

Supplementary Table: Baseline Distribution of Demographic and Morbidity Measure for RA and Control Populations

Variable	RA Cohort Mean (SD) or %	Control Cohort Mean SD or %	Statistic
Age	73.6 (6.8)	73.7 (7.3)	0.1194
Charlson Comorbidity Score	0.01 (0.38)	0.06 (0.11)	<.0001
Study Days	1,251 (469)	1,278 (472)	<.0001
Female sex	74.0%	75.4%	<.0001
Geographic Region:			
Northeast	20.0%	19.6%	0.2033
North Central	30.4%	31.1%	
South	28.6%	28.7%	
West	19.1%	18.8%	
Unknown	1.9%	1.9%	
Elixhauser Comorbidities:			
Asthma	5.0%	4.4%	<.0001
Cardiac dysrhythmias	12.6%	12.3%	0.2237
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	10.8%	9.2%	<.0001
Conduction disorders of the heart	13.8%	13.4%	0.1361
Congestive Heart Failure	4.3%	4.1%	0.1135
Cystic fibrosis	0.01%	0.01%	0.7437
Diabetes with chronic complications	7.5%	7.5%	0.6343
Diabetes without chronic complications	17.5%	17.2%	0.4013
Diverticulosis and diverticulitis	4.0%	3.9%	0.8103
Epilepsy	0.7%	0.6%	0.1144
Heart valve disorders	6.9%	6.5%	0.0266
Hepatitis	0.5%	0.3%	<.0001
HIV infection	0.02%	0.02%	0.6230
Hypertension	48.4%	47.8%	0.1231
Multiple sclerosis	0.2%	0.2%	0.8335
Otitis	2.0%	1.8%	0.0533
Parkinson's Disease	0.8%	0.7%	0.4021
Peri-, endo-, and myocarditis	1.7%	1.6%	0.1731
Pulmonary heart disease	1.5%	1.1%	<.0001
Schizophrenia	0.1%	0.1%	0.3683
Senile	3.0%	2.7%	0.0031
Systemic lupus erythematosus	4.1%	0.6%	<.0001
Vertigo	4.5%	4.4%	0.2941