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This supplementary material has been provided by the authors to give readers additional information about their work.
**eFigure 1.** Funnel plots showing the studies including the different meta-analyses: (1a) diabetic macular edema; (1b) proliferative diabetic retinopathy; (1c) vision-threatening diabetic retinopathy.
eFigure 2. Galbraith plot: on the Y-axis effect size/standard error [b/se] and on the X-axis inverse of the standard error [1/se] showing no heterogeneity in our meta-analysis (vision-threatening diabetic retinopathy and first-ever cardiovascular disease).
**eFigure 3a.** Forest plots for the association of diabetic macular edema with first-ever cardiovascular disease (models I & II).
eFigure 3b. Forest plots for the association of proliferative diabetic retinopathy with first-ever cardiovascular disease (models I & II).
**eFigure 3c.** Forest plots for the association of vision-threatening diabetic retinopathy with first-ever cardiovascular disease (models I & II).