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Paper: Spring 2022 CPD Questions

Personal Reflection:

The papers read for the SVT Spring 2022 CPD were related to EVAR surveillance. Both papers were interesting, with one looking at patient long term outcomes and whether surveillance improved outcomes, the later on imaging developments that could be introduced to improve detection of endoleaks using ultrasound software developed by Toshiba to increase sensitivity.

The patients in the first paper with discontinued follow up did not appear to fair worse than those with continuous follow up - although the paper does state there could be limitations to their analysis. The second looked promising for future ultrasound software application removing the need for injected contrast for follow up. Both papers were very interesting and although I currently do not perform EVAR ultrasound, this is very informative and to be aware of potential changes in future practice,