ESM Fig. 1 Funnel plots presenting the symmetry of studies, comparing the following groups in the sum of the included studies: NAFLD patients vs controls (a); SS patients vs controls (b); NASH patients vs controls (c) and NASH patients vs SS patients (d). In the funnel plots, the x-axis represents the standardised mean difference of each study, and the y-axis represents the standard error of the standardised mean difference of the corresponding study. The solid vertical line represents the pooled standardised mean difference, as estimated by the meta-analysis. Individual studies should be located symmetrically on the both sides of the vertical line.
a. NAFLD vs. Control
b. Simple steatosis vs. Control
c. NASH vs. Control
d. NASH vs. Simple steatosis