**Appendix 2**: Preoperative data in patients with weight and length registered and in patients with missing data for length and/or weight. Data are presented as mean ± SD or proportions (%).

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|  | **Patients with length and weight registered** | **Patients with length and/or weight missing** |
|  | n = 14141 | n = 932 |
| Age (years) | 42.8 ± 10.5 | 43.2 ± 10.8 |
| Men/Women (%) | 56/44 | 52/48 |
| Smokers (%) | 17 | 23 |
| Numeric Rating Scale (NRS) leg pain | 6.7 ± 2.4 | 6.8 ± 2.4 |
| Numeric Rating Scale (NRS) back pain | 4.8 ± 2.9 | 5.0± 2.9 |
| Oswestry Disability Index (ODI) | 48 ± 18 | 49 ± 17 |