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| Table S1 Quality of Life according to the SF-36 after PFO closure (n=56) |  |
| Sub-domain | Post-operative | Long-term follow-up | P value |
| Overall health score | 67.46 ± 12.79 | 69.70 ± 11.65 | 0.336 |
| Physical health score | 86.18 ± 7.98 | 87.16 ± 7.91 | 0.514 |
| Physical function | 87.39 ± 15.07 | 89.07 ± 13.67 | 0.538 |
| Emotional function | 85.80 ± 14.18 | 84.39 ± 11.91 | 0.570 |
| Social function | 65.21 ± 6.16 | 67.98 ± 7.59 | 0.036\* |
| Physical pain | 77.52 ± 8.30 | 79.30 ± 8.91 | 0.275 |
| Energy | 76.75 ± 8.60 | 79.57 ± 7.14 | 0.061 |
| Mental health | 80.39 ± 6.64 | 81.43 ± 6.67 | 0.412 |
| The data are shown as the mean ± SD. \* P < 0.05. |  |  |