

Table S1. Results of the simulation study with different scenarios and the MAR mechanism on the outcome.

| | LR | PS matching | PS covariate | IPTW | TMLE1 (CC) | TMLE2 (CC) | TMLE1 (IPW) | TMLE2 (IPW) |
|--|------|----------------|-----------------|------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| SCENARIO 1: 20% MAR on Y, n = 1 000 | | | | | | | | |
| OR | 2.00 | 1.99 | 2.00 | 1.95 | 1.79 | 1.79 | 1.78 | 1.78 |
| Bias | 0.35 | 0.33 | 0.34 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 0.12 | 0.12 |
| SE | 0.56 | 0.58 | 0.55 | 0.51 | 0.36 | 0.35 | 0.35 | 0.35 |
| 95% NCI | 87.7 | 91.3 | 88.0 | 90.7 | 94.0 | 92.9 | 94.5 | 92.0 |
| SCENARIO 2: 40% MAR on Y, n = 1 000 | | | | | | | | |
| OR | 2.08 | 2.06 | 2.07 | 2.00 | 1.82 | 1.82 | 1.81 | 1.80 |
| Bias | 0.42 | 0.40 | 0.42 | 0.34 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.15 | 0.14 |
| SE | 0.69 | 0.74 | 0.69 | 0.63 | 0.43 | 0.43 | 0.44 | 0.43 |
| 95% NCI | 88.8 | 91.2 | 88.8 | 92.1 | 94.1 | 92.2 | 93.8 | 92.0 |
| SCENARIO 3: 20% MAR on Y, n = 5 000 | | | | | | | | |
| OR | 1.96 | 1.93 | 1.96 | 1.90 | 1.76 | 1.76 | 1.75 | 1.75 |
| Bias | 0.30 | 0.27 | 0.30 | 0.24 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.09 | 0.09 |
| SE | 0.35 | 0.34 | 0.35 | 0.30 | 0.17 | 0.18 | 0.17 | 0.17 |
| 95% NCI | 60.2 | 70.8 | 61.2 | 72.5 | 90.4 | 89.1 | 90.4 | 89.3 |
| SCENARIO 4: 40% MAR on Y, n = 5 000 | | | | | | | | |
| OR | 2.03 | 2.00 | 2.03 | 1.96 | 1.80 | 1.80 | 1.79 | 1.79 |
| Bias | 0.37 | 0.34 | 0.38 | 0.30 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 0.13 |
| SE | 0.44 | 0.43 | 0.44 | 0.37 | 0.22 | 0.22 | 0.22 | 0.22 |
| 95% NCI | 56.6 | 71.3 | 56.4 | 72.0 | 88.2 | 87.2 | 88.6 | 88.4 |

OR = odds ratio, SE = standard error, 95% NC = 95% nominal coverage interval, MAR = missing at random, n = sample size, LR = logistic regression, PS = propensity score, IPTW = inverse probability of treatment weighting, TMLE = targeted maximum likelihood estimator, CC = complete case, IPW = inverse probability weighting. TMLE1: LR with main terms only, LR with stepwise model selection procedures, LR with interaction terms; TMLE2: LR with main terms only, LR with stepwise procedures, LR with interaction terms, LR with interaction terms with stepwise model selection procedures, generalized additive models (GAM), random forest (RF) and recursive partitioning and regression trees (RPART).