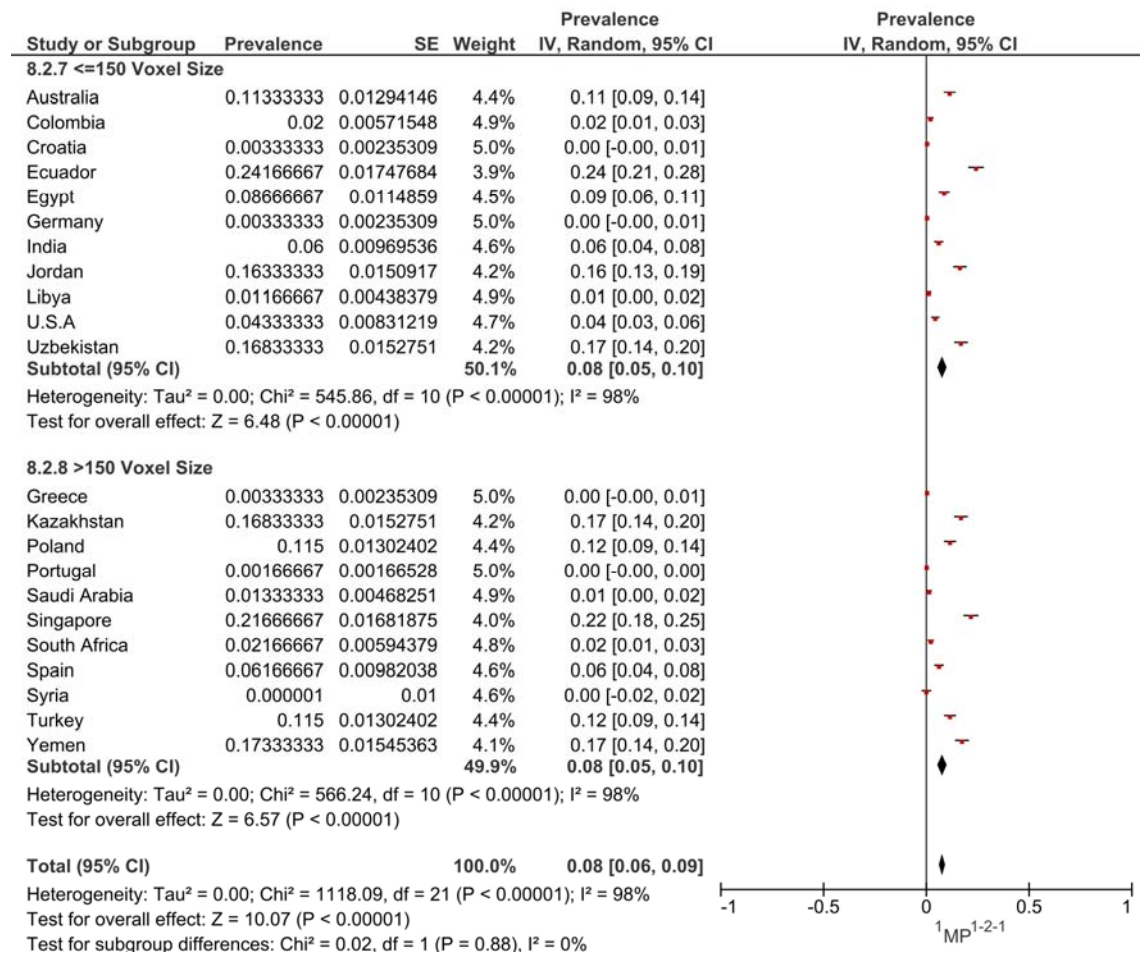
**Supplemental Figure 11.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of Vertucci Type I and <sup>1</sup>MP<sup>1</sup> according to Voxel Size



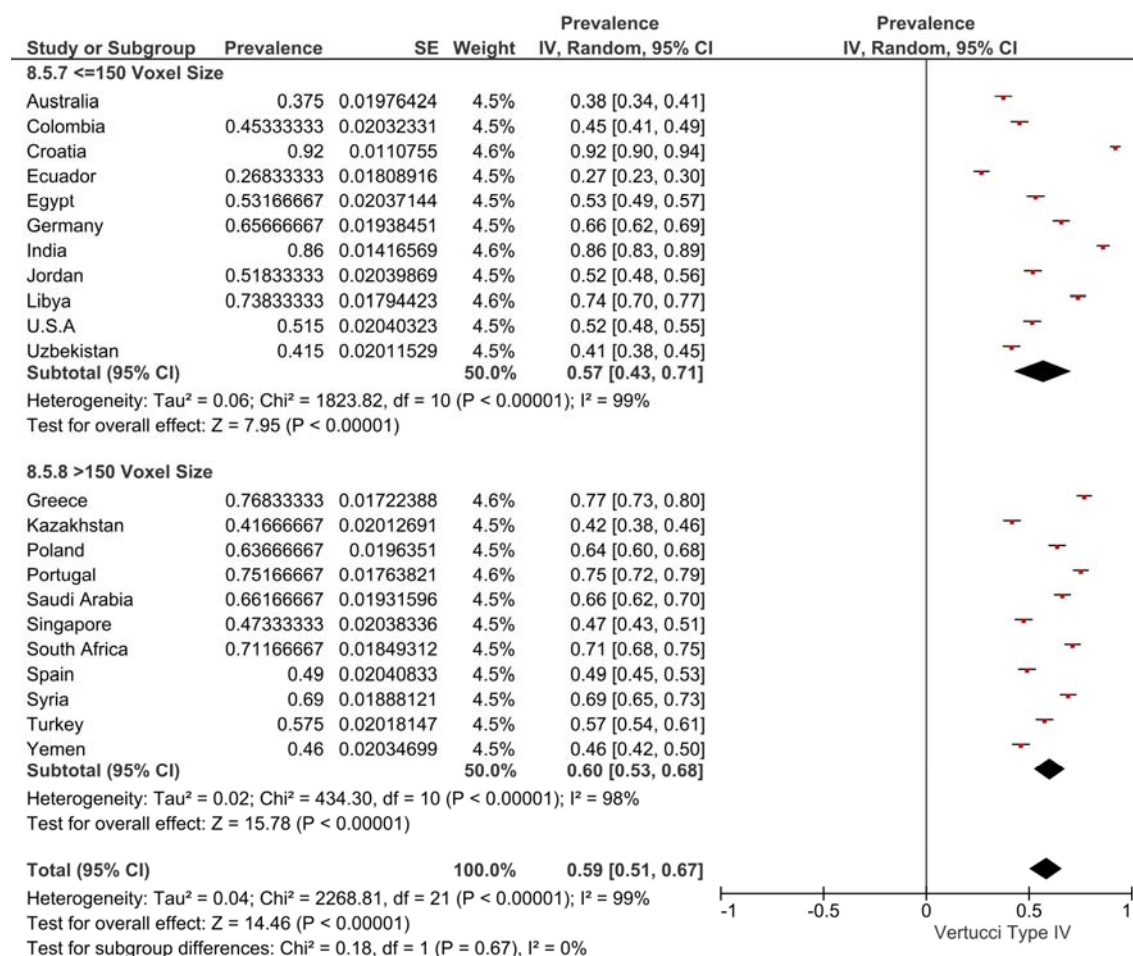
**Supplemental Figure 12.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of Vertucci Type II according to Voxel Size



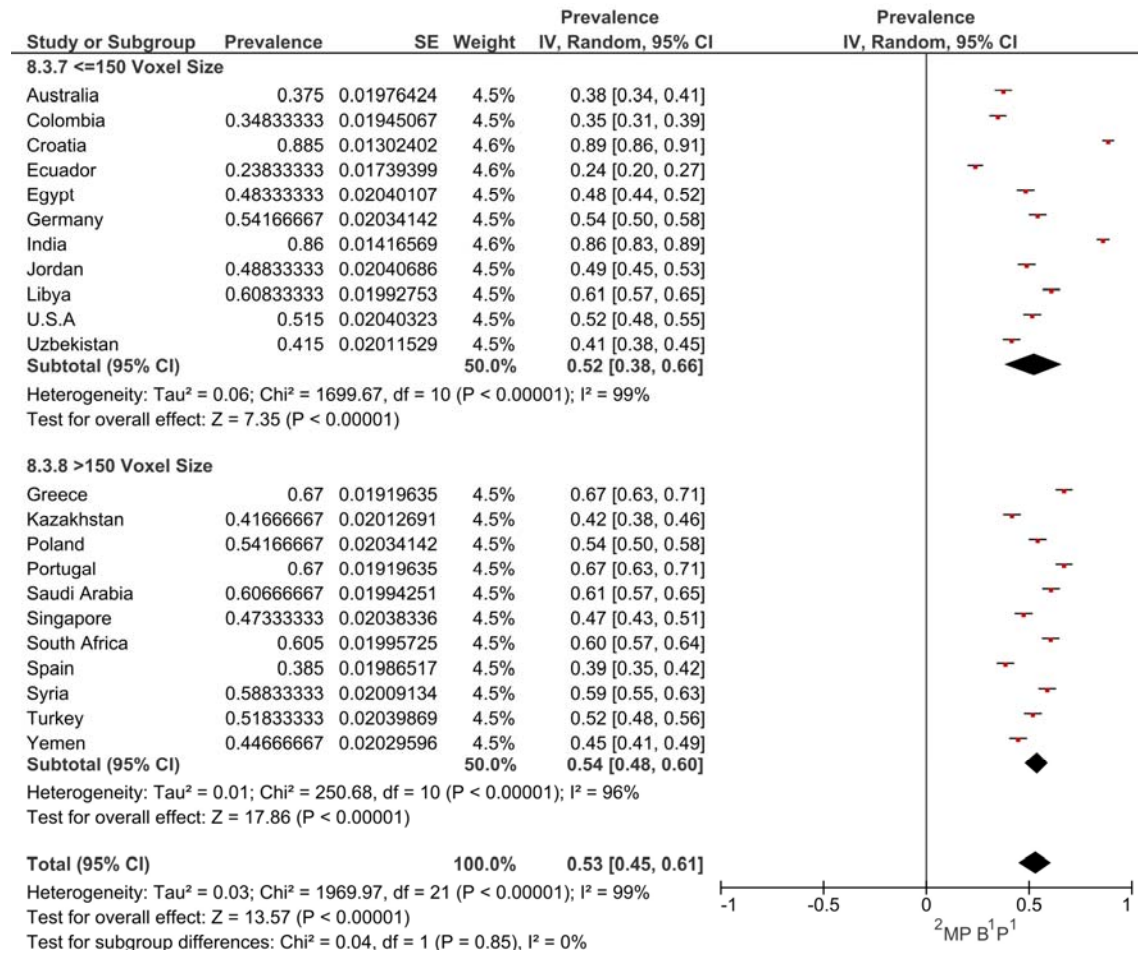
**Supplemental Figure 13.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of Vertucci Type III and <sup>1</sup>MP<sup>1-2-1</sup> according to Voxel Size



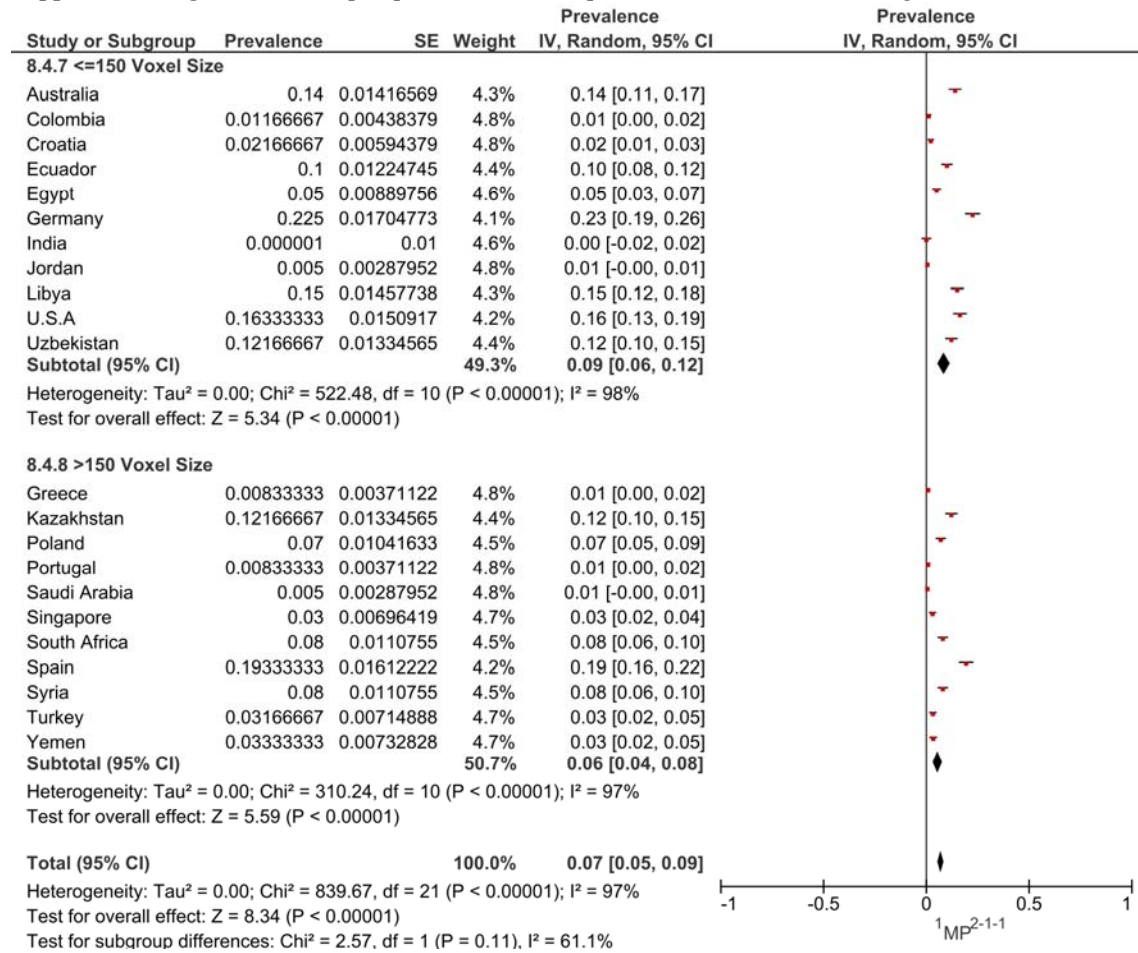
**Supplemental Figure 14.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of Vertucci Type IV according to Voxel Size



**Supplemental Figure 15.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of <sup>2</sup>MP B<sup>1</sup>P<sup>1</sup> according to Voxel Size



**Supplemental Figure 16.** Forest plot presentation of the prevalence of  $^{1}\text{MP}^{2-1-1}$  according to Voxel S



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