

Table 1. The comparison of baseline characteristics between patients who survived and died during follow-up.

Variable	Deaths	Survivors	P-value
Age, years	63.00 (55.00 - 74.00)	61.00 (53.00 - 69.00)	<0.0001
Women	19.0%	20.4%	0.5221
Body mass index, kg/m ²	26.26 (23.70 - 29.32)	27.58 (24.45 - 30.61)	0.0002
Diabetes mellitus	52.6%	37.3%	<0.0001
Hypertension	45.5%	50.7%	0.0616
Previous myocardial infarction	54.0%	45.2%	0.0015
Previous stroke	8.8%	5.4%	0.011
Chronic kidney disease stage III+	38.8%	25.6%	<0.0001
Atrial fibrillation	40.2%	30.9%	0.0004
Dyslipidemia	38.8%	40.0%	0.6506
NYHA III/IV	50.6%	38.5%	<0.0001
Heart rate, beats/min	80.00 (70.00 - 90.00)	73.00 (68.00 - 85.00)	<0.0001
Red cell distribution width, %	14.90 (13.80 - 16.60)	13.80 (13.10 - 14.70)	<0.0001
Hemoglobin, mmol/l	8.30 (7.50 - 9.00)	8.80 (8.10 - 9.40)	<0.0001
White blood cell count, x10 ³ /μl	7.45 (6.22 - 9.20)	7.24 (6.04 - 8.80)	0.0971
NT-proBNP, pg/ml	3547.00 (1600.00 - 7711.00)	1377.00 (630.00 - 3348.00)	<0.0001
Heart failure etiology			<0.0001
Ischemic etiology	68.6%	63.7%	
Valvular etiology	12.2%	7.8%	
Other etiology	19.2%	28.5%	
LVEF, % ^a	25.00 (20.00 - 30.00)	27.00 (22.00 - 31.00)	<0.0001

Continuous variables are presented as median (interquartile range). Dichotomic variables are presented as percentage.

Table 2. The comparison between areas under curves (AUC) for models with and without RDW.

AUC (95% CI) for models:		Difference between AUC (95% CI)	P-value
With RDW	Without RDW	0.03 (0.01-0.05)	0.0006
0.75 (0.72-0.77)	0.72 (0.69-0.75)		

Figure 1. Receiver-operating characteristic (ROC) curves for models with and without RDW.

