Assessing the Effect of Risk of Bias Assessments in Randomized **Controlled Trials of Pharmacological Interventions with Different Types** Of Outcomes and Comparators – a Bayesian Meta-Epidemiological Study

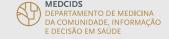






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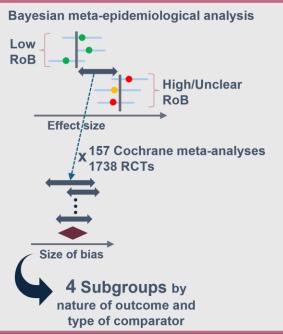


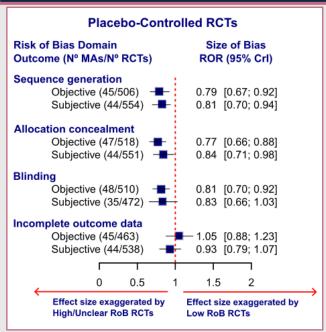
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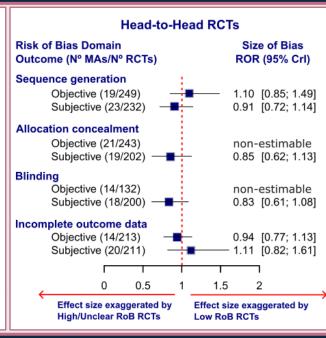
1. OBJECTIVE: We sought to investigate if the impact of bias on effect estimates from RCTs of pharmacological interventions depends on the nature of outcome and type of comparator.

2. METHODS^{1,2}

3. RESULTS







4. CONCLUSIONS: Regardless of the nature of outcome, potentially biased placebo-controlled RCTs might be misleading when informing decisions about approval and coverage of health technologies.

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