

Supplemental Digital Content 1

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> citation()
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```
R Core Team (2014). R: A language and environment for statistical computing. R Foundation  
for Statistical Computing, Vienna, Austria. URL http://www.R-project.org/.
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> sessionInfo()
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R version 3.1.0 (2014-04-10)
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attached base packages:
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[1] stats      graphics  grDevices  utils      datasets  methods    base
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other attached packages:
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[1] mmeta_2.2      metaLik_0.41.0 metafor_1.9-3  Matrix_1.1-4  Formula_1.1-1
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loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
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[1] grid_3.1.0      lattice_0.20-29 tools_3.1.0
```

```
> citation('metafor')
```

Wolfgang Viechtbauer (2010). Conducting meta-analyses in R with the metafor package. *Journal of Statistical Software*, 36(3), 1-48. URL <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v36/i03/>.

```
> citation('MetaLik')
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Annamaria Guolo, Cristiano Varin (2012). The R Package metaLik for Likelihood Inference in Meta-Analysis. *Journal of Statistical Software*, 50(7), 1-14. URL <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v50/i07/>.

Guolo, A. (2012). Higher-order likelihood inference in meta-analysis and meta-regression. *Statistics in Medicine* 31, 313-327.

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> citation('mmeta')
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Sheng Luo, Yong Chen, Xiao Su, Haitao Chu (2014). mmeta: An R Package for Multivariate Meta-Analysis. *Journal of Statistical Software*, 56(11), 1-26.

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# Data from Peyton et al Table 1
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```
> N2O.df
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	studlab	duration	ci	n2i	ai	n1i	year
1	Lonie	1986	39	20	46	20	41 1986
2	Kortilla	1987	102	25	55	30	55 1987
3	Melnick	1987	13	1	28	8	32 1987
4	Muir	1987	73	67	181	67	178 1987
5	Muir	1987	78	62	186	65	173 1987
6	Bloomfield	1988	96	5	31	11	32 1988
7	Sengupta	1988	23	10	31	13	33 1988
8	Hovorka	1989	38	26	50	53	100 1989
9	Eger	1990	178	63	147	64	133 1990
10	Scheinin	1990	266	5	20	5	20 1990
11	Ranta	1991	121	12	24	13	26 1991
12	Wrigley	1991	29	3	13	6	14 1991
13	Rapp	1992	53	9	22	10	24 1992

14	Taylor	1992	87	13	24	9	26	1992
15	Akhtar	1993	10	2	50	6	50	1993
16	Graham	1993	24	11	15	4	15	1993
17	Jensen	1993	165	10	23	11	19	1993
18	Lebenborn-Mansour	1993	86	2	16	7	14	1993
19	Pedersen	1993	95	6	19	5	17	1993
20	Sukhani	1994	81	5	36	2	34	1994
21	Bloomfield	1997	139	26	59	12	60	1997
22	Vanacker	1999	120	6	30	17	30	1999
23	Arellano	2000	13	22	467	9	468	2000
24	Arellano	2000	31	70	241	63	242	2000
25	Apfel	2004	108	638	2050	721	2036	2004
26	Fleischmann	2005	202	26	206	39	208	2005
27	Myles	2007	222	104	997	229	997	2007
28	El-Galley	2007	138	4	16	6	12	2007
29	Mraovic	2008	73	7	46	20	91	2008

```
# estimate RR
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```
N2O.df <- escalc(measure = 'RR', ai = ai, n1i = n1i, ci = ci, n2i = n2i, data = N2O.df,  
                append = T, replace = T)
```

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> N2O.df
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	studlab	duration	ci	n2i	ai	n1i	year	yi	vi
1	Lonie	1986	39	20	46	20	41 1986	0.1151	0.0539
2	Kortilla	1987	102	25	55	30	55 1987	0.1823	0.0370
3	Melnick	1987	13	1	28	8	32 1987	1.9459	1.0580
4	Muir	1987	73	67	181	67	178 1987	0.0167	0.0187
5	Muir	1987	78	62	186	65	173 1987	0.1197	0.0204
6	Bloomfield	1988	96	5	31	11	32 1988	0.7567	0.2274
7	Sengupta	1988	23	10	31	13	33 1988	0.1998	0.1144
8	Hovorka	1989	38	26	50	53	100 1989	0.0190	0.0273
9	Eger	1990	178	63	147	64	133 1990	0.1158	0.0172
10	Scheinin	1990	266	5	20	5	20 1990	0.0000	0.3000

11	Ranta	1991	121	12	24	13	26	1991	0.0000	0.0801
12	Wrigley	1991	29	3	13	6	14	1991	0.6190	0.3516
13	Rapp	1992	53	9	22	10	24	1992	0.0183	0.1240
14	Taylor	1992	87	13	24	9	26	1992	-0.4478	0.1079
15	Akhtar	1993	10	2	50	6	50	1993	1.0986	0.6267
16	Graham	1993	24	11	15	4	15	1993	-1.0116	0.2076
17	Jensen	1993	165	10	23	11	19	1993	0.2864	0.0948
18	Lebenborn-Mansour	1993	86	2	16	7	14	1993	1.3863	0.5089
19	Pedersen	1993	95	6	19	5	17	1993	-0.0711	0.2552
20	Sukhani	1994	81	5	36	2	34	1994	-0.8591	0.6428
21	Bloomfield	1997	139	26	59	12	60	1997	-0.7900	0.0882
22	Vanacker	1999	120	6	30	17	30	1999	1.0415	0.1588
23	Arellano	2000	13	22	467	9	468	2000	-0.8960	0.1523
24	Arellano	2000	31	70	241	63	242	2000	-0.1095	0.0219
25	Apfel	2004	108	638	2050	721	2036	2004	0.1292	0.0020
26	Fleischmann	2005	202	26	206	39	208	2005	0.3958	0.0544

27	Myles 2007	222	104	997	229	997	2007	0.7893	0.0120
28	El-Galley 2007	138	4	16	6	12	2007	0.6931	0.2708
29	Mraovic 2008	73	7	46	20	91	2008	0.3676	0.1601

```
# function code
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```
# glmm OR models
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```
N200.rma.glmm <- rma.glmm(ai = ai, n1i = n1i, ci = ci, n2i = n2i, measure = 'OR', data =  
N20.df,
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      slab = as.character(studlab), model = 'CM.EL', method = 'ML',
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      tdist = T)
```

```
N201.rma.glmm <- rma.glmm(ai = ai, n1i = n1i, ci = ci, n2i = n2i, measure = 'OR', data =  
N20.df, mods = duration,
```

```
      slab = as.character(studlab), model = 'CM.EL', method = 'ML', tdist =
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```
      T)
```

```
summary(N200.rma.glmm)
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summary(N201.rma.glmm)
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```
predict(N200.rma.glmm, transf = exp)
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```
predict(N201.rma.glmm, newmods = c(0, 60, 120), transf = exp)
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# linear mixed effects RR models
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```
N200.rma.uni <- rma.uni(yi = yi, vi = vi, method = 'REML', data = N20.df,  
                      slab = as.character(studlab), knha = T)
```

```
N201.rma.uni <- rma.uni(yi = yi, vi = vi, mods = duration, method = 'REML', data =  
N20.df,  
                      slab = as.character(studlab), knha = T)
```

```
summary(N200.rma.uni)
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```
predict(N200.rma.uni, transf = exp)
```

```
summary(N201.rma.uni)
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```
predict(N201.rma.uni, transf = exp, newmods = c(0, 60, 120))
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### metaLik (higher order likelihoods) model
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```
require(metaLik)
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N200.metaLik <- metaLik(formula = yi ~ 1, data = N20.df, sigma2 = vi)
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N201.metaLik <- metaLik(formula = yi ~ duration, data = N20.df, sigma2 = vi)
```

```
summary(N200.metaLik)
```

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summary(N201.metaLik)
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```
# calculation of pairwise RR 95% CI
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exp(coefficients(N200.metaLik))
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exp(profile(N200.metaLik)$lower.rskow)
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```
exp(profile(N200.metaLik)$upper.rskow)
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### mmeta (exact Bayesian) model
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```
require(dplyr)
```

```
N20.mmeta.df <- select(N20.df, y1 = ci, n1 = n2i, y2 = ai, n2 = n1i, studynames =  
studlab)
```

```
require(mmeta)
```

```
N200.OR.multipletables <- multipletables(data = N20.mmeta.df, measure = 'OR',  
                                         model = 'Independent', method = 'exact')
```

```
summary(N200.OR.multipletables)
```

```
N200.RR.multipletables <- multipletables(data = N20.mmeta.df, measure = 'RR',  
                                         model = 'Independent', method = 'exact')
```

```
summary(N200.RR.multipletables)
```

```
# statistical output
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```
> summary(N200.rma.glmm)
```

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Random-Effects Model (k = 29; tau^2 estimator: ML)
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Model Type: Conditional Model with Exact Likelihood
```

logLik	deviance	AIC	BIC	AICc
-80.6163	61.3471	165.2325	165.6941	167.9671

```
tau^2 (estimated amount of total heterogeneity): 0.2332 (SE = 0.1297)
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tau (square root of estimated tau^2 value): 0.4829
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I^2 (total heterogeneity / total variability): 73.17%
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H^2 (total variability / sampling variability): 3.73
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Tests for Heterogeneity:
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Wld(df = 28) = 85.5000, p-val < .0001
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LRT(df = 28) = 92.7126, p-val < .0001

Model Results:

estimate	se	tval	pval	ci.lb	ci.ub
0.2103	0.1248	1.6853	0.1030	-0.0453	0.4659

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

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> summary(N201.rma.glmm)

Mixed-Effects Model (k = 29; tau² estimator: ML)

Model Type: Conditional Model with Exact Likelihood

logLik	deviance	AIC	BIC	AICc
-79.6050	59.3245	165.2100	166.1700	169.3119

tau^2 (estimated amount of residual heterogeneity): 0.1403 (SE = 0.1230)

tau (square root of estimated tau^2 value): 0.3746

I^2 (residual heterogeneity / unaccounted variability): 60.00%

H^2 (unaccounted variability / sampling variability): 2.50

Tests for Residual Heterogeneity:

Wld(df = 27) = 55.4480, p-val = 0.0010

LRT(df = 27) = 61.8525, p-val = 0.0002

Test of Moderators (coefficient(s) 2):

F(df1 = 1, df2 = 27) = 2.5058, p-val = 0.1251

Model Results:

		se	tval	pval	ci.lb	ci.ub
intrcpt	-0.0675	0.2073	-0.3256	0.7472	-0.4929	0.3579
mods	0.0027	0.0017	1.5830	0.1251	-0.0008	0.0062

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

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```
> predict(N200.rma.glmm, transf = exp)
```

	pred	ci.lb	ci.ub	cr.lb	cr.ub
	1.2340	0.9557	1.5934	0.4442	3.4281

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```
> predict(N201.rma.glmm, newmods = c(0, 60, 120), transf = exp)
```

	pred	ci.lb	ci.ub	cr.lb	cr.ub
1	0.9347	0.6109	1.4303	0.3883	2.2499

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2 1.1005 0.8415 1.4391 0.4876 2.4837
```

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3 1.2956 1.0301 1.6295 0.5810 2.8893
```

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```
> summary(N200.rma.uni)
```

```
Random-Effects Model (k = 29; tau^2 estimator: REML)
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logLik	deviance	AIC	BIC	AICc
-22.8325	45.6649	49.6649	52.3293	50.1449

```
tau^2 (estimated amount of total heterogeneity): 0.1007 (SE = 0.0487)
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tau (square root of estimated tau^2 value): 0.3174
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I^2 (total heterogeneity / total variability): 72.40%
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H^2 (total variability / sampling variability): 3.62
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```
Test for Heterogeneity:
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Q(df = 28) = 85.8655, p-val < .0001

Model Results:

estimate	se	tval	pval	ci.lb	ci.ub
0.1303	0.0921	1.4152	0.1680	-0.0583	0.3189

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

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> predict(N200.rma.uni, transf = exp)

pred	ci.lb	ci.ub	cr.lb	cr.ub
1.1392	0.9434	1.3757	0.5789	2.2417

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> summary(N201.rma.uni)

Mixed-Effects Model (k = 29; tau^2 estimator: REML)

logLik	deviance	AIC	BIC	AICc
-20.7828	41.5655	47.5655	51.4530	48.6090

tau^2 (estimated amount of residual heterogeneity): 0.0477 (SE = 0.0306)

tau (square root of estimated tau^2 value): 0.2185

I^2 (residual heterogeneity / unaccounted variability): 54.41%

H^2 (unaccounted variability / sampling variability): 2.19

R^2 (amount of heterogeneity accounted for): 52.62%

Test for Residual Heterogeneity:

QE(df = 27) = 57.6410, p-val = 0.0005

Test of Moderators (coefficient(s) 2):

F(df1 = 1, df2 = 27) = 4.1107, p-val = 0.0526

Model Results:

		se	tval	pval	ci.lb	ci.ub
intrcpt	-0.1318	0.1532	-0.8606	0.3970	-0.4461	0.1825
mods	0.0026	0.0013	2.0275	0.0526	-0.0000	0.0052 .

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

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> predict(N2O1.rma.uni, transf = exp, newmods = c(0, 60, 120))

	pred	ci.lb	ci.ub	cr.lb	cr.ub
1	0.8765	0.6401	1.2002	0.5070	1.5153
2	1.0221	0.8374	1.2476	0.6258	1.6693

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3 1.1919 1.0051 1.4135 0.7379 1.9254
```

```
> summary(N2O0.metaLik)
```

Likelihood inference in random-effects meta-analysis models

Call:

```
metaLik(formula = yi ~ 1, data = N2O.df, sigma2 = vi)
```

Estimated heterogeneity parameter $\tau^2 = 0.0912$

Test for heterogeneity $Q = 85.87$ (pval < 0.0001)

Fixed-effects:

	estimate	std.err.	signed logLRT	p-value	Skovgaard	p-value
(Intercept)	0.1301	0.0811	1.555	0.1199	1.45	0.1471

Log-likelihood: 3.7114

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> summary(N2O1.metaLik)

Likelihood inference in random-effects meta-analysis models

Call:

metaLik(formula = yi ~ duration, data = N2O.df, sigma2 = vi)

Estimated heterogeneity parameter tau2 = 0.02801

Test for heterogeneity Q = 57.64 (pval = 0.000533)

Fixed-effects:

	estimate	std.err.	signed logLRT	p-value	Skovgaard	p-value
(Intercept)	-0.1490	0.1182	-1.1507	0.2499	-0.7199	0.4716
duration	0.0027	0.0010	2.2176	0.0266	1.7201	0.0854

Log-likelihood: 6.1702

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> # calculation of pairwise RR 95% CI

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> exp(coefficients(N200.metaLik))

(Intercept)

1.13899

> exp(profile(N200.metaLik)\$lower.rskow)

0.9525714

> exp(profile(N200.metaLik)\$upper.rskow)

1.365702

> summary(N200.OR.multipletables)

Model: Independent Beta-Binomial Model

Overall Odds ratio

Estimate: 1.212

95% CI: [0.803,1.83]

Maximum likelihood estimates of hyperparameters:

a1 =2.168, b1 =5.23, a2 =2.745, b2 =5.464, rho =0

Likelihood ratio test for within-group correlation (H0: rho=0):

chi2: 2.344; p-value: 0.13

Study-Specific Odds ratio:

	Mean	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
14	1.321	0.563	2.689
12	1.486	0.675	2.822
15	5.588	1.085	19.374
17	1.060	0.677	1.579
17	1.235	0.789	1.841
4	2.726	0.807	7.015
23	1.499	0.527	3.435
10	1.162	0.587	2.098
6	1.255	0.771	1.929

22	1.299	0.308	3.580
20	1.177	0.380	2.804
27	2.586	0.529	8.169
21	1.232	0.382	3.047
25	0.619	0.199	1.445
1	3.004	0.708	9.314
9	0.329	0.073	0.923
11	1.796	0.531	4.535
13	5.151	1.001	16.741
19	1.198	0.291	3.337
24	0.762	0.160	2.222
5	0.395	0.169	0.779
26	4.523	1.469	11.121
3	0.493	0.222	0.912
3	0.887	0.589	1.294
2	1.216	1.068	1.378

8	1.636	0.944	2.687
18	2.561	1.974	3.256
7	2.780	0.606	8.274
16	1.620	0.636	3.581
Overall	1.212	0.803	1.830

>

```
> N200.RR.multipletables <- multipletables(data = N20.mmeta.df, measure = 'RR',  
+                                           model = 'Independent', method = 'exact')
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There were 50 or more warnings (use warnings() to see the first 50)

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```
> summary(N200.RR.multipletables)
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Model: Independent Beta-Binomial Model

Overall Relative risk

Estimate: 1.141

95% CI: [0.859,1.515]

Maximum likelihood estimates of hyperparameters:

a1 =2.168, b1 =5.23, a2 =2.745, b2 =5.464, rho =0

Likelihood ratio test for within-group correlation (H0: rho=0):

chi2: 2.344; p-value: 0.13

Study-Specific Relative risk:

	Mean	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
14	1.148	0.715	1.747
12	1.216	0.826	1.760
15	4.231	1.093	13.907
17	1.030	0.779	1.324
17	1.137	0.853	1.492
4	2.071	0.884	4.438
23	1.280	0.656	2.303
10	1.066	0.777	1.475
6	1.130	0.868	1.446

22	1.179	0.424	2.644
20	1.062	0.602	1.758
27	1.848	0.664	4.508
21	1.101	0.545	2.014
25	0.735	0.373	1.252
1	2.642	0.720	7.536
9	0.512	0.213	0.964
11	1.334	0.716	2.291
13	3.096	1.035	8.239
19	1.087	0.416	2.332
24	0.768	0.197	1.972
5	0.519	0.282	0.839
26	2.614	1.258	5.197
3	0.500	0.229	0.918
3	0.915	0.680	1.203
2	1.140	1.044	1.241

8	1.506	0.955	2.275
18	2.198	1.779	2.704
7	1.859	0.724	4.180
16	1.475	0.702	2.889
Overall	1.141	0.859	1.515