

Epidemiological time series studies of PM_{2.5} and daily mortality and hospital admissions – a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Methods

Search String

The following search string was used (with minor amendments for the specific databases) to identify potential studies published in peer reviewed journals and indexed in [PubMed](#), [EMBASE](#) or [Web of Science](#) (which includes the Science Citation Index):

(air pollution OR pollution OR smog OR particle*OR particulate*) AND (timeseries OR time series OR time-series OR daily OR case-crossover) AND (mortality OR death* OR dying OR hospital admission* OR admission* OR emergency room OR visit* OR attendance* OR 'a&e' OR 'a and e' OR accident and emergency OR general pract* OR physician* OR consultation* OR emergency department*)

Study Selection criteria

The selection criteria used were that the study provided: 1) estimates for PM_{2.5}; 2) at least one year of daily data relating to a general population; 3) a reasonable attempt to control for important confounding factors such as season, long-term temporal trends and meteorological conditions and 4) sufficient information for the calculation of a regression estimate and standard error for comparison in the quantitative analysis. No limitation was placed upon language. We also cross-checked our search results against publications selected for other reviews.

Lag selection protocol

The short-term relationships between air pollution and health effects are characterised by the time lag (in days) between exposure and health events and investigators vary in which lags they study and report. This means that the use of any particular lag would result in the exclusion of many other studies. In the absence of a standard method of reporting the lag, we therefore adopted the following approach for selecting lag results for inclusion in the database. If only one lagged estimate for a given pollutant/outcome pair was presented (either because only one was analysed or only one was reported in the paper), this estimate was recorded in the Access database for the outcome–pollutant pair. If more than one lag measure was presented, we selected one for meta-analysis according to the following algorithm: 1) the lag that the author focused on or stated a priori; 2) the lag that was the most statistically significant (positive or

negative) and 3) the lag with the largest effect estimate (positive or negative). For options 2) and 3) results for single lags were selected ahead of results for cumulative/distributed lags.

Estimate selection protocol

Furthermore, numerous multi-city studies have incorporated the same cities more than once. Inclusion of results from a single-city more than once in a meta-analysis was not appropriate as the study populations will be correlated and the over-representation of a single-city may bias the summary estimate. Hence, we selected estimates from single-city studies only if they did not appear in multi-city studies. If a city was the subject of a single-city study on more than one occasion we took the result for the most recent publication. Where results from more than one multi-city study within a WHO Region were available we selected, in order of priority, the multi-city study: 1) with the most cities/greatest geographical coverage; 2) the most recently published; and 3) the longest study period.

Table S1 List of countries by WHO Region and mortality strata

(Source: *The World Health Report 2002*)

Mortality strata

A. Very low child, very low adult

B. Low child, low adult

C. Low child, high adult

D. High child, high adult

E. High child, very high adult

African Region	Eastern Mediterranean Region	European Region	Region of the Americas	South-East Asian Region	Western Pacific Region
<p>AFR D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algeria • Angola • Benin • Burkina Faso • Cameroon • Cape Verde • Chad • Equatorial Guinea • Gabon • Gambia • Ghana • Guinea 	<p>EMR B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bahrain • Cyprus • Iran, Islamic Republic of • Jordan • Kuwait • Lebanon • Libyan Arab Jamahiriya • Oman • Qatar • Saudi Arabia • Syrian Arab 	<p>EUR A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andorra • Austria • Belgium • Croatia • Czech Republic • Denmark • Finland • France • Germany • Greece • Iceland • Ireland • Israel 	<p>AMR A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canada • Cuba • United States of America <p>AMR B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Antigua and Barbuda • Argentina • Bahamas • Barbados • Belize 	<p>SEAR B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indonesia • Sri Lanka • Thailand • Timor-Leste <p>SEAR D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bangladesh • Bhutan • Democratic People's Republic of Korea 	<p>WPR A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia • Brunei Darussalam • Japan • New Zealand • Singapore <p>WPR B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cambodia • China • Cook Islands • Fiji

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guinea-Bissau • Liberia • Madagascar • Mali • Mauritania • Mauritius • Niger • Nigeria • Sao Tome and Principe • Senegal • Seychelles • Sierra Leone • Togo 	<p>Republic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tunisia • United Arab Emirates <p>EMR D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Afghanistan • Djibouti • Egypt • Iraq • Morocco • Pakistan • Somalia • Sudan • Yemen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Italy • Luxembourg • Malta • Monaco • Netherlands • Norway • Portugal • San Marino • Slovenia • Spain • Sweden • Switzerland • United Kingdom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brazil • Chile • Colombia • Costa Rica • Dominica • Dominican Republic • El Salvador • Grenada • Guyana • Honduras • Jamaica • Mexico • Panama • Paraguay • Saint Kitts and Nevis • Saint Lucia • Saint Vincent and the Grenadines • Suriname • Trinidad and Tobago • Uruguay • Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India • Maldives • Myanmar • Nepal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kiribati • Lao People's Democratic Republic • Malaysia • Marshall Islands • Micronesia, Federated States of • Mongolia • Nauru • Niue • Palau • Papua New Guinea • Philippines • Republic of Korea • Samoa • Solomon Islands • Tonga • Tuvalu • Vanuatu • Viet Nam
<p>AFR E</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Botswana • Burundi • Central African Republic • Congo • Côte d'Ivoire • Democratic Republic of Congo • Eritrea • Ethiopia • Kenya • Lesotho • Malawi • Mozambique 		<p>EUR B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Albania • Armenia • Azerbaijan • Bosnia and Herzegovina • Bulgaria • Georgia • Kyrgyzstan • Poland • Romania • Slovakia • Tajikistan • The former Yugoslav Republic of 	<p>AMR D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bolivia 		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Namibia • Rwanda • South Africa • Swaziland • Uganda • United Republic of Tanzania • Zambia • Zimbabwe 		<p>Macedonia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turkey • Turkmenistan • Uzbekistan • Yugoslavia <p>EUR C</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Belarus • Estonia • Hungary • Kazakhstan • Latvia • Lithuania • Republic of Moldova • Russian Federation • Ukraine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ecuador • Guatemala • Haiti • Nicaragua • Peru 		
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Source: <http://www.who.int/choice/demography/regions/en/> (accessed 27th March 2014)

Table S2 List of time series studies of PM_{2.5} and mortality and hospital admissions

Goldberg, M.S., Burnett, R.T., Bailar, J.C., Brook, J., Bonvalot, Y., Tamblyn, R., Singh, R., & Valois, M.F. 2001. The association between daily mortality and ambient air particle pollution in Montreal, Quebec 1. Nonaccidental mortality. *Environmental Research*, 86, (1) 12-25

Ref ID: 19

Burnett, R.T., Smith-Doiron, M., Stieb, D., Raizenne, M.E., Brook, J.R., Dales, R.E., Leech, J.A., Cakmak, S., & Krewski, D. 2001. Association between ozone and hospitalization for acute respiratory diseases in children less than 2 years of age. *American Journal of Epidemiology*, 153, (5) 444-452

Ref ID: 57

Anderson, H.R., Bremner, S.A., Atkinson, R.W., Harrison, R.M., & Walters, S. 2001. Particulate matter and daily mortality and hospital admissions in the west midlands conurbation of the United Kingdom: associations with fine and coarse particles, black smoke and sulphate. *Occupational and Environmental Medicine*, 58, (8) 504-510

Ref ID: 69

Chen, Y., Yang, Q.Y., Krewski, D., Burnett, R.T., Shi, Y.L., & McGrail, K.M. 2005. The effect of coarse ambient particulate matter on first, second, and overall hospital admissions for respiratory disease among the elderly. *Inhalation Toxicology*, 17, (12) 649-655 available from:

ISI:000231082600002

Ref ID: 73

Ostro, B., Roth, L., Malig, B., & Marty, M. 2009. The Effects of Fine Particle Components on Respiratory Hospital Admissions in Children. *Environmental Health Perspectives*, 117, (3) 475-480 available from: ISI:000263933600038

Ref ID: 95

Chimonas, M.A.R. & Gessner, B.D. 2007. Airborne particulate matter from primarily geologic, non-industrial sources at levels below National Ambient Air Quality Standards is associated with outpatient visits for asthma and quick-relief medication prescriptions among children less than 20 years old enrolled in Medicaid in Anchorage, Alaska. *Environmental Research*, 103, (3) 397-404 available from: ISI:000244903200014

Ref ID: 100

Lin, M., Chen, Y., Burnett, R.T., Villeneuve, P.J., & Krewski, D. 2002. The influence of ambient coarse particulate matter on asthma hospitalization in children: Case-crossover and time series analyses. *Environmental Health Perspectives*, 110, (6) 575-581

Ref ID: 103

Zanobetti, A. & Schwartz, J. 2006. Air pollution and emergency admissions in Boston, MA. *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*, 60, (10) 890-895 available from:

ISI:000240495000015

Ref ID: 105

Lee, S.L., Wong, W.H.S., & Lau, Y.L. 2006. Association between air pollution and asthma admission among children in Hong Kong. *Clinical and Experimental Allergy*, 36, (9) 1138-1146 available from: ISI:000240311900005

Ref ID: 126

Simpson, R., Williams, G., Petroeschevsky, A., Best, T., Morgan, G., Denison, L., Hinwood, A., Neville, G., & Neller, A. 2005. The short-term effects of air pollution on daily mortality in four Australian cities. *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Public Health*, 29, (3) 205-212 available

from: ISI:000229854700003
Ref ID: 133

Burnett, R.T., Brook, J., Dann, T., Delocla, C., Philips, O., Cakmak, S., Vincent, R., Goldberg, M.S., & Krewski, D. 2000. Association between particulate- and gas-phase components of urban air pollution and daily mortality in eight Canadian cities. *Inhalation Toxicology*, 12, 15-39
Ref ID: 135

Moolgavkar, S.H. 2000. Air pollution and hospital admissions for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in three metropolitan areas in the United States. *Inhalation Toxicology*, 12, 75-90
Ref ID: 136

Ostro, B.D., Broadwin, R., & Lipsett, M.J. 2000. Coarse and fine particles and daily mortality in the Coachella Valley, California: a follow-up study. *Journal of Exposure Analysis and Environmental Epidemiology*, 10, (5) 412-419
Ref ID: 144

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Ref ID: 150

Ito, K., Christensen, W.F., Eatough, D.J., Henry, R.C., Kim, E., Laden, F., Lall, R., Larson, T.V., Neas, L., Hopke, P.K., & Thurston, G.D. 2006. PM source apportionment and health effects: 2. An investigation of intermethod variability in associations between source-apportioned fine particle mass and daily mortality in Washington, DC. *Journal of Exposure Science and Environmental Epidemiology*, 16, (4) 300-310 available from: ISI:000239389600002
Ref ID: 159

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Ref ID: 162

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Ref ID: 163

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Chock, D.P. & Winkler, S.L. 2000. A study of the association between daily mortality and ambient air pollutant concentrations in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. *Journal of the Air & Waste Management Association*, 50, (8) 1481-1500
Ref ID: 177

Lipfert, F.W., Morris, S.C., & Wyzga, R.E. 2000. Daily mortality in the Philadelphia metropolitan area and size- classified particulate matter. *Journal of the Air & Waste Management Association*, 50, (8) 1501-1513
Ref ID: 178

Loomis, D.P., Castillejos, M., Gold, D.R., McDonnell, W., & Borja-Aburto, V.H. 1999. Air pollution and infant mortality in Mexico City. *Epidemiology*, 10, (2) 118-123

Ref ID: 210

Peters, A., Skorkovsky, J., Kotesovec, F., Brynda, J., Spix, C., Wichmann, H.E., & Heinrich, J. 2000. Associations between mortality and air pollution in Central Europe. *Environmental Health Perspectives*, 108, (4) 283-287

Ref ID: 212

Borja-Aburto, V.H., Castillejos, M., Gold, D.R., Bierzwinski, S., & Loomis, D. 1998. Mortality and ambient fine particles in southwest Mexico City, 1993-1995. *Environmental Health Perspectives*, 106, (12) 849-855

Ref ID: 214

Burnett, R.T., Cakmak, S., Raizenne, M.E., Stieb, D., Vincent, R., Krewski, D., Brook, J.R., Philips, O., & Ozkaynak, H. 1998. The association between ambient carbon monoxide levels and daily mortality in Toronto, Canada. *Journal of the Air & Waste Management Association*, 48, (8) 689-700

Ref ID: 224

Slaughter, J.C., Kim, E., Sheppard, L., Sullivan, J.H., Larson, T.V., & Claiborn, C. 2005. Association between particulate matter and emergency room visits, hospital admissions and mortality in Spokane, Washington. *Journal of Exposure Analysis and Environmental Epidemiology*, 15, (2) 153-159 available from: ISI:000227541800005

Ref ID: 230

Halonen, J.I., Lanki, T., Yli-Tuomi, T., Tiittanen, P., Kulmala, M., & Pekkanen, J. 2009. Particulate Air Pollution and Acute Cardiorespiratory Hospital Admissions and Mortality Among the Elderly. *Epidemiology*, 20, (1) 143-153 available from: ISI:000261930800023

Ref ID: 238

Schreuder, A.B., Larson, T.V., Sheppard, L., & Claiborn, C.S. 2006. Ambient woodsmoke and associated respiratory emergency department visits in Spokane, Washington. *International Journal of Occupational and Environmental Health*, 12, (2) 147-153 available from: [ISI:000237477200008](https://doi.org/10.1002/37477200008)

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Cancado, J.E., Saldiva, P.H.N., Pereira, L.A.A., Lara, L.B.L.S., Artaxo, P., Martinelli, L.A., Arbex, M.A., Zanobetti, A., & Braga, A.L.F. 2006. The impact of sugar cane-burning emissions on the respiratory system of children and the elderly. *Environmental Health Perspectives*, 114, (5) 725-729 available from: ISI:000237308500040

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Ref ID: 388

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Ref ID: 391

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Mar, T.F., Norris, G.A., Koenig, J.Q., & Larson, T.V. 2000. Associations between air pollution and mortality in Phoenix, 1995- 1997. *Environmental Health Perspectives*, 108, 347-353
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Cifuentes, L., Vega, J., Kopfer, K., & Lava, L.B. 2000. Effect of the fine fraction of particulate matter versus the coarse mass and other pollutants on daily mortality in Santiago, Chile. *Journal of the Air & Waste Management Association*, 50, (8) 1287-1298
Ref ID: 1152

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Ref ID: 1181

Samet, J. M., Zeger, S. L., Dominici, F., Curriero, F., Coursac, I., Dockery, D. W., Schwartz, J., & Zanobetti, A. 2000, *The national morbidity, mortality and air pollution study part II:morbidity, mortality and air pollution in the United States*, Health Effects Institute, 94, Part II.
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Table S3 Meta-analysis results for cause-specific mortality by WHO region and overall

WHO Region	All ^a (SC/MC)	Selected ^b (SC/MC)	RE (95% CI) ^c	I ² (%) ^d
Ischaemic Heart Disease				
AMR A	1/2	1/1	1.27 (0.60, 1.94)	90
EUR A	2/0	2/0	5.90 (3.88, 7.95)	
WPR A	0/1	0/1	5.40 (0.20, 10.87)	
Summary ^e	-	2/2	3.36 (0.68, 6.10)	
Stroke				
AMR A	0/3	0/1	1.78 (0.96, 2.61)	50
EUR A	2/0	2/0	5.44 (1.52, 9.52)	
WPR A	1/0	1/0	1.30 (0.20, 2.41)	
Summary ^e	-	2/1	1.85 (0.74, 2.97)	
COPD (excl. Asthma)				
AMR A	2/1	1/1	1.81 (-0.57, 4.23)	72
EUR A	1/0	1/0	9.00 (5.11, 13.03)	
Summary ^e	-	2/1	2.86 (-0.12, 5.93)	

Notes: a - Numbers of single-city(SC)/multi-city (MC) estimates available from all studies and b-Numbers of single-city(SC)/multi-city (MC) estimates selected for meta-analysis (see estimate selection protocol in Methods section); c - Random effects summary estimate (95% confidence interval) per 10 µg/m³; d -I² statistic for heterogeneity; e - Estimate numbers for 'Summary' refers to the number of pooled (from single-city estimates) and multi-city estimates used to calculate the overall summary estimate across WHO Region

Table S4 Meta-analysis results for ages 65+ yrs. for cardiovascular admissions by WHO region and overall

WHO Region	All ^a (SC/MC)	Selected ^b (SC/MC)	RE (95% CI) ^c	I ² (%) ^d
Cardiovascular				
AMR A	0/3	0/1	0.71 (0.45, 0.97)	85
EUR A	2/1	2/1	1.91 (0.92, 2.91)	
WPR A	2/1	0/1	3.46 (1.59, 5.36)	
Summary ^e	-	1/3	1.78 (0.48, 3.10)	
Cardiac				
AMR A	1/1	0/1	1.89 (1.34, 2.44)	72
EUR A	1/1	1/1	3.69 (0.31, 7.19)	
WPR A	1/1	0/1	5.08 (2.65, 7.56)	
Summary ^e	-	1/3	3.05 (1.64, 4.48)	
Ischaemic Heart Disease				
AMR A	3/2	1/1	0.47 (0.06, 0.89)	86
EUR A	3/1	3/1	2.79 (-0.38, 6.07)	
WPR A	1/1	0/1	7.26 (3.46, 11.21)	
Summary ^e	-	2/3	2.52 (0.53, 4.55)	
Stroke				
AMR A	2/1	1/1	0.81 (0.31, 1.31)	79
EUR A	2/0	2/0	-1.58 (-3.59, 0.47)	
WPR A	1/0	1/0	-3.06 (-6.31, 0.31)	
Summary ^e	-	3/1	-0.45 (-2.21, 1.33)	
Heart Failure				
AMR A	3/2	2/1	2.78 (-0.33, 5.98)	65
EUR A	1/0	1/0	3.58 (0.16, 7.11)	
WPR A	0/1	0/1	9.75 (4.81, 14.93)	
Summary ^e	-	2/2	4.39 (1.35, 7.53)	
Dysrhythmias				
AMR A	1/1	0/1	0.57 (-0.01, 1.15)	0
EUR A	1/0	1/0	1.33 (-1.66, 4.40)	
Summary ^e	-	1/1	0.60 (0.03, 1.17)	

Notes: a - Numbers of single-city(SC)/multi-city (MC) estimates available from all studies and b-Numbers of single-city(SC)/multi-city (MC) estimates selected for meta-analysis (see estimate selection protocol in Methods section); c - Random effects summary estimate (95% confidence interval) per 10 µg/m³; d -I² statistic for heterogeneity; e - Estimate numbers for 'Summary' refers to the number of pooled (from single-city estimates) and multi-city estimates used to calculate the overall summary estimate across WHO Region

Table S5 Meta-analysis results for ages 65+ years & 0-14 years for respiratory admissions by WHO region and overall

WHO Region	All ^a (SC/MC)	Selected ^b (SC/MC)	RE (95% CI) ^c	I ² (%) ^d
Respiratory, 65+ years				
AMR A	2/4	1/1	0.90 (0.39, 1.1)	80
EUR A	4/1	4/1	0.99 (-0.90, 2.92)	
WPR A	1/0	1/0	1.23 (-1.30, 3.82)	
Summary ^e	-	3/2	0.91 (0.43, 1.40)	
COPD (incl. asthma), 65+ years				
AMR A	1/1	1/1	7.48 (-6.91, 24.10)	4
EUR A	2/0	2/0	-0.49 (-3.80, 2.93)	
Summary ^e	-	2/1	1.85 (-2.07, 5.93)	
COPD (excl. asthma), 65+ years				
AMR A	3/0	2/0	1.90 (0.37, 3.46)	32
EUR A	2/0	2/0	3.93 (1.06, 6.89)	
Summary ^e	-	2/0	2.36 (1.0, 3.73)	
Lower Respiratory Infection, 65+ years				
AMR A	3/0	2/0	3.88 (1.62, 6.20)	0
EUR A	2/0	2/0	4.05 (0.97, 7.22)	
Summary ^e	-	2/0	3.94 (2.11, 5.80)	
Respiratory, 0-14 years				
AMR A	0/1	0/1	2.74 (1.14, 4.36)	76
AMR B	2/0	2/0	10.84 (-2.54, 26.05)	
EUR A	2/1	2/1	0.32 (-1.18, 1.84)	
WPR A	0/1	0/1	6.44 (2.65, 10.37)	
Summary ^e	-	2/3	2.45 (0.12, 4.85)	
Asthma, 0-14 years				
AMR A	4/1	3/1	-1.67 (-9.88, 7.28)	33
EUR A	2/0	2/0	12.27 (-10.64, 41.06)	
WPR A	1/1	1/1	5.08 (2.28, 7.95)	
WPR B	2/0	1/0	2.40 (1.30, 3.51)	
Summary ^e	-	4/2 ^c	2.29 (-0.09, 4.73)	

Notes: a - Numbers of single-city(SC)/multi-city (MC) estimates available from all studies and b-Numbers of single-city(SC)/multi-city (MC) estimates selected for meta-analysis (see estimate selection protocol in Methods section); c - Random effects summary estimate (95% confidence interval) per 10 µg/m³; d -I² statistic for heterogeneity; e - Estimate numbers for 'Summary' refers to the number of pooled (from single-city estimates) and multi-city estimates used to calculate the overall summary estimate across WHO Region

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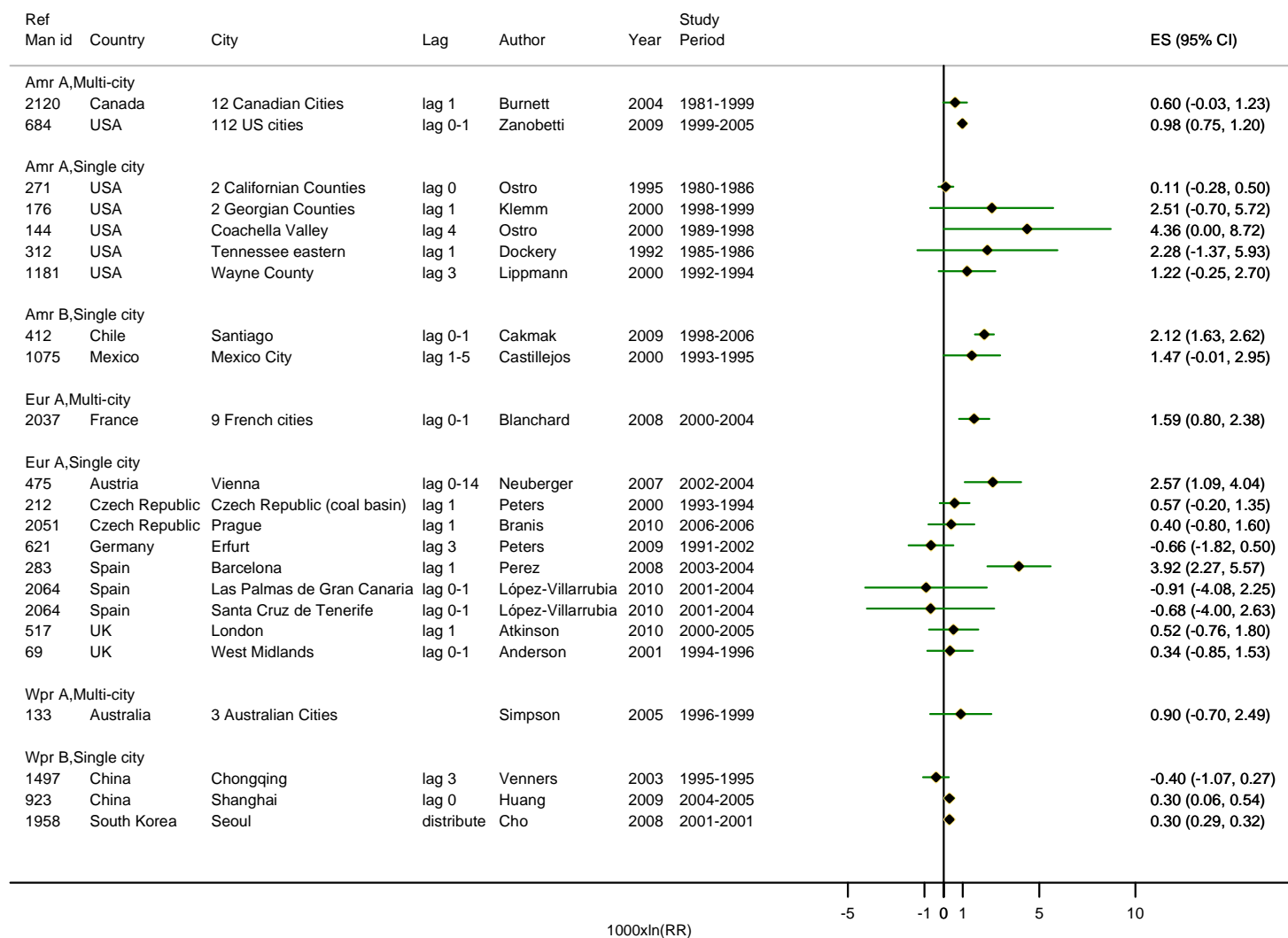


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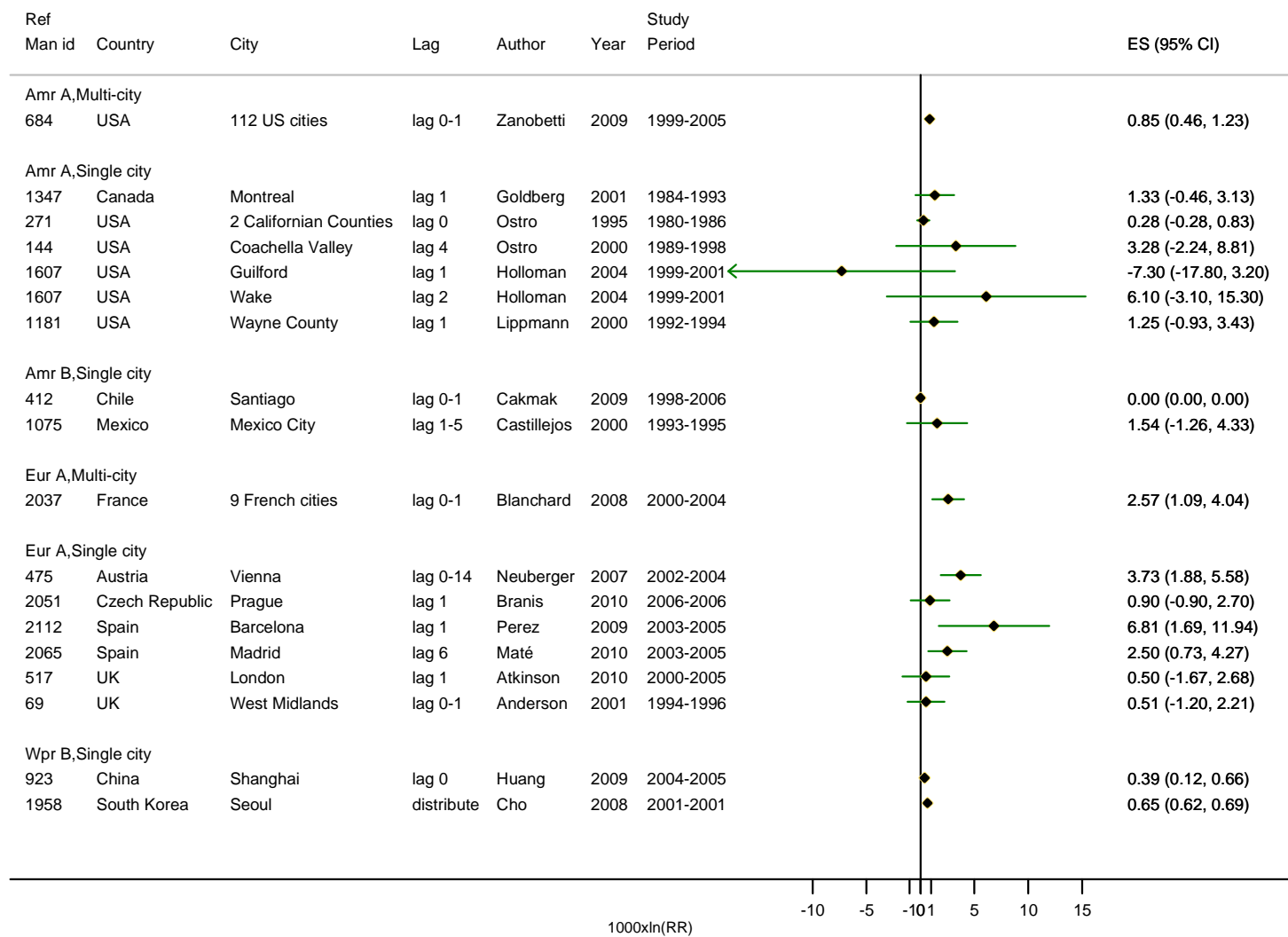


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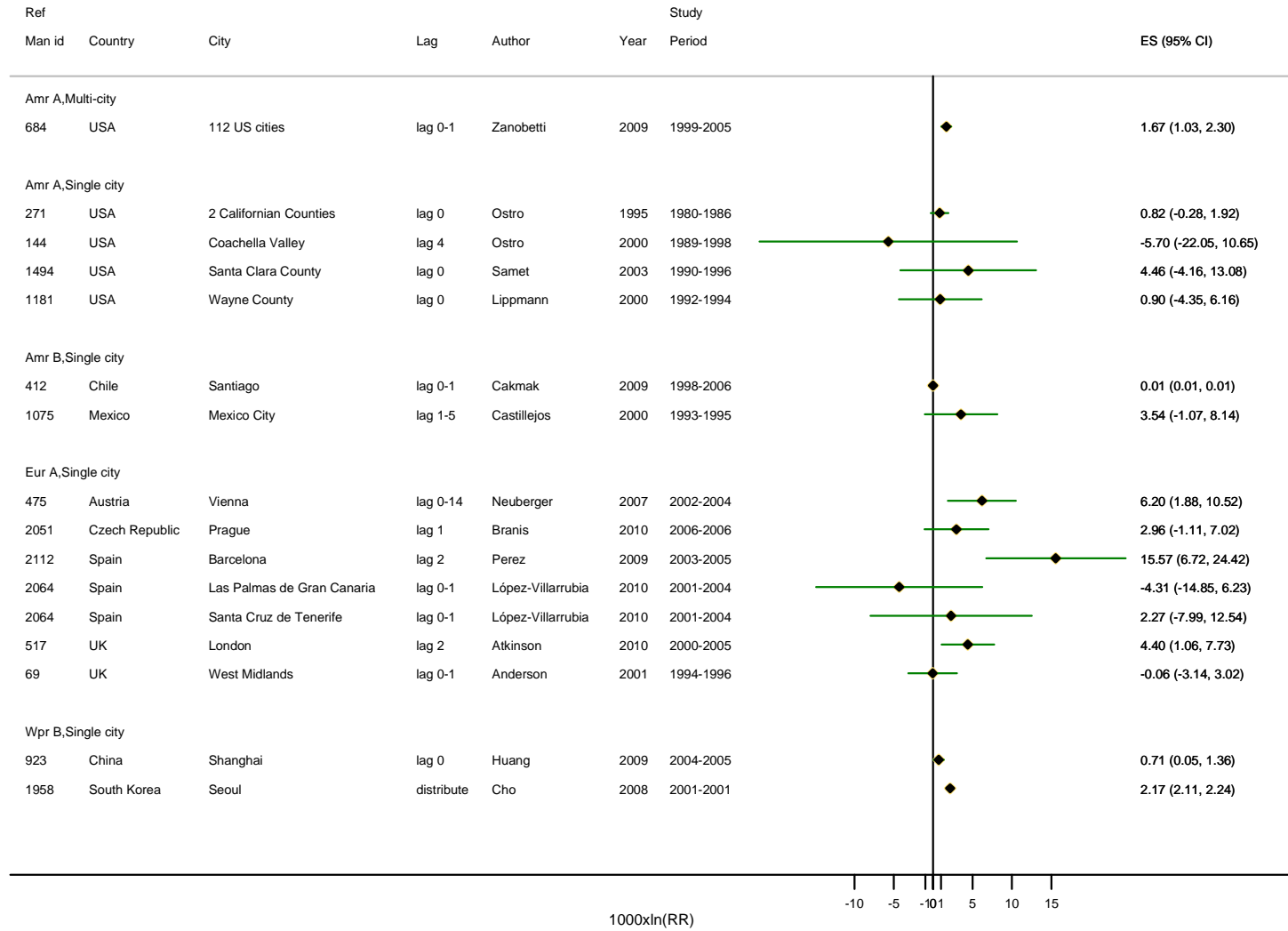


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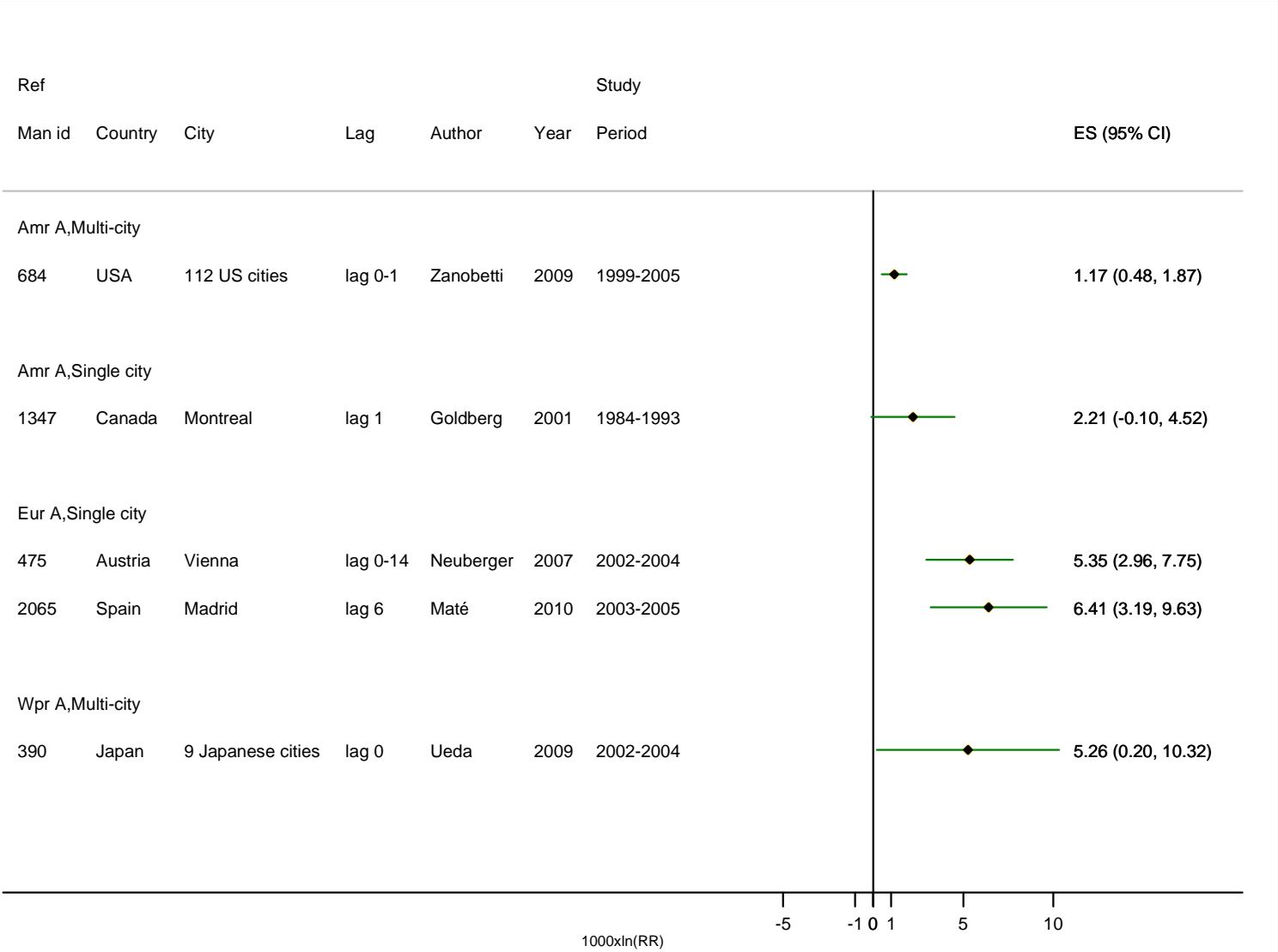


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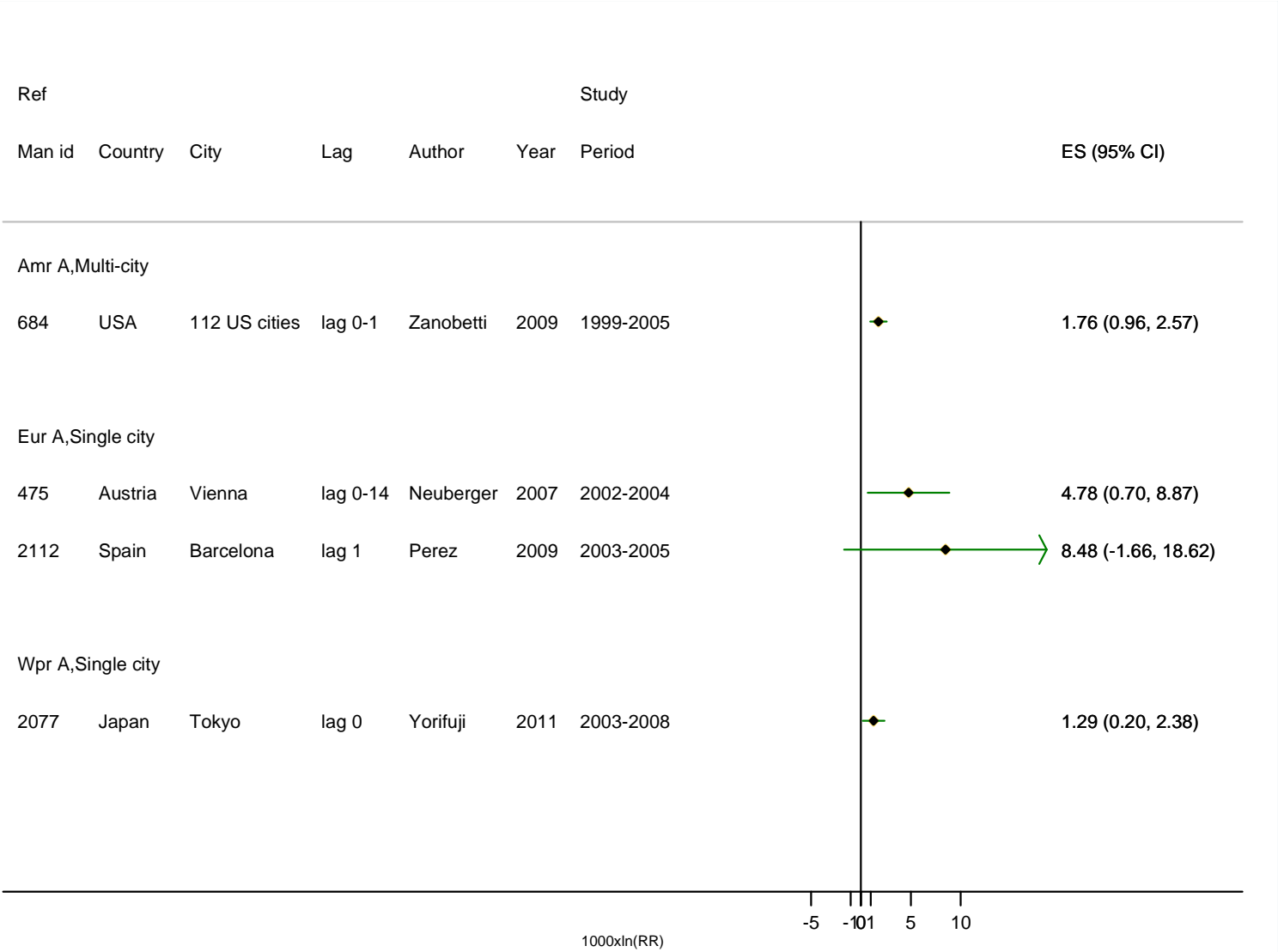


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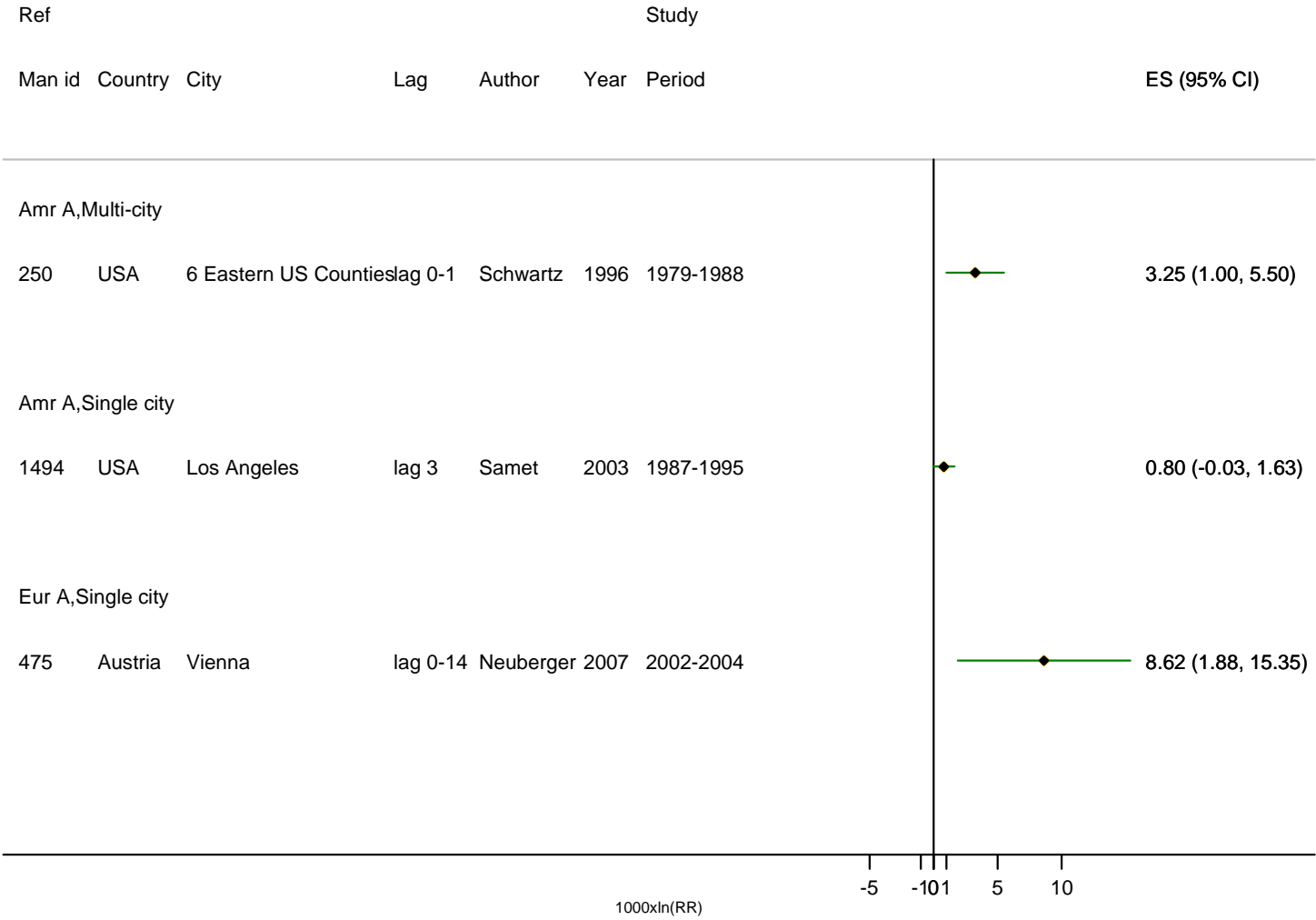


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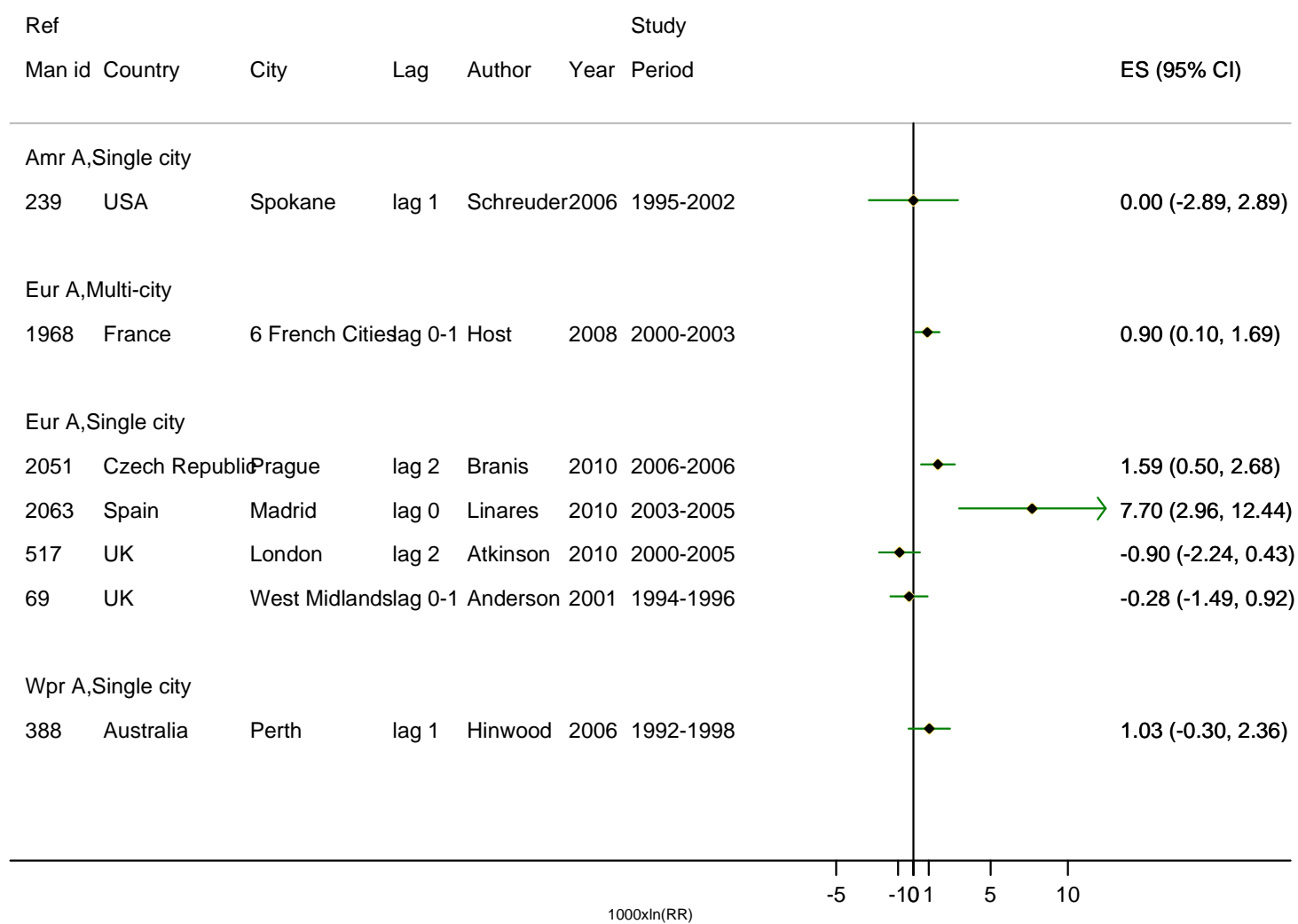


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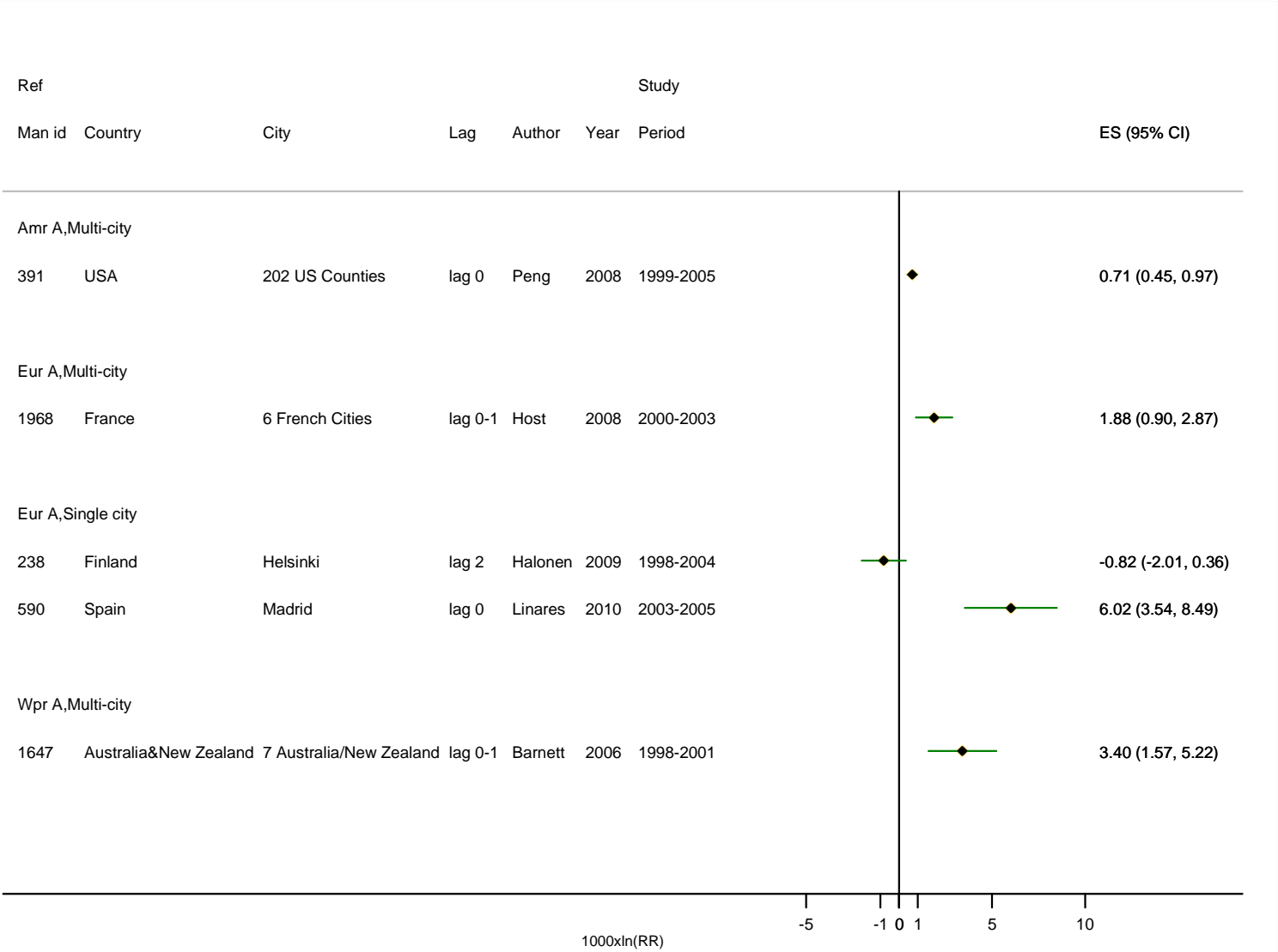


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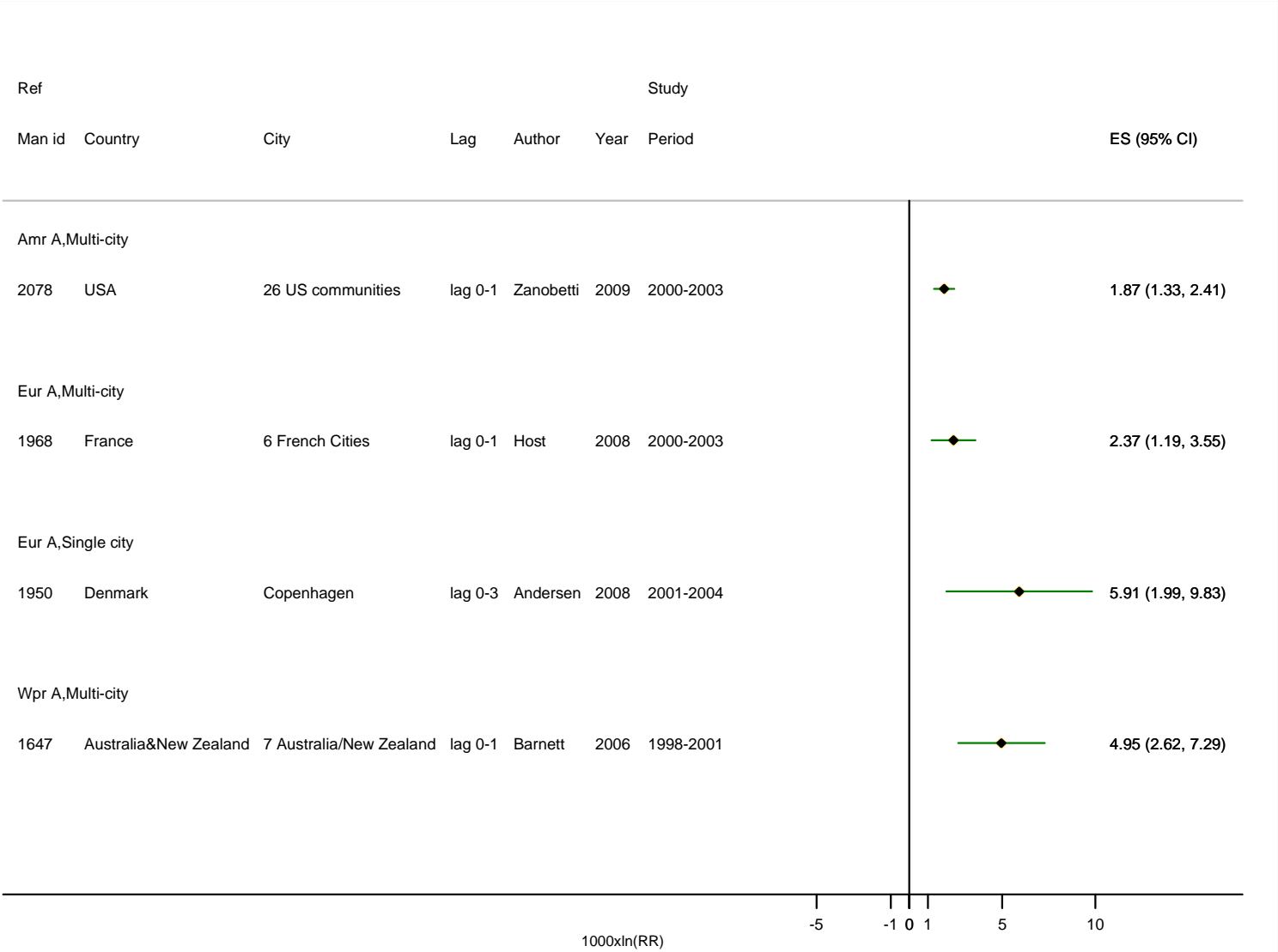


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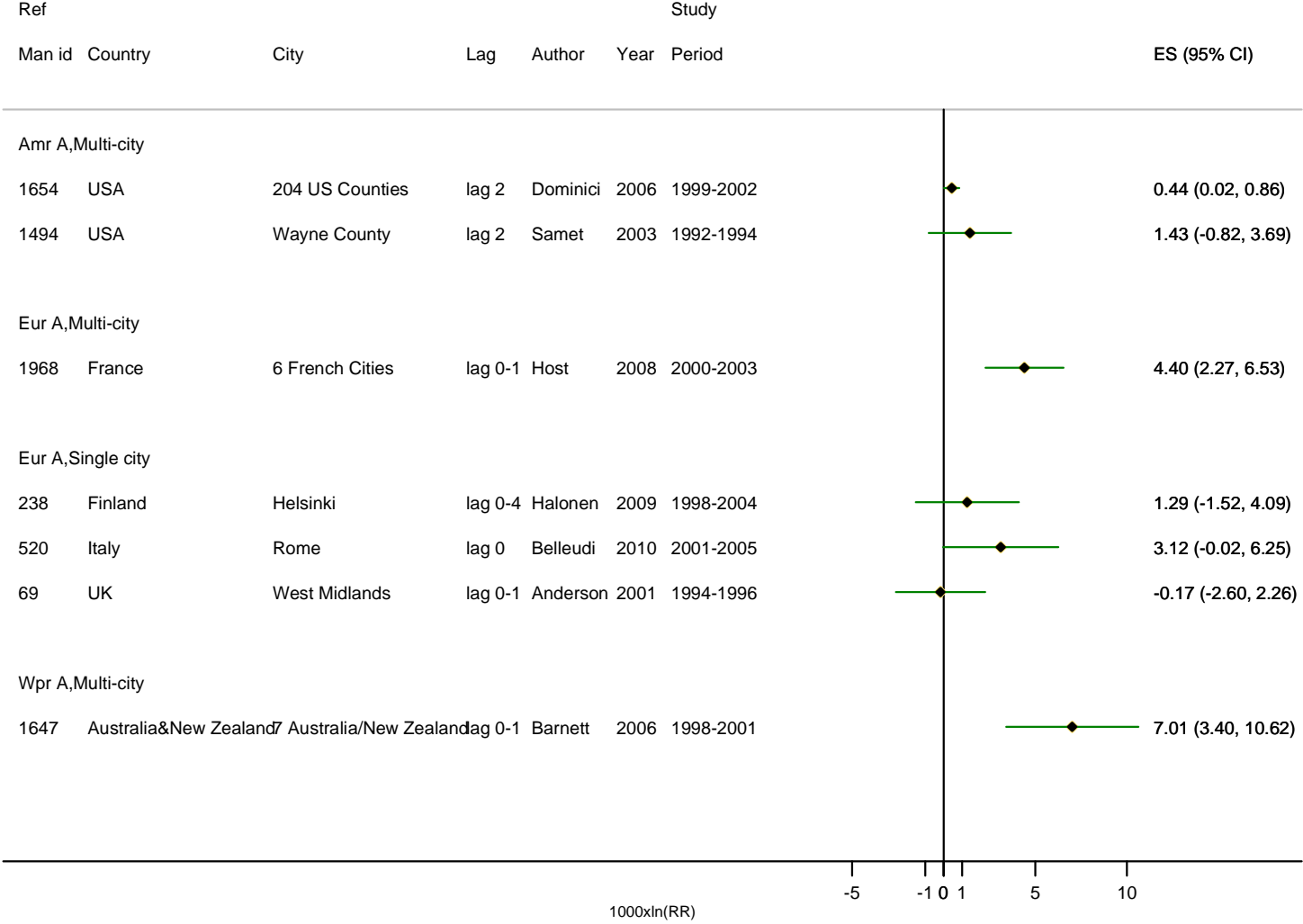


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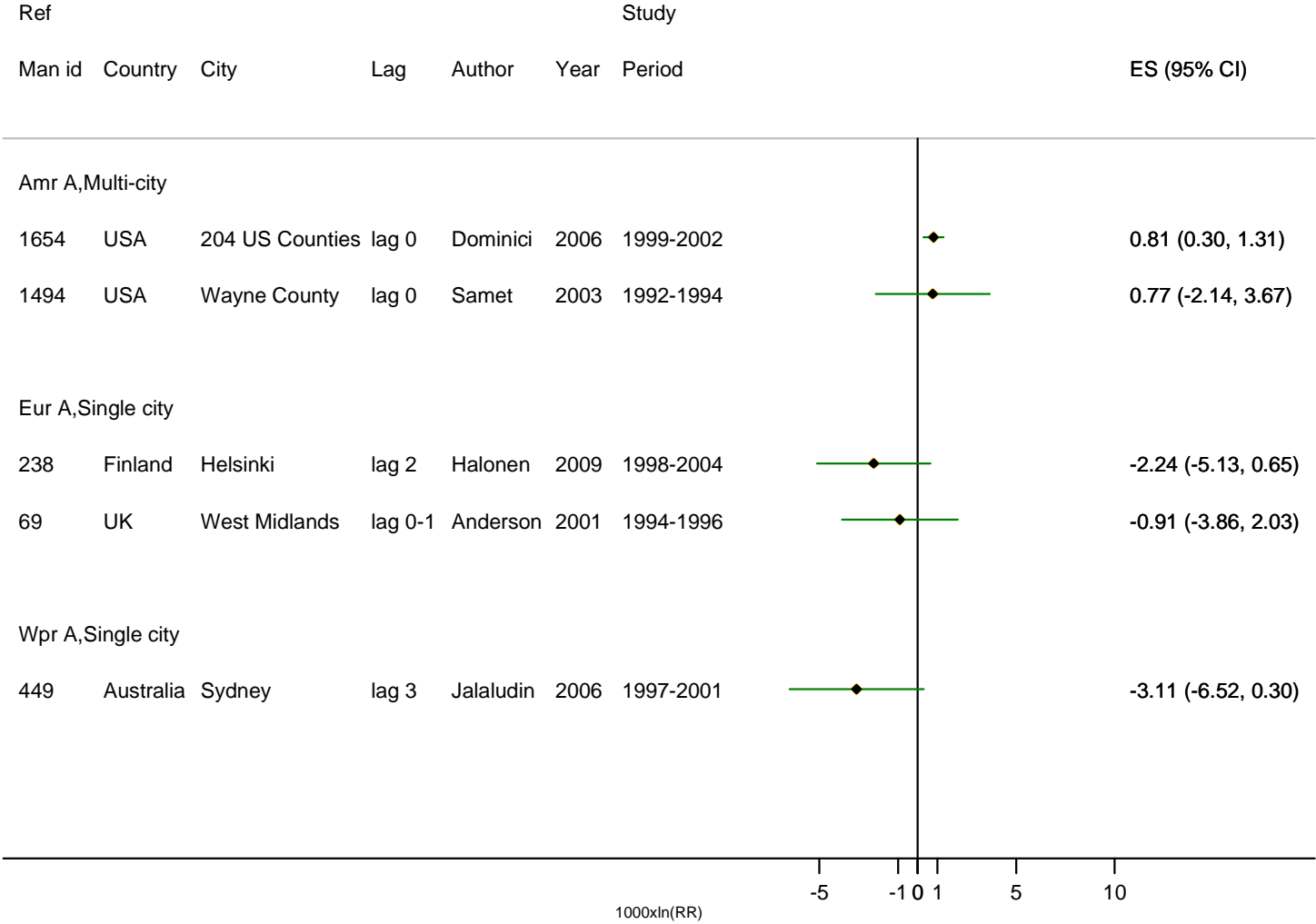


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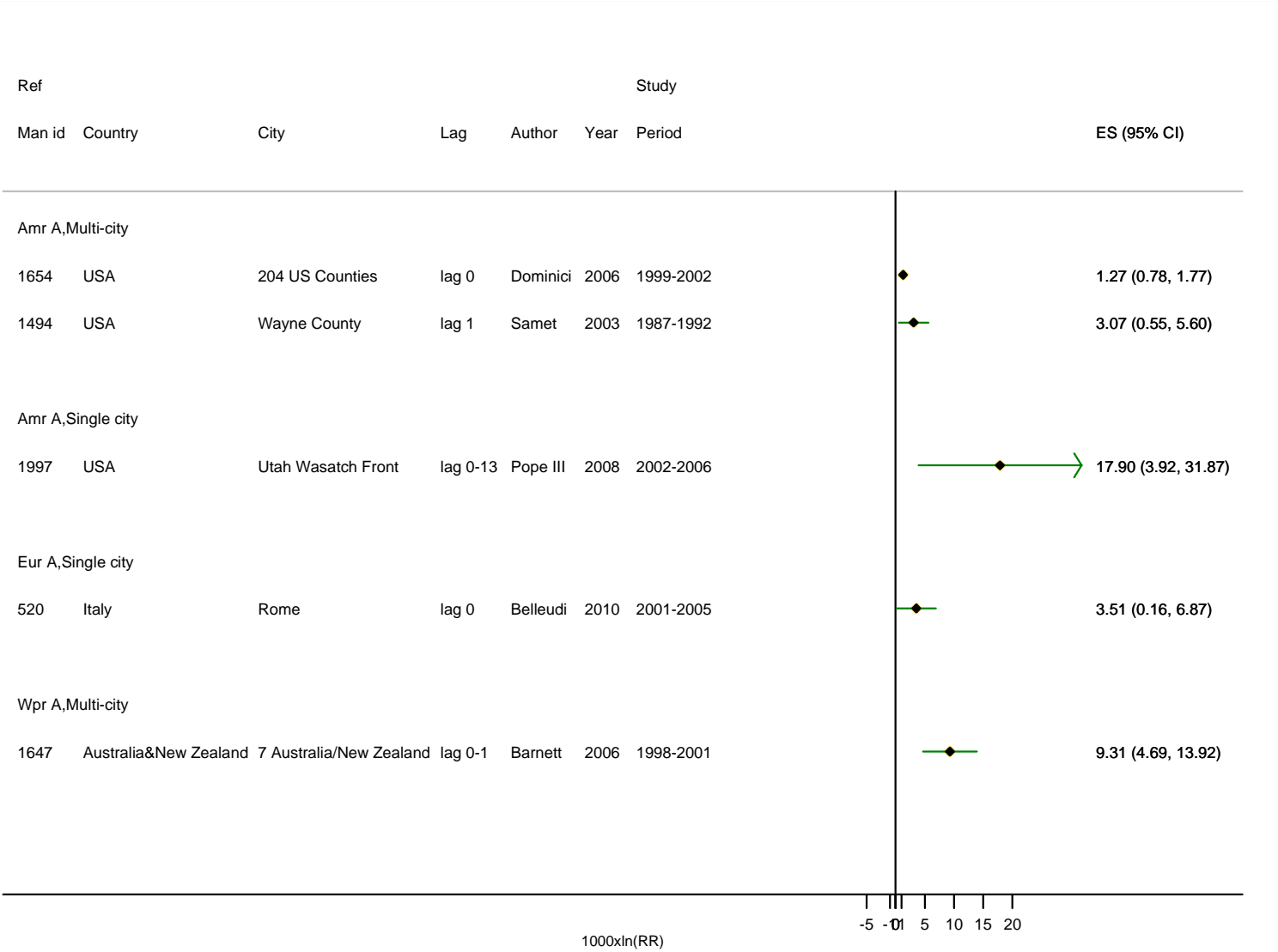


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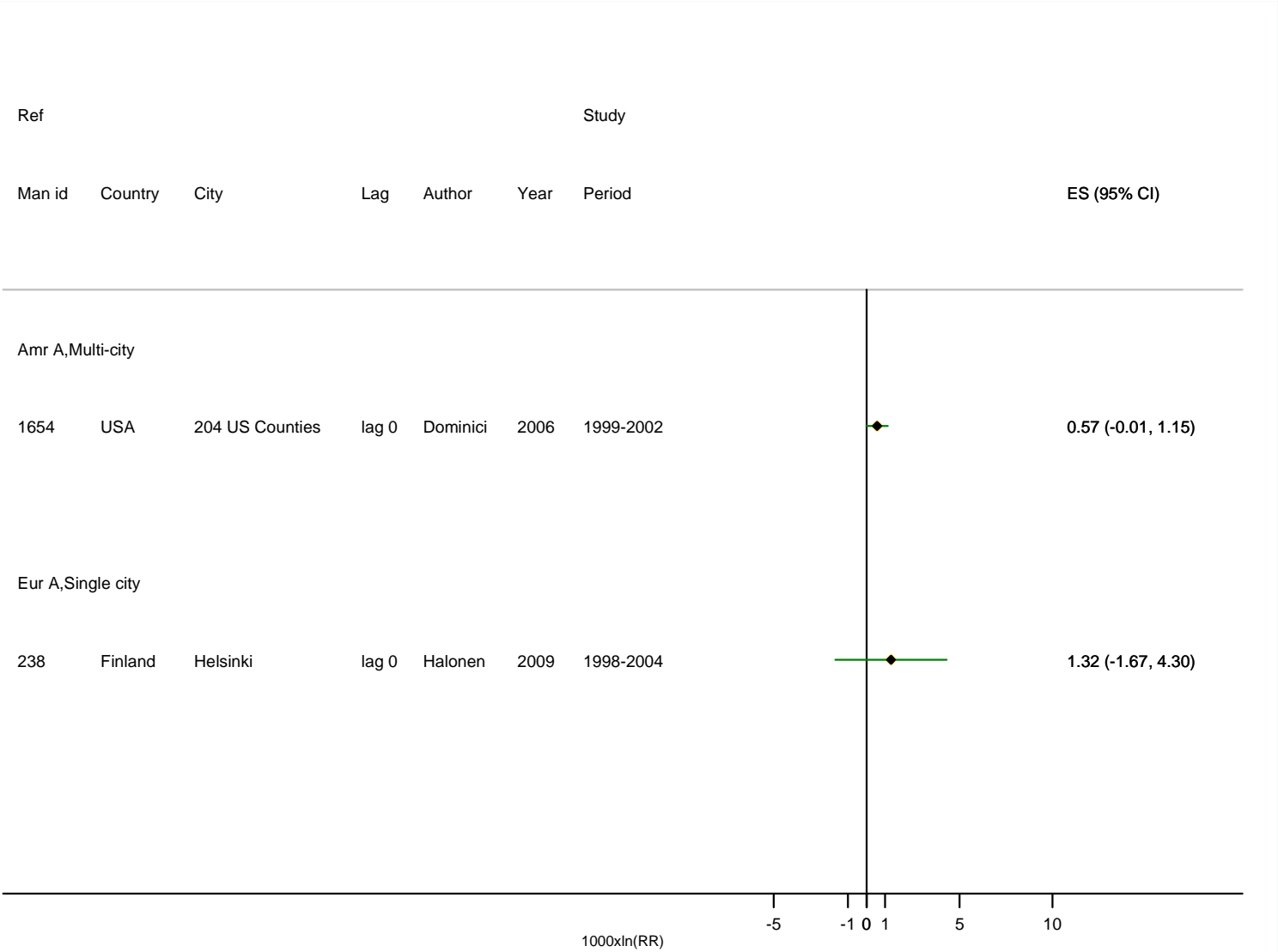


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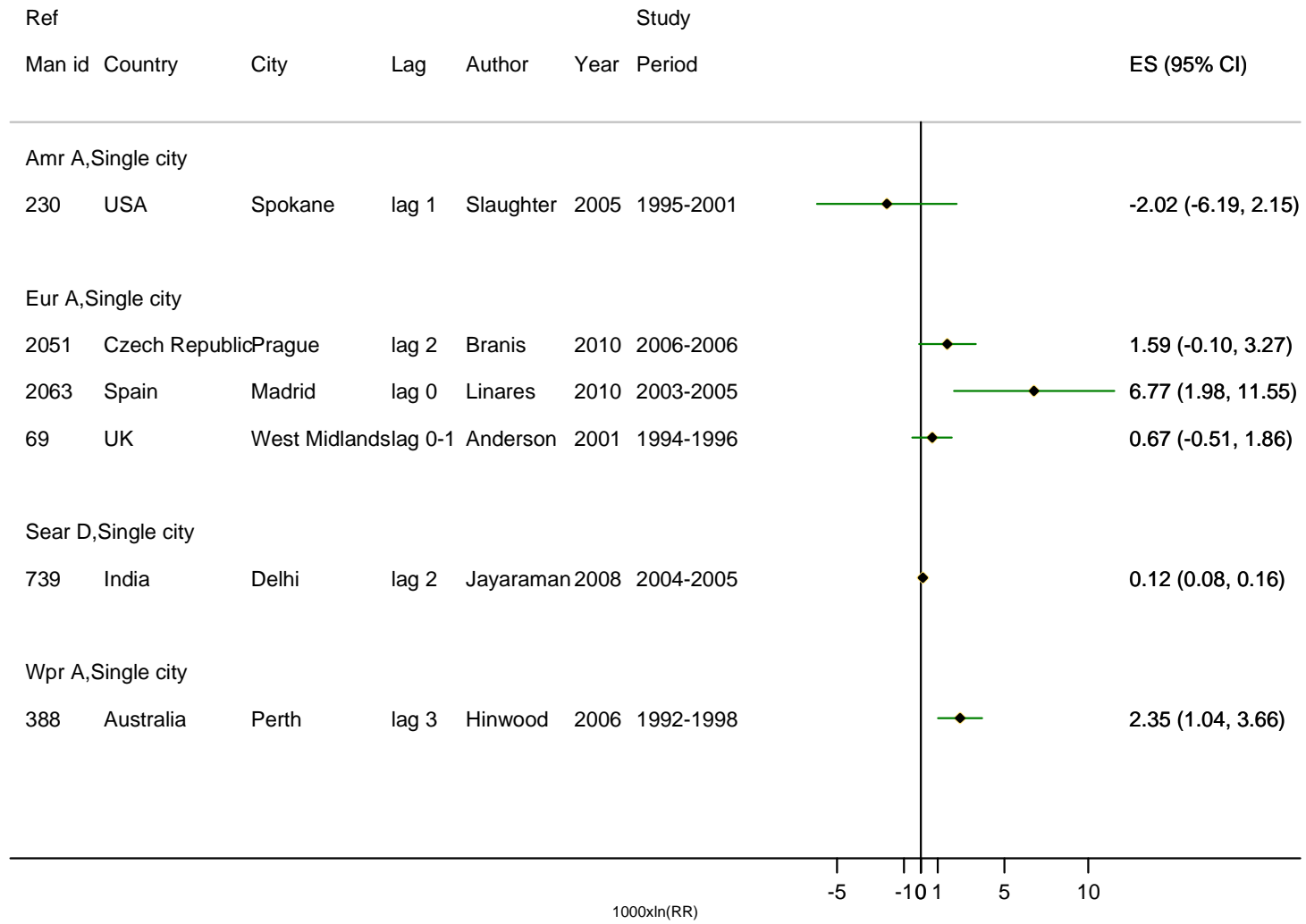


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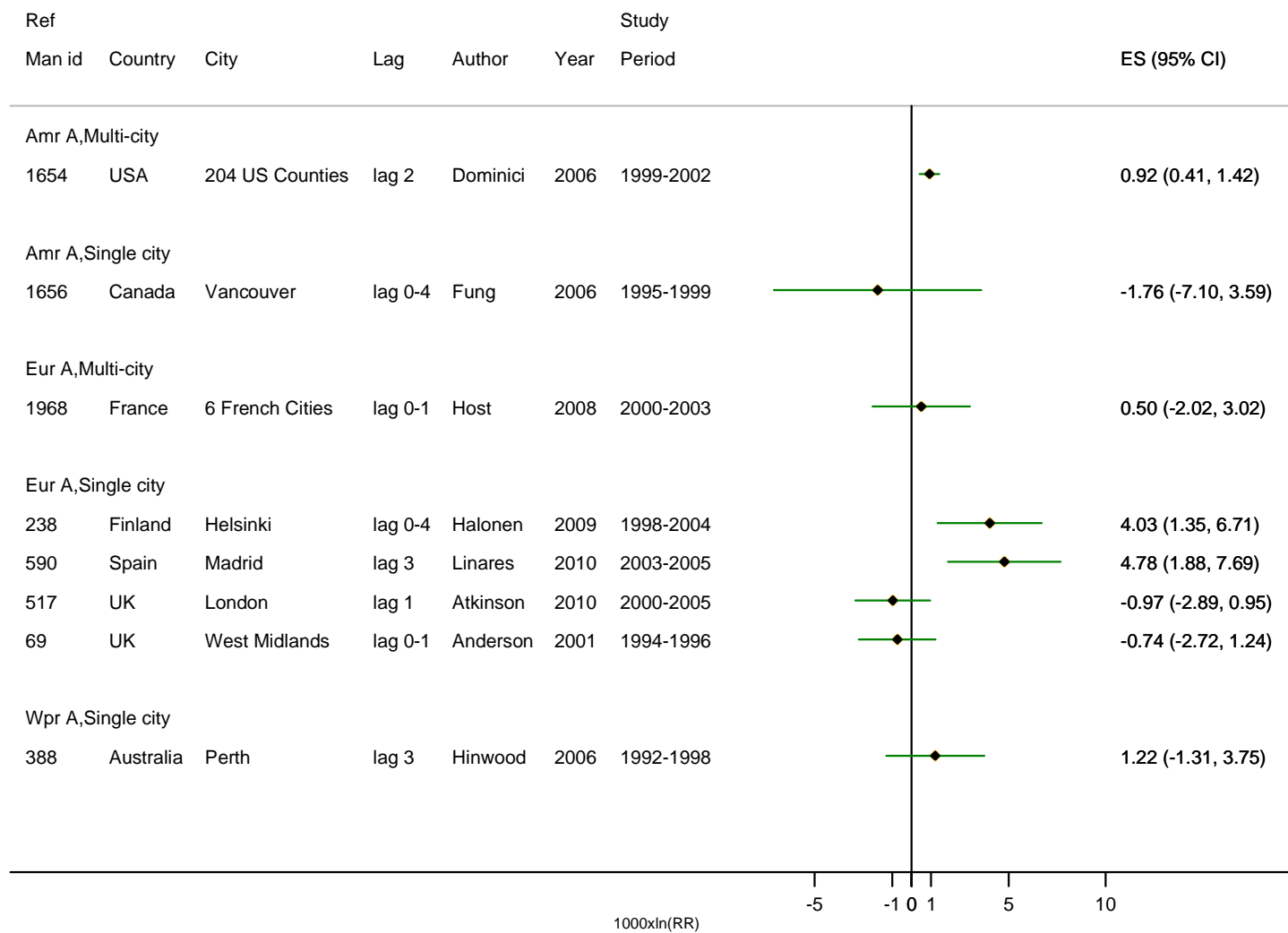


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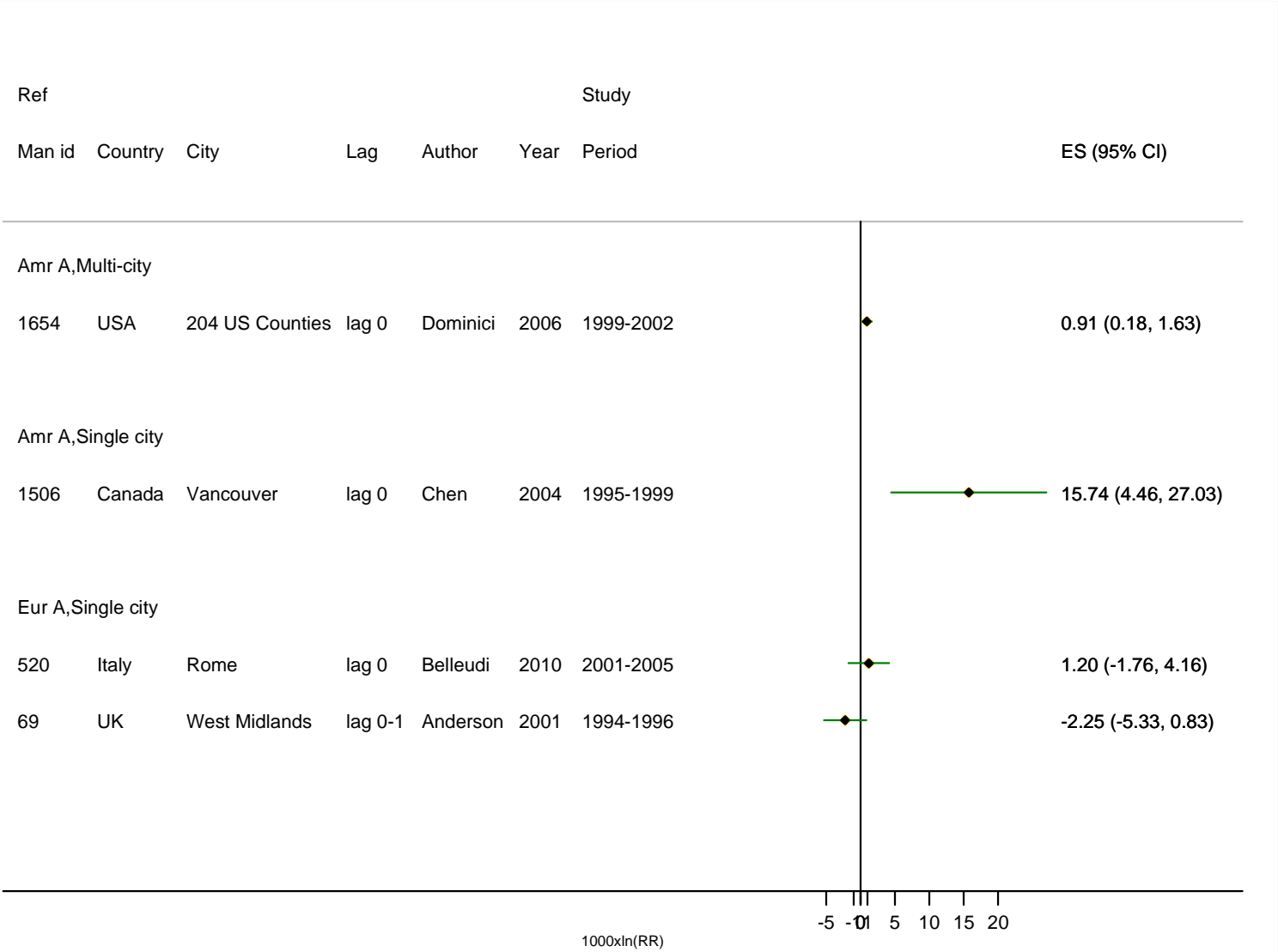


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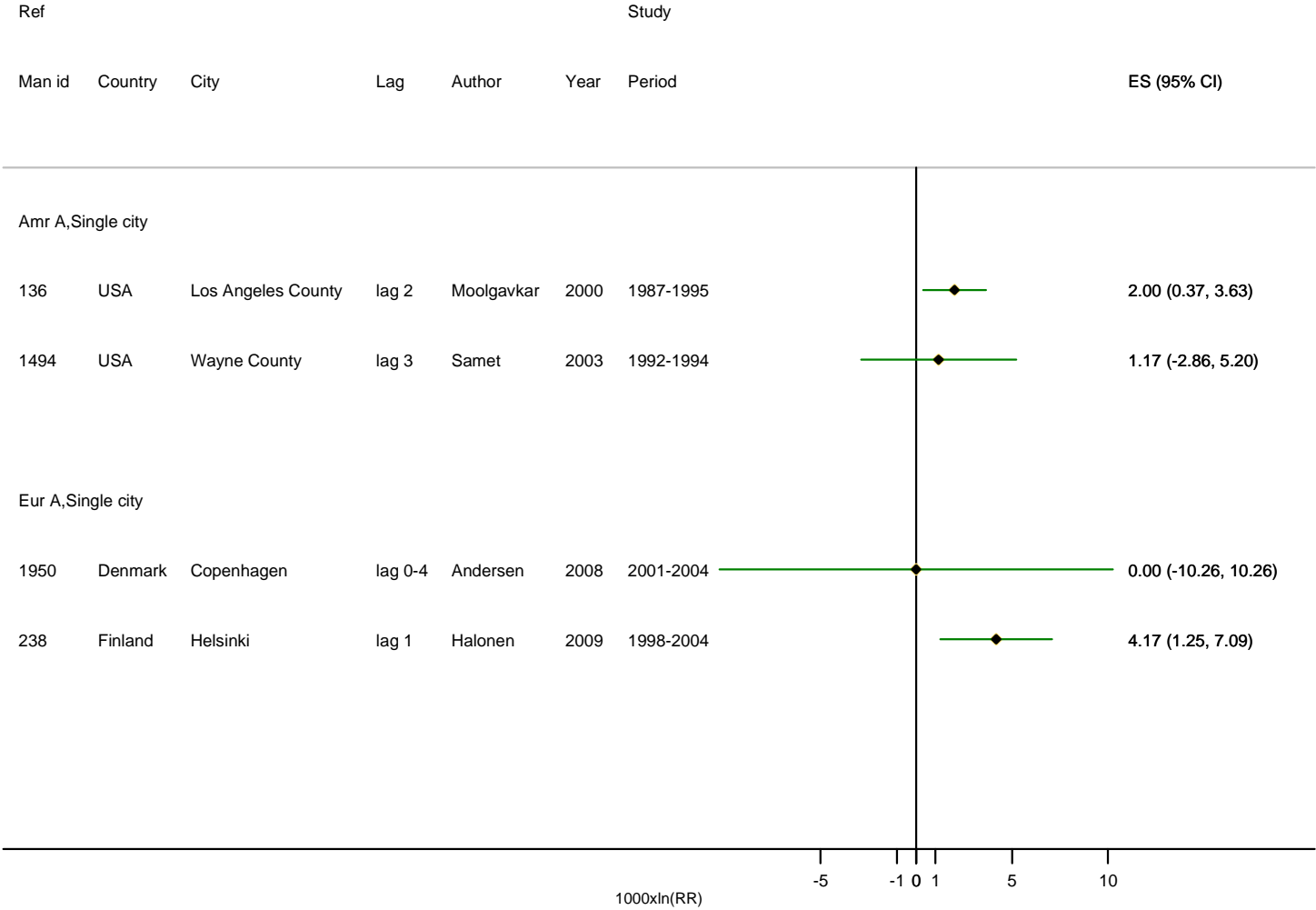


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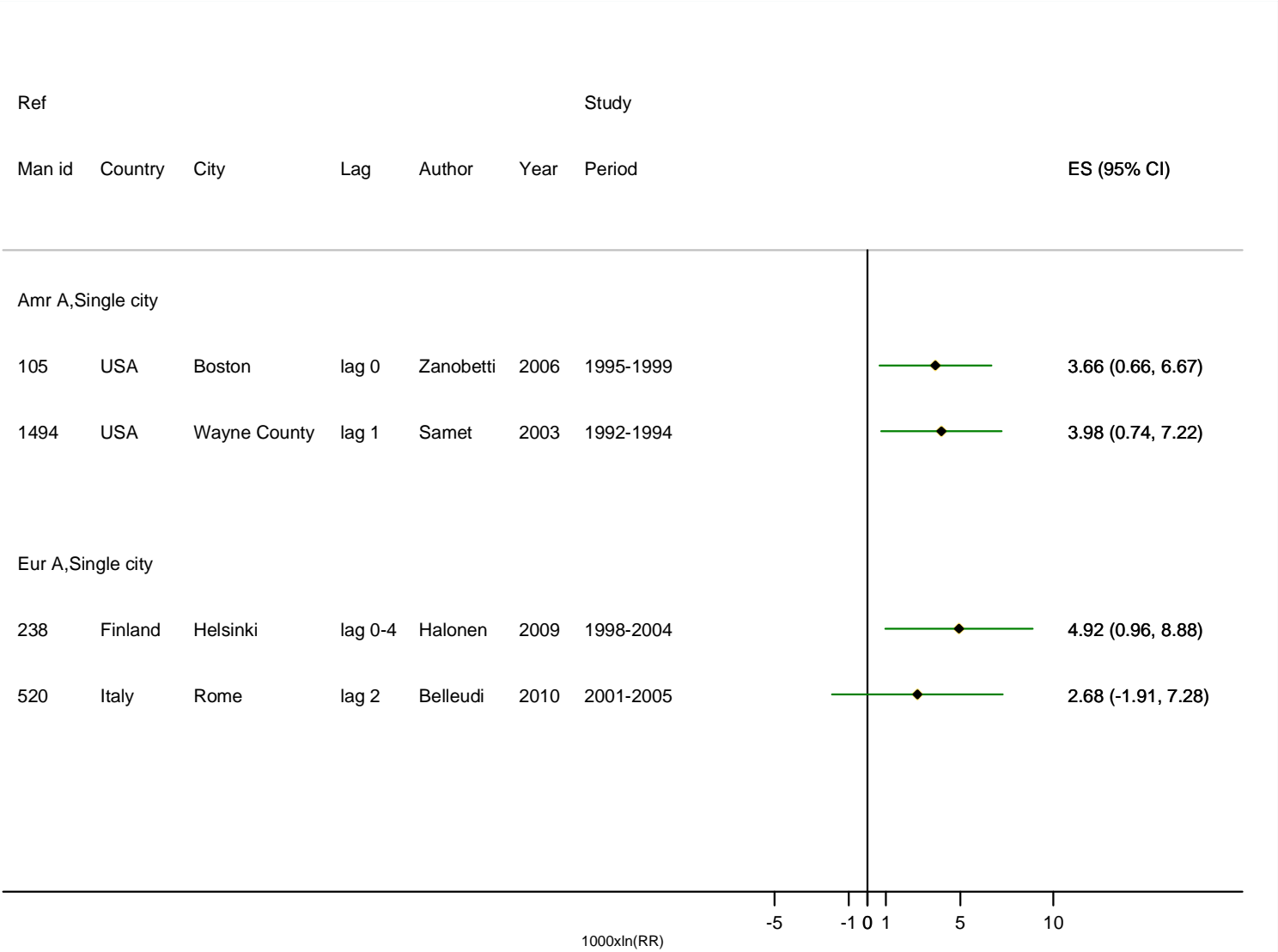


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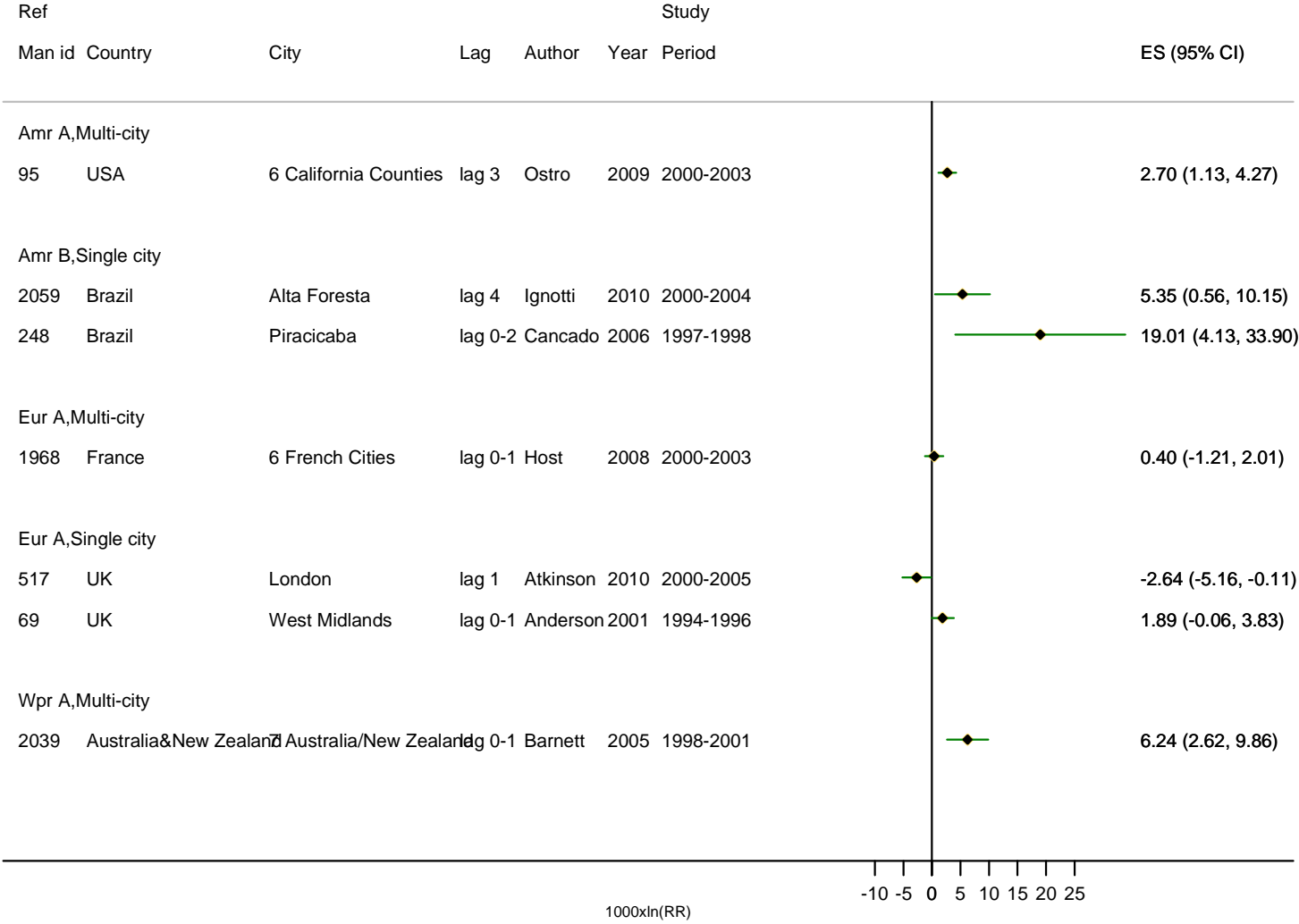


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