

**Inter-relationships between Gender, Frailty and 10-Year Survival in Older Italian Adults: an
observational longitudinal study**

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Supplemental Table 1. Characteristics of study population at 10-year survival stratified by health status and gender

Variables	Alive				Dead			
	All (n=604)	Men (n=229)	Women (n=375)	<i>p</i>	All (n=680)	Men (n=323)	Women (n=357)	<i>p</i>
Age, years mean (SD)	71.65 (4.89)*	71.32(4.47)*	71.86(5.12)*	.190	76.44(6.69)	75.39(6.31)	77.39(6.89)	<.001
BMI, kg/m² mean (SD)	26.73 (4.70)	26.09(4.17)	27.11 (4.96)	.014	26.41 (5.09)	25.75 (3.99)	27.03 (5.88)	.001
Waist circumference, cm mean (SD)	95.40 (15.87)	96.45(15.14)	94.77 (16.29)	.247	96.06 (16.65)	96.15 (15.73)	95.98 1(7.51)	.903
Charlson comorbidity index, mean (SD)	1.27 (1.42)*	1.10 (1.11)*	1.38 (1.57)*	.018	1.98 (1.81)	1.88 (1.74)	2.05 (1.87)	.228
Drugs number, mean (SD)	1.87 (1.81)*	1.58 (1.69)*	2.04(1.86)*	.002	2.65 (2.20)	2.32 (2.04)	2.95 (2.31)	<.001
Hypertension, n (%)	450 (74.5)	165 (72.1)	285 (76.0)^	.280	520 (76.5)	228 (70.6)	292 (81.8)	.001
Diabetes, n (%)	62 (10.3)*	14 (6.1)*	48 (12.8)*	.009	125 (18.4)	48 (14.9)	77 (21.6)	.024
CAD, n (%)	23 (3.8)*	11 (4.8)*	12 (3.2)	.318	47 (6.9)	35 (10.8)	12 (3.4)	<.001
CHF, n (%)	27 (4.5)*	6 (2.6)*	21 (5.7)*	.080	93 (13.9)	42 (13.2)	51 (14.7)	.579
COPD, n (%)	191 (31.6)*	97 (42.2)	94 (25.1)	<.001	297 (43.7)	171 (52.9)	126 (35.3)	<.001
CKD, n (%)	20 (3.3)	9 (3.9)	11 (2.9)	.507	33 (4.9)	16 (5.0)	17 (4.8)	.908
Neurological diseases, n (%)	66 (10.9)*	17 (7.4)	49 (13.1)	.031	102 (15.0)	39 (12.1)	63 (17.6)	.042
Frail, n (%)	163 (27.0)*	36 (15.1)*	127 (33.9)*	<.001	368 (54.1)	127 (39.3)	241 (67.5)	<.001

BMI, Body Mass, Index; CAD, Coronary Artery Disease; CHF, Chronic Heart Failure; COPD, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Diseases; CKD, Chronic Kidney Disease

* p <0.05 versus dead; ^ p=0.05

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