Univariate Analysis for the VQI FBVAR Dataset

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p-value

We use Welch's Two Sample t-test for continuous variables and Pearson's Chi-squared Test for categorical variables.

Descriptive statistics tables

population of interest

	Overall
	(N=3510)
PRESENTATION	
Asymptomatic	3026~(86.2%)
Symptomatic	484 (13.8%)

Patient demographic and co-morbidities

 ${\bf Table: \ A\ comparison\ of\ the\ baseline\ demographic\ and\ co-morbidities\ characteristics\ for\ symptomatic\ versus\ asymptomatic\ patients\ who\ undergo\ the\ F-BEVAR\ procedure}$

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
	(N=3026)	(N=484)	
AGE	,	,	
Mean (SD)	73.1 (8.31)	68.1 (11.7)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	74.0 [0, 90.0]	70.0 [33.0, 90.0]	
AGECAT			
< 50	31 (1.0%)	34 (7.0%)	< 0.001
>79	657 (21.7%)	72 (14.9%)	
50-59	122 (4.0%)	59 (12.2%)	
60-69	762(25.2%)	144~(29.8%)	
70-79	1454 (48.1%)	175(36.2%)	
GENDER	,	,	
female	704 (23.3%)	184 (38.0%)	< 0.001
male	2322(76.7%)	300 (62.0%)	
ETHNICITY	,	,	
Hispanic or Latino	122 (4.0%)	20 (4.1%)	1
None Hispanic or Latino	2900 (95.8%)	464 (95.9%)	
Missing	4 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	
RACE	, ,	,	
American Indian or Alaskan Native	6 (0.2%)	1(0.2%)	< 0.001
Asian	71(2.3%)	10(2.1%)	
Black or African American	215(7.1%)	109 (22.5%)	
More than 1 race	3 (0.1%)	2 (0.4%)	

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	4 (0.1%)	2 (0.4%)	
Unknown/Other	205~(6.8%)	41 (8.5%)	
White	2522 (83.3%)	319~(65.9%)	
TRANSFER	,	, ,	
Hospital	39 (1.3%)	238 (49.2%)	< 0.001
No	2985 (98.6%)	245 (50.6%)	
Rehab Unit	2 (0.1%)	1 (0.2%)	
PRIMARYINSURER	(
Commercial	846 (28.0%)	168 (34.7%)	< 0.001
Medicaid	63 (2.1%)	40 (8.3%)	
Medicare	1675 (55.4%)	214 (44.2%)	
Military/VA	93 (3.1%)	12 (2.5%)	
Non US Insurance	207 (6.8%)	12 (2.5%) $12 (2.5%)$	
Self Pay	15 (0.5%)	17 (3.5%)	
Missing	127 (4.2%)	21 (4.3%)	
LIVINGSTATUS	121 (4.270)	21 (4.970)	
Home	3003 (99.2%)	477 (98.6%)	0.273
Homeless	2 (0.1%)	1 (0.2%)	0.273
	,	,	
Nursing home	$21 \ (0.7\%)$	6 (1.2%)	
PREOP_FUNCSTATUS	10 (1 004)	10 (0 =04)	0.004
Assisted care	49 (1.6%)	18 (3.7%)	0.024
Bed bound	4 (0.1%)	1 (0.2%)	
Full	2023 (66.9%)	305 (63.0%)	
Light work	643 (21.2%)	105 (21.7%)	
Self care	306 (10.1%)	54 (11.2%)	
Missing	1 (0.0%)	1 (0.2%)	
PRIOR_CVD			
No	2724 (90.0%)	426~(88.0%)	0.205
Yes	$302 \ (10.0\%)$	$58 \ (12.0\%)$	
PRIOR_CAD			
No	$2188 \ (72.3\%)$	345 (71.3%)	0.68
Yes	838~(27.7%)	139~(28.7%)	
PRIOR_CHF			
No	2640 (87.2%)	$408 \ (84.3\%)$	0.088
Yes	386 (12.8%)	76 (15.7%)	
COPD	,	, ,	
No	1893~(62.6%)	305 (63.0%)	0.886
Yes	1133 (37.4%)	179 (37.0%)	
DIABETES	(/ *)	(, - ,)	
No	2477 (81.9%)	397 (82.0%)	0.98
Yes	549 (18.1%)	87 (18.0%)	0.00
PREOP_DIALYSIS	010 (10.170)	01 (10.070)	
No	2980 (98.5%)	453 (93.6%)	< 0.001
Yes	46 (1.5%)	31 (6.4%)	<0.001
HTN	40 (1.0/0)	01 (0.4/0)	
	240 (11 907)	49 (8 70%)	0.115
No Voa	340 (11.2%)	42 (8.7%)	0.115
Yes	2679 (88.5%)	439 (90.7%)	
Missing	7 (0.2%)	3~(0.6%)	
PREOP_SMOKING	200 (42 004)	100 (00 004)	0.004
No	388 (12.8%)	108 (22.3%)	< 0.001
Yes	$2638 \ (87.2\%)$	$376 \ (77.7\%)$	
PRIOR_CABG			

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
No	2515 (83.1%)	419 (86.6%)	0.068
Yes	510 (16.9%)	65 (13.4%)	
Missing	1 (0.0%)	0 (0%)	
PRIOR PCI	,	,	
No —	$2317\ (76.6\%)$	403 (83.3%)	0.001
Yes	707 (23.4%)	81 (16.7%)	
Missing	2 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	
PRIOR ANEURREP	,	,	
No —	2370 (78.3%)	$351\ (72.5\%)$	0.005
Yes	656 (21.7%)	133 (27.5%)	
STRESS	()	· · · /	
No	1519 (50.2%)	385 (79.5%)	< 0.001
Yes	1505 (49.7%)	99 (20.5%)	10100-
Missing	2 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	
PREOP CREAT	_ (==,=,	0 (0,0)	
Mean (SD)	1.18 (0.624)	1.20 (0.776)	0.554
Median [Min, Max]	1.08 [0, 14.4]	1.00 [0.300, 7.50]	
Missing	60 (2.0%)	23 (4.8%)	
DC_ASA	(-, •)	- (-, ,	
No	429 (14.2%)	78 (16.1%)	0.2
Yes	2527 (83.5%)	383 (79.1%)	U
Missing	70 (2.3%)	23 (4.8%)	
DC P2Y	(2.070)	20 (1.070)	
No	1333 (44.1%)	265 (54.8%)	< 0.001
Yes	1622 (53.6%)	196 (40.5%)	
Missing	71 (2.3%)	23 (4.8%)	
DC STATIN	(2.370)	(2.070)	
No	536 (17.7%)	102 (21.1%)	0.047
Yes	2420 (80.0%)	359 (74.2%)	0.011
Missing	70 (2.3%)	23 (4.8%)	

Operative Variables

Table: A comparison of the operative characteristics for symptomatic versus asymptomatic patients who undergo the F-BEVAR procedure

Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
(N=3026)	(N=484)	
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75~(2.5%)	12~(2.5%)	0.002
292 (9.6%)	73 (15.1%)	
2372 (78.4%)	348 (71.9%)	
287 (9.5%)	51 (10.5%)	
, ,	, ,	
2826 (93.4%)	314 (64.9%)	< 0.001
109 (3.6%)	37 (7.6%)	
55 (1.8%)	100 (20.7%)	
36(1.2%)	33 (6.8%)	
60.8 (10.7)	61.6 (18.6)	0.371
60.0 [5.00, 130]	60.0 [5.50, 126]	
13 (0.4%)	$13 \ (2.7\%)$	
	(N=3026) 75 (2.5%) 292 (9.6%) 2372 (78.4%) 287 (9.5%) 2826 (93.4%) 109 (3.6%) 55 (1.8%) 36 (1.2%) 60.8 (10.7) 60.0 [5.00, 130]	(N=3026) (N=484) 75 (2.5%) 12 (2.5%) 292 (9.6%) 73 (15.1%) 2372 (78.4%) 348 (71.9%) 287 (9.5%) 51 (10.5%) 2826 (93.4%) 314 (64.9%) 109 (3.6%) 37 (7.6%) 55 (1.8%) 100 (20.7%) 36 (1.2%) 33 (6.8%) 60.8 (10.7) 61.6 (18.6) 60.0 [5.00, 130] 60.0 [5.50, 126]

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
JRGENCY			
Elective	2989 (98.8%)	243~(50.2%)	< 0.001
Emergent	2 (0.1%)	55 (11.4%)	
Jrgent	35(1.2%)	186 (38.4%)	
PATHOLOGY_ANEURYSM_TYPE	,	` '	
Anastomotic	39 (1.3%)	6 (1.2%)	< 0.001
Degenerative, fusiform	2453 (81.1%)	264 (54.5%)	
Degenerative, saccular	270 (8.9%)	35 (7.2%)	
ntercostal or visceral patch	16 (0.5%)	1(0.2%)	
Prior trauma	1 (0.0%)	3 (0.6%)	
Missing	247 (8.2%)	175 (36.2%)	
PATHOLOGY_DISSECT_TYPE	-11 (0. - 70)	110 (00.270)	
Acute, ≤ 30 days	10 (0.3%)	85 (17.6%)	< 0.001
Chronic, >30 days	154 (5.1%)	52 (10.7%)	<0.001
Aissing	2862 (94.6%)	347 (71.7%)	
PROXZONE_DISEASE	2002 (04.070)	011 (11.170)	
Mean (SD)	6.60 (1.82)	4.91 (2.18)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	7.00 [2.00, 9.00]	5.00 [2.00, 9.00]	<0.001
GENHIST	7.00 [2.00, 9.00]	5.00 [2.00, 9.00]	
	1 (0.0%)	2 (0.40%)	0.049
Ehlers-Danlos	1 (0.0%)	2(0.4%)	0.042
Loeys-Dietz	1(0.0%)	0 (0%)	
Marfans	11 (0.4%)	3(0.6%)	
Von-specific	84 (2.8%)	8 (1.7%)	
None	$2929 \ (96.8\%)$	471 (97.3%)	
DISTZONE_DISEASE	000 (10 001)	00 (10 00)	
0B	600 (19.8%)	63 (13.0%)	< 0.001
0L	$131 \ (4.3\%)$	26 (5.4%)	
0R	182 (6.0%)	31 (6.4%)	
1B	56 (1.9%)	$12\ (2.5\%)$	
1L	$31\ (1.0\%)$	8 (1.7%)	
1R	36 (1.2%)	$10 \ (2.1\%)$	
	$10 \ (0.3\%)$	3~(0.6%)	
	37 (1.2%)	14 (2.9%)	
	$51 \ (1.7\%)$	$38 \ (7.9\%)$	
	21~(0.7%)	$10 \ (2.1\%)$	
,	15~(0.5%)	$23 \ (4.8\%)$	
	145~(4.8%)	32~(6.6%)	
	$1711\ (56.5\%)$	214~(44.2%)	
xtent	, ,	, ,	
Tuxtarenal AAA	1205 (39.8%)	83 (17.1%)	< 0.001
Type 1 TAAA	84 (2.8%)	54 (11.2%)	
Type 2 TAAA	165 (5.5%)	103 (21.3%)	
Type 3 TAAA	477 (15.8%)	95 (19.6%)	
Type 4 TAAA	871 (28.8%)	104 (21.5%)	
Type 5 TAAA	44 (1.5%)	13 (2.7%)	
Missing	180 (5.9%)	32 (6.6%)	
ANESTHESIA	100 (0.070)	02 (0.070)	
General	2991 (98.8%)	474 (97.9%)	0.095
ocal	,	` /	0.030
	21 (0.7%)	8 (1.7%)	
Regional	$14 \ (0.5\%)$	2 (0.4%)	
CONTRAST			

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
Median [Min, Max]	110 [0, 677]	100 [0, 501]	
Missing	56 (1.9%)	11 (2.3%)	
EBL	, ,	, ,	
Mean (SD)	435 (719)	375 (446)	0.015
Median [Min, Max]	$250 \ [0, 25000]$	200 [0, 3000]	
Missing	32 (1.1%)	8 (1.7%)	
FLUOROTIME	,	,	
Mean (SD)	72.1 (39.2)	59.7 (43.7)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	64.4 [1.00, 320]	52.3 [4.00, 285]	
Missing	147 (4.9%)	15 (3.1%)	
INTRAOP PRBC	. (-, ,	- (- , *)	
Mean (SD)	0.665(4.11)	0.983(1.95)	0.006
Median [Min, Max]	0 [0, 200]	0 [0, 15.0]	0.000
Missing	2 (0.1%)	2(0.4%)	
TOTALPROCTIME	= (0.170)	- (0.170)	
Mean (SD)	252 (113)	247 (135)	0.431
Median [Min, Max]	230 [25.0, 911]	213 [41.0, 852]	0.101
Missing	2.50 [25.0, 511] $2 (0.1%)$	1 (0.2%)	
IVUSTEE	2 (0.170)	1 (0.270)	
Both	27 (0.9%)	15 (3.1%)	< 0.001
IVUS	512 (16.9%)	190 (39.3%)	<0.001
No	2445 (80.8%)	270 (55.8%)	
TEE	32 (1.1%)	8 (1.7%)	
Missing	10 (0.3%)	1 (0.2%)	
ACCESS	$10 \ (0.3\%)$	1 (0.270)	
Open	1086 (35.9%)	170 (35.1%)	0.315
Percutaneous	1620 (53.5%)	226 (46.7%)	0.313
	320 (10.6%)	88 (18.2%)	
Missing ADMNECK ACCESS	320 (10.0%)	00 (10.270)	
ARMNECK_ACCESS	9155 (71 907)	241 (40.007)	<0.001
No V	2155 (71.2%)	241 (49.8%)	< 0.001
Yes	871 (28.8%)	$243 \ (50.2\%)$	
AORDEV_NUM	2.25 (0.012)	9 41 (1 90)	0.006
Mean (SD)	2.25 (0.918)	2.41 (1.20)	0.006
Median [Min, Max]	2.00 [1.00, 6.00]	2.00 [1.00, 6.00]	
AORDEV_CMOD	F01 (00.107)	151 (25 207)	.0.001
No	791 (26.1%)	171 (35.3%)	< 0.001
Yes	2235~(73.9%)	313~(64.7%)	
DEV_GTYPE	1501 (50 007)	0= (00 004)	0.004
Custom	1581 (52.2%)	97 (20.0%)	< 0.001
Physician modified	577 (19.1%)	188 (38.8%)	
Standard	868~(28.7%)	199 (41.1%)	
ILIACDEV_END_R	4		
Common	1555 (51.4%)	$133\ (27.5\%)$	0.085
External, Unintended	18 (0.6%)	3 (0.6%)	
External, Intended	200~(6.6%)	28 (5.8%)	
None	24~(0.8%)	1~(0.2%)	
Missing	1229~(40.6%)	319~(65.9%)	
ILIACDEV_END_L			
Common	1595~(52.7%)	130~(26.9%)	0.168
External, Unintended	9(0.3%)	2(0.4%)	
External, Intended	157 (5.2%)	20 (4.1%)	
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	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
Missing	1244 (41.1%)	331 (68.4%)	
BRANCH_STAGED	, ,	, ,	
No	2854 (94.3%)	442 (91.3%)	0.009
Yes	167 (5.5%)	42 (8.7%)	0.000
Missing	5 (0.2%)	0 (0%)	
BRANCH_LSUB	0 (0.270)	0 (070)	
No	2851 (94.2%)	354 (73.1%)	< 0.001
Yes	175 (5.8%)	130 (26.9%)	<0.001
BRANCH_CELIAC	173 (3.870)	130 (20.970)	
No	1200 (46 207)	195 (95 907)	<0.001
	1399 (46.2%)	125 (25.8%)	< 0.001
Yes	1627 (53.8%)	$359 \ (74.2\%)$	
BRANCH_SMA	10- (10-104)	00 (1= 104)	0.00=
No	487 (16.1%)	83 (17.1%)	0.605
Yes	2539~(83.9%)	401~(82.9%)	
BRANCH_RRENAL		/ 00	
No	$105 \ (3.5\%)$	80 (16.5%)	< 0.001
Yes	$2921 \ (96.5\%)$	404~(83.5%)	
BRANCH_LRENAL			
No	105 (3.5%)	80~(16.5%)	< 0.001
Yes	$2921\ (96.5\%)$	404~(83.5%)	
ANESTHESIA_GEN_TIMEEXT			
<12 hrs	175 (5.8%)	33~(6.8%)	< 0.001
>24 hrs	$67 \ (2.2\%)$	41 (8.5%)	
12-24 hrs	101(3.3%)	24 (5.0%)	
In OR	2641 (87.3%)	374(77.3%)	
Missing	42 (1.4%)	$12\ (2.5\%)$	
POSTOP_SPINALDRAIN			
No	2403~(79.4%)	290 (59.9%)	< 0.001
Yes	623 (20.6%)	194 (40.1%)	
renal	, ,	,	
Chimney	35 (1.2%)	10(2.1%)	< 0.001
None	323(10.7%)	78 (16.1%)	
Occluded/Covered	76 (2.5%)	25 (5.2%)	
Scallop/Fen/Branch	2480 (82.0%)	290 (59.9%)	
Missing	112 (3.7%)	81 (16.7%)	
renal	(=:-/0)	(/0)	
Chimney	32 (1.1%)	9 (1.9%)	< 0.001
None	357 (11.8%)	96 (19.8%)	\0.001
Occluded/Covered	72 (2.4%)	22 (4.5%)	
Scallop/Fen/Branch	2374 (78.5%)	265 (54.8%)	
Missing	191 (6.3%)	92 (19.0%)	
-	191 (0.9/0)	34 (13.070)	
sma Chimper	18 (0.6%)	6 (1 207)	< 0.001
Chimney	,	6 (1.2%)	<0.001
None	267 (8.8%)	76 (15.7%)	
Occluded/Covered	3 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	
Scallop/Fen/Branch	2243 (74.1%)	319 (65.9%)	
Missing	$495 \ (16.4\%)$	83 (17.1%)	
celiac	0 (0 004)	0 (0 004)	
Chimney	9 (0.3%)	3 (0.6%)	0.014
None	381 (12.6%)	94 (19.4%)	
Occluded/Covered	69~(2.3%)	28 (5.8%)	
Scallop/Fen/Branch	1163 (38.4%)	234 (48.3%)	

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
Missing	1404 (46.4%)	125 (25.8%)	
lsub	` ,	` ,	
Chimney	6 (0.2%)	0 (0%)	0.014
None	15(0.5%)	10 (2.1%)	
Occluded/Covered	3 (0.1%)	10(2.1%)	
Scallop/Fen/Branch	125 (4.1%)	99~(20.5%)	
Missing	2877 (95.1%)	$365\ (75.4\%)$	

The levels of lrenal, rrenal, sma, celiac, lsub are really messy.

75 patients have at least one 'Chimney'.

206 patients have at least one 'Occluded/Covered'.

3510 patients have at least one 'Scallop/Fen/Branch'.

0 patients have all 'None'.

Outcomes

Table 3: A comparison of the long term follow-up outcomes for symptomatic versus asymptomatic patients who undergo the F-BEVAR procedure

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
	(N=3026)	(N=484)	
DEAD	,	,	
Yes	375 (12.4%)	95 (19.6%)	< 0.001
No	2651 (87.6%)	389 (80.4%)	
PROC_SURVIVALDAYS	, ,	, ,	
Mean (SD)	787 (769)	673 (747)	0.002
Median [Min, Max]	484 [0, 3390]	400 [0, 3290]	
LTF_NUM_REINT			
Mean (SD)	1.10(0.299)	1.17(0.384)	0.332
Median [Min, Max]	1.00 [1.00, 2.00]	1.00 [1.00, 2.00]	
Missing	2844 (94.0%)	455 (94.0%)	

Table 3: A comparison of the procedure outcomes for symptomatic versus asymptomatic patients who undergo the F-BEVAR procedure

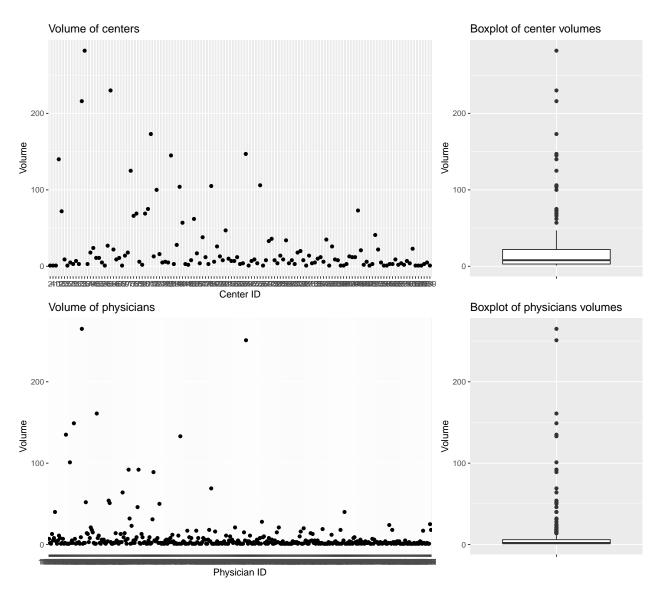
	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
	(N=3026)	(N=484)	
TOTAL_LOS	,	,	
Mean (SD)	6.40(21.2)	12.9 (28.0)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	$3.00 \ [0, 372]$	8.00 [1.00, 376]	
POSTOP_LOS			
<= 7	2598 (85.9%)	318 (65.7%)	< 0.001
> 7	428 (14.1%)	166 (34.3%)	
AORDEV_TECHSUCC	,	,	
No	78 (2.6%)	17 (3.5%)	0.231
Yes	2669 (88.2%)	403(83.3%)	
Missing	279 (9.2%)	64 (13.2%)	
CONVTOOPEN	,	. ,	

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
No	3016 (99.7%)	483 (99.8%)	0.988
Yes	10 (0.3%)	1(0.2%)	
LEAKATCOMP_NONE	,	,	
4o <u> </u>	981 (32.4%)	105~(21.7%)	0.189
l es	1893 (62.6%)	240 (49.6%)	
Missing	152 (5.0%)	$139\ (28.7\%)$	
CUSTAY	- (
Mean (SD)	2.12(4.35)	4.77(6.28)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	1.00 [0, 85.0]	3.00 [0, 49.0]	10100-
Aissing	3 (0.1%)	1 (0.2%)	
POSTOP_PRBC	3 (3.2,0)	- (0.=,0)	
Mean (SD)	1.22(4.07)	1.91 (3.85)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	0 [0, 77.0]	0 [0, 38.0]	(0.001
dissing	2 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	
POSTOP_VASO	2 (0.170)	0 (070)	
10	2493 (82.4%)	333 (68.8%)	< 0.001
vo Ves	531 (17.5%)	151 (31.2%)	\0.001
Aissing	2(0.1%)	0 (0%)	
POSTOP HIGHCREAT	Z (U.1/0)	0 (0/0)	
Mean (SD)	1 45 (1 10)	1 00 (1 00)	< 0.001
` '	1.45 (1.10)	1.88 (1.88)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	1.19 [0.0100, 15.4]	1.20 [0.450, 11.8]	
Missing	$16 \ (0.5\%)$	4 (0.8%)	
POSTOP_COMPLICATIONS	2410 (70 607)	245 (71.207)	c0 001
No	2410 (79.6%)	345 (71.3%)	< 0.001
Ves	615 (20.3%)	139 (28.7%)	
Missing	1 (0.0%)	0 (0%)	
ACCESS_COMPLICATION	(15 164)	(1- 004)	0.000
lo -	457 (15.1%)	77 (15.9%)	0.663
Zes .	31 (1.0%)	7 (1.4%)	
Missing	2538~(83.9%)	400~(82.6%)	
POSTOP_AH	(
No	2725 (90.1%)	436 (90.1%)	1
Ves .	301 (9.9%)	48~(9.9%)	
POSTOP_CEREBROSX			
10	2979~(98.4%)	469~(96.9%)	0.023
Zes .	$46 \ (1.5\%)$	15 (3.1%)	
Missing	1 (0.0%)	0 (0%)	
POSTOP_RESPIRATORY			
Vo	$2901 \ (95.9\%)$	440 (90.9%)	< 0.001
Ves .	125 (4.1%)	44 (9.1%)	
POSTOP_DIALYSIS	•		
No	2937 (97.1%)	438~(90.5%)	< 0.001
Ves .	50 (1.7%)	24 (5.0%)	
dissing	39 (1.3%)	$22\ (4.5\%)$	
POSTOP_ARMEMBO	, ,	` '	
10	3013 (99.6%)	480 (99.2%)	0.415
Ves	13 (0.4%)	4 (0.8%)	-
POSTOP_LEGEMBO	- (/	(/)	
To	2962 (97.9%)	464 (95.9%)	0.011
	` /	20 (4.1%)	0.011
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Ves POSTOP_LEGCOMPART	64 (2.1%)	20 (4.170)	

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
Yes	27 (0.9%)	4 (0.8%)	
POSTOP_INTISCH	,	,	
Mean (SD)	0.0357 (0.327)	0.0599 (0.444)	0.25
Median [Min, Max]	0 [0, 4.00]	0 [0, 4.00]	
POSTOP_RENALISCH			
No	2937 (97.1%)	467 (96.5%)	0.59
Yes	89 (2.9%)	17 (3.5%)	
POSTOP_SPINAL_ISCHEMI	A	,	
No	2940 (97.2%)	453 (93.6%)	< 0.001
Yes	86 (2.8%)	31 (6.4%)	
RETX_R_RTOR	,	,	
No	2844 (94.0%)	434 (89.7%)	< 0.001
Yes	181 (6.0%)	50 (10.3%)	
Missing	1 (0.0%)	0 (0%)	
DC_STATUS	()	(· · · /	
Dead	69 (2.3%)	22 (4.5%)	< 0.001
Home	2566 (84.8%)	350 (72.3%)	
Homeless	1 (0.0%)	1 (0.2%)	
Nursing Home	107 (3.5%)	38 (7.9%)	
Other Hospital	24 (0.8%)	17 (3.5%)	
Rehab Unit	259 (8.6%)	56 (11.6%)	
BRANCH_POST	200 (0.070)	30 (11.070)	
No	2611 (86.3%)	364~(75.2%)	< 0.001
Yes	412 (13.6%)	119 (24.6%)	
Missing	3 (0.1%)	1 (0.2%)	
factor(NUM_TREATED_BRA	` /	1 (0.270)	
	119 (3.9%)	96 (19.8%)	< 0.001
1	337 (11.1%)	65 (13.4%)	\0.001
2	671 (22.2%)	74 (15.3%)	
3	921 (30.4%)	73 (15.1%)	
4	978 (32.3%)	176 (36.4%)	
factor(NUM_TREATED_REN		110 (30.4/0)	
0	511 (16.9%)	184 (38.0%)	< 0.001
) 1	109 (3.6%)	26 (5.4%)	<0.001
2	2406 (79.5%)	274 (56.6%)	
OCCLUDED_RENAL	2400 (19.970)	214 (50.070)	
Yes	76 (2.5%)	25 (5.2%)	0.002
No	2950 (97.5%)	459 (94.8%)	0.002
	2990 (97.9%)	409 (94.870)	
OCCLUDED_SMA	3 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	1
Yes No	,	0 (0%)	1
	$3023 \ (99.9\%)$	484 (100%)	
OCCLUDED_CELIAC	60 (2.207)	20 (5 007)	×0.001
Yes	69 (2.3%)	28 (5.8%)	< 0.001
	2957 (97.7%)	$456 \ (94.2\%)$	
OCCLUDED_LSUB	9 (0 104)	10 (0.104)	.0.004
Yes	3 (0.1%)	10 (2.1%)	< 0.001
No	3023~(99.9%)	474 (97.9%)	

Volume Variables

Volume Variables: REGIONID, CENTERID, PHYSICIANID



19 regions, 133 centers, 385 physicians.

Quantiles of centers' volume: 1, 3, 8, 22, 282

Quantiles of physicians' volume: 1, 1, 2, 6, 265

Code Appendix

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knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = FALSE,message = FALSE,warning = FALSE,fig.width = 10)
library(tidyverse)
library(table1)
library(survival)
library(Hmisc)
library(ggplot2)
library(ggpubr)
## ----- working directories for Lily -----
wd_lily = '/Users/hanyiwang/Desktop/Comparative-analysis-of-treatments-of-CAA'
path_lily = c("../data/FBVAR.csv")
## ----- working directories for Jenn -----
\#wd\_jenn = '/Users/jenniferci/Desktop/Comparative-analysis-of-treatments-of-CAA'
#path_jenn = c(
# "/Users/jenniferci/Desktop/Comparative-analysis-of-treatments-of-CAA/TEVAR_International_20210712/TE
\# \ \ "/Users/jenniferci/Desktop/Comparative-analysis-of-treatments-of-CAA/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_International\_20210712/TEVAR\_INTERNATIONAL\_20210712/TEVAR\_INTERNATIONAL\_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_20210712/TEVAR_2
# "/Users/jenniferci/Desktop/Comparative-analysis-of-treatments-of-CAA/TEVAR_International_20210901/TE
# "/Users/jenniferci/Desktop/Comparative-analysis-of-treatments-of-CAA/TEVAR_International_20210901/TE
## ----- read data -----
setwd(wd_lily)
FBVAR = read.csv(path_lily)
#setwd(wd_jenn)
\#TEVAR\_LTF\_07 = read.csv(path\_jenn[1])
\#TEVAR\_PROC\_07 = read.csv(path\_jenn[2])
\#TEVAR\_LTF\_09 = read.csv(path\_jenn[3])
\#TEVAR\_PROC\_09 = read.csv(path\_jenn[4])
pvalue <- function(x, ...) {</pre>
        y <- unlist(x)
        g <- factor(rep(1:length(x), times=sapply(x, length)))</pre>
        if (is.numeric(y)) {
                 # For numeric variables, Welch's Two Sample t-test
                p <- t.test(y ~ g)$p.value</pre>
        } else {
                 # For categorical variables, Pearson's Chi-squared Test
                p <- chisq.test(table(y, g))$p.value</pre>
        c("", sub("<", "&lt;", format.pval(p, digits=3, eps=0.001)))
}
## ----- variables labels and units-----
# var.labels = c(AGE="Age", AGECAT="Age category")
# label(FBVAR) = as.list(var.labels[match(names(FBVAR), names(var.labels))])
# units(FBVAR$AGE) = "years"
## ----- population of interest -----
table1(~ PRESENTATION, data = FBVAR)
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## ----- table: Patient demographic and co-morbidities------
                   AGE+AGECAT+GENDER+ETHNICITY+ RACE+ TRANSFER+ PRIMARYINSURER+ LIVINGSTATUS+ PREOP FUNCSTATUS+
             | PRESENTATION, data = FBVAR, overall=F, extra.col=list(`P-value`=pvalue))
## ----- table: Operative Variables-----
table1(~ PRIOR_AORSURG+ PATHOLOGY+ PREOP_MAXAAADIA+ URGENCY+ PATHOLOGY_ANEURYSM_TYPE+ PATHOLOGY_DISSECT
              | PRESENTATION, data = FBVAR, overall=F, extra.col=list(`P-value`=pvalue))
## ----- table: primary outcomes-----
table1(~ DEAD+PROC_SURVIVALDAYS+LTF_NUM_REINT | PRESENTATION, data = FBVAR, overall=F, extra.col=list(`P
## ----- table: secondary outcomes-----
table1(~ TOTAL_LOS+ POSTOP_LOS+ AORDEV_TECHSUCC+ CONVTOOPEN+ LEAKATCOMP_NONE+ ICUSTAY+ POSTOP_PRBC+ POSTOP_NONE+ ICUSTAY+ POSTOP_PRBC+ 
              | PRESENTATION, data = FBVAR, overall=F, extra.col=list(`P-value`=pvalue))
## ----- Survival curves-----
## ----- clustering variables-----
#FBVAR %>% select(REGIONID) %>% table()
#FBVAR %>% select(CENTERID) %>% table()
#FBVAR %>% select(PHYSICIANID) %>% table()
## ----- plots of volume-----
center_vol = as.data.frame(FBVAR %>% select(CENTERID) %>% table())
phys_vol = as.data.frame(FBVAR %>% select(PHYSICIANID) %>% table())
p1 = ggplot(data = center_vol, aes(x=CENTERID, y=Freq)) +
    geom_point() +
    labs(title = 'Volume of centers', x='Center ID', y='Volume')
p2 = ggplot(data = center_vol, aes(x='', y=Freq)) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    labs(title = 'Boxplot of center volumes',x='',y='Volume')
print(ggarrange(p1, p2, widths = c(20,10),ncol = 2, nrow = 1, align = "h"))
p3 = ggplot(data = phys_vol, aes(x=PHYSICIANID, y=Freq)) +
   geom point() +
   labs(title = 'Volume of physicians',x='Physician ID',y='Volume')
p4 = ggplot(data = phys_vol, aes(x='', y=Freq)) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    labs(title = 'Boxplot of physicians volumes',x='',y='Volume')
print(ggarrange(p3, p4, widths = c(20,10), ncol = 2, nrow = 1, align = "h"))
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