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## Appendix A5. Description of Atrial Septal Aneurysm and Shunt Size Variables

## **Appendix Table 3. Variable Definition for ASA Class.**

SCOPE Excursion Class	Systematic, Collaborative, PFO closure Evaluation (SCOPE)	defined as ≥10 mm of excursion from midline
TOTAL	CLOSURE	mobility of septum of 10 mm or greater total excursion of the septum
midline	PC Trial	protrusion of the interatrial septum, or part of it, of more or equal to 15mm beyond the plane of the interatrial septum and the diameter of the aneurysm base measured at least 15mm.
TOTAL	RESPECT	defined as ≥10 mm septum primum excursion
TOTAL	REDUCE	defined as the movement of the septum primum into either atrium for a total excursion of at least 10 mm (from an imaginary midline).
midline	DEFENSE	ASA based on Defense defined asa or hypermobile septum, where ASA=atrial septal aneurysm (protrusion of the dilated segment of the septum at least 15 mm beyond the level surface of the atrial septum), hypermobility (phasic septal excursion into either atrium ≥10 mm)
TOTAL	CLOSE	septum primum excursion greater than 10mm as identified on TEE

PFO indicates patent foramen ovale; TEE, transesophageal echocardiogram.

## **Appendix Table 4. Variable Definition for Large Shunt Size.**

Systematic, Collaborative, PFO closure Evaluation (SCOPE)	Target: Large shunt size was defined in our database as >20+ bubbles (values below in BLUE coded as 'large' in our database)
CLOSURE	Small: (1) None; (2): Trace, 1~10 bubbles, (3) Moderate, ~10-25 bubbles,  Large: (4) Substantial, ~25 or more bubbles

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PC Trial	Small: grade 0 = none; grade 1 = minimal (1-5 bubbles), grade 2 = moderate (6 to 20 bubbles),  Large: grade 3 = severe (>20 bubbles)
RESPECT	Small: Grade 0 (none), Grade 1 = 1-9 bubbles; Grade 2 = 10 to 20 bubbles;  Large: Grade 3 = over 20 bubbles
REDUCE	PENN RE-READ FROM TEE (IF MISSING (~20% of time), USED ORIGINAL DATA FROM GORE): Small :(0)Grade 0[no bubbles], (1)Grade 1 [1-9 bubbles], (2)Grade 2 [10-20] bubbles, Large: (3)Grade3 [>20 bubbles]
DEFENSE	Small: (<20 Microbubbles), Large (>20 microbubbles)
CLOSE	Small : ≤30 Bubbles on TTE or TEE, Large: >30 microbubbles on TTE or TEE

PFO indicates patent foramen ovale; TEE, transesophageal echocardiogram; TTE, transthoracic echocardiogram;