

Supplementary Table 6. Subgroup analysis of fusion rate\*

Fusion modalities	Studies	Percutaneous group		Open group		Follow-up†	OR (95% CI)
		Fusion success (%)	Total number of patients	Fusion success (%)	Total number of patients		
<b>Overall fusion success</b>							
TLIF	<sup>6</sup> <sup>19, 21, 22, 25-27</sup>	241 (96.0)	251	242 (97.6)	248	$24.1 \pm 2.6, 24.3 \pm 2.6$ ‡	0.7 (0.2 to 2.0)
PLIF	<sup>2</sup> <sup>23, 29</sup>	68 (98.6)	69	56 (94.9)	59	$11.8 \pm 0.4, 15.4 \pm 4.7$	2.5 (0.3 to 19.9)
PLF	<sup>1</sup> <sup>24</sup>	42 (97.7)	43	37 (100)	37	$32 \pm 0, 40 \pm 0$	0.4 (0.01 to 9.6)
Overall	<sup>9</sup> <sup>19, 21-27, 29</sup>	351 (96.7)	363	335 (97.4)	344	$22.2 \pm 6.8, 24.1 \pm 7.6$	0.9 (0.3 to 2.1)
<b>Fusion success of patients with spondylolisthesis</b>							
TLIF	<sup>2</sup> <sup>19, 26</sup>	91 (98.9)	92	92 (98.9)	93	$25.2 \pm 1.6, 25.2 \pm 1.6$	1.0 (0.06 to 16.1)
PLF	<sup>1</sup> <sup>24</sup>	42 (97.7)	43	37 (100)	37	$32 \pm 0, 40 \pm 0$	0.4 (0.01 to 9.6)
Overall	<sup>3</sup> <sup>19, 24, 26</sup>	133 (98.5)	135	129 (99.2)	130	$27.4 \pm 4.1, 30.1 \pm 8.7$	0.6 (0.08 to 5.4)
<b>Fusion success of patients with mixed diagnoses</b>							
TLIF	<sup>4</sup> <sup>21, 22, 25, 27</sup>	150 (94.3)	159	150 (96.8)	155	$23.5 \pm 3.0, 23.9 \pm 3.1$	0.7 (0.2 to 2.1)
PLIF	<sup>2</sup> <sup>23, 29</sup>	68 (98.6)	69	56 (94.9)	59	$11.8 \pm 0.4, 15.4 \pm 4.7$	2.5 (0.3 to 19.9)
Overall	<sup>6</sup> <sup>21-23, 25, 27, 29</sup>	218 (95.6)	228	206 (96.3)	214	$19.6 \pm 6.5, 21.0 \pm 5.4$	0.9 (0.3 to 2.5)

\*OR = odds ratio, CI = confidence interval, TLIF = transforaminal lumbar interbody fusion, PLIF = posterior lumbar interbody fusion, PLF = posterolateral fusion, The values are given as the number of patients. †The values are given as the mean  $\pm$  standard deviation. ‡The values appear in order of percutaneous group and open group.