

Retrospective Cohort Study of Endovascular Therapy in the Salvage of Failing Arteriovenous Fistulas for Hemodialysis

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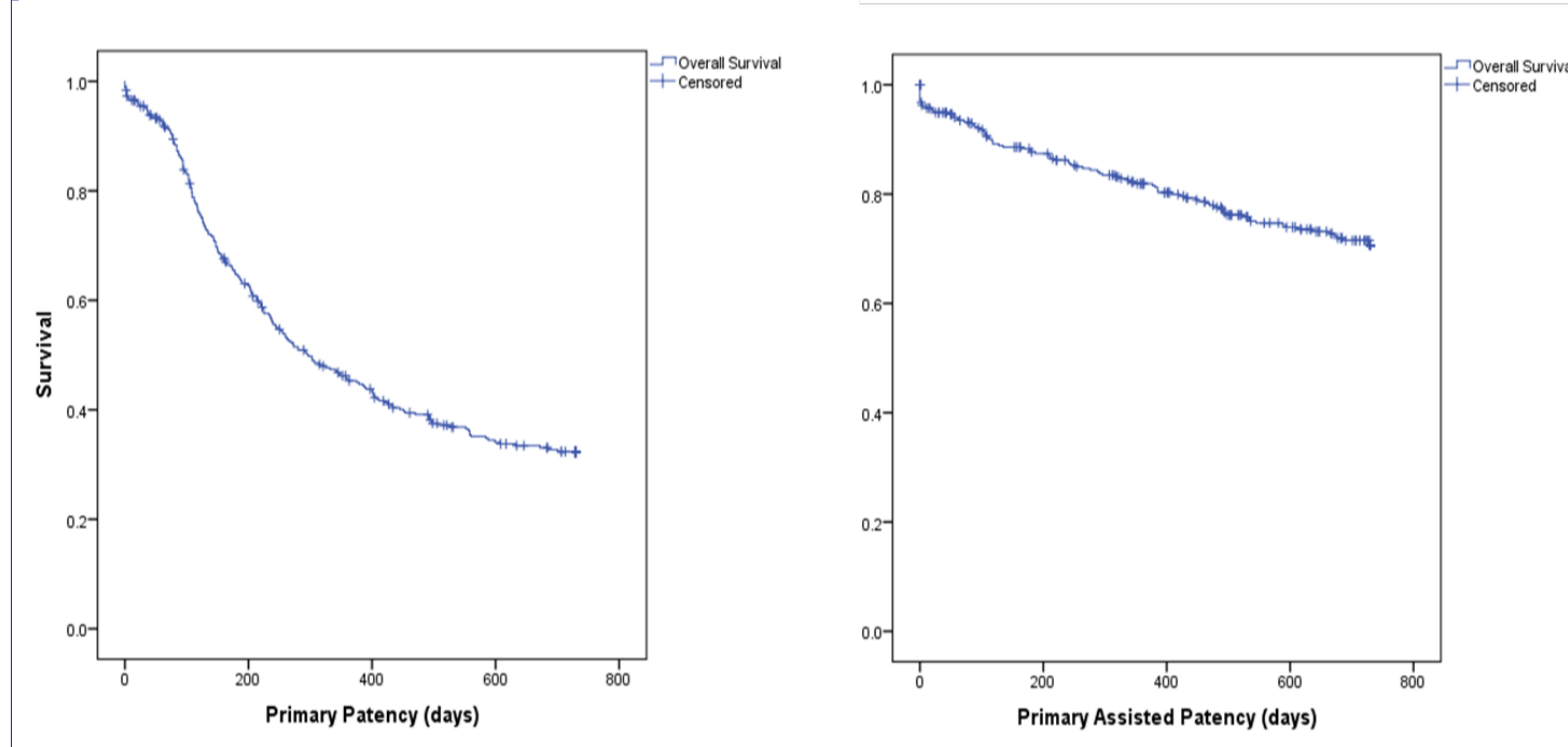
OBJECTIVES

- (1) To establish the success rates and complications of AVF interventions at our institution.
- (2) To analyse the patient demographics, medical risk factors and technical factors affecting the outcome of endovascular therapy in our centre.

METHODS

- A single centre retrospective cohort study was performed on patients with end Stage Renal Failure(ESRF) presenting for first time ET from Jan 2011 to Jun 2013
- 2 year follow up
- Endpoints
 - Primary Patency
 - Primary Assisted Patency
 - Secondary Patency
- Kaplan-Meier analysis and log-rank tests were used to assess AVF survival
- Cox regression analysis used to determine hazard ratios of other risk factors
- Statistical tests were performed using SPSS20

GRAPHS AND TABLES

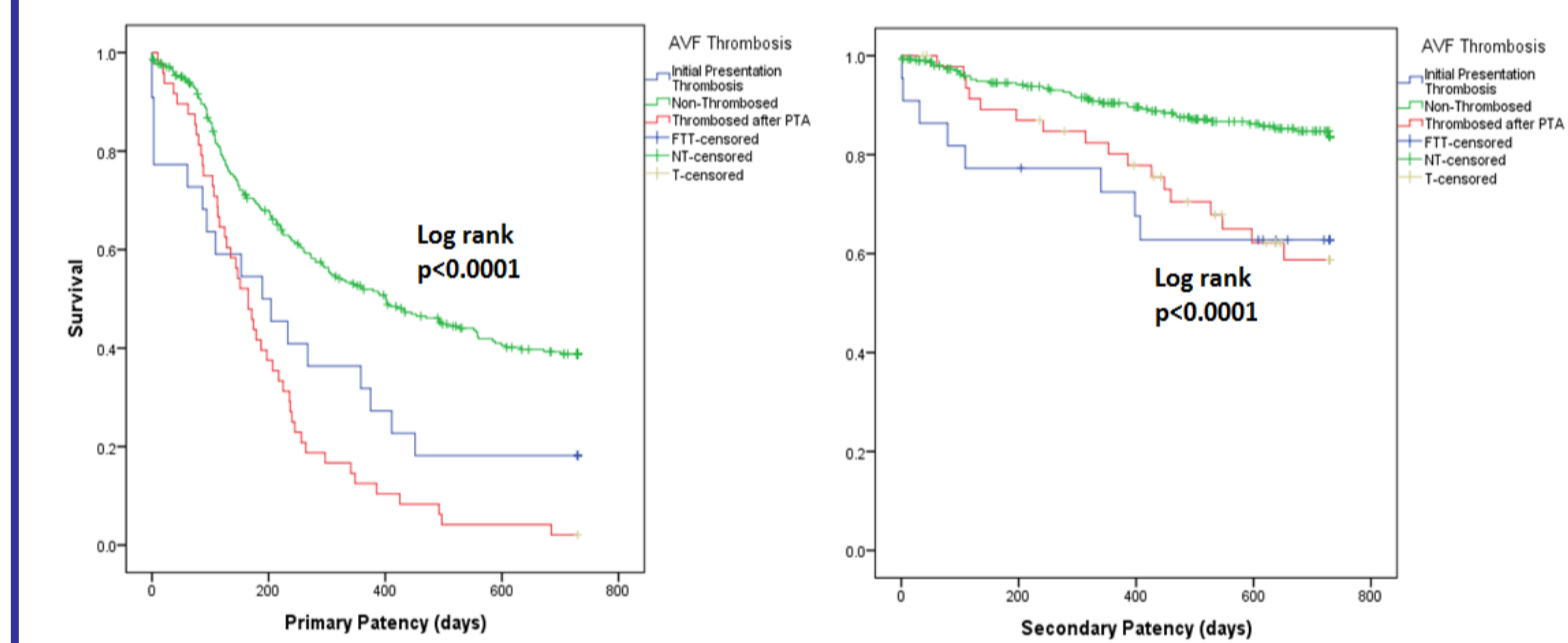


Circuit Primary Patency:

- 6 months: 64.5%
- 12 months: 45.3%
- 24 months: 32.4%

Circuit Primary Assisted Patency:

- 6 months: 87.7%
- 12 months: 81.9%
- 24 months: 70.6%

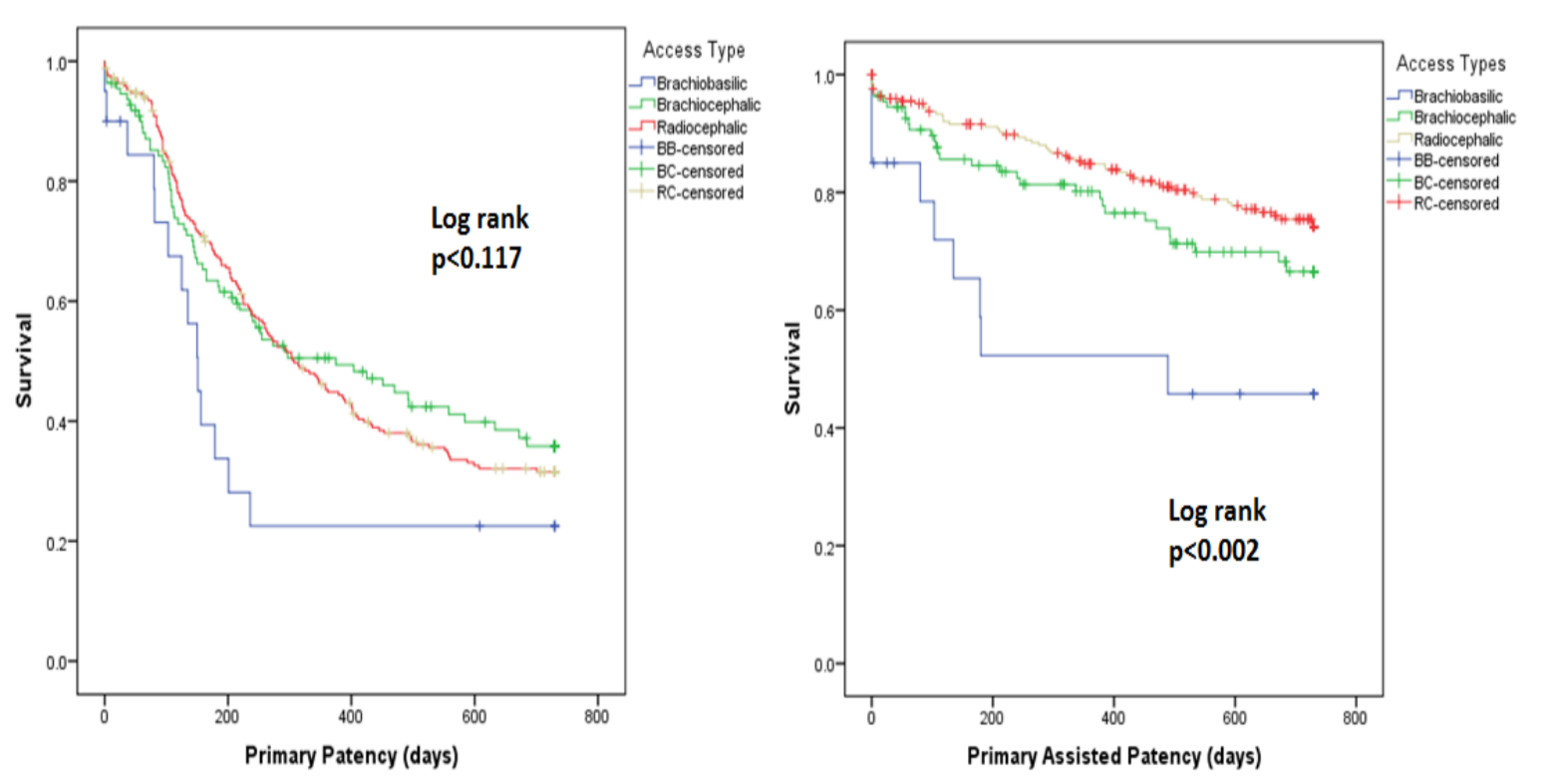


Primary Patency

	Univariate Cox Model		Multivariate Cox Model	
	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	Sig.	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	Sig.
AVF Thrombosis	2.51 (1.88-3.36)	.000	2.55 (1.88-3.46)	.000
AVF Age < 305 Days	1.3 (1.14-1.48)	.000	2.1 (1.59-2.76)	.000
Cephalic Arch Stenosis	1.55 (1.00-2.38)	.047	2.99 (1.73-5.17)	.000
Non-Maturation	1.22 (1.02-1.46)	.029	1.66 (1.15-2.41)	.007
Juxta Anastomatic Stenosis	1.33 (.978-1.80)	.069	1.44 (1.04-2.02)	.030
Age >65	1.3 (1.00-1.68)	.049	1.29 (.990-1.68)	.060
Chinese (vs Non Chinese)	1.35 (.998-1.82)	.051	1.22 (.894-1.65)	.212
Brachio basilic AVF	1.71 (.987-2.95)	.056	1.41 (.797-2.94)	.238
Lesion Length >2cm vs 2cm or less	1.41 (1.09-1.83)	.009	1.15 (.880-1.51)	.304

Primary assisted patency

	Univariate Cox Model		Multivariate Cox Model	
	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	Sig.	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	Sig.
AVF Thrombosis	10.32 (6.81-15.4)	.000	9.72 (6.13-15.4)	.000
AVF Age < 305 Days	1.36 (904-2.06)	.140	1.45 (.929-2.26)	.101
Cephalic Arch Stenosis	1.68 (3.16-1.66)	.106	1.66 (.758-3.63)	.206
Non-Maturation	1.09 (.606-1.95)	.778		
Juxta Anastomatic Stenosis	0.94 (.792-1.48)	.792		
Diabetes	1.25 (1.02-1.53)	.032	1.05 (.841-1.30)	.686
Brachio basilic AVF	1.93 (1.22-3.07)	.005	1.75 (.838-3.67)	.136
Lower Cephalic Vein	1.6 (.889-2.87)	.118	1.08 (.762-1.52)	.678
Basilic Vein Lesion	2.08 (.911-4.77)	.082	1.18 (.618-2.25)	.616
Lesion Length >2cm vs 2cm or less	1.32 (.880-1.99)	.179	1.00 (.808-1.25)	.974



Kaplan Meier Survival of Radiocephalic (n=247), Brachiocephalic (n=111) and Brachio basilic AVFs (n=20)

RESULTS

- 870 procedures performed for 380 patients
- 59.2% Male, mean age 64.5 years
- Technical Success rate: 91.3%
- Defined as <30% residual stenosis
- Clinical Success rate: 96.4% (Defined as patient undergoing one subsequent successful dialysis)
- Complication rate: 2.53%
 - 3 major - 2 vessel ruptures, Embolus

Secondary patency

	Univariate Cox Model		Multivariate Cox Model	
	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	Sig.	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	Sig.
AVF Thrombosis	2.82 (1.72-4.62)	.000	3.13 (1.88-5.23)	.000
Cephalic Arch Stenosis	1.49 (1.06-2.08)	.020	2.03 (1.37-3.02)	.000
AVF Age (<305 days)	1.73 (1.05-2.84)	.030	1.37 (1.05-1.80)	.019
Previous AVF Revision	1.52 (0.892-2.58)	.124	1.18 (0.895-1.55)	.242

CONCLUSIONS

- AVF thrombosis is most strongly associated with AVF failure
- Patients with upper arm AVFs, diabetes, and lesion lengths >2cm are most at risk of thrombosis
- Vessel calibre more significant in lower arm AVFs than upper arm AVFs
- A targeted approach for these patients to undergo proactive surveillance or adjuvant antiplatelet therapy may increase AVF survival

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