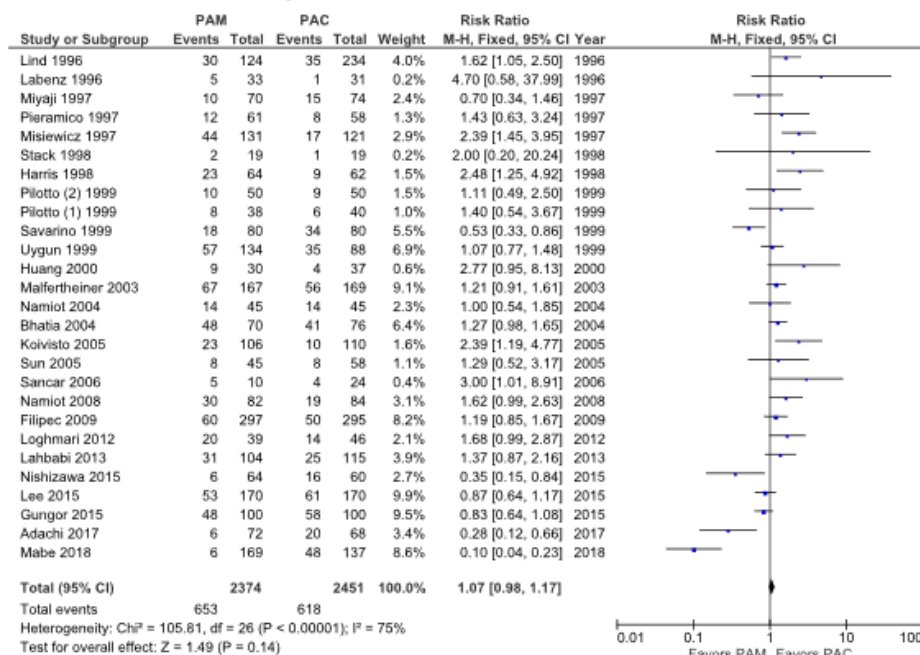


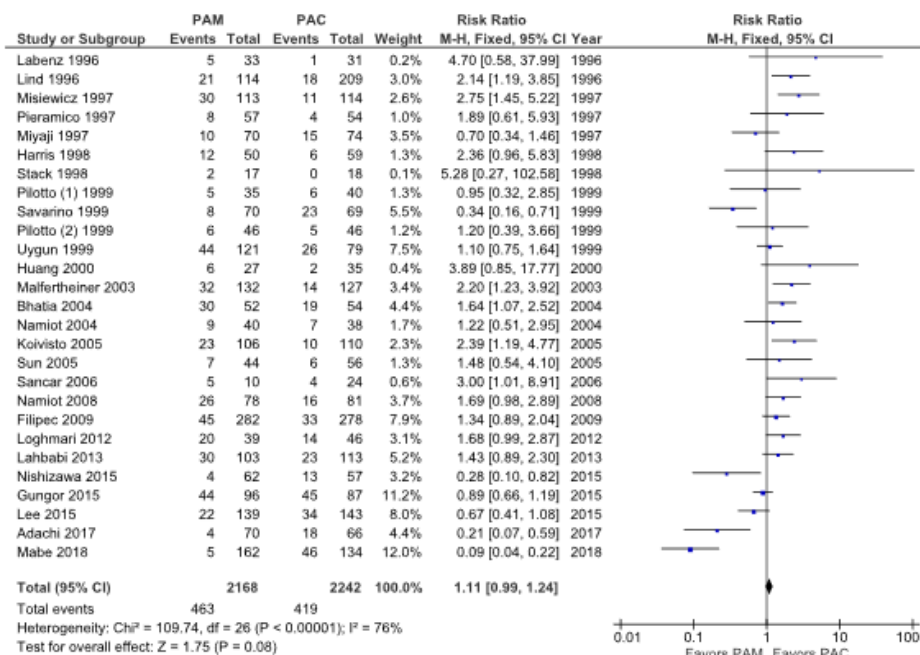


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### A. Intention-to-treat analysis



### B. Per-protocol analysis



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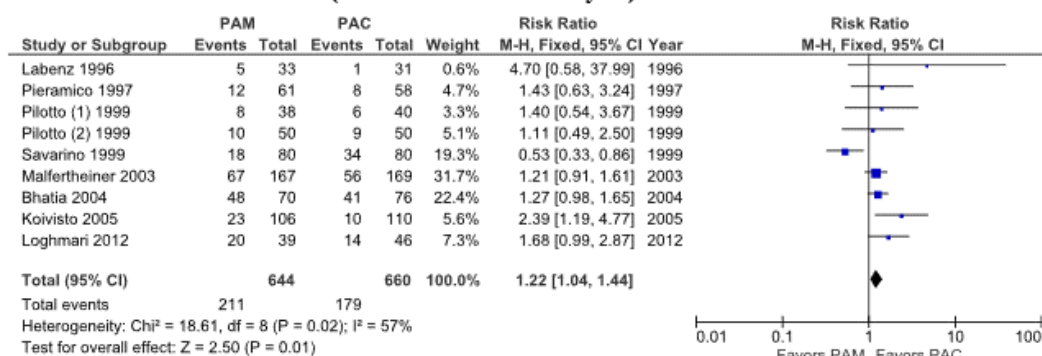
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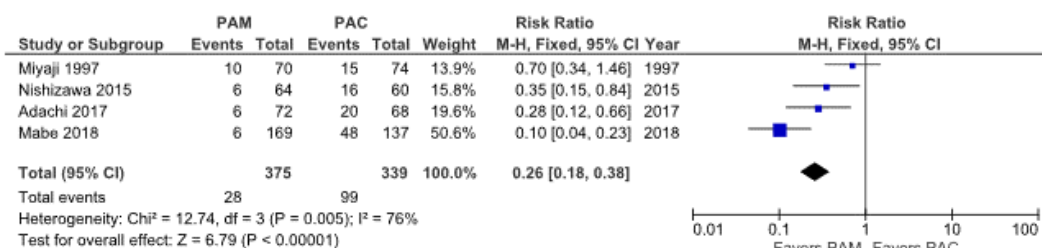
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**Figure S1.** Forest plots of overall eradication rates between PAM therapy and PAC therapy in all eligible trials in intention-to-treat analysis (A) and in per-protocol analysis (B) in the fixed-effects model. Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; PAC, proton pump inhibitor/amoxicillin/clarithromycin; PAM, proton pump inhibitor/amoxicillin/metronidazole.

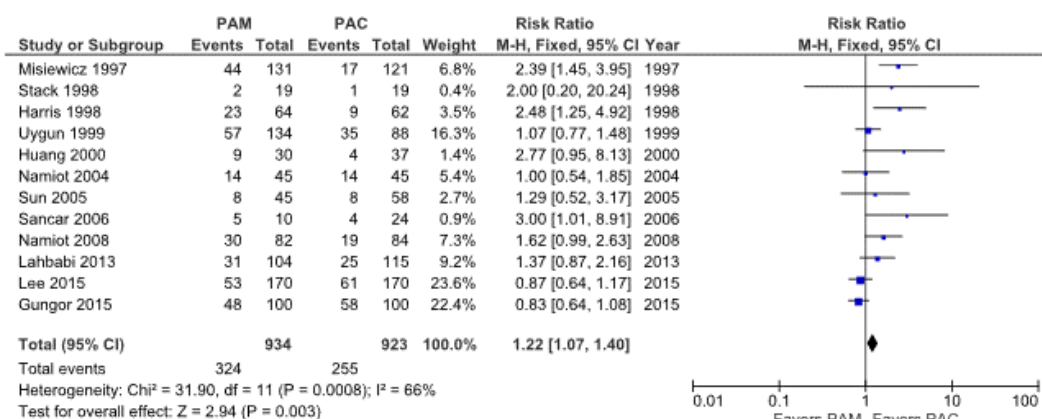
**A. Area with MNZ-R/CAM-S (intention-to-treat analysis)**



**B. Area with MNZ-S/CAM-R (intention-to-treat analysis)**



**C. Area with MNZ-R/CAM-R (intention-to-treat analysis)**



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**Figure S2.** (A) Forest plots of eradication rates between PAM therapy and PAC therapy in areas classified as having low CAM resistance (< 15%) and high MNZ resistance ( $\geq 15\%$ ), (B) high CAM resistance and low MNZ resistance, and (C) high CAM resistance and high MNZ resistance in intention-to-treat analysis in the fixed-effects model. Abbreviations: CAM, clarithromycin; CI, confidence interval; MNZ, metronidazole; PAC, proton pump inhibitor/amoxicillin/clarithromycin; PAM, proton pump inhibitor/amoxicillin/metronidazole.

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**Table S1.** Classification of countries based on resistance rates to CAM and MNZ.

Country	Resistance rate to CAM (95% CI)	Resistance rate to MNZ (95% CI)
Areas with high resistance rates to both CAM ( $\geq 15\%$ ) and MNZ ( $\geq 15\%$ )		
UK	36% (30%–36%) [1]	57% (51%–63%) [1]
Turkey	28% (19%–36%) [2]	35% (26%–45%) [2]
Taiwan	26% (22%–31%) [3-6]	31% (27%–35%) [3-6]
China	37% (30%–43%) [7-11]	77% (74%–79%) [7-11]
Poland	46% (38%–53%) [12]	38% (24%–51%) [12]
Morocco	25% (33%–48%) [13]	40% (19%–33%) [13]
Korea	18% (10%–25%) [14-16]	40% (3%–50%) [14-16]
Areas with low resistance rates to CAM ( $< 15\%$ ) and high resistance rates to MNZ ( $\geq 15\%$ )		
Germany	13% (6%–20%) [17,18]	37% (30%–43%) [17,18]
Italy	15% (11%–20%) [19]	26% (22%–31%) [19]
North Indian	12% (5%–22%) [20,21]	68% (55%–72%) [20,21]
Finland	2% (1%–4%) [22]	37% (31%–43%) [22]
Tunisia	14% (10%–20%) [23]	57% (50%–64%) [23]
Area with high resistance rates of CAM ( $\geq 15\%$ ) and low resistance rates to MNZ ( $< 15\%$ )		
Japan	28% (25%–32%) [24–26]	6% (5%–8%) [24-27]

16 Abbreviations: CAM, clarithromycin; CI, confidence interval; MNZ, metronidazole; UK, United Kingdom.

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