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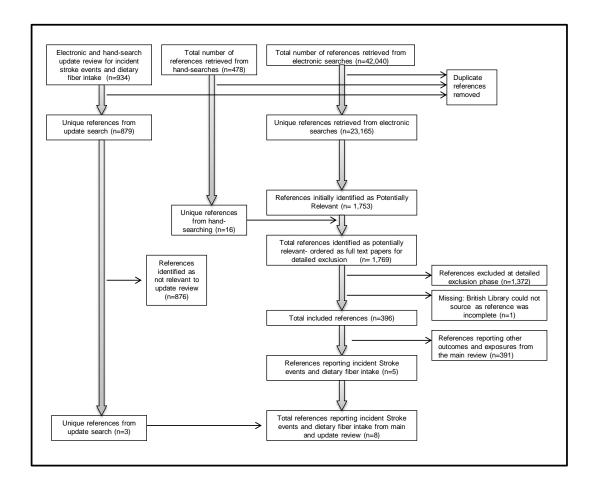
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#### Paper:

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Supplemental figure 1. Flow diagram for inclusion of publications from the main review and update searches relating to fiber intake and stroke risk



## Supplemental Table 1. Total fiber intake and stroke risk by stroke subtype

Cohort	Fiber intake/	Outcomes	Cases	RR (95%CI)*	p-trend
	comparison	measured			
Japan Public	M: 19.9 vs.6.0	Cerebral	910	M:0.94 (0.66,1.34)	0.540
Health Centre-	F:21.6 vs. 7.8 g/d	infarction	518	F:0.73 (0.55, 0.97)	0.029
based Cohort		Subarachnoid	133	M:1.02 (0.45, 2.54)	0.672
		haemorrhage	226	F:0.72 (0.37, 1.43)	0.419
		Intracerebral	456	M:1.08 (0.66,1.78)	0.588
		haemorrhage	310	F:0.53 (0.28, 0.97)	0.100
ATBC 15	35.8 vs. 16.1 g/d	Cerebral	2702	M: 1.01 (0.85, 1.19)	0.83
		infarction			
		Subarachnoid	196	M: 0.86 (0.47, 1.59)	0.49
		haemorrhage			
		Intracerebral	383	M: 0.97 (0.61, 1.54)	0.63
		haemorrhage			
NHS <sup>16</sup>	21 vs.10g/d	Ischaemic stroke	515	F: 0.78 (0.56, 1.09)	0.09
		Haemorrhagic	279	F: 0.84 (0.54, 1.30)	0.34
		stroke			
Malmo Diet	M:11.4 vs. 5.8	Ischaemic stroke	397	M: 0.69 (0.49, 0.96)	0.05
and Cancer	F:12.9 vs. 6.5		346	F: 0.73 (0.52, 1.04)	0.18
Cohort <sup>17</sup>	g/1000kcal				

Abbreviations: ATBC Alpha-tocopherol beta-carotene study; CI confidence intervals; F female; g/d grams per day; M male; NHS Nurses' Health Study; RR relative risk

<sup>\*</sup>For all results, the relative risk reflects the highest compared to lowest, reference category

# Supplemental table 2. Meta-regression pooled stroke risk estimates for 7g/day increase in total fiber intake

Subgroup of studies to pool	Subgroup	RR (95%CI)	$I^2$	n	P <sub>het</sub> *	P het†
subjects' gender	Male	0.91 (0.83, 1.00)	75%	4	0.07	0.8
	Mixed	0.97 (0.92, 1.02)	0%	2	0.4	_
	Female	0.88 (0.77, 1.01)		1		_
subjects' gender in same study	Male	0.91 (0.83, 1.00)	75%	4	0.07	0.6
	Female	0.88 (0.77, 1.01)		1		_
method used to assess fiber	AOAC	0.92 (0.87, 0.97)	26%	5	0.2	0.5
	not AOAC	0.94 (0.81, 1.08)	82%	2	0.2	_
includes non-fatal events	No	0.89 (0.73, 1.10)		1		0.8
	Yes	0.93 (0.88, 0.98)	65%	6	0.01	_
length of follow-up	<10 years	0.84 (0.73, 0.97)		1		0.4
	≥10 years	0.94 (0.89, 0.99)	56%	6	0.05	_
geographic location	US	0.91 (0.83, 1.00)	56%	3	0.1	0.6
	EU	0.94 (0.81, 1.08)	82%	2	0.2	_
	Japan	0.90 (0.82, 0.99)	0%	2	0.9	_
adjusted for family history of	Yes	0.86 (0.78, 0.95)	0%	2	0.7	0.2
MI‡	No	0.95 (0.90, 1.00)	56%	5	0.06	_

 $P_{het}^*$  Heterogeneity within each subgroup;  $P_{het}^*$  Heterogeneity between each subgroup;  $N_{het}^*$  No studies included adjustment for family history of stroke

Abbreviations: AOAC Association of Official Analytical Chemists; CI confidence intervals; EU European Union; n Number of studies; RR relative risk; US united states