

## Supplementary material

**Title:** Cell-based therapies for experimental chronic kidney disease: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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**Table S1.** Study characteristics (A- animal strain; G-gender; NV – number of animals in vehicle group; NC – number animals in cell-based treated group). Other abbreviations are listed in the legends of Tables S1 and S2.

Author, year	A	Strain	G	NV	NC	Model	Cell type	# cells	Route	Timing	Days after induction	
											Start therapy	End study
(Alexandre et al., 2009)	rat	Fischer 344	M	8	8	5/6 Nx	Lin <sup>-</sup> BM	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	15	60
(Alexandre et al., 2009)	rat	Fischer 344	M		8	5/6 Nx	Lin <sup>-</sup> BM	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	15, 30, 45	60
(Alexandre et al., 2009)	rat	Fischer 344	M	12	7	5/6 Nx	Lin <sup>-</sup> BM	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	15	120
(Alfarano et al., 2012)	rat	Lewis	F	8	8	Unx + IRI + CsA	MSC melatonin pretreated	3*10 <sup>6</sup>	Parenchymal	Rescue	7	28
(Alfarano et al., 2012)	rat	Lewis	F	8	8	Unx + IRI + CsA	MSC melatonin pretreated	3*10 <sup>6</sup>	Parenchymal	Rescue	14	28
(Bian et al., 2014)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	6	6	5/6 Nx	MSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	56
(Bian et al., 2014)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	6	6	5/6 Nx	MSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	56	84
(Bian et al., 2014)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	6	6	5/6 Nx	MSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	84	112
(Bian et al., 2014)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	6	6	5/6 Nx	MSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	112	140
(Burst et al., 2013)	rat	Lewis	F	7	7	Unx + IRI	Lin <sup>-</sup> CD90 <sup>+</sup> HSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intra-arterial	Prevention	0	7
(Caldas et al., 2011)	rat	Wistar	F	5	5	2/3 Nx	MSC	2,5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Scaffold kidney	Prevention	0	90
(Caldas et al., 2011)	rat	Wistar	F		5	2/3 Nx	BMMNC	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Scaffold kidney	Prevention	0	90
(Caldas et al., 2011)	rat	Wistar	F	5	5	5/6 Nx	MSC	2,5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Scaffold kidney	Prevention	0	90
(Caldas et al., 2011)	rat	Wistar	F		5	5/6 Nx	BMMNC	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Scaffold kidney	Prevention	0	90
(Caldas et al., 2008)	rat	Wistar	M	5	5	5/6 Nx	BMMNC	1,5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Parenchymal	Prevention	0	119
(Caldas et al., 2008)	rat	Wistar	M		5	5/6 Nx	MSC	1,5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Parenchymal	Prevention	0	119
(Cantaluppi et al., 2012)	rat	Wistar	M	6	6	Unx + IRI	EPC MV	30ug	Intravenous	Prevention	0	180
(Cao et al., 2013)	mou se	Balb/c	M	7	7	Adriamycin	BM-M0	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	5	28

(Cao et al., 2013)	mou se	Balb/c	M		7	Adriamycin	BM-M2	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	5	28
(Cao et al., 2013)	mou se	Balb/c	M		7	Adriamycin	SP-M0	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	5	28
(Cao et al., 2013)	mou se	Balb/c	M		7	Adriamycin	SP-M2	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	5	28
(Castiglione et al., 2013)	rat	Wistar	M	10	10	DN	BMMNC	20*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	112
(Cavaglieri et al., 2009)	rat	Wistar	M	10	10	5/6 Nx	MSC	2*10 <sup>5</sup>	Subcapsular	Prevention	0	15
(Cavaglieri et al., 2009)	rat	Wistar	M	10	10	5/6 Nx	MSC	2*10 <sup>5</sup>	Subcapsular	Prevention	0	30
(Chade et al., 2010)	pig	domestic	?	7	7	RAS	EPC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	70
(Chade et al., 2009)	pig	domestic	?	7	7	RAS	EPC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	70
(Challen et al., 2006)	mou se	BALB/c	?	3	3	Adriamycin	MP	3*10 <sup>5</sup>	Parenchymal/ intrarenal artery	Prevention	0	7
(Challen et al., 2006)	mou se	BALB/c	?	3	3	Adriamycin	SP	3*10 <sup>5</sup>	Parenchymal/ intrarenal artery	Prevention	0	7
(Chang et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	6	6	5/6 Nx	chMSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	0, 14, 28, 42, 56, 70, 84, 98	112
(Chang et al., 2011)	mou se	NZB/W F1	F	8	8	Lupus nephritis	hU-MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	61	244
(Chang et al., 2011)	mou se	NZB/W F1	F	8	7	Lupus nephritis	hU-MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	183	244
(Chen et al., 2009)	mou se	Db/Db	M	5	6	DN	BMMNC db/m	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	112, 122, 132, 142	161
(Chen et al., 2009)	mou se	Db/Db	M		6	DN	BMMNC db/db	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	112, 122, 132, 142	161
(Chen et al., 2009)	mou se	Db/Db	M	4	5	DN	BMMNC db/db ex vivo Ebselen	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	112, 122, 132, 142	161
(Chen et al., 2009)	mou se	Db/Db	M		5	DN	BMMNC db/db in vivo Ebselen	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	112, 122, 132, 142	161
(Choi et al., 2009)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	F	3	3	5/6 Nx	MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1	60
(Chung et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	8	8	CsA	hADMSC	3*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	0, 7, 14, 21	28
(De Chiara et al., 2014)	mou se	129sv/C57	F	10	10	Unx + IRI	GTC	2.5*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	0	42
(Donizetti-Oliveira et al., 2012)	mou se	C57BL/6J	F	6	6	IRI	ADSC	2*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intraperitoneal	Prevention	0	42
(Donizetti-Oliveira et al., 2012)	mou se	C57BL/6J	F	6	6	IRI	ADSC	2*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intraperitoneal	Rescue	42	70
(Du et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	3	3	IRI	hWJ-MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	2	42
(Ebrahimi et al., 2012)	pig	Domestic	F	7	7	RAS	EPC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	70
(Eirin et al., 2014)	pig	Domestic	F	6	6	RAS	ADMSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	77
(Eirin et al., 2013)	pig	Domestic	?	7	7	RAS	EOC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	70
(Eirin et al., 2013)	pig	Domestic	?	7	7	RAS + PTR	EOC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	70
(Eirin et al., 2012)	pig	Domestic	F	7	7	RAS	ADMSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	70
(Ezquer et al., 2009)	mou se	C57BL/6J	M	8	8	DN	MSC	0.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	30, 51	119
(Fang et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	8	8	DN	ADMSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	84
(Franquesa et al., 2012)	rat	Lewis	M	4	4	CAN	BM	0.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	77	84
(Franquesa et al., 2012)	rat	Lewis	M	4	7	CAN	MSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	77	84

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(Franquesa et al., 2012)	rat	Lewis	M	7	5	CAN	BM	0,5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	77	168	
(Franquesa et al., 2012)	rat	Lewis	M	7	7	CAN	MSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	77	168	
(Furuhashi et al., 2013)	rat	WKY/NCrj	F	7	13	anti-GBM GN	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	7	
(Furuhashi et al., 2013)	rat	WKY/NCrj	F		7	7	anti-GBM GN	HASC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	7
(Furuhashi et al., 2013)	rat	WKY/NCrj	F	7	7	anti-GBM GN	HASC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	14	
(Furuhashi et al., 2013)	rat	WKY/NCrj	F		8	8	anti-GBM GN	LASC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	14
(Gatti et al., 2011)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	6	6	UNX + IRI	hMSC MV	30ug	Intravenous	Prevention	0	182	
(Gu et al., 2010)	mouse	MRL/lpr	F	6	8	Lupus nephritis	hU-MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	126	203	
(Gu et al., 2010)	mouse	MRL/lpr	F		8	8	Lupus nephritis	hU-MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	126, 133, 140	203
(Gu et al., 2010)	mouse	MRL/lpr	F		8	8	Lupus nephritis	MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	126	203
(Guo et al., 2014)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	30	30	Adriamycin	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	14, 21	70	
(Harrison et al., 2013)	mouse	Ctns(-/-)	M	9	8	Cystinosis	HSPC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	77	365	
(He et al., 2012)	mouse	C57BL/6J	?	6	10	5/6 Nx	MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	2	9	
(He et al., 2012)	mouse	C57BL/6J	?		10	10	5/6 Nx	MSC MV	30ug	Intravenous	Prevention	2, 3, 5	9
(Huang et al., 2012)	rat	?	?	10	10	NSN	MSC	0,3*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Prevention	6	21	
(Huang et al., 2012)	rat	?	?		10	10	NSN	GDNF-MSC	0,3*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Prevention	6	21
(Hyun et al., 2012)	mouse	HIGA	F	7	5	IgAN	ADSC preonset disease	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	168, 182, 196, 210, 224, 238	252	
(Hyun et al., 2012)	mouse	HIGA	F		6	6	IgAN	ADSC postonset disease	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	168, 182, 196, 210, 224, 238	252
(Hyun et al., 2012)	mouse	HIGA	F		8	8	IgAN	hADSC	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	168, 182, 196, 210, 224, 238	252
(Jiao et al., 2011)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	F	15	15	Adriamycin	MMC	5-7*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	56	112	
(Kunter et al., 2007)	rat	Lewis	M	10	10	Unx + aThy	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Prevention	2	60	
(Lee et al., 2010)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	F	8	16	5/6 Nx	MSC	3*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1	56	
(Lee et al., 2010)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	F		8	8	5/6 Nx	MSC	3*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 7, 14, 21, 28	56
(Lee et al., 2010)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	F		16	16	5/6 Nx	MC	3*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1	56
(Li et al., 2012)	rat	Wistar	F	10	10	CAAN	MSC	20*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	84	
(Li et al., 2010)	mouse	C57BL/6	?	5	5	IRI	hADMSC	5*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	0	183	
(Lv et al., 2013)	rat	Wistar	F	16	16	DN	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	56	112	
(Ma, H. et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	6	6	Adriamycin	hU-MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1	84	
(Ma, H. et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M		6	6	Adriamycin	hU-MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 8, 15, 22	84
(Ma, Hualin et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	6	6	Adriamycin	hU-MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1	28	
(Ma, Hualin et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M		6	6	Adriamycin	hU-MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 8, 15, 22	28
(Ma, Hualin et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M		6	6	Adriamycin	hU-MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intraperitoneal	Prevention	1, 8, 15, 22	28
(Ma, Hualin et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M		6	6	Adriamycin	supernatant hU-MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 8, 15, 22	28
(Masoad et al., 2012)	rat	?	M	10	10	DN	hUB-MNC	150*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	?	?	8	

(Ninichuk et al., 2006)	mou se	COL4A3 KO	?	10	10	Alport syndrome	MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	42, 49, 56, 63	66	
(Nur et al., 2008)	mou se	TC KO	M	6	6	HSV	DFAT	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	0	21	
(Oliveira-Sales et al., 2013)	rat	Wistar	M	8	7	2K-1C	MSC	2.5*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	21, 35	42	
(Park, J. H. et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	M	7	7	DN	hUB-SC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	70	
(Park, Jong Hee et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	M	7	7	DN	hUB-SC	0.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	2	28	
(Ratliff et al., 2010)	mou se	Balb/c	?		6	Adriamycin	EPC	5*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	0	21	
(Sangidorj et al., 2010)	mou se	C57BL/6	M	4	20	5/6 Nx	EPC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 7	28	
(Sangidorj et al., 2010)	mou se	C57BL/6	M	4	16	5/6 Nx	EPC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 7	56	
(Sangidorj et al., 2010)	mou se	C57BL/6	M	4	12	5/6 Nx	EPC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 7	84	
(Sangidorj et al., 2010)	mou se	C57BL/6	M	4	8	5/6 Nx	EPC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 7	112	
(Sangidorj et al., 2010)	mou se	C57BL/6	M	4	4	5/6 Nx	EPC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 7	140	
(Semedo et al., 2010)	mou se	C57BL/6	F	5	5	IRI	BM-MNC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intraperitoneal	Prevention	0	42	
(Semedo et al., 2009)	rat	Wistar	F	7	7	5/6 Nx	MSC	2*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	14	84	
(Semedo et al., 2009)	rat	Wistar	F	7	7	5/6 Nx	MSC	2*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	14, 28, 42	56	
(Shuai et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	F		8	5/6 Nx	EPC	1*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	7	28	
(Shuai et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	F	8	8	5/6 Nx	empty plasmid- EPC	1*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	7	28	
(Shuai et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	F	8	8	5/6 Nx	TERT-EPC	1*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	7	28	
(Shuai et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	F		8	5/6 Nx	EPC	1*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	7	56	
(Shuai et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	F	8	8	5/6 Nx	empty plasmid- EPC	1*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	7	56	
(Shuai et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	F	8	8	5/6 Nx	TERT-EPC	1*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	7	56	
(Shuai et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	F		8	5/6 Nx	EPC	1*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	7	84	
(Shuai et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	F	8	8	5/6 Nx	empty plasmid- EPC	1*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	7	84	
(Shuai et al., 2012)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	F	8	8	5/6 Nx	TERT-EPC	1*10 <sup>5</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	7	84	
(Togel et al., 2009)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	M	6	6	IRI	MSC	1.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intra-arterial	Prevention	0	90	
(Togel et al., 2009)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	M		6	IRI	MSC	0.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intra-arterial	Prevention	0	90	
(Togel et al., 2009)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	M	6	6	IRI	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intra-arterial	Prevention	0	90	
(Togel et al., 2009)	rat	Sprague- Dawley	M		6	IRI	MSC	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intra-arterial	Prevention	0	90	
(Togel et al., 2009)	rat	F334	M	6	6	IRI	MSC	0.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intra-arterial	Prevention	0	90	
(Togel et al., 2009)	rat	F334	M		6	IRI	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intra-arterial	Prevention	0	90	
(Togel et al., 2009)	rat	F334	M	6	6	IRI	MSC	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intra-arterial	Prevention	0	90	
(Urbieta-Caceres et al., 2012)	pig	Domestic	?	6	6	RAS	EPC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	70	
(van Koppen et al., 2012b)	rat	Lewis	M	8	8	5/6 Nx	BM	50*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	84	
(van Koppen et al., 2012b)	rat	Lewis	M		9	7	5/6 Nx	BM	50*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	140
(van Koppen et al., 2012b)	rat	Lewis	M		9	7	5/6 Nx	CKD BM	50*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	140

(van Koppen et al., 2012a)	rat	Lewis	M	13	13	5/6 Nx	hMSC CM	50 $\mu\text{g}/250 \mu\text{l}$	Intravenous	Rescue	42, 43, 44, 45	84
(van Koppen et al., 2012a)	rat	Lewis	M	7	8	5/6 Nx	hMSC Exo	7 $\mu\text{g}/250 \mu\text{l}$	Intravenous	Rescue	42, 43, 44, 45	84
(Villanueva et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	7	7	5/6 Nx	hADMSC	0.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	0	35
(Villanueva et al., 2011)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	7	7	5/6 Nx	MSC	0.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	35	42
(Wang et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	8	9	DN	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	28	56
(Yamaleyeva et al., 2012)	rat	RH-Foxn1 <sup>rmu</sup>	M	2	4	IRI + gentamicin	hPKC	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Parenchymal	Rescue	126	210
(Yamaleyeva et al., 2012)	rat	RH-Foxn1 <sup>rmu</sup>	M	2	4	IRI + gentamicin	F <sup>h</sup> PKC	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Parenchymal	Rescue	126	210
(Yuen et al., 2013)	rat	F344	M	9	8	5/6 Nx	EOC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	56
(Yuen et al., 2013)	rat	F344	M		9	5/6 Nx	EOC CM	0.5 ml	Intravenous	Rescue	28, 30, 32, 35, 37, 39	56
(Yuen et al., 2010)	rat	F334	M	15	11	5/6 Nx	BM CMC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intra-arterial	Rescue	28	56
(Yuen et al., 2010)	rat	F334	M		11	5/6 Nx	BM CMC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	56
(Yuen et al., 2010)	rat	F334	M		11	5/6 Nx	SC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	56
(Zhang, Y. et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	10	10	DN	MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	56
(Zhang, Y. et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M		10	DN	microbubble MSC	1*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	28	56
(Zhang, L. et al., 2013)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	8	8	DN	hASC	5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	84, 112, 140, 168, 196	224
(Zhang et al., 2012)	mouse	Db/Db	M	12	12	DN	EOC db/m	0.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	56	84
(Zhang et al., 2012)	mouse	Db/Db	M		12	DN	EOC db/db	0.5*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Rescue	56	84
(Zhou et al., 2009)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M	4	4	DN	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Cardiac infusion	Rescue	28	84
(Zhou et al., 2009)	rat	Sprague-Dawley	M		4	DN	MSC + CsA	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Cardiac infusion	Rescue	28	84
(Zhu et al., 2013)	pig	Domestic	F	7	6	RAS	MSC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	70
(Zhu et al., 2013)	pig	Domestic	F		6	RAS	EPC	10*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intrarenal artery	Rescue	42	70
(Zoja et al., 2012)	rat	Lewis	M	4	4	Adriamycin	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 2, 3, 5, 7	9
(Zoja et al., 2012)	rat	Lewis	M	4	4	Adriamycin	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 14	16
(Zoja et al., 2012)	rat	Lewis	M	4	4	Adriamycin	MSC	2*10 <sup>6</sup>	Intravenous	Prevention	1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 14, 21	30

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**Table S2. Pooled cell types.**

<i>BM</i>	<i>EPC</i>	<i>MSC</i>	<i>HSC</i>	<i>Embryonic</i>	<i>Organ specific</i>	<i>Cell product</i>	<i>Other</i>
BM	BM CMC	ADSC	HSPC	DFAT	GTC	EOC CM	BM-M0
BMMNC	EOC	chMSC	Lin <sup>-</sup> BM		hPKC	EPC MV	BM-M2
hUB-MNC	EPC	hADMSC	Lin <sup>-</sup> CD90 <sup>+</sup> HSC		MMC	hMSC CM	SP-M0
		hADSC			MP	hMSC Exo	SP-M2
		hHASC			SP	hMSC MV	
		hLASC				hU-MSC supernatant	
		hUB-MSC				MSC MV	
		hUB-SC					
		hU-MSC					
		hWJ-MSC					
		MSC					
		SC					

**Abbreviations:** ADSC, adipose-tissue derived stem cell; BM, bone marrow cells; BMMNC, bone marrow mononuclear cells; BM-CMC, bone marrow-derived culture modified cells; BM-M0, bone marrow derived macrophage; BM-M2, bone marrow derived activated macrophage; chMSC, conditioned human mesenchymal stem cell; DFAT, dedifferentiated fat cells; EOC, endothelial outgrowth cell; EOC CM; endothelial outgrowth cell derived conditioned medium; EPC, endothelial progenitor cell; EPC MV, endothelial progenitor cell derived micro vesicle; GTC, germline cell derived tubular-like cells; hPKC, human primary kidney cells; hUB-MNC, human umbilical cord blood mononuclear cell; hU-MSC, human umbilical cord MSC; hADMSC, human adipose tissue derived mesenchymal stem cell; hADSC, human adipose tissue derived stem cell; hHASC, human high serum level cultured adipose-tissue derived stromal cells; hLASC, human low serum level cultured adipose-tissue derived stromal cells; hMSC CM, human mesenchymal stem cell derived conditioned medium; hMSC Exo, human MSC derived exosomes; hMSC MV, human mesenchymal stem cell derived microvesicle; HSPC, hematopoietic stem and progenitor cell; hUB-MSC, human umbilical cord blood derived mesenchymal stem cell; hUB-SC, human umbilical cord blood derived stem cell; hWJ-MSC, human wharton's jelly derived mesenchymal stem cell; Lin<sup>-</sup> BM, lineage negative bone marrow cells; Lin<sup>-</sup>CD90<sup>+</sup>HSC, lineage negative CD90 positive hematopoietic stem cell, MMC, metanephric mesenchymal cell; MP, main population kidney cells; MSC, mesenchymal stem cell; MSC MV, MSC derived micro vesicles; SC, stromal cell; SP, side population kidney cells; SP-M0, spleen derived macrophage; SP-M2, spleen derived activated macrophage.

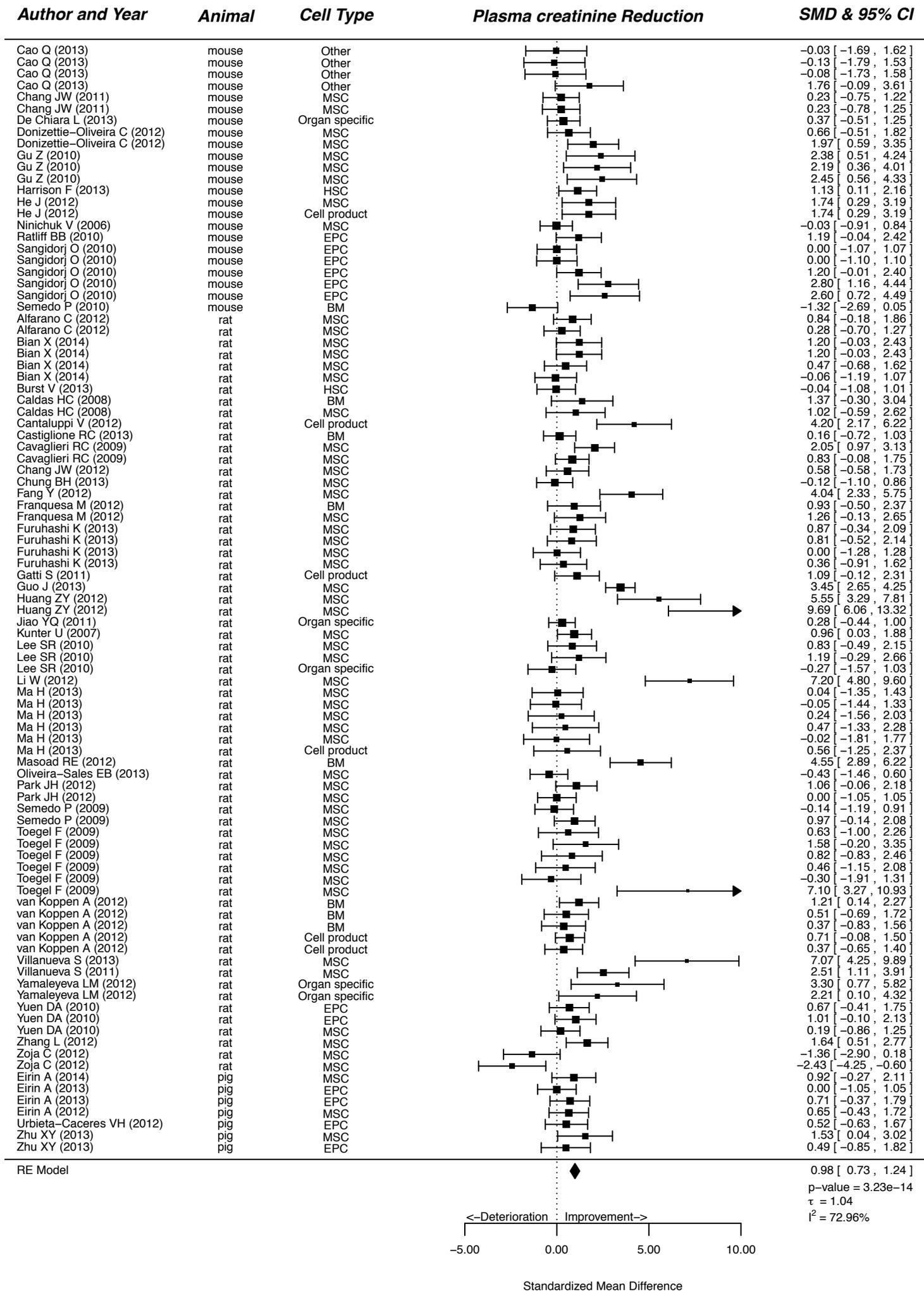
**Table S3. Pooled models.**

<i>Subtotal nephrectomy</i>	<i>Ischemia reperfusion</i>	<i>Diabetes</i>	<i>Toxic</i>	<i>Genetic non-diabetes</i>	<i>Hypertension</i>
2/3 Nx	IRI	DN (Db/Db)	Adriamycin	Alport syndrome	2K-1C
5/6 Nx	IRI + gentamicin	DN	Anti-GBM GN	Cystinosis	RAS
	Unx + IRI		CAAN	IgAN	RAS + PTRA
	Unx + IRI + CsA		CAN	Lupus nephritis	
			CsA		
			HSV		
			NSN		
			Unx + aThy		

**Abbreviations:** 2K-1C, two kidney-one clip; Anti-GBM GN, anti glomerular basement membrane glomerulonephritis; aThy; anti-Thy-1; CAN, chronic allograft nephropathy; CAAN, chronic aristolochic acid nephropathy; CsA, cyclosporine; DN, diabetic nephropathy; HSV, habu snake venom; IgAN, IgA nephropathy; IRI, ischemia reperfusion injury; NSN, nephrotoxic serum nephritis; Nx, nephrectomy; Unx, uninephrectomy; RAS, renal artery stenosis; PTRA, percutaneous transluminal renal angioplasty.

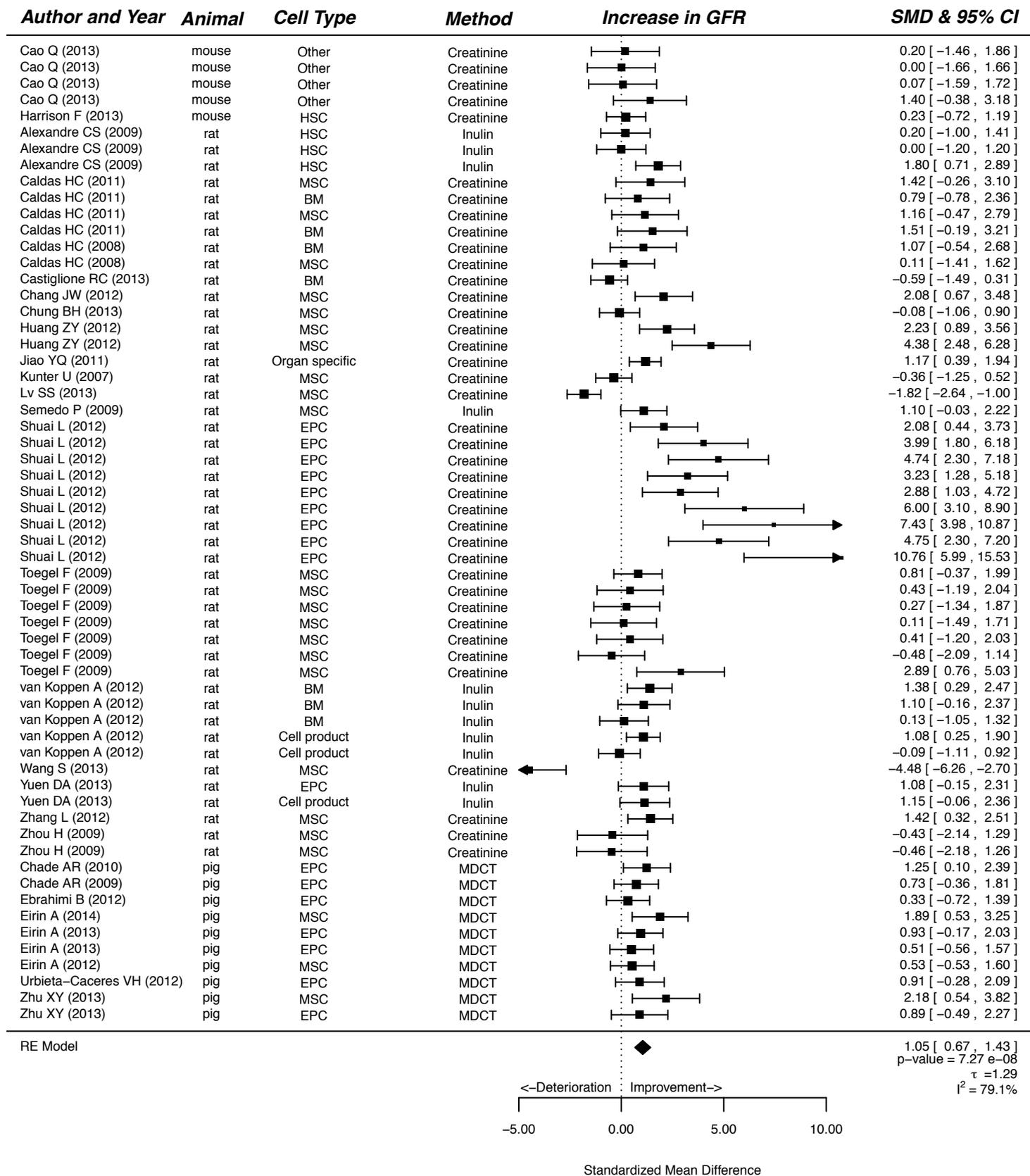
**Fig. S1. Effect of cell-based treatment in CKD on plasma creatinine.**

Forest plot, right side shows improvement by cell-based therapy. Data are presented as SMDs and 95% CI



**Fig. S2. Effect of cell-based treatment in CKD on glomerular filtration rate (GFR).**

Forest plot, right side shows improvement by cell-based therapy. Data are presented as SMDs and 95% CI.



**Fig. S3. Correlations between renal functional parameters and tissue injury parameters.**

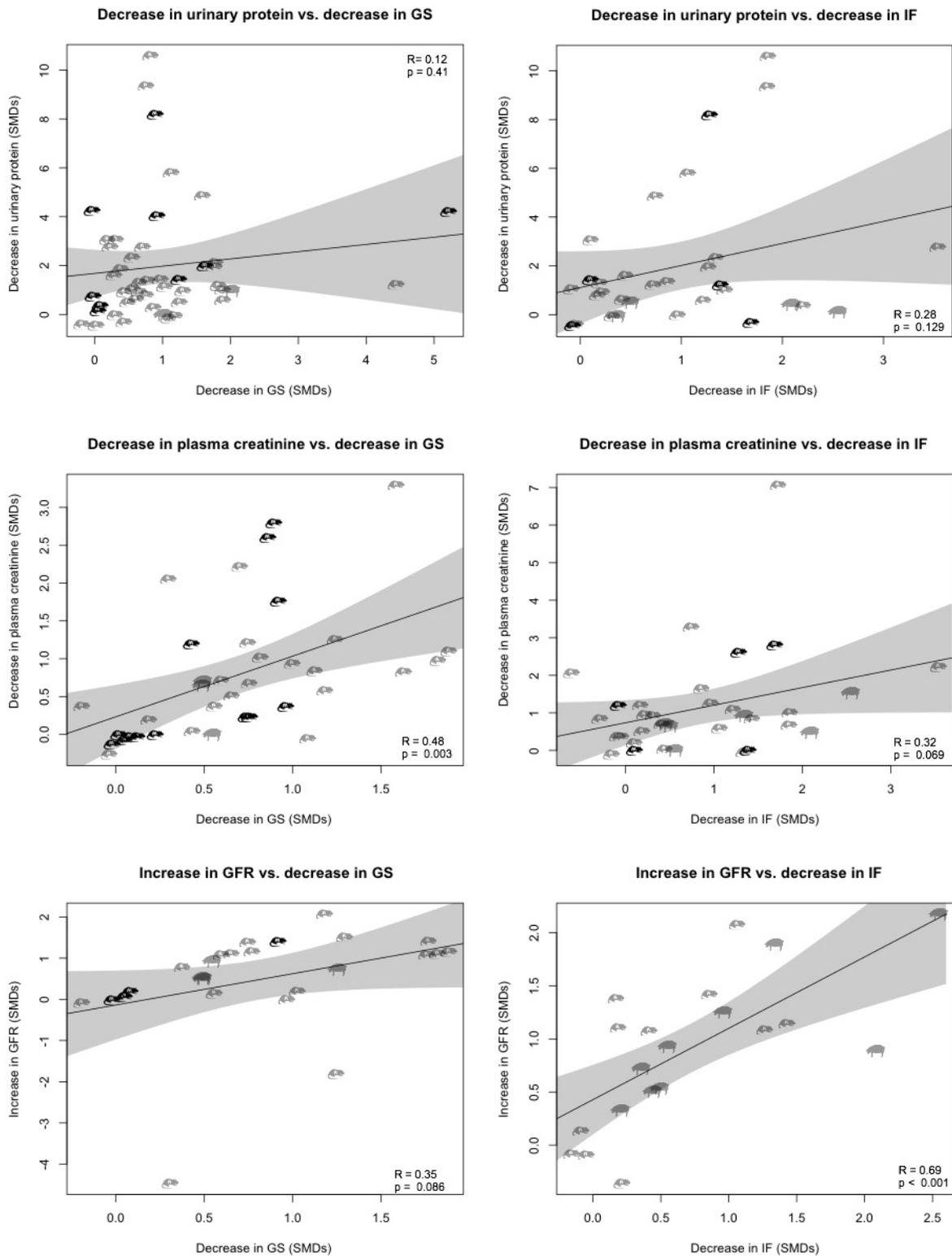
Decrease in urinary protein vs. decrease in glomerulosclerosis, GS (A);

decrease in urinary protein vs. decrease in interstitial fibrosis, IF (B);

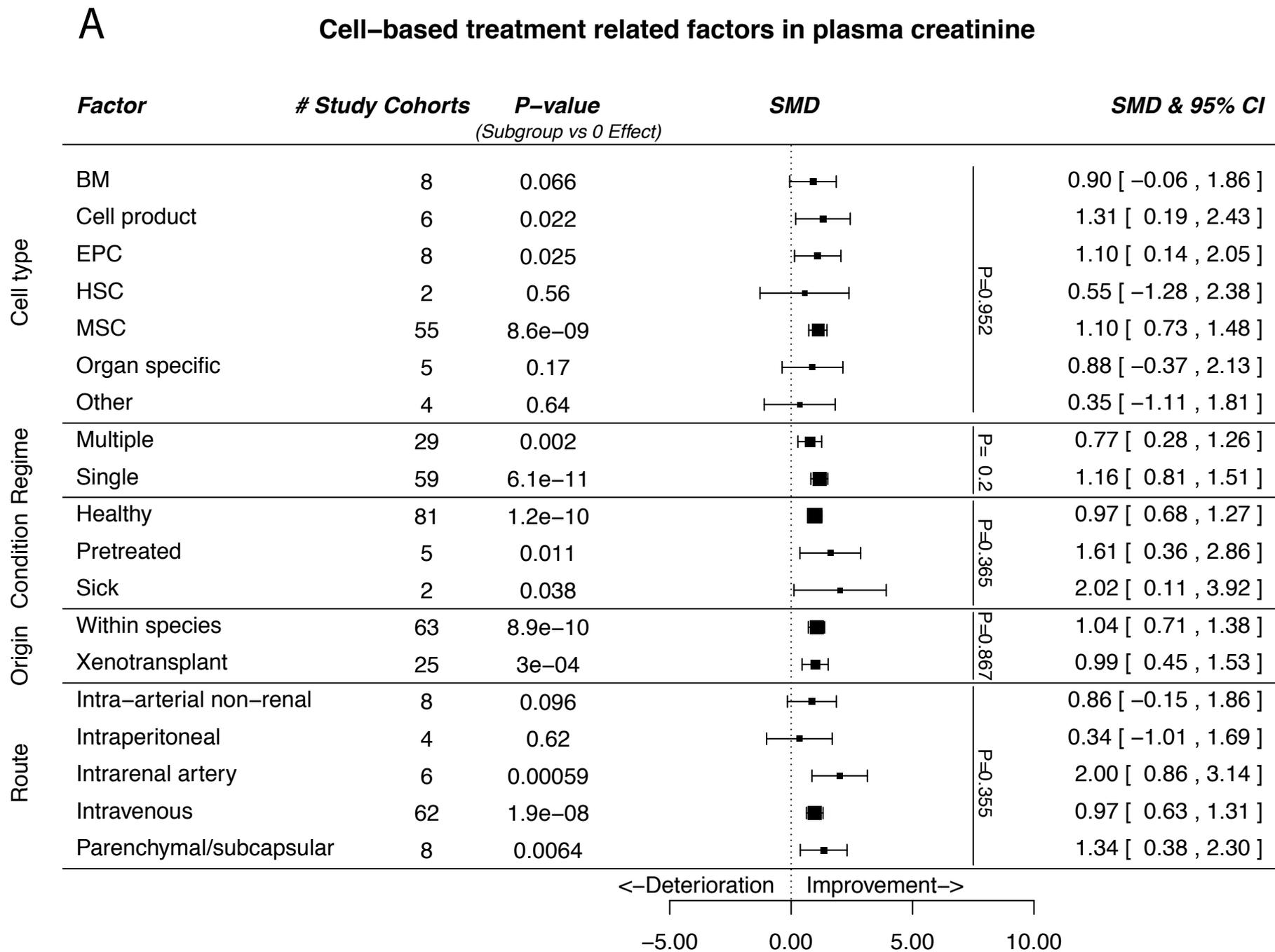
decrease in plasma creatinine vs. decrease in GS (C);

decrease in plasma creatinine vs. decrease in IF (D);

increase in glomerular filtration rate, GFR vs. decrease in GS (E); increase in GFR vs. decrease in IF (F).

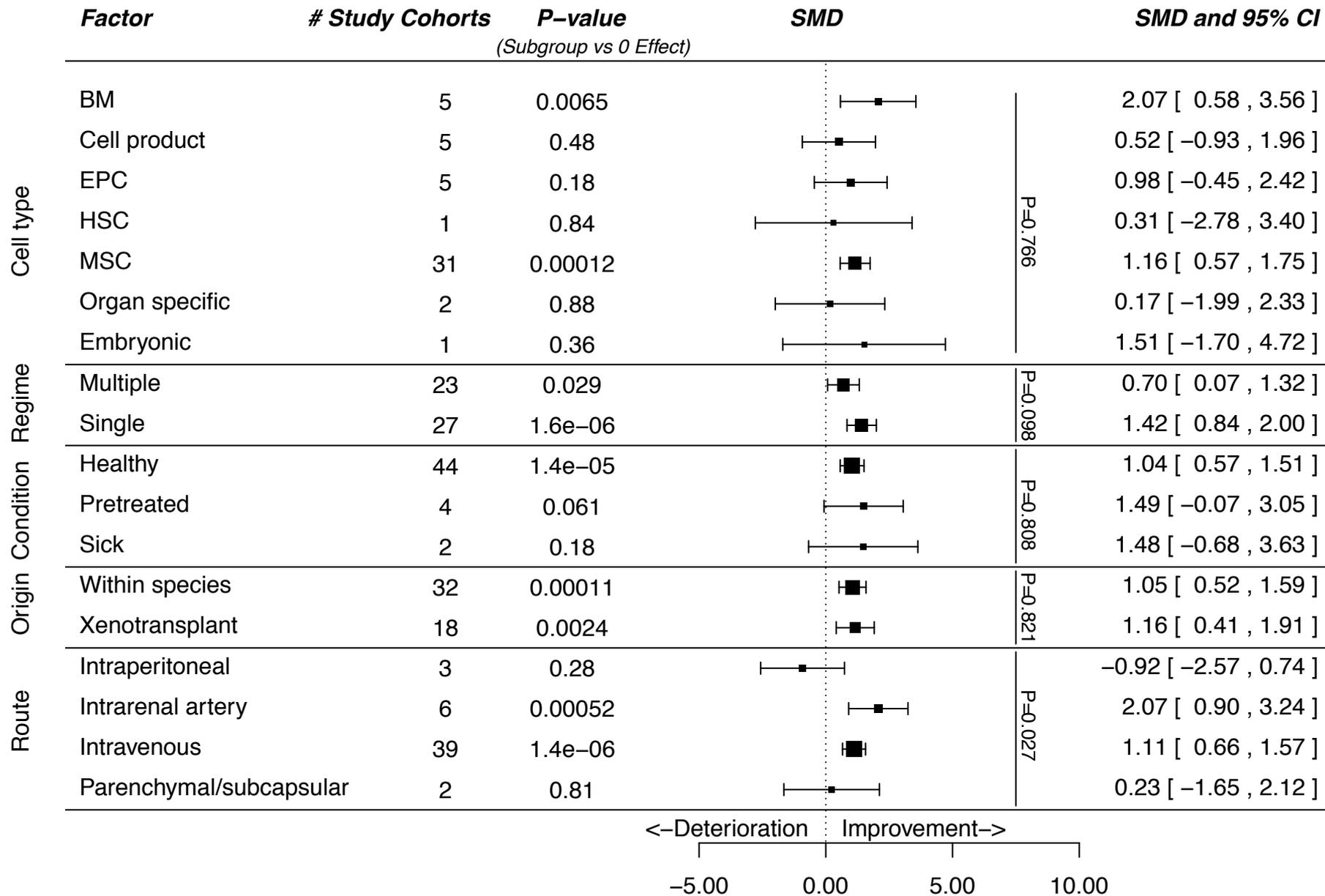


**Fig. S4. Subgroup analysis of cell-based treatment related factors.** Plasma creatinine (A), plasma urea (B), glomerular filtration rate, GFR (C), blood pressure, BP (D), urinary protein (E), glomerulosclerosis, GS (F) and interstitial fibrosis, IF (G). Right side shows improvement by cell-based therapy. Data are presented as SMDs and 95% CI.



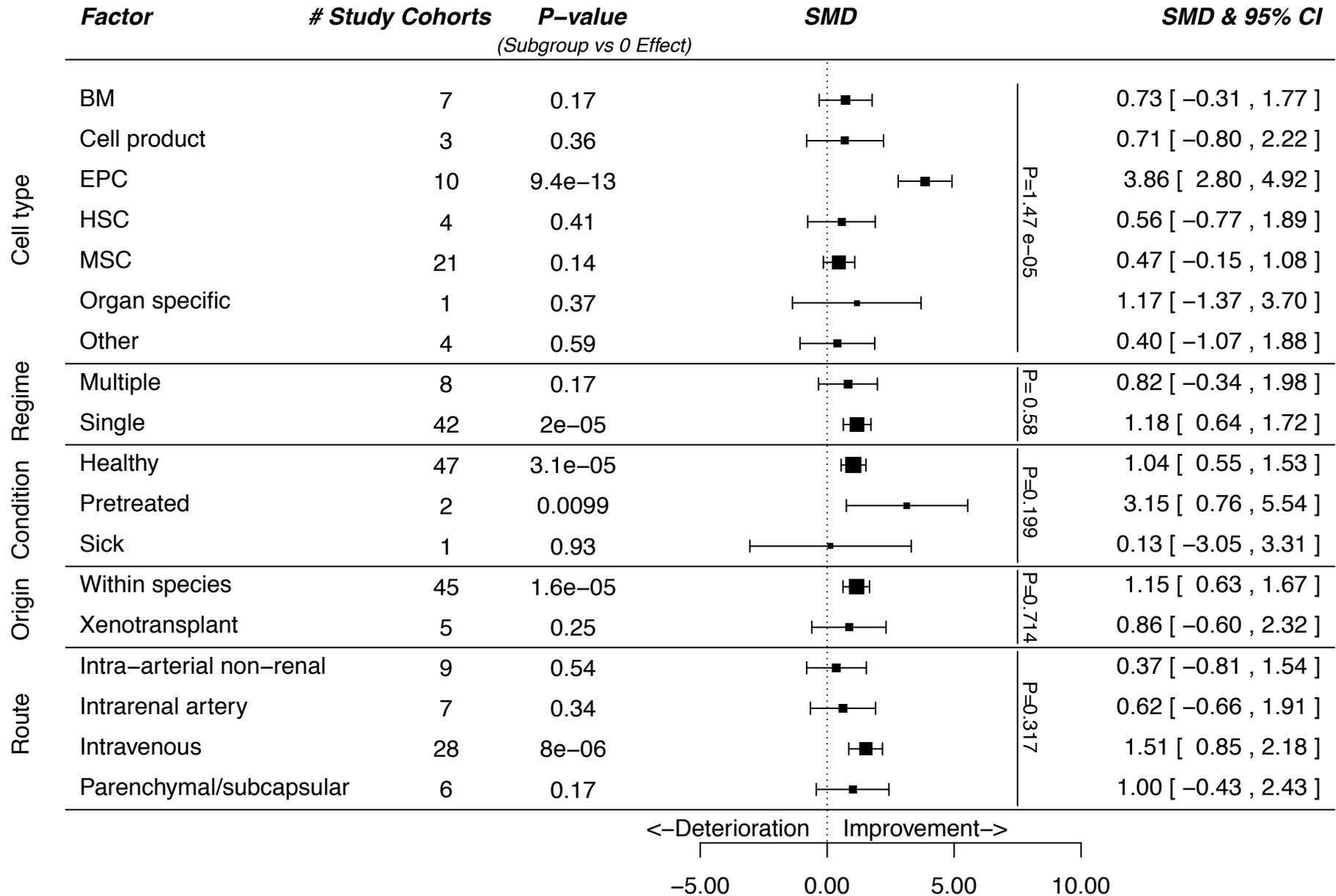
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## Cell-based treatment related factors in plasma urea



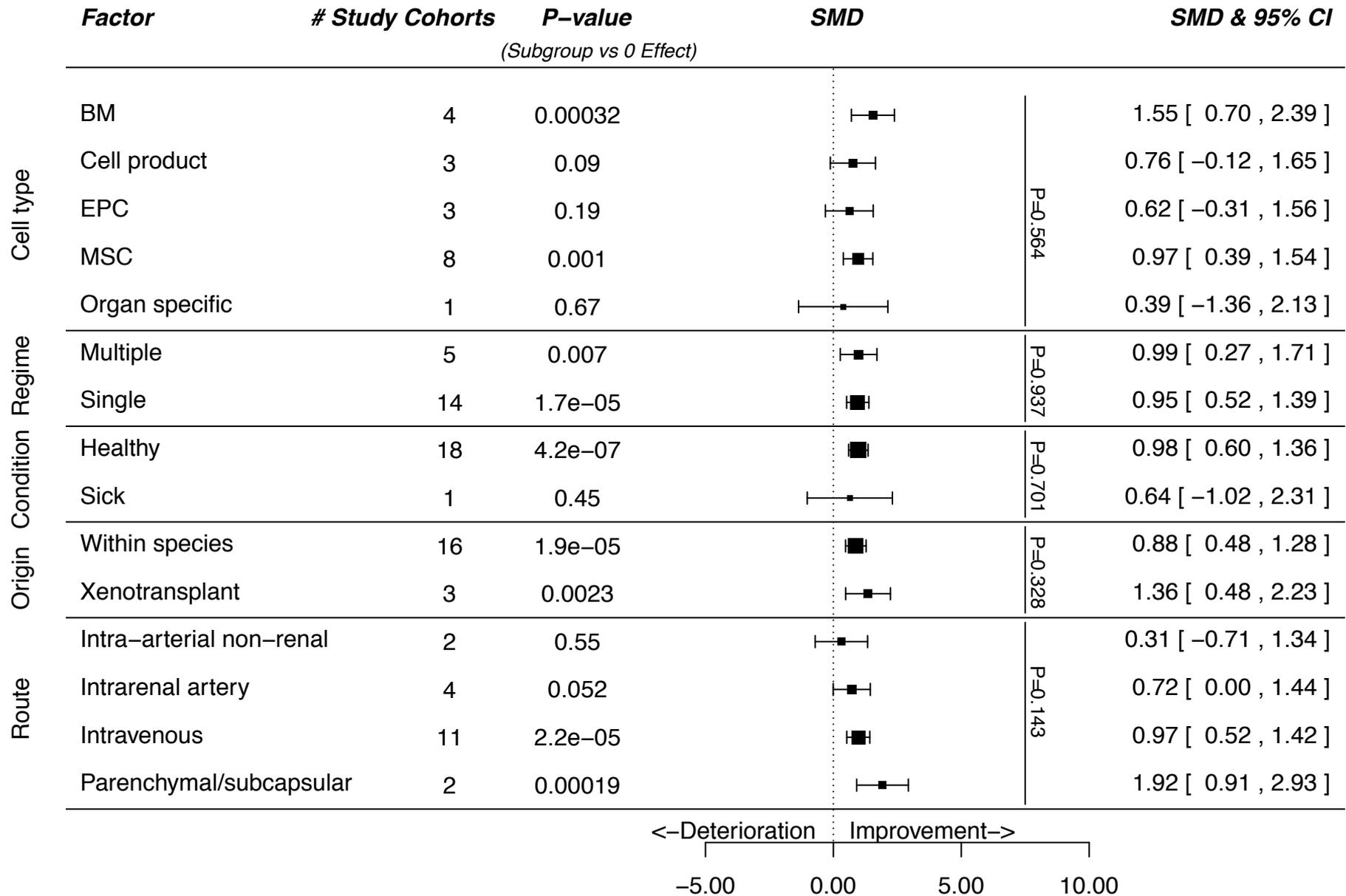
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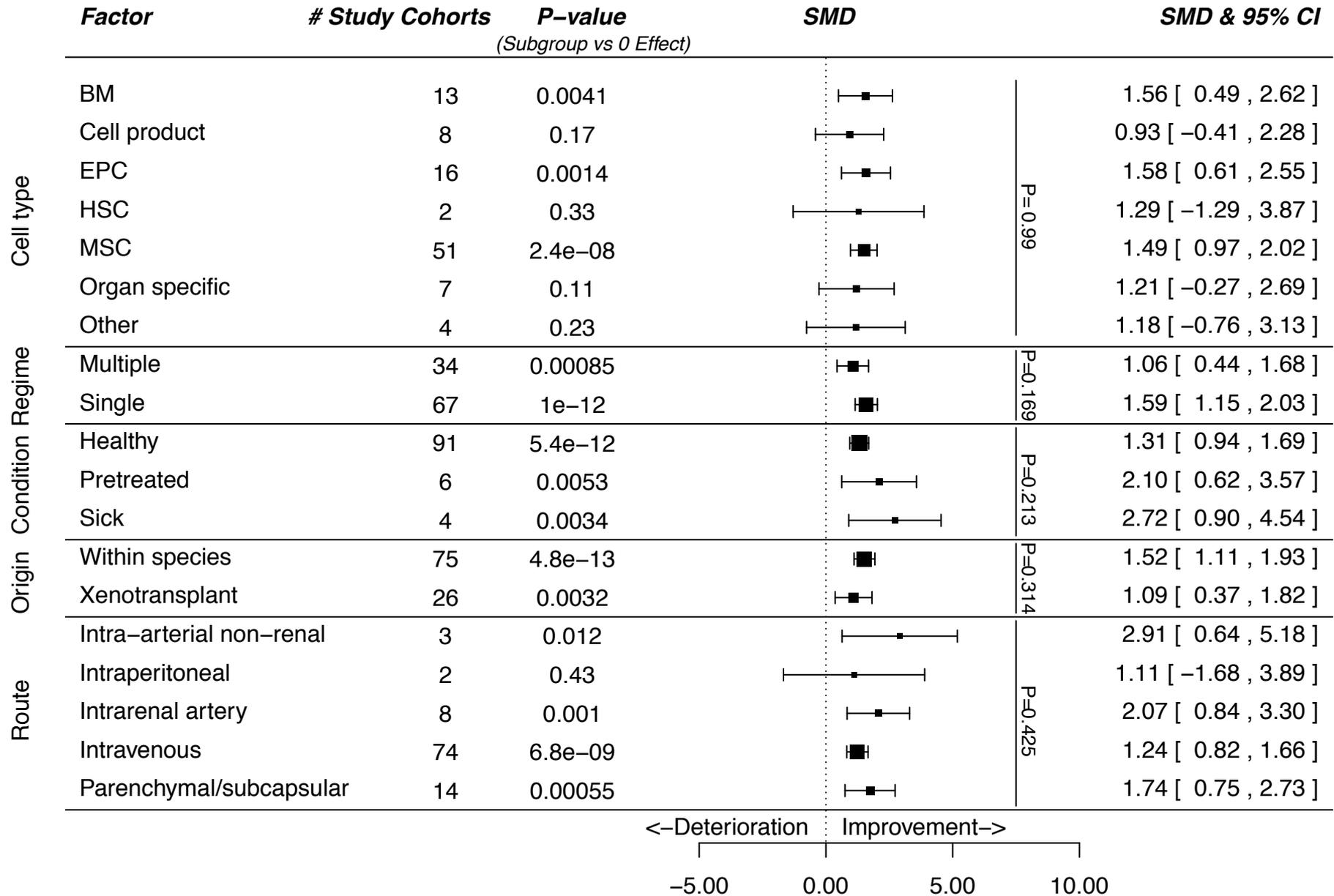
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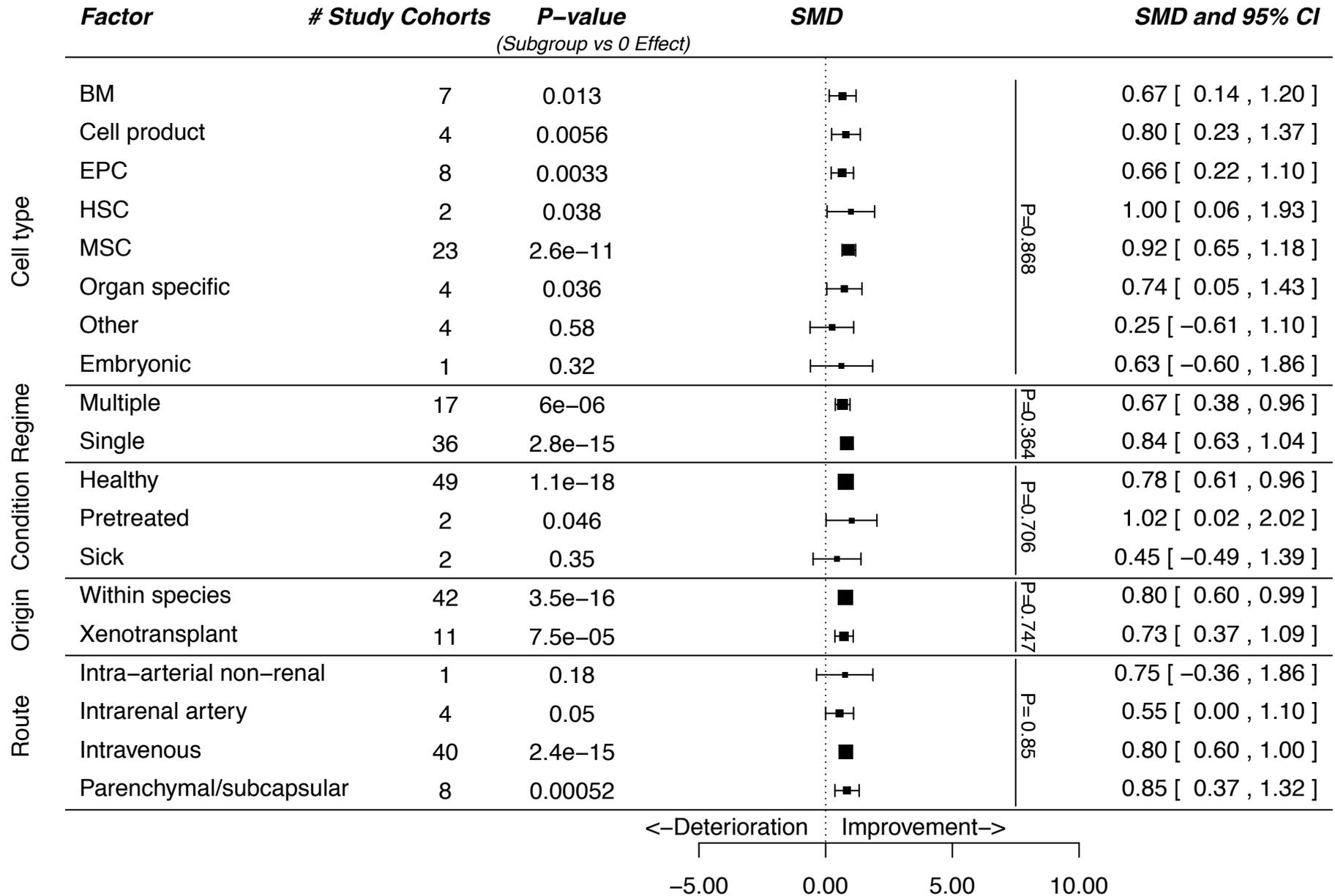
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## Cell-based treatment related factors in urinary protein



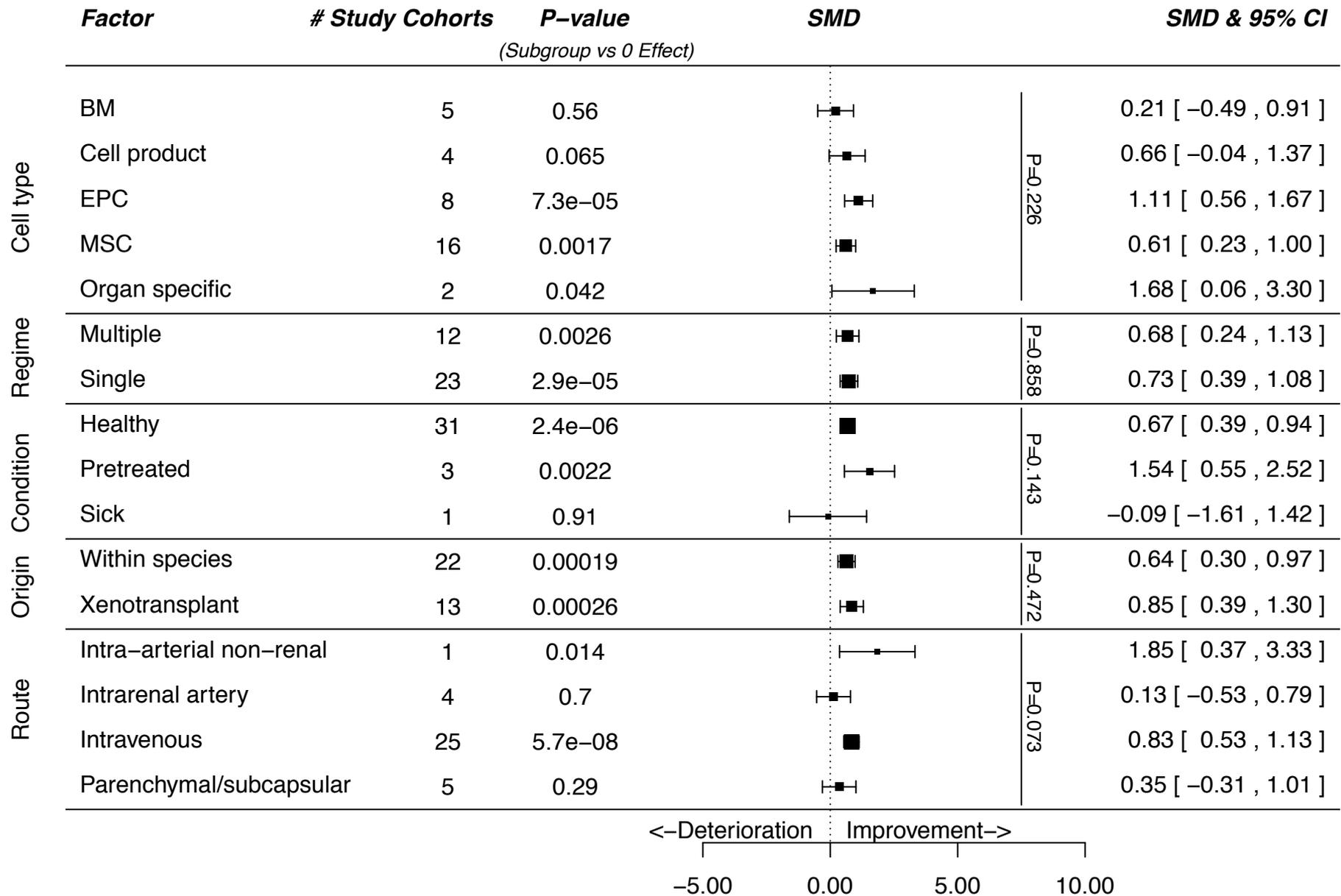
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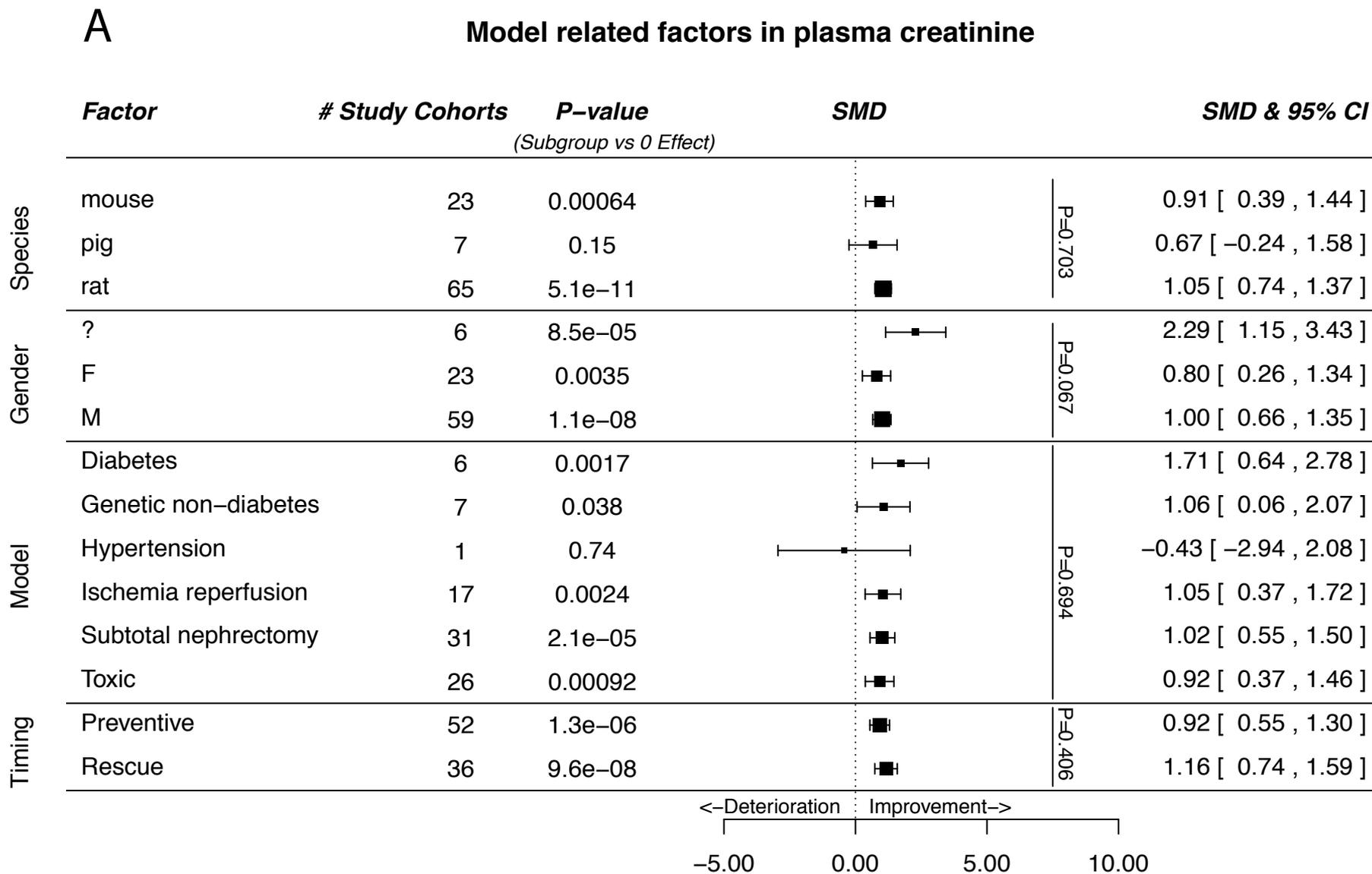


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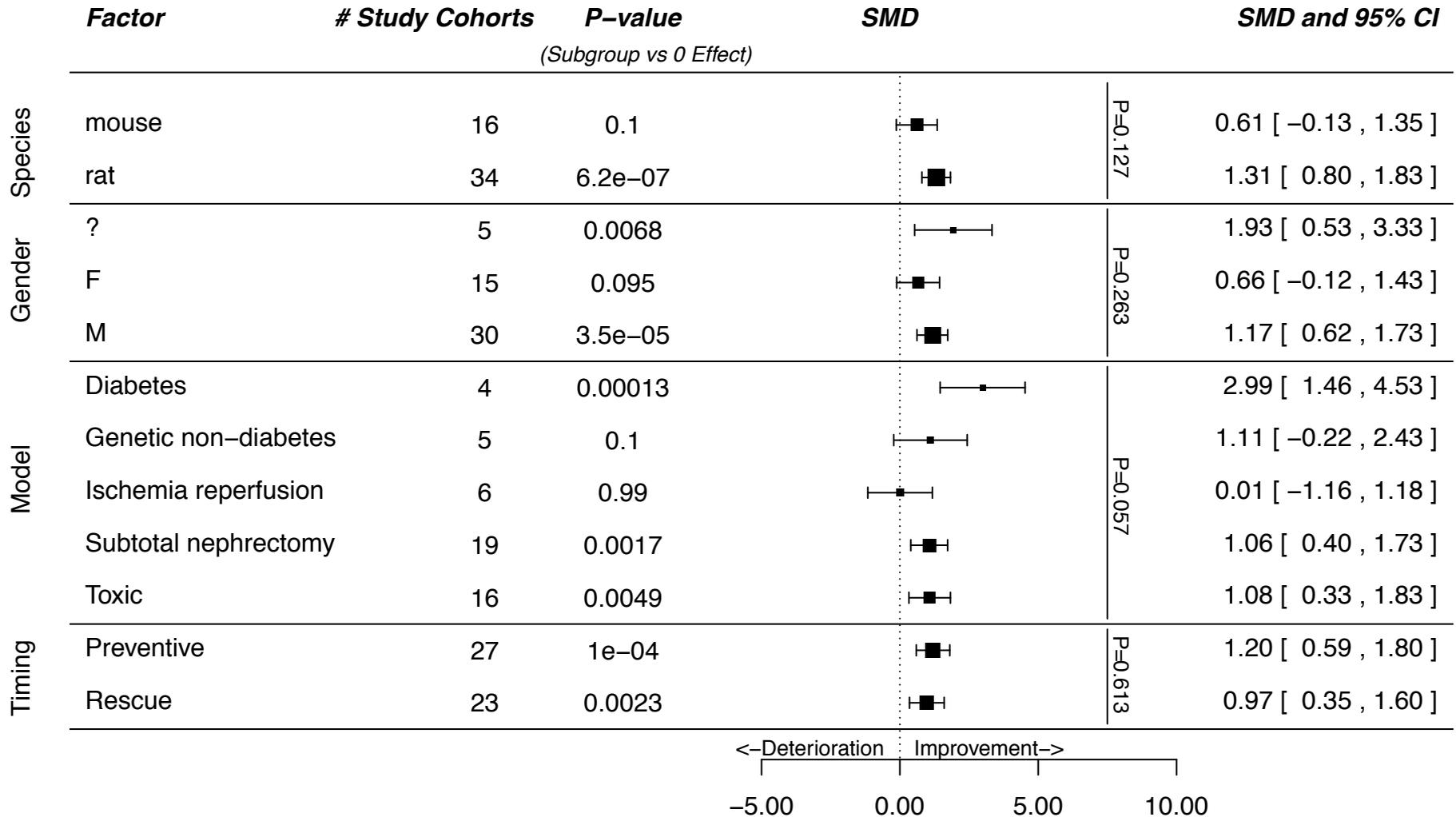


**Fig. S5. Subgroup analysis of model related factors.** Plasma creatinine (A), plasma urea (B), glomerular filtration rate, GFR (C), blood pressure, BP (D), urinary protein (E), glomerulosclerosis, GS (F) and interstitial fibrosis, IF (G). Right side shows improvement by cell-based therapy. Data are presented as SMDs and 95% CI.



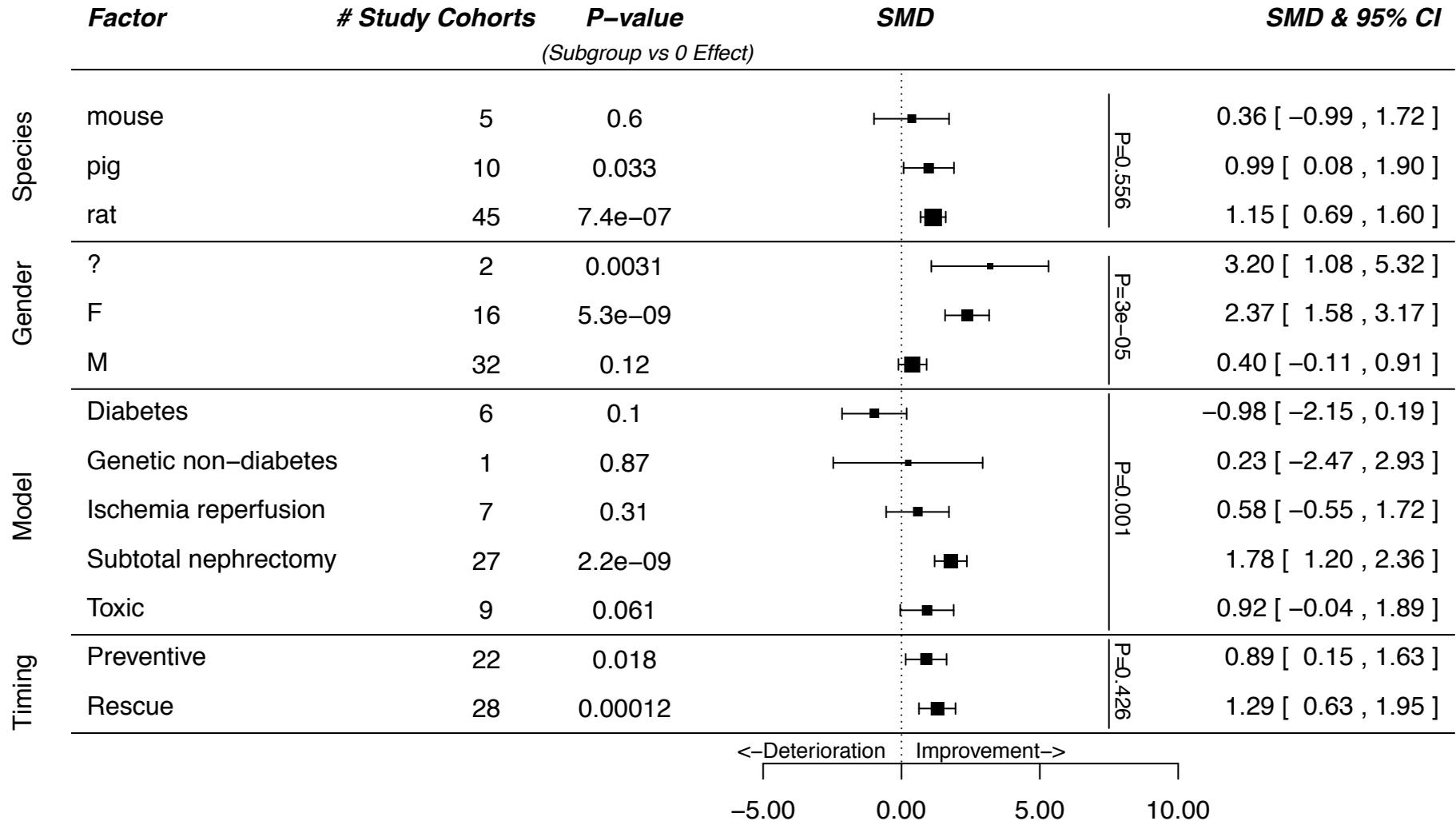
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**Model related factors in plasma urea**



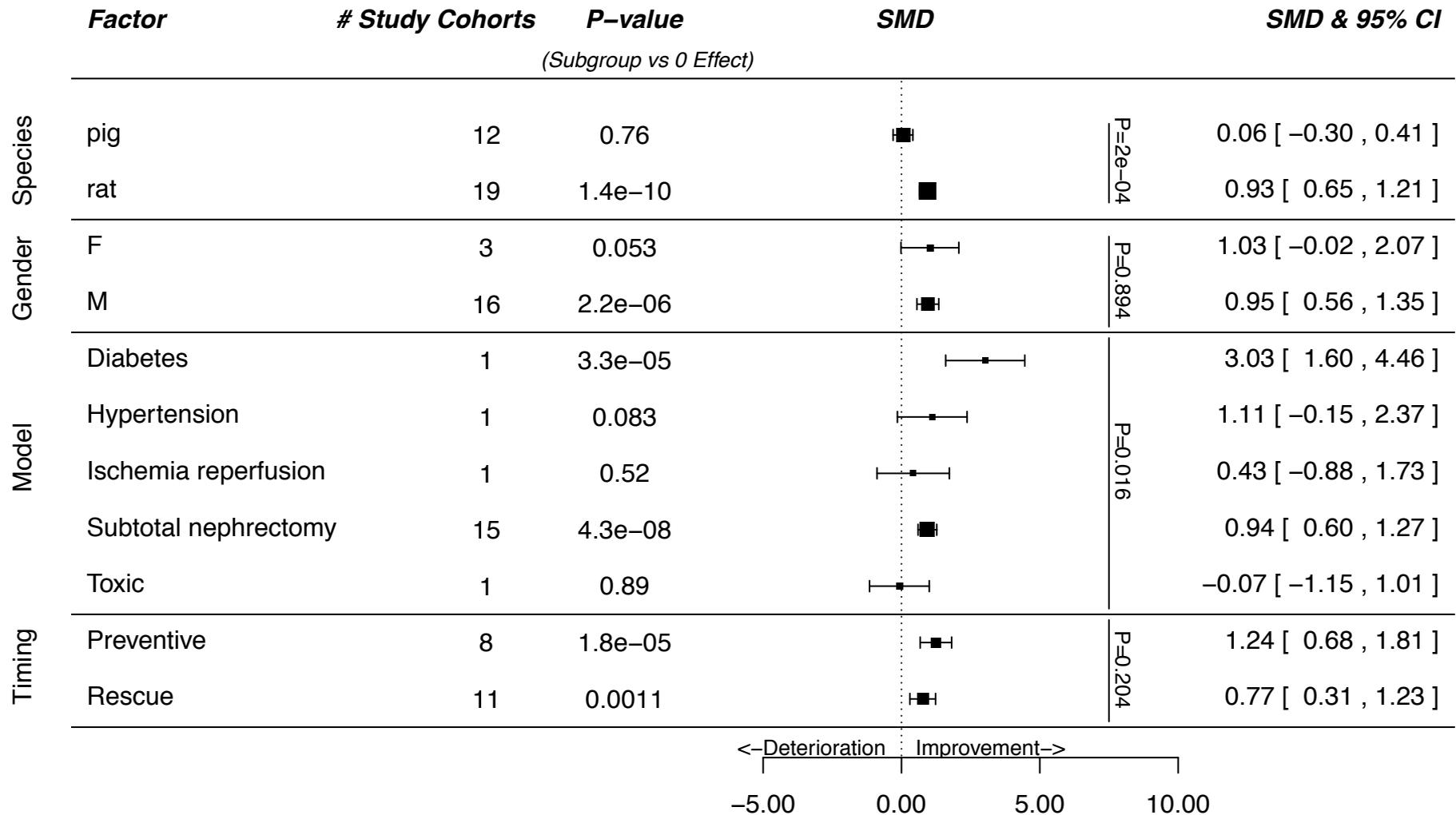
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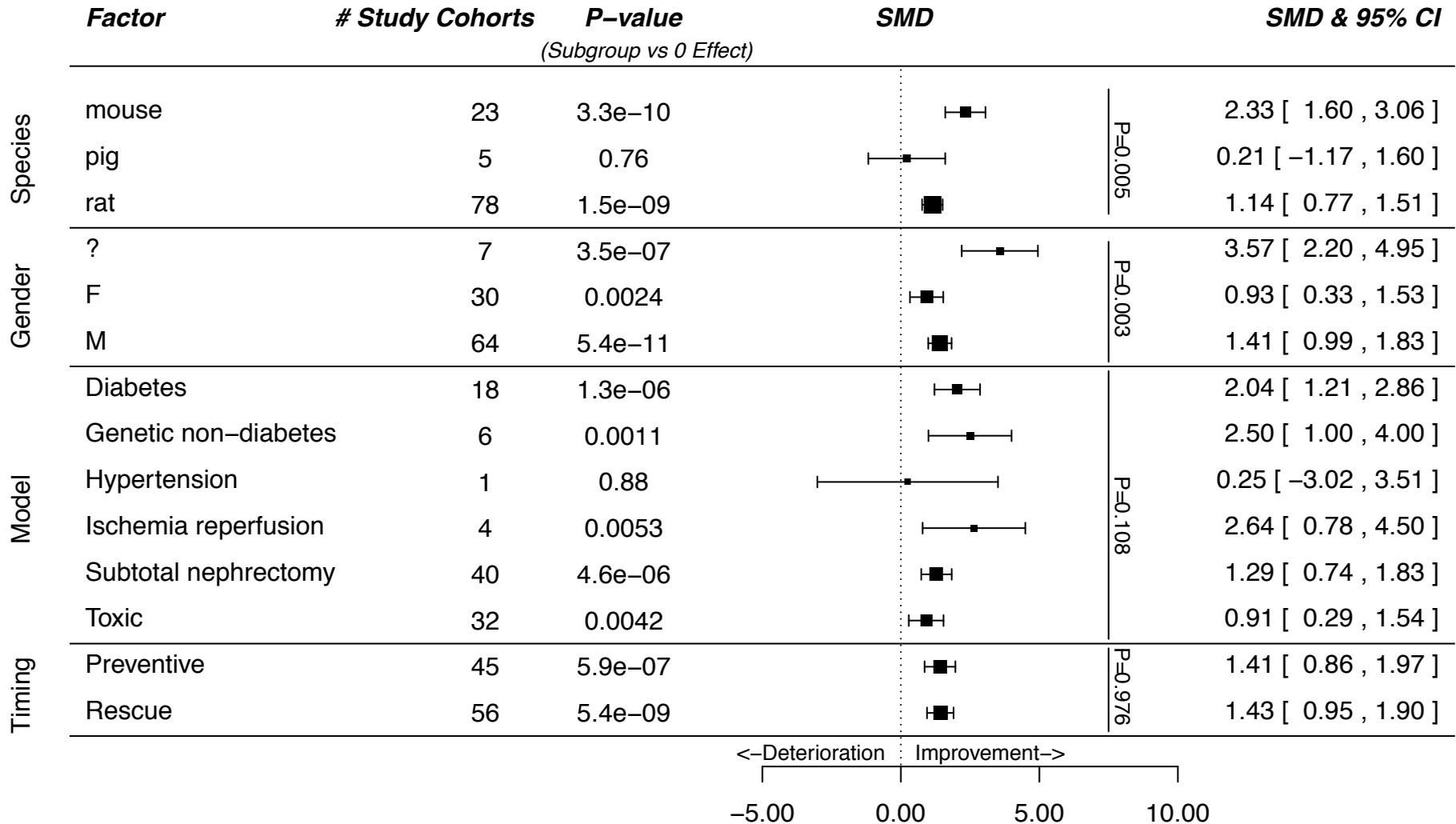
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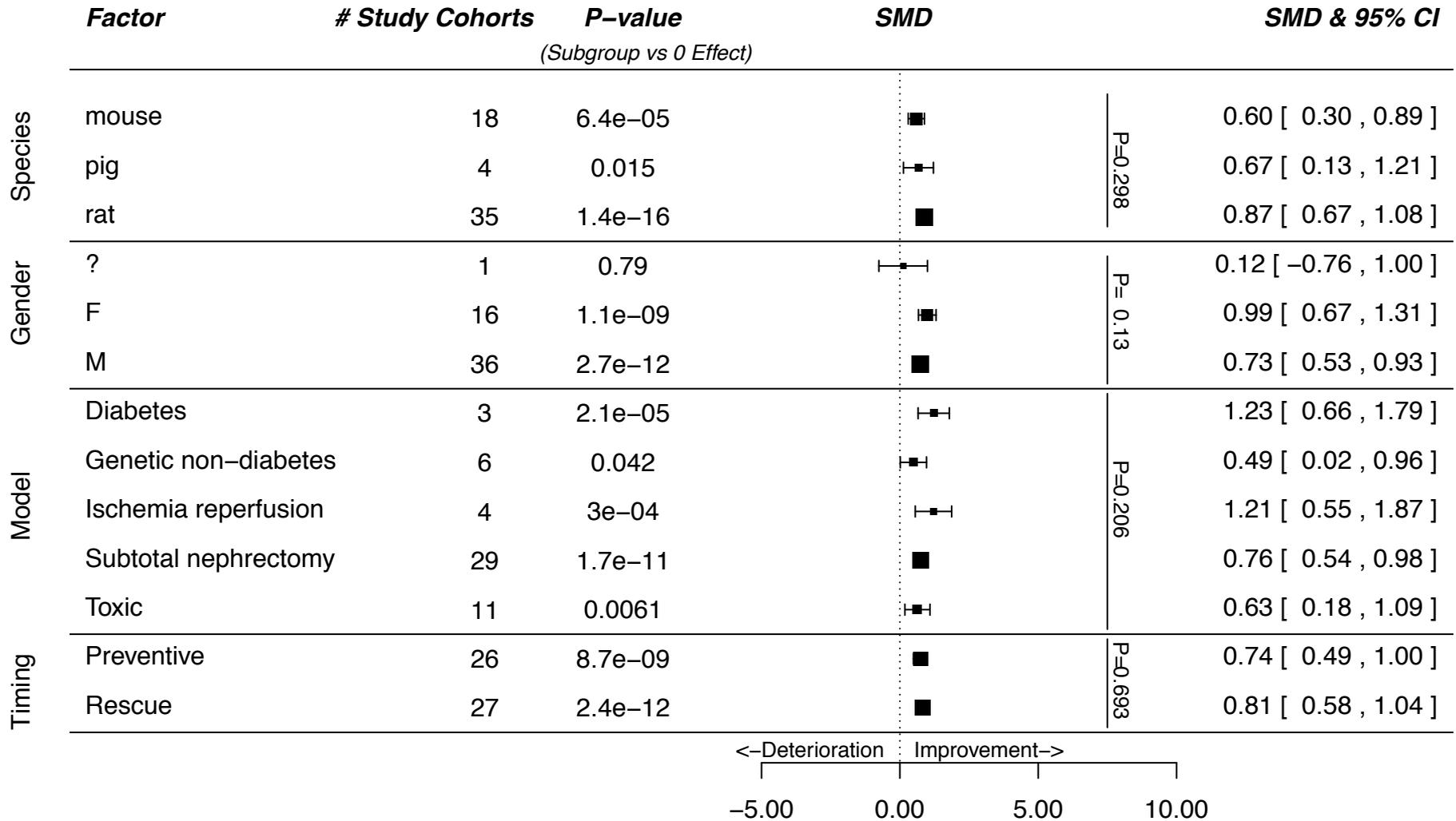
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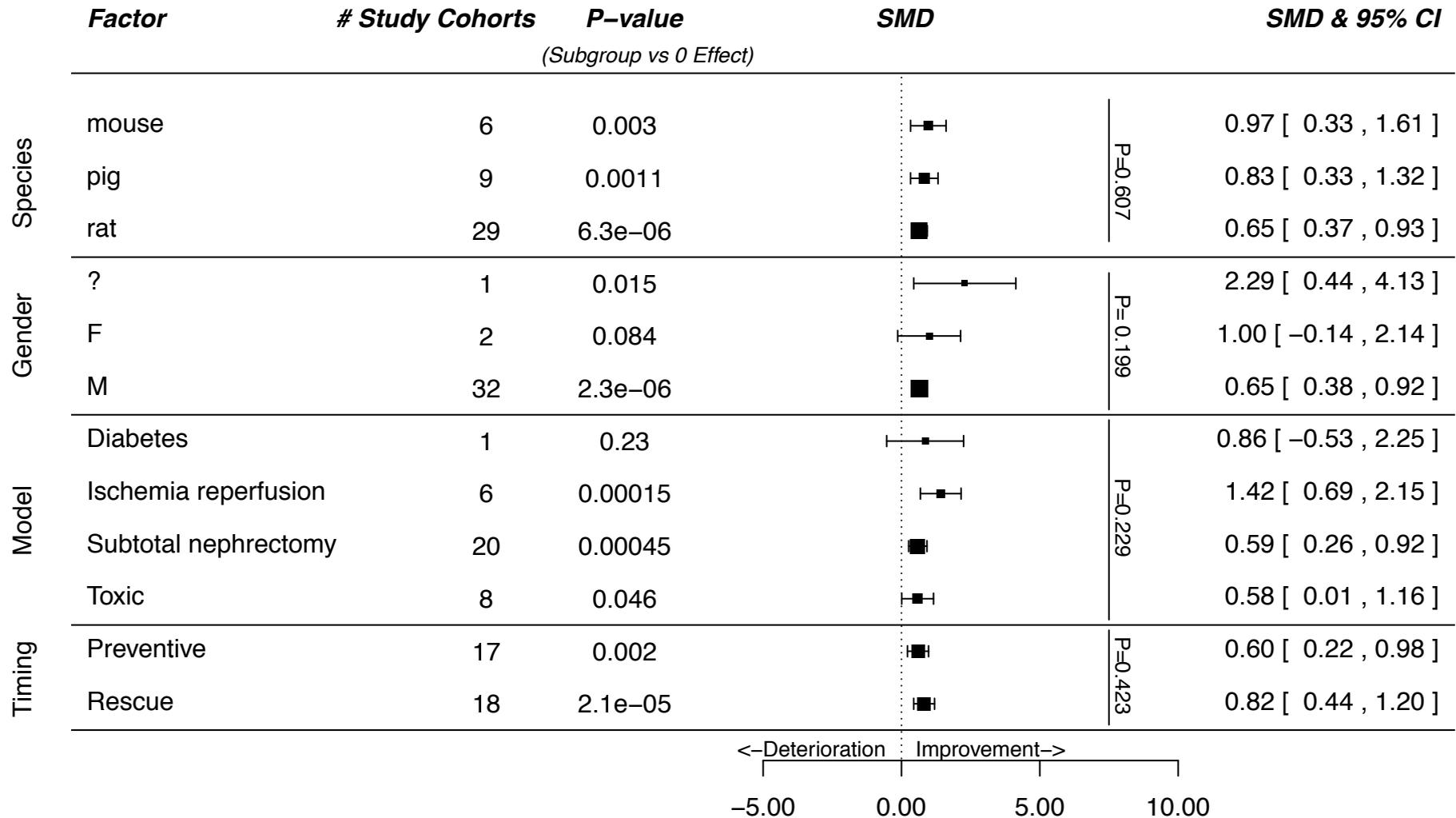
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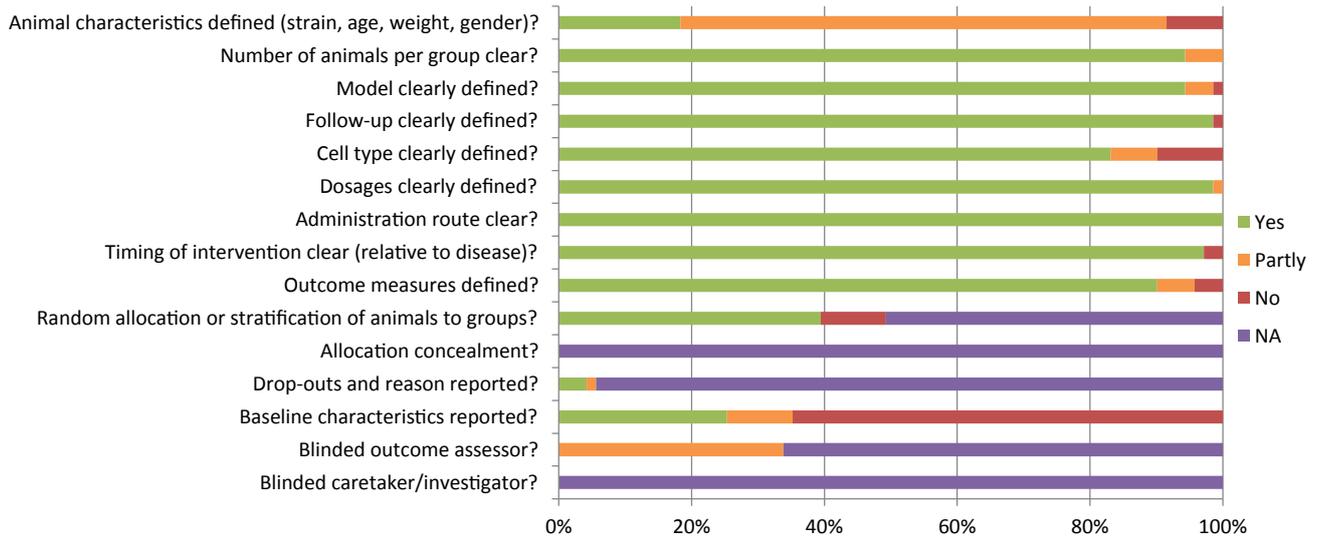


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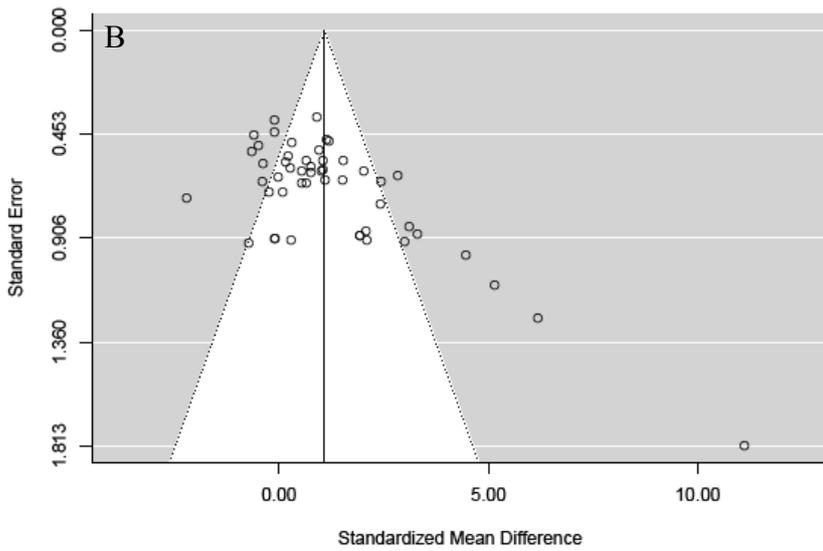
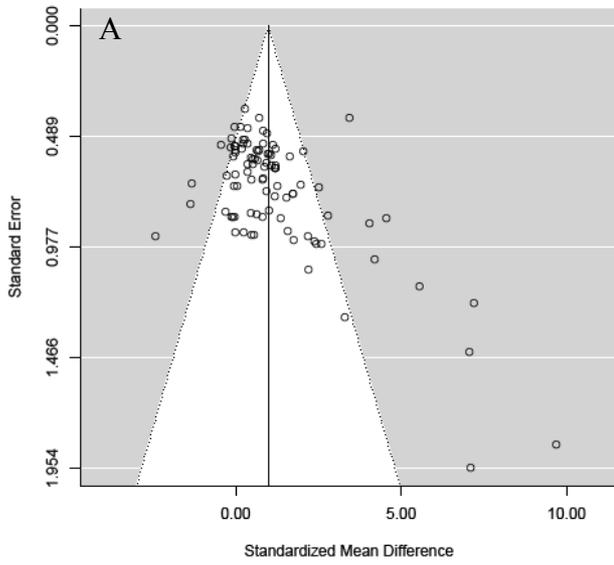
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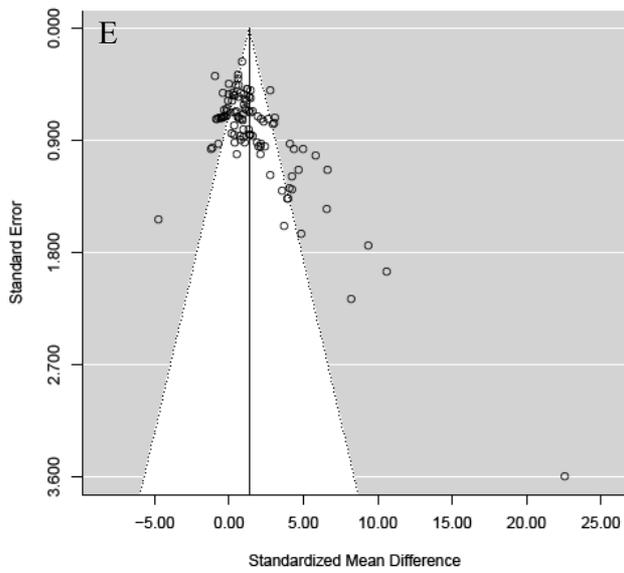
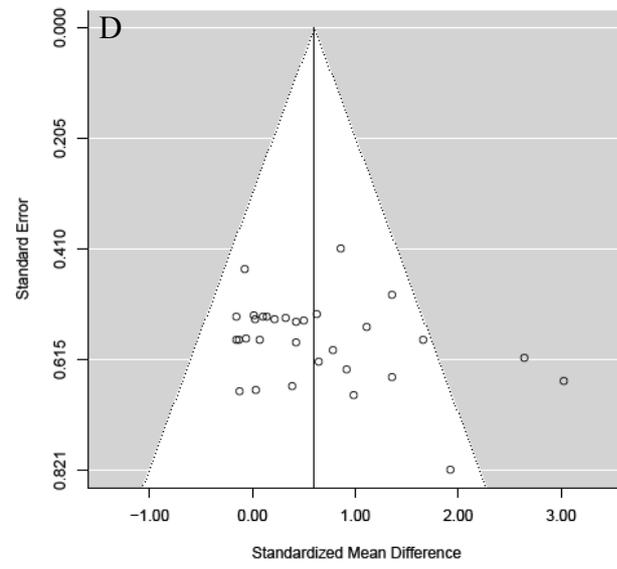
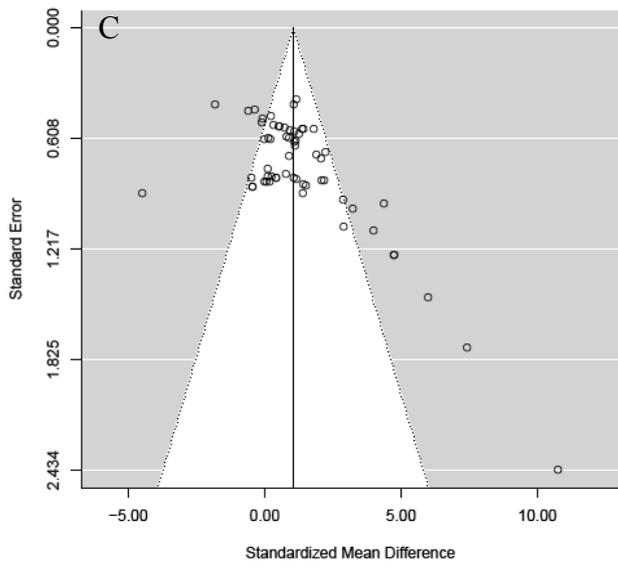


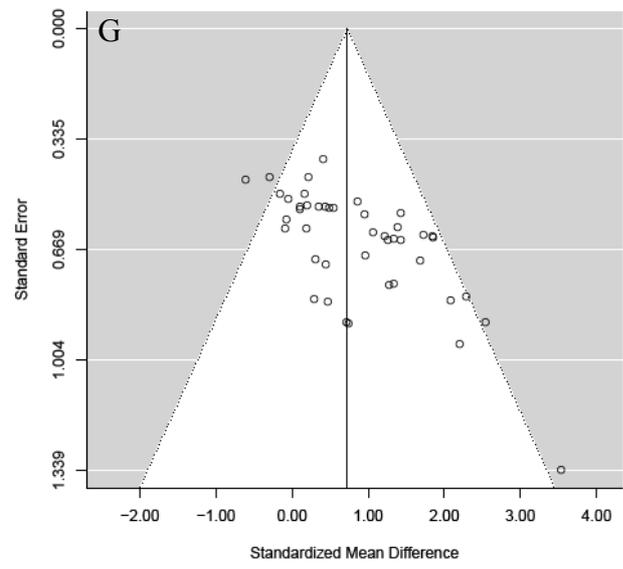
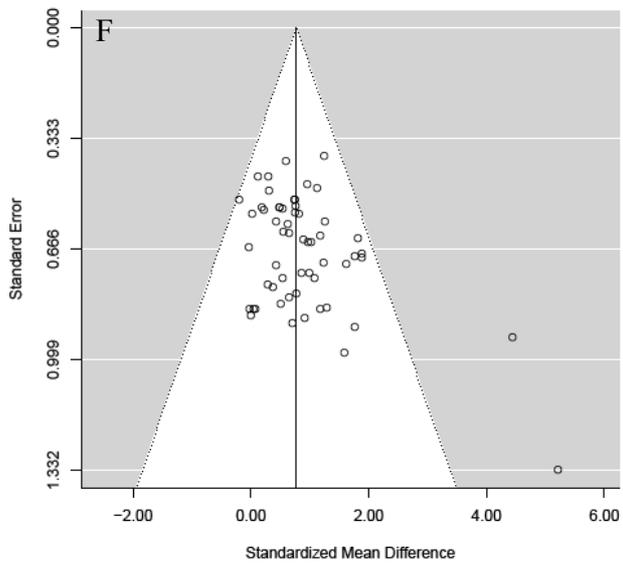
**Fig. S6. Quality assessment score.**



**Fig. S7. Funnel plots for plasma creatinine (A), plasma urea (B), GFR (C), BP (D), urinary protein (E), GS (F) and IF (G).**







**Fig. S8. Imputed missing studies (open symbols) for plasma creatinine (A), urinary protein (B) and GFR (C).**

