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ENDOVASCULAR ANEURYSM repair (EVAR) for a ruptured abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA) proved less hazardous than open repair within 30 days of the procedure, but there were no differences between 30 days and five years, and five to 10 years following repair, according to a study in the June issue of the *Journal of Vascular Surgery*.

The retrospective study was performed in Ontario, Canada, and involved all ruptured AAA patients (2,692) 40 and older from over a 13-year period. Some 10% underwent EVAR and 90%—2,431 patients—underwent open repair. Researchers concluded more work is needed to understand and improve the long-term outcomes of both procedures. The study is one of a number of open-source articles available from the issue: vsweb.org/JVS-OntarioAAA .

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