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=2690)
PRESENTATION	
Asymptomatic	2376~(88.3%)
Symptomatic	$314\ (11.7\%)$

Patient demographic and co-morbidities

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=2376)	(N=314)	
AGE	,	,	
Mean (SD)	73.4(7.97)	70.2 (10.3)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	74.0 [0, 90.0]	71.0 [33.0, 90.0]	
AGECAT			
< 50	14~(0.6%)	13 (4.1%)	< 0.001
>79	$523\ (22.0\%)$	54 (17.2%)	
50-59	85 (3.6%)	33 (10.5%)	
60-69	$612\ (25.8\%)$	85 (27.1%)	
70-79	1142 (48.1%)	129 (41.1%)	
GENDER	, ,	, ,	
female	562 (23.7%)	127 (40.4%)	< 0.001
male	1814 (76.3%)	187 (59.6%)	
ETHNICITY	, ,	,	
Hispanic or Latino	81 (3.4%)	13 (4.1%)	0.621
None Hispanic or Latino	2291 (96.4%)	301 (95.9%)	
Missing	4 (0.2%)	0 (0%)	
RACE	, ,	` '	
American Indian or Alaskan Native	5(0.2%)	1(0.3%)	< 0.001
Asian	42(1.8%)	6 (1.9%)	
Black or African American	152(6.4%)	48 (15.3%)	
More than 1 race	3 (0.1%)	1 (0.3%)	

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	1 (0.0%)	1 (0.3%)	
Unknown/Other	133~(5.6%)	$26 \ (8.3\%)$	
White	2040~(85.9%)	$231\ (73.6\%)$	
Γ RANSFER			
Hospital	32 (1.3%)	137 (43.6%)	< 0.001
No	2342 (98.6%)	176 (56.1%)	
Rehab Unit	2(0.1%)	1(0.3%)	
PRIMARYINSURER			
Commercial	666 (28.0%)	94 (29.9%)	< 0.001
Medicaid	46 (1.9%)	24 (7.6%)	
Medicare	1314 (55.3%)	155(49.4%)	
Military/VA	87 (3.7%)	9 (2.9%)	
Non US Insurance	129(5.4%)	6(1.9%)	
Self Pay	11 (0.5%)	10(3.2%)	
Missing	123 (5.2%)	16 (5.1%)	
LIVINGSTATUS		(' ' ' ' ' '	
Home	2357 (99.2%)	307 (97.8%)	0.048
Homeless	2 (0.1%)	1 (0.3%)	0.010
Nursing home	17(0.7%)	6 (1.9%)	
PREOP_FUNCSTATUS	11 (0.170)	0 (1.070)	
Assisted care	40 (1.7%)	15 (4.8%)	0.001
Bed bound	3 (0.1%)	10(4.0%) $1(0.3%)$	0.001
Full	1536 (64.6%)	179 (57.0%)	
Light work	544 (22.9%)	77 (24.5%)	
Self care	252 (10.6%)	41 (13.1%)	
Missing	1 (0.0%)	1 (0.3%)	
PRIOR_CVD	1 (0.070)	1 (0.370)	
No	2131 (89.7%)	270 (86.0%)	0.058
Yes	245 (10.3%)	44 (14.0%)	0.056
	249 (10.370)	44 (14.070)	
PRIOR_CAD No	1600 (71 507)	214 (62 207)	0.25
Yes	1698 (71.5%) 678 (28.5%)	214 (68.2%) 100 (31.8%)	0.25
	078 (28.370)	100 (31.8%)	
PRIOR_CHF	2050 (26 201)	000 (00 007)	0.115
No No	2050 (86.3%)	260 (82.8%)	0.115
Yes	$326 \ (13.7\%)$	54 (17.2%)	
COPD	1454 (01 007)	170 (54 007)	0.094
No	1454 (61.2%)	172 (54.8%)	0.034
Yes	922 (38.8%)	$142 \ (45.2\%)$	
DIABETES	1045 (01.007)	050 (00 001)	0.604
No	1945 (81.9%)	253 (80.6%)	0.634
Yes	$431 \ (18.1\%)$	$61 \ (19.4\%)$	
PREOP_DIALYSIS	2222 (22.204)	202 (24.204)	
No	2336 (98.3%)	298 (94.9%)	< 0.001
Yes	$40 \ (1.7\%)$	16 (5.1%)	
HTN	ABB 71	a= (a -a)	
No	255 (10.7%)	27 (8.6%)	0.297
Yes	2114 (89.0%)	285 (90.8%)	
Missing	7~(0.3%)	2 (0.6%)	
PREOP_SMOKING			
No	265 (11.2%)	47~(15.0%)	0.059
Yes	2111~(88.8%)	267~(85.0%)	
PRIOR_CABG			

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
No	1958 (82.4%)	266 (84.7%)	0.357
Yes	417 (17.6%)	48 (15.3%)	
Missing	1 (0.0%)	0 (0%)	
PRIOR PCI	,	,	
No	1826 (76.9%)	254 (80.9%)	0.131
Yes	548 (23.1%)	60 (19.1%)	
Missing	2 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	
PRIOR ANEURREP	,	,	
No —	1897 (79.8%)	$224 \ (71.3\%)$	< 0.001
Yes	479 (20.2%)	90 (28.7%)	
STRESS	(, , ,	(' ' ' ' ' '	
No	1212 (51.0%)	$241\ (76.8\%)$	< 0.001
Yes	1162 (48.9%)	73 (23.2%)	
Missing	2(0.1%)	0 (0%)	
PREOP CREAT	(- , ,)	- (-, -)	
Mean (SD)	1.18(0.675)	1.15 (0.665)	0.426
Median [Min, Max]	1.08 [0, 14.4]	1.00 [0.400, 7.50]	
Missing	54 (2.3%)	14 (4.5%)	
DC_ASA	- (-, •)	(-, ,	
No	334 (14.1%)	37 (11.8%)	0.412
Yes	1976 (83.2%)	259 (82.5%)	0
Missing	66 (2.8%)	18 (5.7%)	
DC P2Y	(=:=,0)	_= (=::, =)	
No	993 (41.8%)	156 (49.7%)	0.002
Yes	1316 (55.4%)	140 (44.6%)	0.00
Missing	67 (2.8%)	18 (5.7%)	
DC STATIN	3. (=:3,0)	- (***,*)	
No	413 (17.4%)	48 (15.3%)	0.532
Yes	1897 (79.8%)	248 (79.0%)	0.002
Missing	66 (2.8%)	18 (5.7%)	

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=2376)	(N=314)	
PRIOR_AORSURG	,	,	
Both	59~(2.5%)	10 (3.2%)	< 0.001
Endo	212 (8.9%)	54 (17.2%)	
None	1911 (80.4%)	216 (68.8%)	
Open	194 (8.2%)	34 (10.8%)	
PATHOLOGY	,	,	
Aneurysm	2286 (96.2%)	253~(80.6%)	< 0.001
Aneurysm from dissection	56 (2.4%)	20 (6.4%)	
Dissection	18 (0.8%)	28 (8.9%)	
PAU/IMH	16~(0.7%)	13 (4.1%)	
PREOP_MAXAAADIA	, ,	, ,	
Mean (SD)	60.8 (10.3)	$65.1\ (17.1)$	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	59.0 [5.00, 130]	61.0 [5.50, 126]	
Missing	12 (0.5%)	5 (1.6%)	

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
URGENCY	· -	· -	
Elective	2352 (99.0%)	174 (55.4%)	< 0.001
Emergent	2 (0.1%)	24 (7.6%)	(0.001
Urgent	22 (0.9%)	116 (36.9%)	
PATHOLOGY_ANEURYSM_TYPE	22 (0.370)	110 (50.570)	
Anastomotic	33 (1.4%)	6 (1.9%)	< 0.001
Degenerative, fusiform	1980 (83.3%)	212 (67.5%)	\0.001
Degenerative, saccular	214 (9.0%)	27 (8.6%)	
Intercostal or visceral patch	12 (0.5%)	1 (0.3%)	
Prior trauma	0 (0%)	2(0.6%)	
Missing	137 (5.8%)	66 (21.0%)	
PATHOLOGY_DISSECT_TYPE	137 (3.070)	00 (21.070)	
Acute, <= 30 days	5 (0.2%)	23 (7.3%)	< 0.001
	,	` ,	<0.001
Chronic, >30 days	69 (2.9%) 2302 (96.9%)	25 (8.0%) 266 (84.7%)	
Missing PROXZONE_DISEASE	2302 (90.9%)	200 (84.7%)	
	C OF (1 FO)	F 69 (1.07)	<0.001
Mean (SD)	6.85 (1.59)	5.63 (1.97)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	7.00 [2.00, 9.00]	6.00 [2.00, 9.00]	
GENHIST	1 (0.00%)	1 (0.904)	0.202
Ehlers-Danlos	1 (0.0%)	1 (0.3%)	0.202
Marfans	9 (0.4%)	2(0.6%)	
Non-specific	64 (2.7%)	5 (1.6%)	
None	$2302 \ (96.9\%)$	306 (97.5%)	
DISTZONE_DISEASE			
10B	510 (21.5%)	50 (15.9%)	< 0.001
10L	101 (4.3%)	10 (3.2%)	
10R	145 (6.1%)	17 (5.4%)	
11B	$41 \ (1.7\%)$	7~(2.2%)	
11L	21~(0.9%)	3(1.0%)	
11R	27 (1.1%)	6 (1.9%)	
5	13~(0.5%)	2~(0.6%)	
6	16 (0.7%)	9~(2.9%)	
7	13~(0.5%)	16 (5.1%)	
8	115 (4.8%)	$24 \ (7.6\%)$	
9	1374 (57.8%)	170 (54.1%)	
extent			
Juxtarenal AAA	1020~(42.9%)	70(22.3%)	< 0.001
Type 1 TAAA	5 (0.2%)	1 (0.3%)	
Type 2 TAAA	88(3.7%)	46 (14.6%)	
Type 3 TAAA	363 (15.3%)	74 (23.6%)	
Type 4 TAAA	721 (30.3%)	87 (27.7%)	
Type 5 TAAA	34 (1.4%)	13 (4.1%)	
Missing	145 (6.1%)	23(7.3%)	
ANESTHESIA	· · · · /	` '-'	
General	2350 (98.9%)	306 (97.5%)	0.049
Local	15 (0.6%)	6 (1.9%)	
Regional	11 (0.5%)	2(0.6%)	
CONTRAST	11 (0.070)	- (0.070)	
Mean (SD)	125 (72.1)	122 (77.2)	0.581
Median [Min, Max]	110 [0, 677]	106 [0, 501]	0.001
Missing	45 (1.9%)	8 (2.5%)	
EBL	10 (1.0/0)	0 (2.970)	
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	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
Mean (SD)	440 (763)	441 (471)	0.964
Median [Min, Max]	250 [0, 25000]	300 [0, 3000]	
Missing	24 (1.0%)	5 (1.6%)	
FLUOROTIME	,	,	
Mean (SD)	73.2 (38.8)	70.7 (45.0)	0.355
Median [Min, Max]	65.0 [1.00, 320]	63.8~[6.80,~285]	
Missing	$111 \ (4.7\%)$	10 (3.2%)	
INTRAOP PRBC	(', ")	- (- , *)	
Mean (SD)	0.673(4.58)	1.14(2.04)	0.002
Median [Min, Max]	0 [0, 200]	0 [0, 14.0]	0.00-
Missing	1 (0.0%)	2(0.6%)	
TOTALPROCTIME	1 (0.070)	2 (0.070)	
Mean (SD)	254 (113)	271 (138)	0.028
Median [Min, Max]	230 [25.0, 911]	240 [52.0, 852]	0.020
Missing	250 [25.0, 911] $2 (0.1%)$	1 (0.3%)	
IVUSTEE	2 (0.170)	1(0.570)	
	16 (0.707)	2 (1.007)	< 0.001
Both	16 (0.7%)	3(1.0%)	< 0.001
IVUS	368 (15.5%)	96 (30.6%)	
No	1962 (82.6%)	209 (66.6%)	
TEE	21 (0.9%)	6 (1.9%)	
Missing	9~(0.4%)	0 (0%)	
ACCESS	0=0 (00=04)	100 (00 001)	0.044
Open	873 (36.7%)	122 (38.9%)	0.314
Percutaneous	$1289\ (54.3\%)$	157 (50.0%)	
Missing	214 (9.0%)	35 (11.1%)	
ARMNECK_ACCESS			
No	1786~(75.2%)	191~(60.8%)	< 0.001
Yes	590 (24.8%)	123 (39.2%)	
AORDEV_NUM			
Mean (SD)	$2.24 \ (0.876)$	2.57 (1.25)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	2.00 [1.00, 6.00]	2.00 [1.00, 6.00]	
AORDEV_CMOD			
No	$632\ (26.6\%)$	83 (26.4%)	1
Yes	1744 (73.4%)	$231\ (73.6\%)$	
DEV_GTYPE	,	,	
Custom	1241~(52.2%)	75 (23.9%)	< 0.001
Physician modified	443 (18.6%)	133(42.4%)	
Standard	692 (29.1%)	106 (33.8%)	
ILIACDEV END R	(=0.1,0)	(
Common	1343 (56.5%)	114 (36.3%)	0.044
External, Unintended	16 (0.7%)	3 (1.0%)	0.0 ==
External, Intended	171 (7.2%)	26 (8.3%)	
None	20 (0.8%)	1 (0.3%)	
Missing	826 (34.8%)	170 (54.1%)	
ILIACDEV_END_L	020 (04.070)	110 (04.170)	
Common	1374 (57.8%)	113 (36.0%)	0.183
External, Unintended	` /		0.100
	9 (0.4%)	2(0.6%)	
External, Intended	128 (5.4%)	17 (5.4%)	
None	19 (0.8%)	$ \begin{array}{c} 1 \ (0.3\%) \\ 181 \ (57.6\%) \end{array} $	
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Missing	$846 \ (35.6\%)$	101 (01.070)	
BRANCH_STAGED No	2254 (94.9%)	287 (91.4%)	0.01

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	15 (4.8%)	
2091 (88.0%)	243 (77.4%)	
32 (1.3%)	9~(2.9%)	
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430 (18.1%)	108 (34.4%)	
$242 \ (10.2\%)$	$33\ (10.5\%)$	0.002
63 (2.7%)		
2046 (86.1%)	$244 \ (77.7\%)$	
25 (1.1%)	18 (5.7%)	
265 (11.2%)	49 (15.6%)	< 0.001
59 (2.5%)	17 (5.4%)	
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189 (8.0%)	28 (8.9%)	0.799
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010 (11.1/0)	21 (0.170)	
296 (12.5%)	45 (14 3%)	0.006
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1134 (41.1%)	04 (20.4%)	
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	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
1	285 (12.0%)	53 (16.9%)	< 0.001
2	560 (23.6%)	60 (19.1%)	
3	794 (33.4%)	63 (20.1%)	
4	737 (31.0%)	138(43.9%)	
NUM_TREATED_RENALS	,	` ,	
0	330 (13.9%)	70(22.3%)	< 0.001
1	85 (3.6%)	23 (7.3%)	
2	1961 (82.5%)	221(70.4%)	
OCCLUDED_RENAL	, ,	` ,	
Yes	63~(2.7%)	19 (6.1%)	0.002
No	2313 (97.3%)	295(93.9%)	
OCCLUDED SMA	,	,	
Yes	3 (0.1%)	0 (0%)	1
No	2373 (99.9%)	314 (100%)	
OCCLUDED_CELIAC	` '	, ,	
Yes	53~(2.2%)	21~(6.7%)	< 0.001
No	2323 (97.8%)	293(93.3%)	

Outcomes

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

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

	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
	(N=2376)	(N=314)	
TOTAL_LOS	,	,	
Mean (SD)	6.33(21.2)	12.7 (30.5)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	3.00 [0, 372]	8.00 [1.00, 376]	
POSTOP_LOS		-	
Mean (SD)	5.64 (19.4)	8.02 (8.86)	< 0.001
Median [Min, Max]	3.00 [0, 372]	5.00 [0, 80.0]	
AORDEV_TECHSUCC			
No	66 (2.8%)	12 (3.8%)	0.318
Yes	2139 (90.0%)	267 (85.0%)	
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Yes	10 (0.4%)	1 (0.3%)	

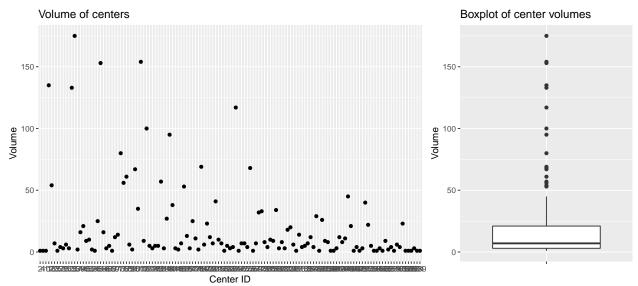
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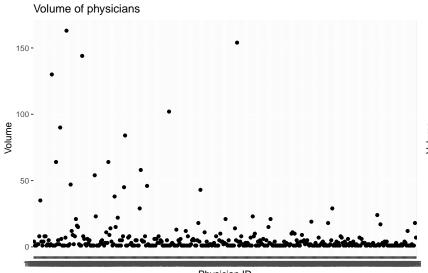
	Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	P-value
No	2329 (98.0%)	307 (97.8%)	0.933
Yes	47 (2.0%)	7 (2.2%)	
POSTOP_RENALISCH		,	
No	2300 (96.8%)	302 (96.2%)	0.679
Yes	76 (3.2%)	12 (3.8%)	
POSTOP_SPINAL_ISCI	HEMIA	, , ,	
No	2301~(96.8%)	291 (92.7%)	< 0.001
Yes	75 (3.2%)	$23 \ (7.3\%)$	
RETX_R_RTOR			
No	2230 (93.9%)	279 (88.9%)	0.001
Yes	146 (6.1%)	35 (11.1%)	
DC_STATUS			
Dead	65~(2.7%)	17 (5.4%)	< 0.001
Home	1999 (84.1%)	220 (70.1%)	
Homeless	1 (0.0%)	1~(0.3%)	
Nursing Home	86 (3.6%)	22 (7.0%)	
Other Hospital	21 (0.9%)	$14\ (4.5\%)$	
Rehab Unit	204~(8.6%)	40 (12.7%)	
BRANCH_POST	,	, ,	
No	2042~(85.9%)	231 (73.6%)	< 0.001
Yes	332 (14.0%)	82 (26.1%)	
Missing	2 (0.1%)	1 (0.3%)	

Number of re-intervention table

Volume Variables

Volume Variables: REGIONID, CENTERID, PHYSICIANID





Boxplot of physicians volumes 150 100 50-

Physician ID

19 regions, 133 centers, 366 physicians.

Quantiles of centers' volume: 1, 3, 7, 21, 175

Quantiles of physicians' volume: 1, 1, 2, 5, 163

Code Appendix

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knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = FALSE,message = FALSE,warning = FALSE,fig.width = 10)
library(tidyverse)
library(table1)
library(survival)
library(Hmisc)
library(ggplot2)
library(ggpubr)
## ----- working directories for Lily -----
wd_lily = '/Users/hanyiwang/Desktop/Comparative-analysis-of-treatments-of-CAA'
# path_lily = c("../data/FBVAR.csv")
path_lily = c("../data/TEVAR_PROC.csv")
## ----- working directories for Jenn -----
\#wd\_jenn = '/Users/jenniferci/Desktop/Comparative-analysis-of-treatments-of-CAA'
#path_jenn = c(
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## ----- read data -----
setwd(wd_lily)
TEVAR_PROC = read.csv(path_lily)
#setwd(wd_jenn)
\#TEVAR\_LTF\_07 = read.csv(path\_jenn[1])
\#TEVAR\_PROC\_07 = read.csv(path\_jenn[2])
\#TEVAR\_LTF\_09 = read.csv(path\_jenn[3])
#TEVAR_PROC_09 = read.csv(path_jenn[4])
## ----- modify variables class-----
names <- c('NUM_TREATED_BRANCHES', 'NUM_TREATED_RENALS')</pre>
TEVAR_PROC[,names] <- lapply(TEVAR_PROC[,names] , factor)</pre>
## ----- p-value function -----
pvalue <- function(x, ...) {</pre>
        y <- unlist(x)
        g <- factor(rep(1:length(x), times=sapply(x, length)))</pre>
        if (is.numeric(y)) {
                 # For numeric variables, Welch's Two Sample t-test
                 p <- t.test(y ~ g)$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)))
}
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## ----- population of interest -----
table1_POI = table1(~ PRESENTATION, data = TEVAR_PROC)
knitr::kable(table1 POI)
## ----- table: Patient demographic and co-morbidities------
table1_CMB = table1(~ AGE+AGECAT+GENDER+ETHNICITY+ RACE+ TRANSFER+ PRIMARYINSURER+ LIVINGSTATUS+ PRED
             | PRESENTATION, data = TEVAR_PROC, overall=F, extra.col=list(`P-value`=pvalue))
knitr::kable(table1 CMB)
## ----- table: Operative Variables-----
table1_OPR = table1(~ PRIOR_AORSURG+ PATHOLOGY+ PREOP_MAXAAADIA+ URGENCY+ PATHOLOGY_ANEURYSM_TYPE+ PATH
              | PRESENTATION, data = TEVAR_PROC, overall=F, extra.col=list(`P-value`=pvalue))
knitr::kable(table1_OPR)
## ----- table: primary outcomes-----
table1_POC = table1(~ DEAD+PROC_SURVIVALDAYS | PRESENTATION, data = TEVAR_PROC,overall=F, extra.col=lis
knitr::kable(table1_POC)
## ----- table: secondary outcomes-----
table1_SOC = table1(~ TOTAL_LOS+ POSTOP_LOS+ AORDEV_TECHSUCC+ CONVTOOPEN+ LEAKATCOMP_NONE+ ICUSTAY+ POSTOP_NONE+ ICUSTAY+ ICUSTAY+ POSTOP_NONE+ ICUSTAY+ ICUS
              | PRESENTATION, data = TEVAR_PROC, overall=F, extra.col=list(`P-value`=pvalue))
knitr::kable(table1_SOC)
## ----- table: number of re-intervention -----
## ----- clustering variables-----
#FBVAR %>% select(REGIONID) %>% table()
#FBVAR %>% select(CENTERID) %>% table()
#FBVAR %>% select(PHYSICIANID) %>% table()
## ----- plots of volume-----
center vol = as.data.frame(TEVAR PROC %>% select(CENTERID) %>% table())
phys_vol = as.data.frame(TEVAR_PROC %>% 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')
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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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