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Biologics-associated Risks for Incident Skin and Soft Tissue Infections in Psoriasis Patients: Results from Propensity Score-Stratified Survival Analysis

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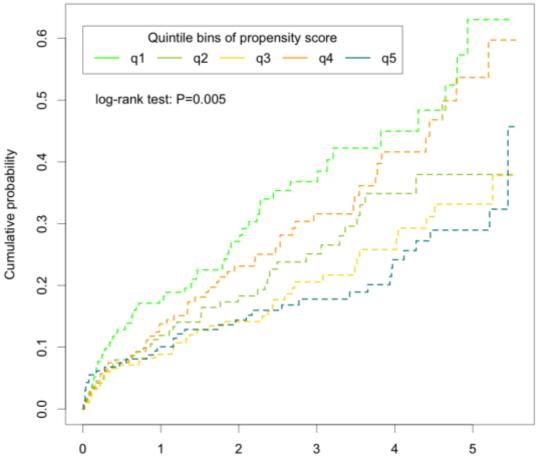
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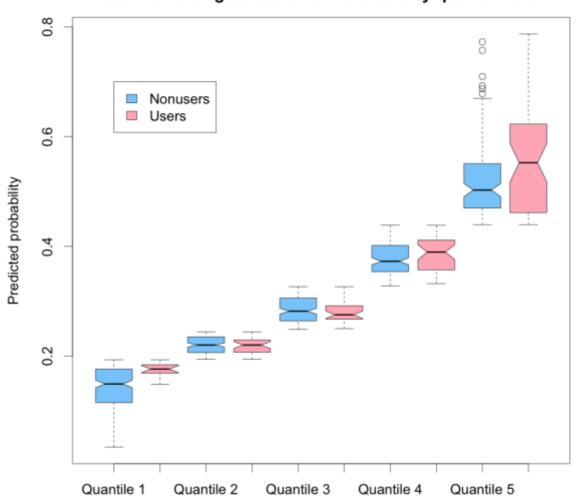
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Figure S1. Cumulative probabilities of incident SSTIs in adult psoriasis patients (N=922) visiting Dermatology Clinic in 2010-2015, by quantile bins of propensity score on receiving biologics regimen.



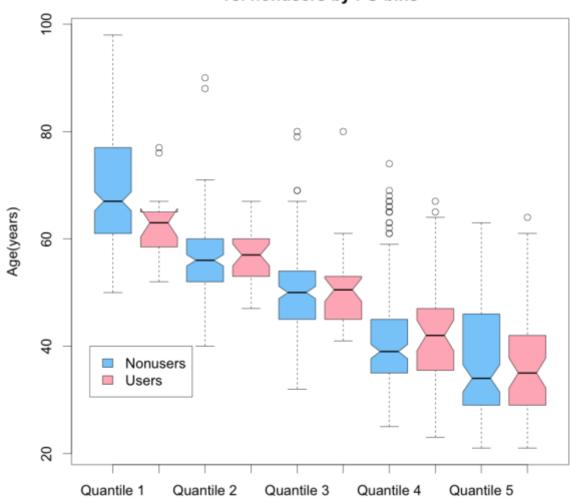
Cumulative probabilities for an incident SSTI by quintiles of propensity scores

Follow-up time (year)



Comparing propensity scores (PS) on receiving biologics between biologics users vs. nonusers by quantile bins





Comparing 'age at study entry' between biologics users vs. nonusers by PS-bins

At study entry, N (%)	Ν	P value ^a	
Age (year), Median (IQR)	53	(38-58)	0.539
Age group (year)			
20-40	10	(27.0%)	0.972
40-65	22	(59.5%)	
\geq 65	5	(13.5%)	
Male	22	(59.5%)	0.155
Calendar year at study entry			
2010	18	(48.6%)	0.166
2011	2	(5.4%)	
2012	5	(13.5%)	
2013	10	(27.0%)	
2014	2	(5.4%)	
Arthropathy diagnosis	3	(8.1%)	0.464
Steroid use			
None	3	(8.1%)	0.045
Topical only	31	(83.8%)	
Low dose	0	(0.0%)	
Medium dose	3	(8.1%)	
No. steroid in use, Median (IQR)	2	(2-3)	0.043

Table S1. Characteristics of adult psoriasis patients who were not at risks for incident SSTIs at follow-up in 2010-2015 (N=37)

a. P value for ranksum test for nominal variables and for chi-square or Fisher's exact test for categorical variables comparing to at-risk patients in Table 1

Table S2. Types of incident SSTIs and the corresponding ICD-9-CM codes documented in 922 at-risk adult psoriasis patients followed at Dermatology Clinic, 2010-2015

	No.	incident		
Туре	(%)		ICD-9-CM codes (no. events)	
Abscess	97	(41.6%)	681.0; 682.0, 682.2, 682.3, 682.4, 682.5,	
			682.6, 682.7, 682.8, 682.9	
SSTI others	115	(49.4%)	686.00, 686.8, 686.9	
Carbuncle/furuncle	15	(6.4%)	680.2, 68.05, 680.8, 680.9	
Decubitus ulcer	3	(1.3%)	707.0, 707.8, 707.9	
SSI	3	(1.3%)	998.59, 996.66	

Abbreviation: SSI, surgical site infection; SSTI, skin and soft tissue infection; no., number