

Table S1 Procedural characteristics and neuroprotective measures

| First author, publication year | Procedures studied | Diseases studied | Urgencies studied | Neuroprotective measures reported* |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|---|--------------------|--|
| Acher (26), 2016 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularization Intraoperative MAP, Hb and SpO ₂ maintenance |
| Adams (27), 2019 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularization |
| Addas (28), 2022 | Standard TEVAR F/BEVAR | Thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm | Elective | Preoperative MISACE procedure |
| Angiletta (29), 2021 | F/BEVAR | Thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP and Hb maintenance |
| Arnautakis (30), 2014 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation |
| Banno (31), 2021 | Standard TEVAR | Thoracic aortic aneurysm | Multiple | Intraoperative MAP maintenance |
| Bisdas (18), 2015 | F/BEVAR | Thoracic aortic aneurysm | Elective | Intraoperative MAP and APTT maintenance |
| Bobadilla (32), 2013 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP and hypothermia maintenance |
| Chaudhary (33), 2021 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Intraoperative MAP and SCPP maintenance Intraoperative SSEP or MEP monitoring |
| Cheung (34), 2005 | Standard TEVAR | Thoracic aortic aneurysm | Multiple | Intraoperative MAP maintenance Intraoperative SSEP or MEP monitoring |
| Chuter (35), 2008 | BEVAR | Thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm | Multiple | Intraoperative MAP maintenance |
| D'Oria (36), 2019 | Standard TEVAR FEVAR | Multiple | Elective | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP maintenance |
| D'Souza (37), 2009 | Standard TEVAR | Penetrating aortic ulcer Intramedullary hematoma | Urgent or Emergent | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative APTT maintenance |
| Desart (38), 2013 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP, Hb, SpO ₂ , APTT, and CI maintenance |
| Fossaceca (39), 2013 | Standard TEVAR | Thoracic aortic aneurysm | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation |
| Hiraoka (40), 2018 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation |
| Hnath (41), 2008 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP maintenance |
| Iafrancesco (42), 2014 | F/BEVAR | Thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm | Multiple | Intraoperative MAP maintenance |
| Iyer (43), 2006 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation |
| Juszczak (19), 2019 | Standard TEVAR F/BEVAR | Multiple | Elective | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP, Hb, SpO ₂ maintenance |
| Kato (44), 2015 | Standard TEVAR F/BEVAR | Thoracoabdominal aortic dissection | Emergent | None reported |
| Khoynezhad (45), 2013 | Standard TEVAR | Blunt aortic injury | Emergent | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative APTT maintenance |
| Kitpanit (46), 2021 | F/BEVAR | Thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP, Hb, APTT maintenance Intraoperative near infrared spectroscopy monitoring |
| Kotelis (47), 2015 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP and APTT maintenance |
| Maier (48), 2019 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP maintenance Intraoperative SSEP or MEP monitoring |
| Maurel (49), 2015 | F/BEVAR | Thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm | Elective or Urgent | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP, Hb, SpO ₂ and APTT maintenance |
| Mazzeffi (50), 2018 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Intraoperative MAP and APTT maintenance Intraoperative SSEP or MEP monitoring |
| Nathan (51), 2015 | Standard TEVAR F/BEVAR | Dissection related aneurysmal disease | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation |
| Pasqualucci (52), 2020 | Standard TEVAR | Thoracic aortic aneurysm | Multiple | Intraoperative MAP, Hb, and SpO ₂ maintenance |
| Preventza (53), 2009 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP and APTT maintenance |
| Rizk (54), 2021 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Elective | None reported |
| Schurink (55), 2007 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Intraoperative SSEP or MEP monitoring |
| Seike (15), 2022 | Standard TEVAR | Thoracic aortic aneurysm | Elective | Intraoperative MAP maintenance Intraoperative SSEP or MEP monitoring |
| Song (12), 2017 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation |
| Sugiyama (56), 2022 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Elective | Intraoperative SSEP or MEP monitoring |
| Sulzinski (57), 2022 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Elective | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP and Hb maintenance Intraoperative SSEP or MEP monitoring |
| Verma (58), 2022 | Standard TEVAR | Type B Aortic Dissection | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP maintenance |
| Verzini (59), 2020 | Standard TEVAR F/BEVAR | Dissection related aneurysmal disease | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP and Hb maintenance |
| Yang (60), 2019 | Standard TEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation Intraoperative MAP and Hb maintenance Intraoperative SSEP or MEP monitoring |
| Zipfel (61), 2013 | Standard TEVAR F/BEVAR | Multiple | Multiple | Preoperative LSA revascularisation |

*, neuroprotective measures not including cerebrospinal fluid drainage. Reporting rates – LSA revascularization (27), MAP (26), Hb (10), APTT (9), SSEP or MEP (9), SpO₂ (5). TEVAR, Thoracic endovascular aortic repair; FEVAR, Fenestrated endovascular aortic repair; BEVAR, Branched endovascular aortic repair; F/BEVAR, Fenestrated/Branched endovascular aortic repair; Somatosensory evoked potentials; MEP, motor evoked potentials; MAP, mean arterial pressure; Hb, hemoglobin; SpO₂, oxygen saturation; APTT, activated partial thromboplastin time; LSA, left subclavian artery; MISACE, minimally invasive segmental artery coil embolization; SCPP, spinal cord perfusion pressure; CI, cardiac index.

| Table S2 CSFD protocol | | |
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| First author, publication year | Routine or selective | CSFD indications |
| Acher (26), 2016 | Selective | Aortic coverage >12cm |
| Adams (27), 2019 | Selective | Any of the following: 1. Aortic coverage >20cm 2. Coverage of distal descending aorta 3. Prior aortic surgery |
| Addas (28), 2022 | Routine | Routine |
| Angiletta (29), 2021 | Routine | Routine |
| Arnaoutakis (30), 2014 | Selective | As deemed by operating surgeon |
| Banno (31), 2021 | Selective | Aortic coverage >20cm (cases 2008-2012) |
| Bisdas (18), 2015 | Selective | Pre-2013: As deemed by operating surgeon Post-2013: No CSFD in TEVAR protocol |
| Bobadilla (32), 2013 | Routine | Routine |
| Chaudhary (33), 2021 | Selective | Any of the following: 1. >20 cm aortic coverage 2. Coverage of lower 1/3 of aorta 3. Pararenal or Type IV TAAA with planned coverage of >5cm above coeliac artery 4. Prior aortic repair 5. Occlusion of subclavian or internal iliac arteries |
| Cheung (34), 2005 | Selective | As deemed by operating surgeon |
| Chuter (35), 2008 | Routine | Routine |
| D'Oria (36), 2019 | Routine | Routine |
| D'Souza (37), 2009 | Selective | As deemed by operating surgeon |
| Desart (38), 2013 | Selective | As deemed by operating surgeon |
| Fossaceca (39), 2013 | Routine | Routine |
| Hiraoka (40), 2018 | Selective | As deemed by operating surgeon |
| Hnath (41), 2008 | Routine | Routine |
| Iafrancesco (42), 2014 | Routine | Routine |
| Iyer (43), 2006 | Routine | Routine |
| Juszczak (19), 2019 | Selective | Pre-2012: >40mm supraceliac coverage Post-2012: No CSFD in TEVAR protocol |
| Kato (44), 2015 | Selective | As deemed by operating surgeon |
| Khoynezhad (45), 2013 | Selective | As deemed by operating surgeon |
| Kitpanit (46), 2021 | Selective | Any of the following: 1. TAAA Crawford I-III 2. Prior aortic surgery or TEVAR |
| Kotelis (47), 2015 | Routine | Routine |
| Maier (48), 2019 | Routine | Routine |
| Maurel (49), 2015 | Selective | Pre 2010: Not reported Post 2010: All TAAA Crawford I-III |
| Mazzeffi (50), 2018 | Selective | Any of the following: 1. >15cm aortic coverage 2. Prior TEVAR or EVAR 3. Poor pelvic perfusion 4. Occluded abdominal aorta |
| Nathan (51), 2015 | Selective | DNR or "high risk" as deemed by operating surgeon |
| Pasqualucci (52), 2020 | Routine | Routine |
| Preventza (53), 2009 | Selective | Any of the following: 1. Prior aortic surgery 2. >20cm aortic coverage |
| Rizk (54), 2021 | Routine | Routine |
| Schurink (55), 2007 | Routine | Routine |
| Seike (15), 2022 | Selective | Any of the following: 1. Aortic coverage of intercostal arteries branching from AKA 2. Aortic coverage of >8 vertebrae 3. Prior aortic repair 4. Shaggy aorta |
| Song (12), 2017 | Selective | Any of the following: 1. Aortic coverage of LSA 2. Aortic coverage >30cm 3. Prior aortic repair 4. Aortic coverage of intercostal arteries 5. Aortic coverage of important vertebral, pelvic, and hypogastric arteries 6. Shaggy aorta |
| Sugiyama (56), 2022 | Routine | Routine |
| Sulzinski (57), 2022 | Routine | Routine |
| Verma (58), 2022 | Selective | Hypoplastic or atretic right vertebral artery |
| Verzini (59), 2020 | Routine | Routine |
| Yang (60), 2019 | Selective | Any of the following: 1. Aortic coverage >20cm 2. Prior aortic surgery 3. Bilateral internal iliac artery coverage |
| Zipfel (61), 2013 | Selective | Aortic coverage >20cm |

Most commonly reported CSFD drainage duration per protocol was 48-72 hours (range from 6 hours to 120 hours). Mean CSFD was 222 mL (range 46-714 mL). The most commonly reported CSFD target intraoperatively was <10 mmHg (Garrido, Iafrancesco, Kotelis, Mazzeffi, Pasqualucci, Song, Verma, Yang), followed by <15 mmHg (Arnaoutakis, Chaudhary, Hnath, Rizk, Seike, Sulzinski), then by <12 mmHg (Cheung, D'Oria, Preventza, Sugiyama, Verzini), then by <8 mmHg (Acher, Bobadilla), and by <7.3 mmHg (Kato, Maurel), and <8.8 mmHg (Kitpanit). CSFD, cerebrospinal fluid drainage; TAAA, thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm; TEVAR, thoracic endovascular aortic repair; EVAR, endovascular aortic repair; LSA, left subclavian artery; AKA, Artery of Adamkiewicz.

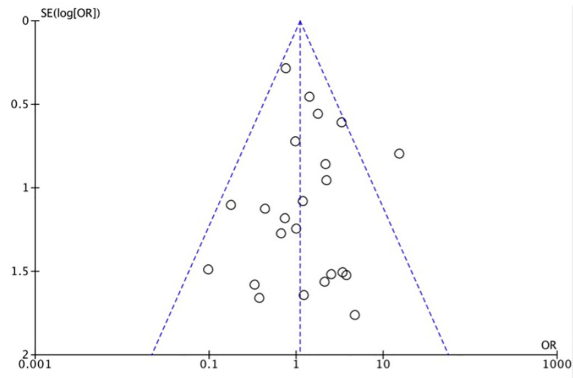


Figure S1 Funnel plot for any SCI in CSFD *vs.* non-CSFD patients.

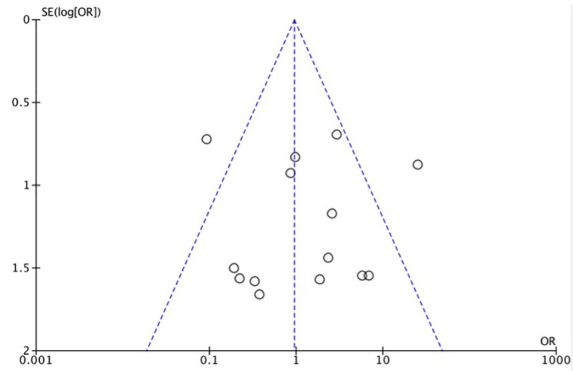


Figure S2 Funnel plot for permanent SCI in CSFD *vs.* non-CSFD patients.

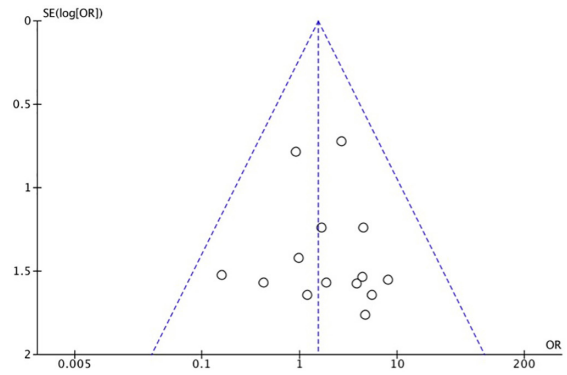


Figure S3 Funnel plot for transient SCI in CSFD *vs.* non-CSFD patients.