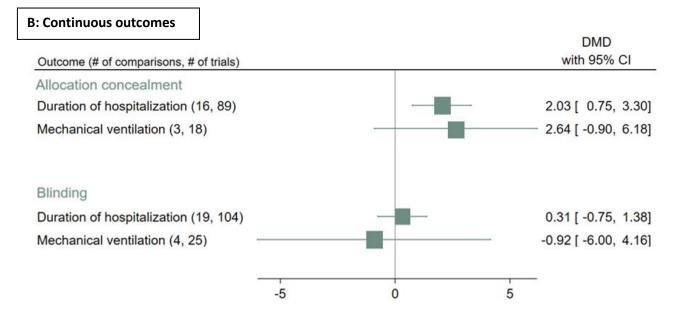
ROR Outcome (# of comparisons, # of trials) with 95% CI Allocation concealment Mortality (18, 194) 1.14 [0.92, 1.41] Mechanical ventilation (14, 95) 1.26 [0.97, 1.64] Hospitalization (1,5) 1.93 [0.83, 4.48] Blinding 1.00 [0.87, 1.15] Mortality (23, 217) Mechanical ventilation (16, 101) 1.03 [0.84, 1.26] Hospitalization (2,8) 1.87 [0.95, 3.68] 2

A: Dichotomous outcomes



This forest plot presents ratios of odds ratios (RORs) for dichotomous outcomes and differences in mean differences (DMDs) for continuous outcomes. Point estimates are presented as squares and 95% confidence intervals are presented as horizontal lines. The number of trials and comparisons that contributed to each estimate is presented in parentheses.

ROR > 1 or DMD > 0 suggests that trials without blinding or allocation concealment estimate treatments to be more beneficial compared to trials with blinding or allocation concealment.