



Supplementary File 2. Forest plot of studies (excluding conference abstracts) measuring the odds ratio (OR), using the random effects model, of mortality between early and late tracheostomy groups in patients with traumatic spinal cord injuries. The computed weighted ORs are depicted as diamonds proportional to the size of the study. The bars depict the 95% confidence intervals (CI). Studies favoring the early tracheostomy group are on the left hand side of the center line of no effect, while studies against the early tracheostomy group are on the right hand side of the center line of no effect.