

Pain score at postoperative late (18 to 24 hours) period

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Package install

Data Preparation

Model Fitting

Results of Model

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## Number of studies: k = 17
## Number of treatments: n = 5
## Number of pairwise comparisons: m = 23
## Number of designs: d = 9
##
## Random effects model
##
## Treatment estimate (sm = 'MD', comparison: other treatments vs 'Control'):
##           MD      95%-CI      z   p-value
## Control    .       .       .       .
## ESPB     -0.8822 [-1.2819; -0.4824] -4.33 < 0.0001
## INB      -0.8563 [-1.3801; -0.3324] -3.20  0.0014
## SPB      -0.1824 [-0.7175;  0.3527] -0.67  0.5042
## TPVB     -0.9683 [-1.3516; -0.5851] -4.95 < 0.0001
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## Quantifying heterogeneity / inconsistency:
## tau^2 = 0.1928; tau = 0.4391; I^2 = 81.8% [71.9%; 88.2%]
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## Tests of heterogeneity (within designs) and inconsistency (between designs):
##           Q d.f.   p-value
## Total     87.91   16 < 0.0001
## Within designs 52.74   9 < 0.0001
## Between designs 35.17   7 < 0.0001

## Original data (with adjusted standard errors for multi-arm studies):
##          treat1 treat2      TE   seTE seTE.adj narms multiarm
## Liu,2021   Control  ESPB  1.0000  0.1581   0.1581      2
## Hu,2021    Control  TPVB  1.0000  0.1329   0.1329      2
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## Zhao,2020          ESPB   TPVB  0.3000  0.2125  0.2125  2
## Viti,2020          Control SPB   1.7000  0.4578  0.4578  2
## Turhan,2020         ESPB   TPVB  1.3000  0.7063  0.8269  3      *
## Turhan,2020         INB    TPVB  0.3000  0.4641  0.4876  3      *
## Turhan,2020         ESPB   INB   1.0000  0.7653  1.2678  3      *
## Finnerty,2020       ESPB   SPB   -2.0000 0.5624  0.5624  2
## Ciftci,2020          ESPB   TPVB -0.2000  0.1291  0.1581  3      *
## Ciftci,2020          Control TPVB  1.3000  0.1291  0.1581  3      *
## Ciftci,2020          Control ESPB  1.5000  0.1291  0.1581  3      *
## Ciftci, 2019         Control ESPB  0.9000  0.2582  0.2582  2
## Haichen Chu,2020,BMC Control TPVB  0.8000  0.2858  0.2858  2
## Gaballah,2019        ESPB   SPB  -0.2000  0.1426  0.1426  2
## Wu, 2018             INB    TPVB  0.2000  0.0985  0.0985  2
## Okmen,2018           Control SPB  -1.3000 0.2846  0.2846  2
## Kim, 2018            Control SPB  1.0000  0.4990  0.4990  2
## Ahmed,2017            Control INB   0.7000  0.1065  0.1065  2
## Kaya,2006              Control TPVB  0.5000  0.4344  0.4344  2
## Vogt,2005              Control TPVB  0.3000  0.5385  0.5385  2
## Chen,2020              INB    TPVB -0.0000  0.2309  0.3174  3      *
## Chen,2020              ESPB   INB   0.2000  0.2041  0.2380  3      *
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##
## Number of treatment arms (by study):
##                               narms
## Liu,2021                  2
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## Q statistics to assess homogeneity / consistency
##          Q  df  p-value
## Total     87.91 16 < 0.0001
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##
## Design-specific decomposition of within-designs Q statistic
##          Design   Q  df  p-value
## Control vs ESPB 0.11  1  0.7412
## Control vs SPB 37.94  2 < 0.0001
## Control vs TPVB 2.78  3  0.4273
## ESPB vs SPB  9.62  1  0.0019
## ESPB vs INB vs TPVB 2.29  2  0.3181

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## Between-designs Q statistic after detaching of single designs  

##  

##          Detached design      Q  df  p-value  

##          Control vs ESPB 35.16  6 < 0.0001  

##          Control vs INB  32.86  6 < 0.0001  

##          Control vs SPB  23.15  6  0.0007  

##          Control vs TPVB 33.49  6 < 0.0001  

##          ESPB vs SPB  23.15  6  0.0007  

##          ESPB vs TPVB 33.47  6 < 0.0001  

##          INB vs TPVB  35.15  6 < 0.0001  

##  Control vs ESPB vs TPVB 10.25  5  0.0685  

##  ESPB vs INB vs TPVB 29.75  5 < 0.0001  

##  

## Q statistic to assess consistency under the assumption of  

## a full design-by-treatment interaction random effects model  

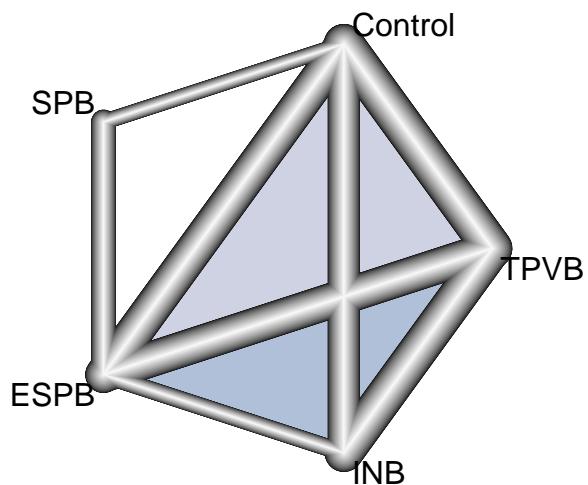
##  

##          Q  df p-value tau.within tau2.within  

## Between designs 2.39  7  0.9351      0.7208      0.5196

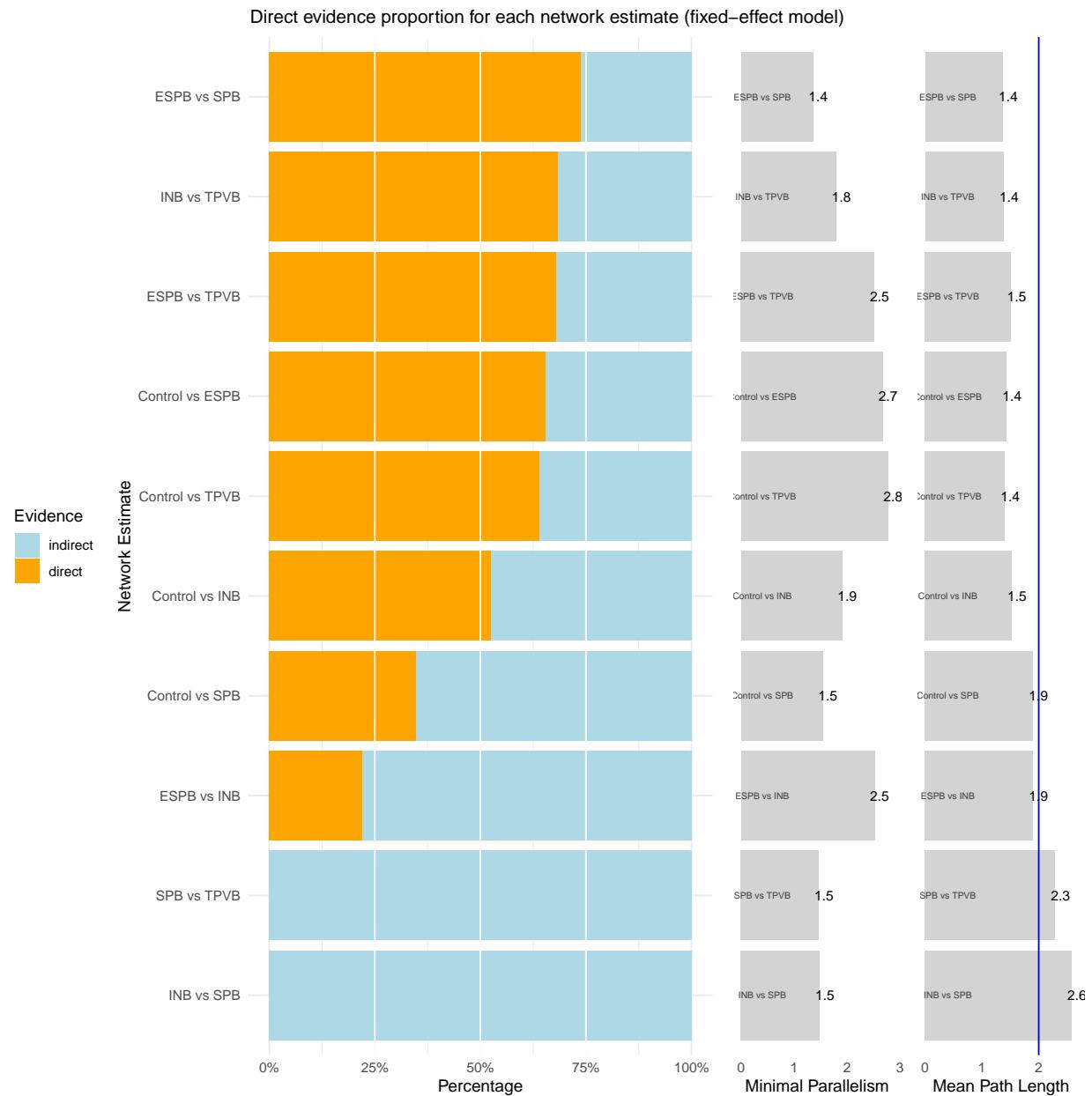
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Network Graph



Visualizing Direct and Indirect Evidence

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## Extensive documentation for the dmetar package can be found at:  
## www.bookdown.org/MathiasHarrer/Doing_Meta_Analysis_in_R/  
  
## Direct Evidence Proportion for each Network Estimate  
## -----  
##          Direct Indirect meanpath   minpar  
## ESPB vs SPB    0.7370    0.2630 1.361958 1.356827  
## INB vs TPVB    0.6834    0.3166 1.379810 1.795521  
## ESPB vs TPVB    0.6795    0.3205 1.512666 2.514024  
## Control vs ESPB 0.6546    0.3454 1.429779 2.672841  
## Control vs TPVB 0.6400    0.3600 1.402395 2.770725  
## Control vs INB  0.5258    0.4742 1.521009 1.901922  
## Control vs SPB  0.3487    0.6513 1.896440 1.535336  
## ESPB vs INB     0.2209    0.7791 1.895540 2.515479  
## INB vs SPB      0.0000    1.0000 2.576422 1.482947  
## SPB vs TPVB     0.0000    1.0000 2.285619 1.466518
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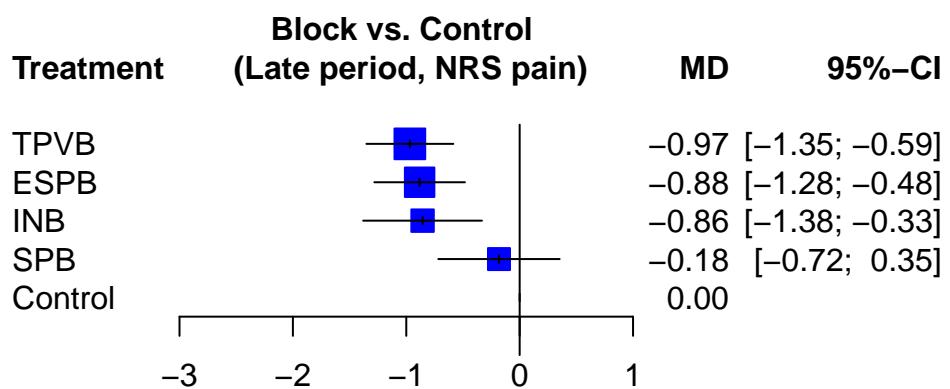
Effect Estimate Table

```
##          Control   ESPB     INB     SPB    TPVB
## Control      NA 0.882  0.856  0.182  0.968
## ESPB        NA      NA -0.026 -0.700  0.086
## INB         NA      NA      NA -0.674  0.112
## SPB         NA      NA      NA      NA  0.786
## TPVB        NA      NA      NA      NA      NA

## League table (random effects model):
##
##          Control  1.15 ( 0.61;  1.69)  0.70 (-0.19;  1.59)
## 0.88 ( 0.48;  1.28)                      ESPB  0.39 (-0.45;  1.22)
## 0.86 ( 0.33;  1.38) -0.03 (-0.58;  0.52)                      INB
## 0.18 (-0.35;  0.72) -0.70 (-1.25; -0.15) -0.67 (-1.38;  0.03)
## 0.97 ( 0.59;  1.35)  0.09 (-0.33;  0.51)  0.11 (-0.38;  0.60)
##
## 0.21 (-0.47;  0.88) 0.88 ( 0.42;  1.35)
## -0.73 (-1.49;  0.03) 0.21 (-0.30;  0.72)
## . 0.15 (-0.43;  0.73)
##
##          SPB      .
## 0.79 ( 0.17;  1.40)      TPVB
```

Ranking and Forest plot

```
##          P-score
## TPVB      0.8310
## ESPB      0.7185
## INB       0.6895
## SPB       0.1979
## Control   0.0632
```

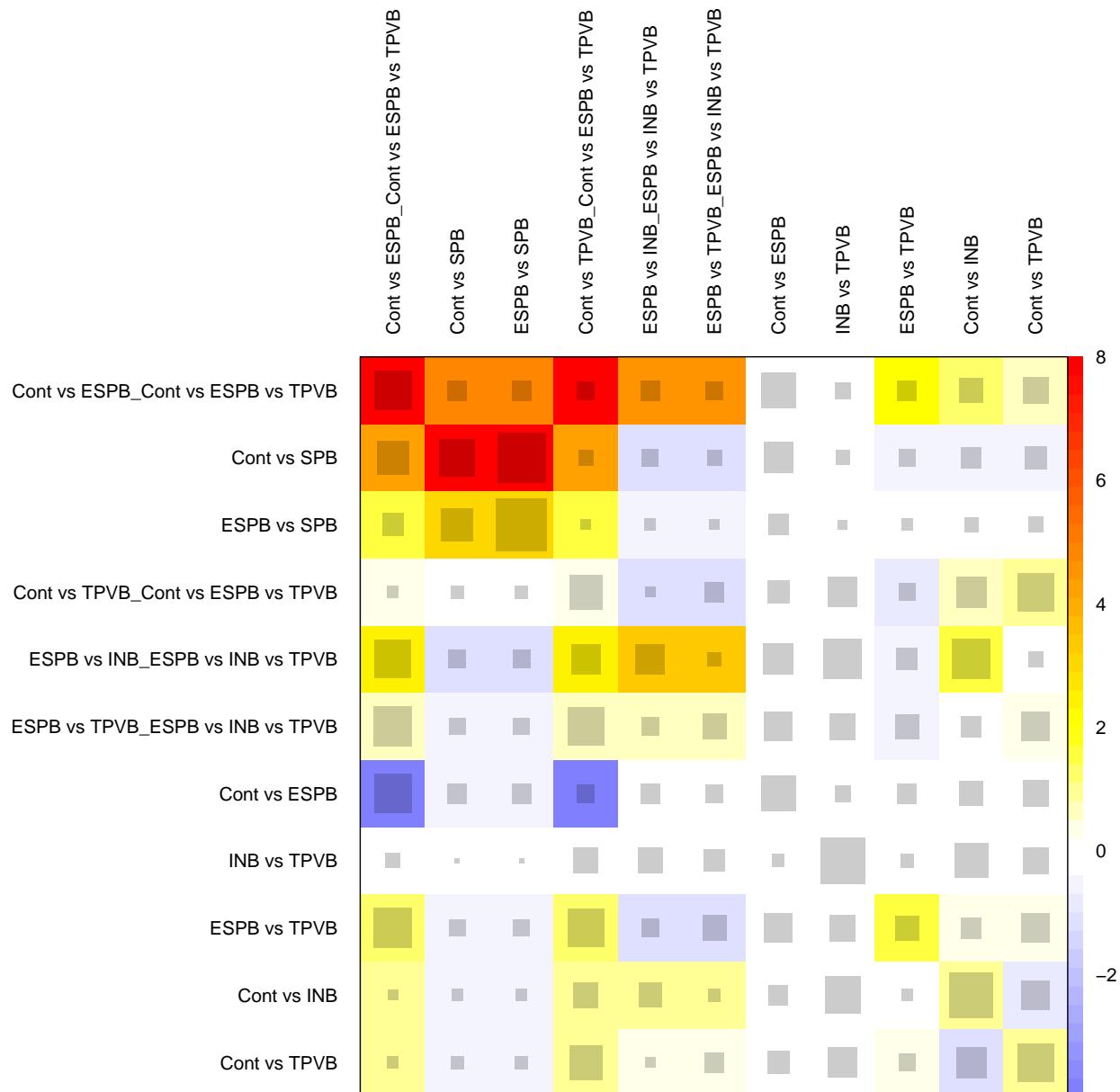


Net Heat Plot for evaluating the validity of the results

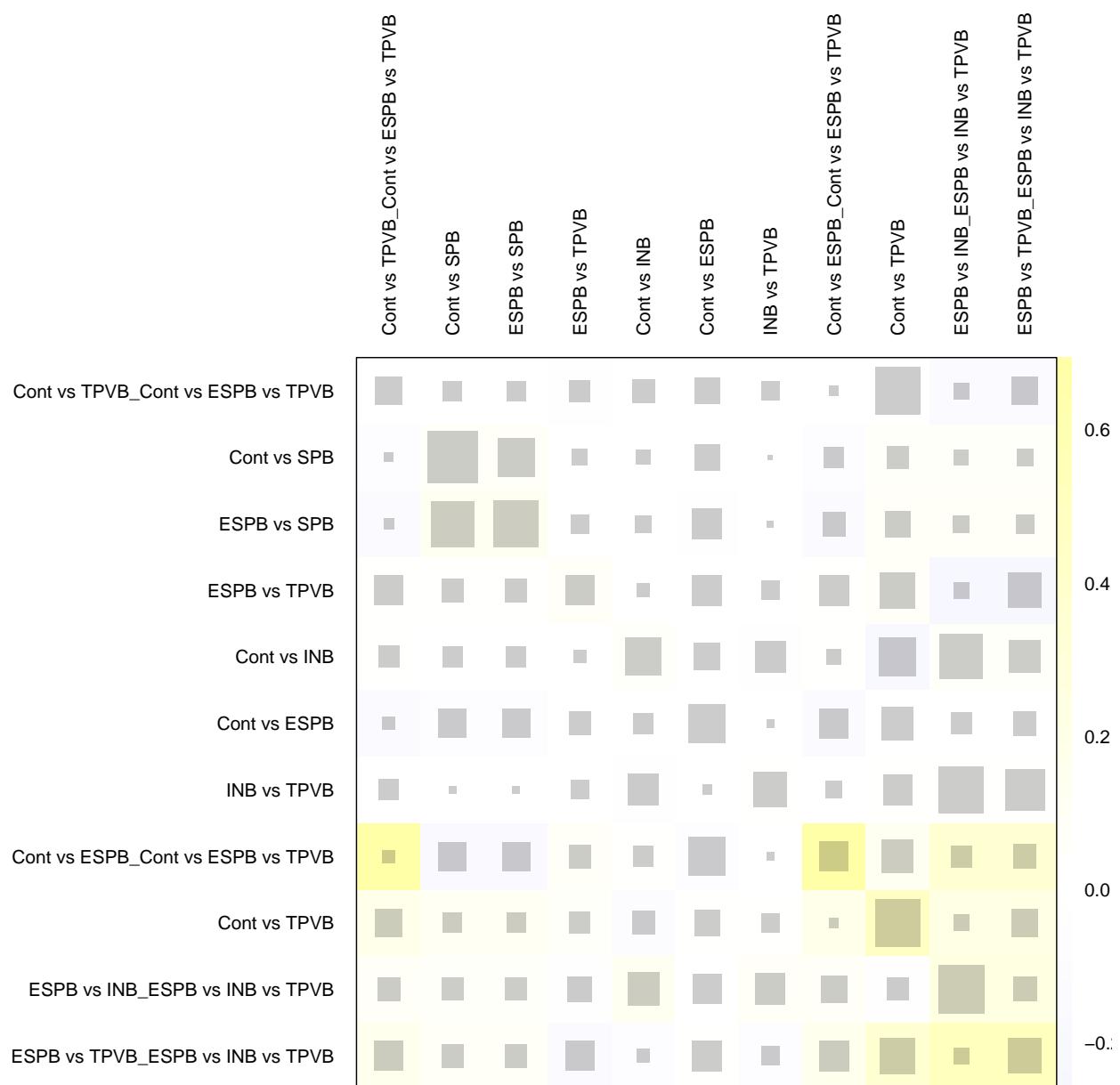
The gray boxes signify how important a treatment comparison is for the estimation of another treatment comparison. The bigger the box, the more important the comparison.

The colored backgrounds signify the amount of inconsistency of the design in a row that can be attributed to the design in a column. Field colors can range from a deep red (which indicates strong inconsistency) to blue (which indicates that evidence from this design supports evidence in the row).

Fixed effect model

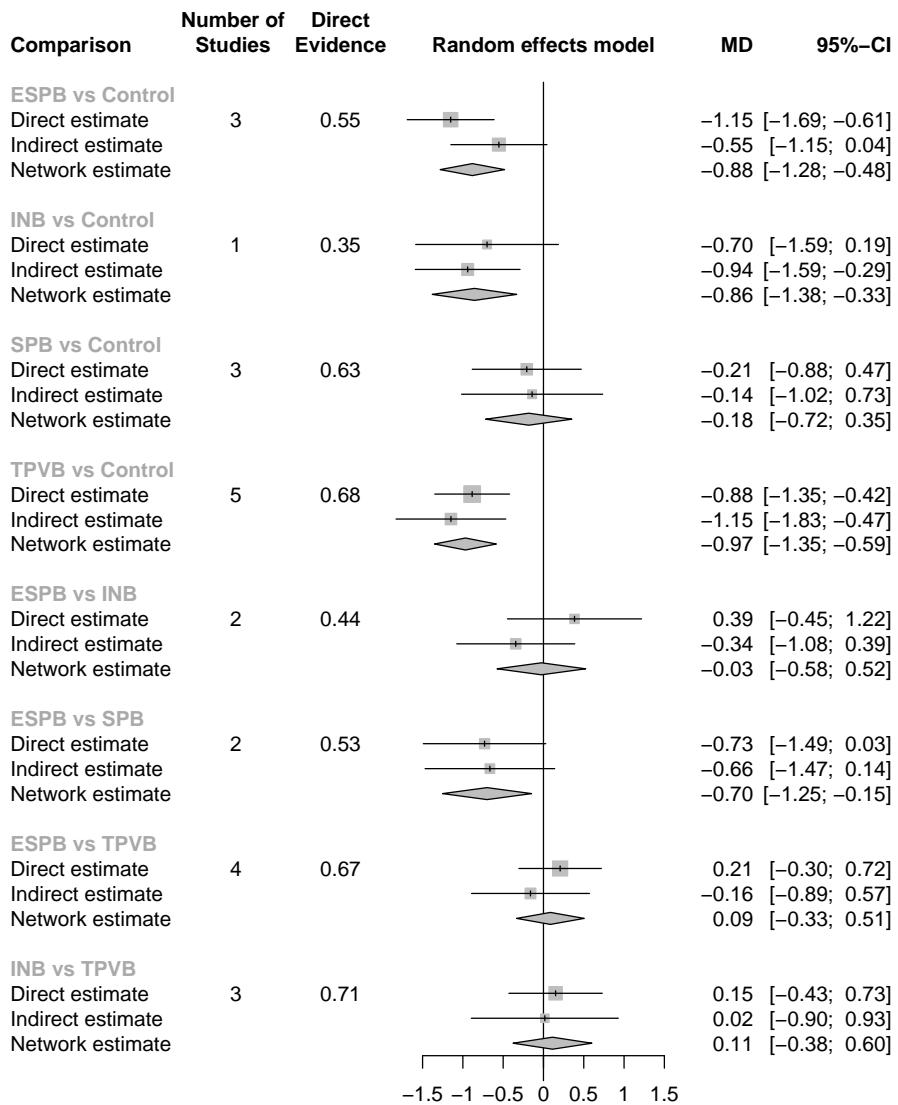


Random effect model



Net Splitting to check for consistency

```
## Separate indirect from direct evidence (SIDE) using back-calculation method
##
## Random effects model:
##
##      comparison k prop      nma   direct   indir.    Diff      z p-value
##  ESPB vs Control 3 0.55 -0.8822 -1.1514 -0.5532 -0.5982 -1.46  0.1445
##  INB  vs Control 1 0.35 -0.8563 -0.7000 -0.9404  0.2404  0.43  0.6679
##  SPB  vs Control 3 0.63 -0.1824 -0.2072 -0.1408 -0.0664 -0.12  0.9063
##  TPVB vs Control 5 0.68 -0.9683 -0.8848 -1.1482  0.2633  0.63  0.5309
##      ESPB vs INB  2 0.44 -0.0259  0.3852 -0.3441  0.7293  1.29  0.1971
##      ESPB vs SPB  2 0.53 -0.6998 -0.7312 -0.6647 -0.0664 -0.12  0.9063
##      ESPB vs TPVB 4 0.67  0.0861  0.2069 -0.1609  0.3678  0.81  0.4193
##      INB  vs SPB  0  0 -0.6739      . -0.6739      .      .      .
##      INB  vs TPVB 3 0.71  0.1120  0.1504  0.0169  0.1336  0.24  0.8085
##      SPB  vs TPVB 0  0  0.7859      .  0.7859      .      .      .
##
## Legend:
##  comparison - Treatment comparison
##  k          - Number of studies providing direct evidence
##  prop       - Direct evidence proportion
##  nma        - Estimated treatment effect (MD) in network meta-analysis
##  direct     - Estimated treatment effect (MD) derived from direct evidence
##  indir.    - Estimated treatment effect (MD) derived from indirect evidence
##  Diff       - Difference between direct and indirect treatment estimates
##  z          - z-value of test for disagreement (direct versus indirect)
##  p-value    - p-value of test for disagreement (direct versus indirect)
```



Comparison-Adjusted Funnel Plots

