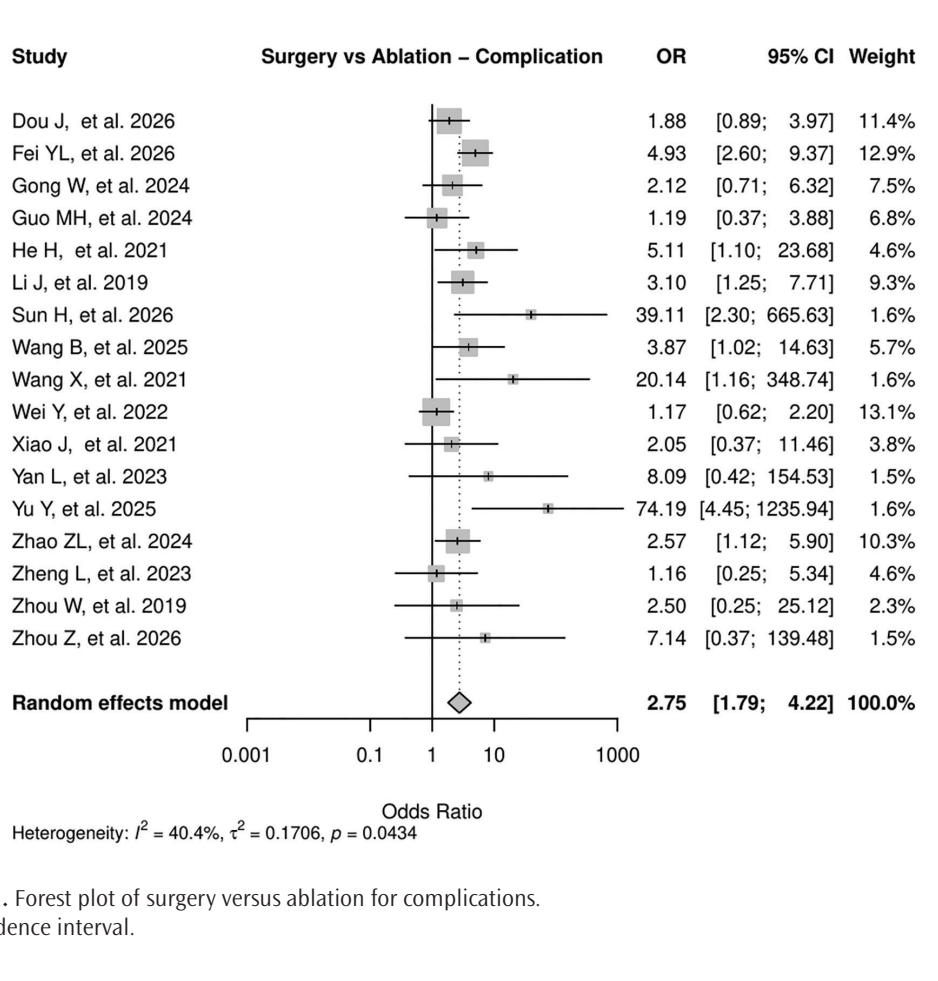
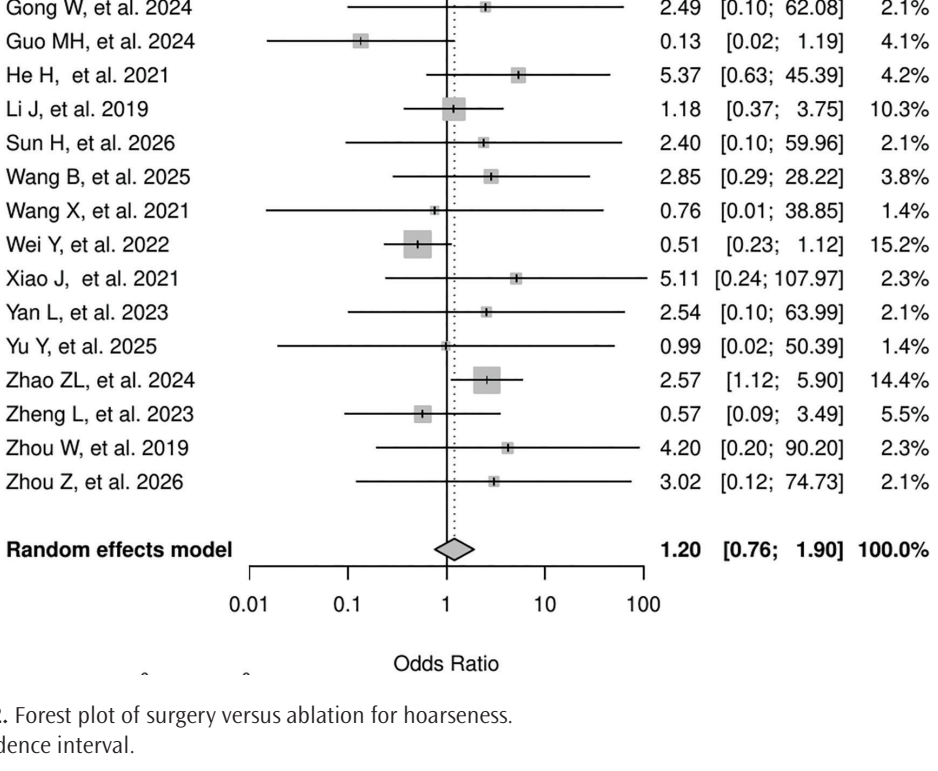
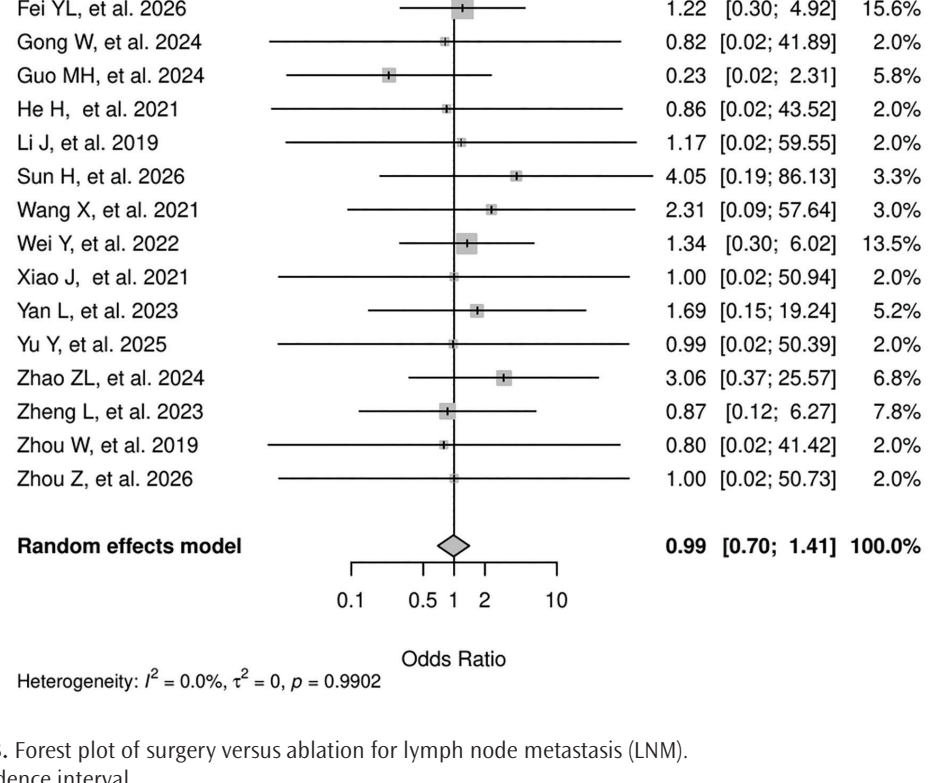




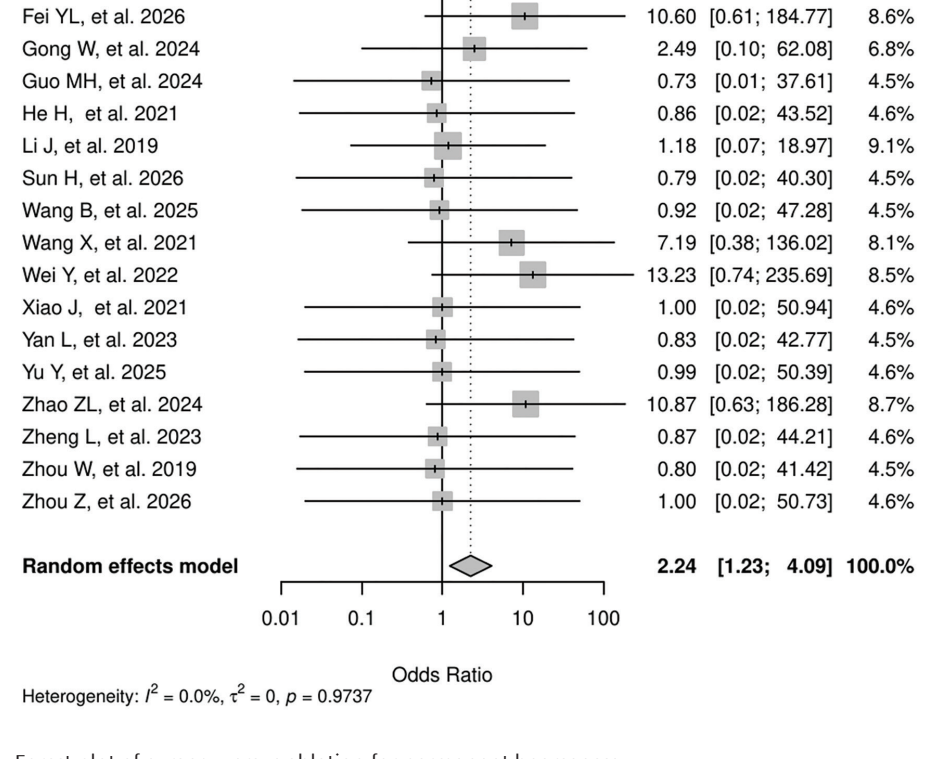
SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. 1. Forest plot of surgery versus ablation for complications.  
OR, odds ratio; CI, confidence interval.



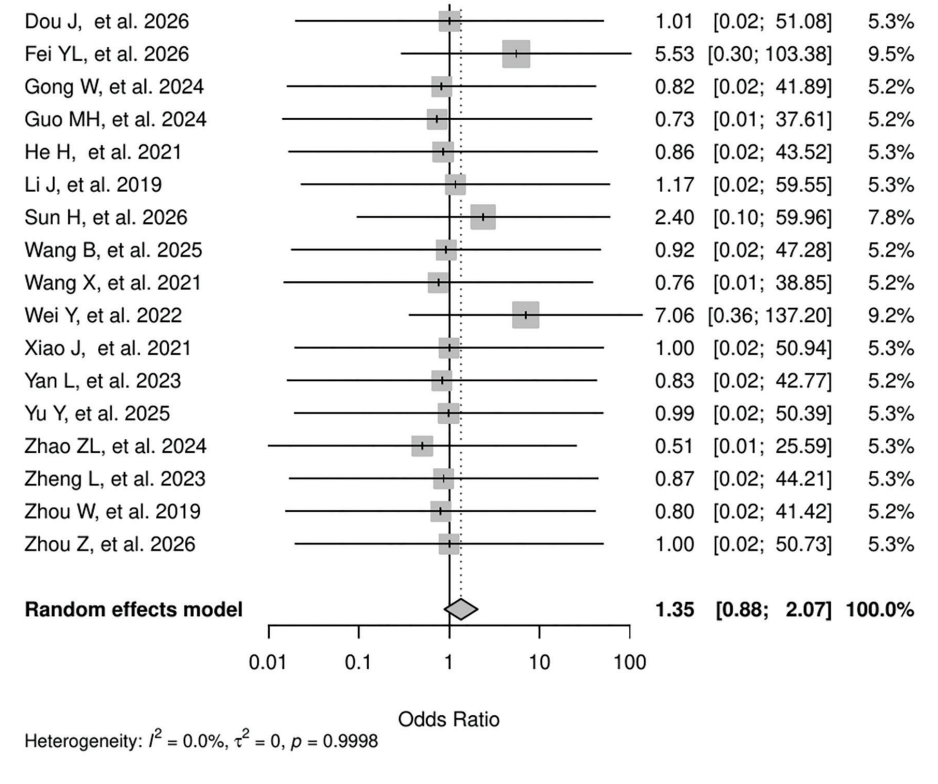
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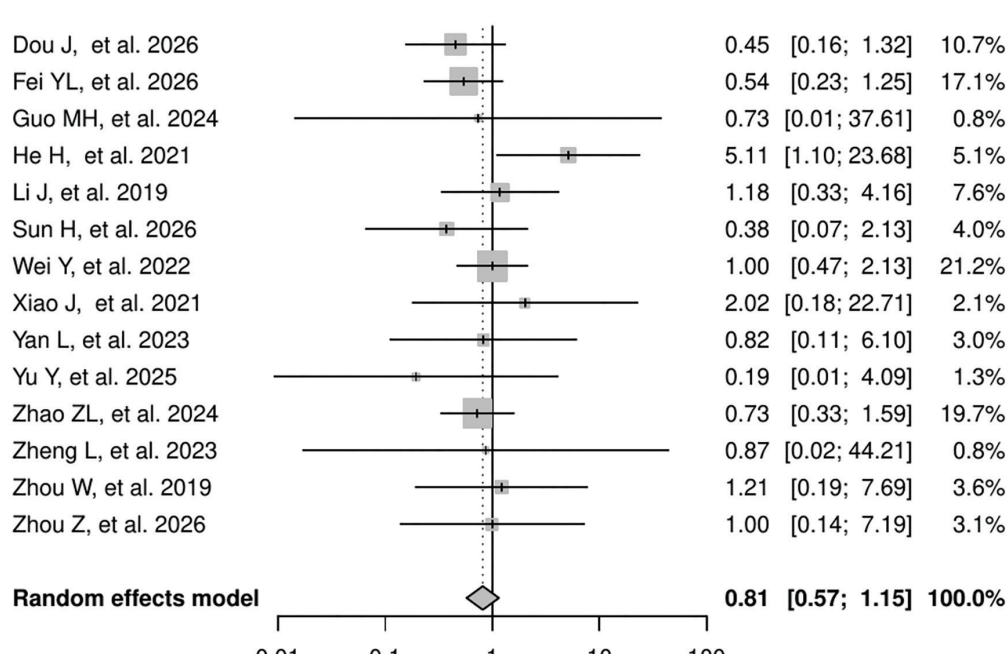
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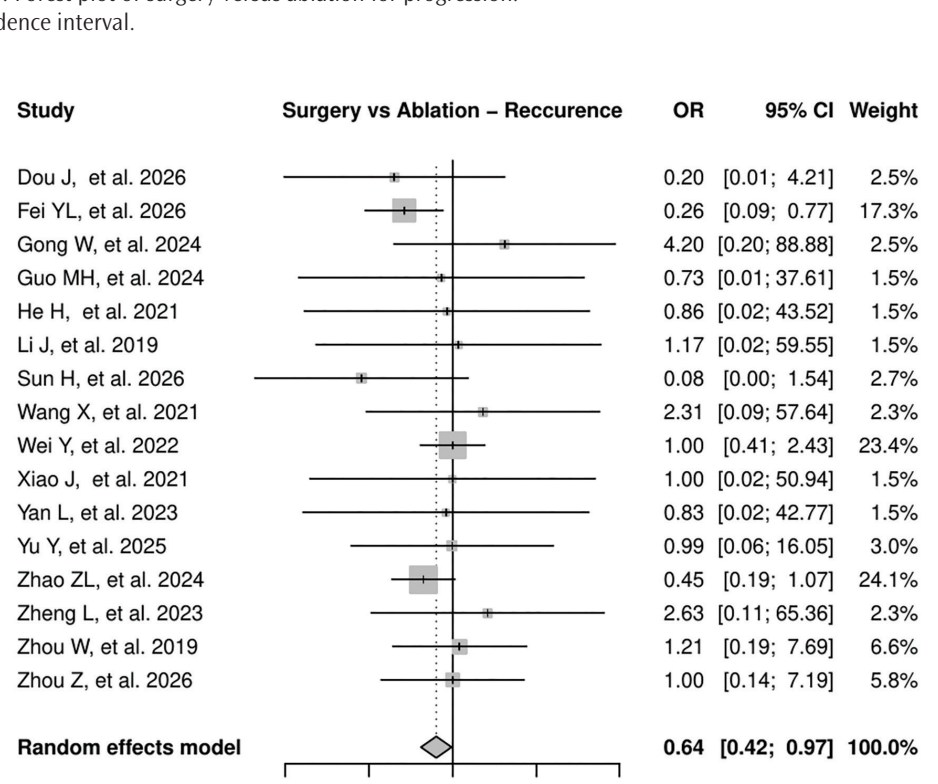
SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. 4. Forest plot of surgery versus ablation for permanent hoarseness.  
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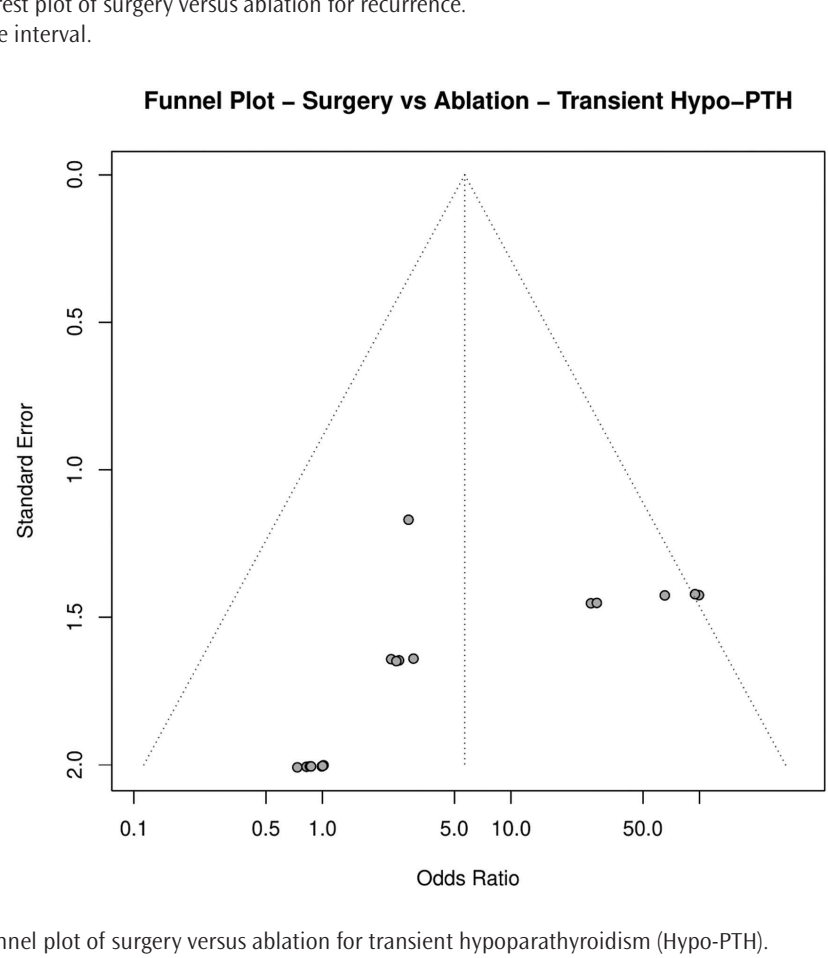
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CI, confidence interval.



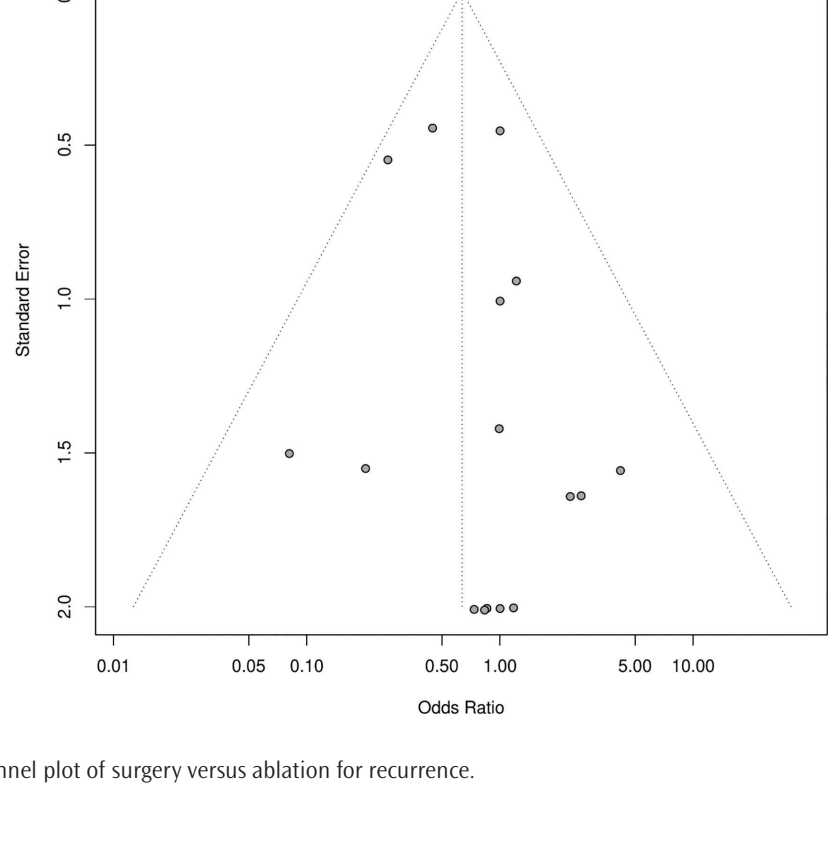
SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. 6. Forest plot of surgery versus ablation for progression.  
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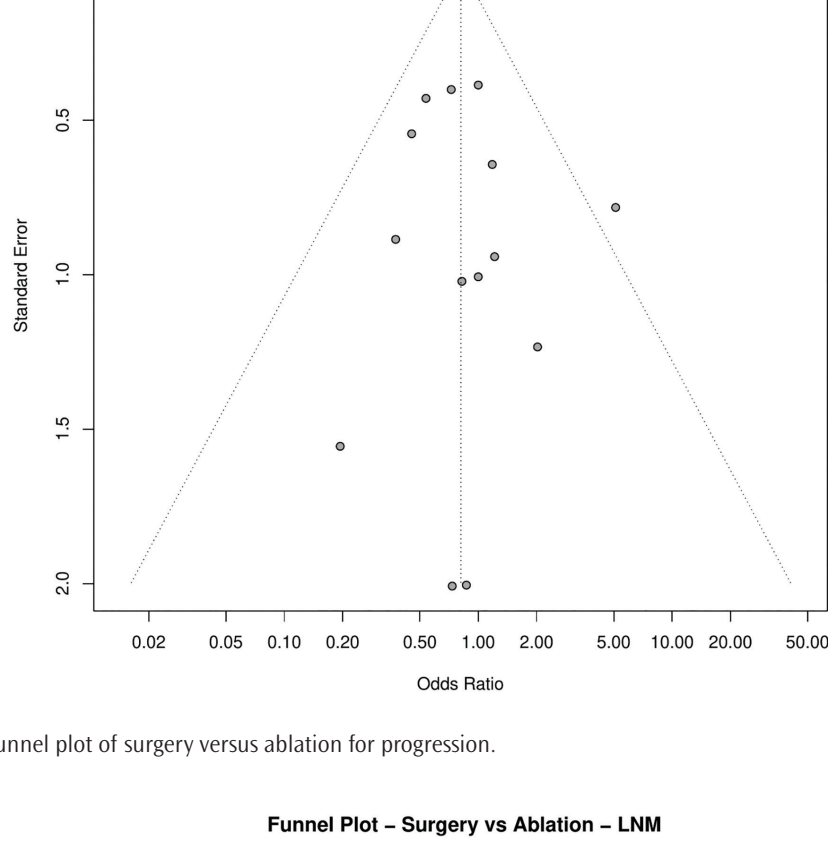
SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. 7. Forest plot of surgery versus ablation for recurrence.  
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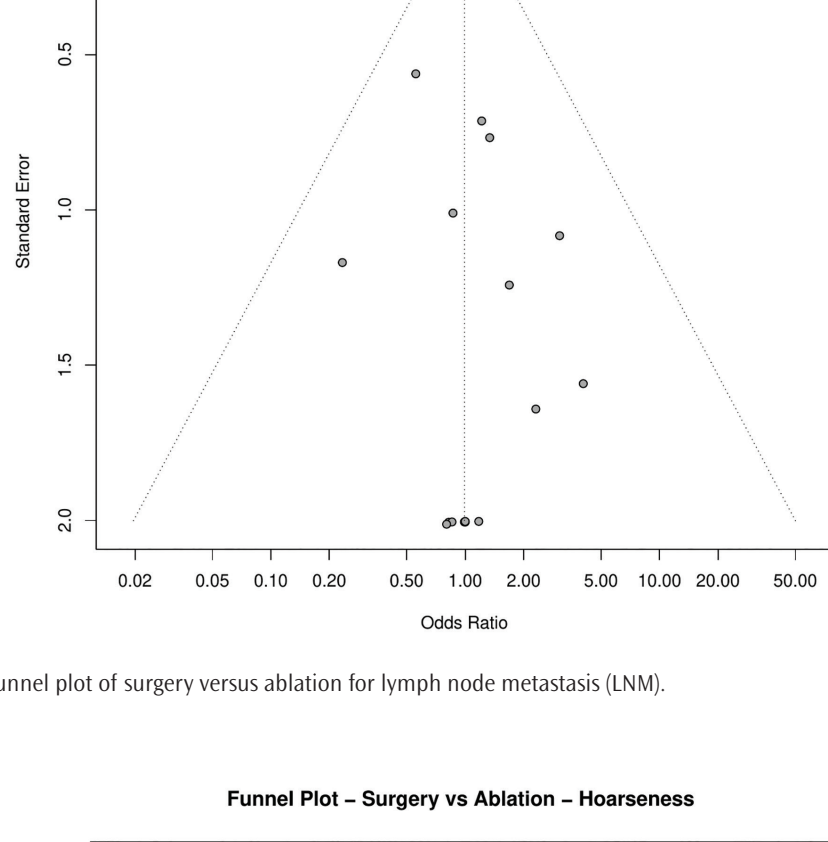
SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. 8. Funnel plot of surgery versus ablation for transient hypoparathyroidism (Hypo-PTH).



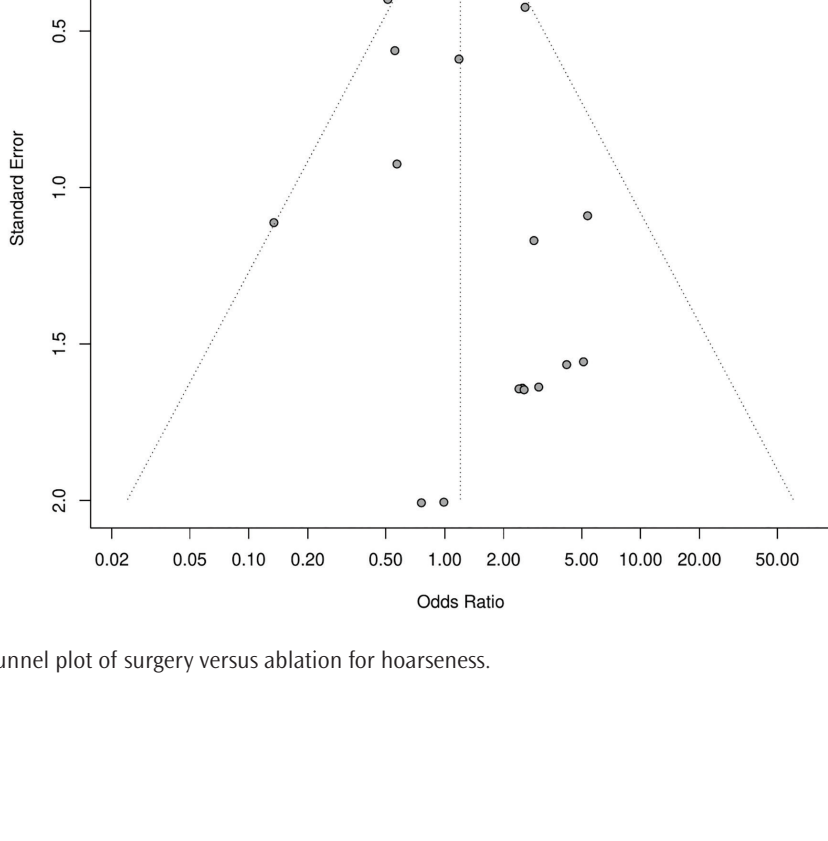
SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. 9. Funnel plot of surgery versus ablation for recurrence.



SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. 10. Funnel plot of surgery versus ablation for progression.



SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. 11. Funnel plot of surgery versus ablation for lymph node metastasis (LNM).



SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. 12. Funnel plot of surgery versus ablation for hoarseness.