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abstract: Foam sclerotherapy is a well established technique to treat CVI in many countries around the world.

In Brazil, there are two societies, The Brazilian society of phlebology and the Brazilian Society of vascular surgery with two different points of view.

Besides having very good results with foam sclerotherapy, and it being a very cheap and effective solution, the Brazilian Society of Vascular Surgery has introduced restrictions for the adoption of this technique to treat C2, C3 and C4 patients, probably because of its traditional surgical orientation.

On the other hand, The Brazilian Society of Phlebology, defends all minimally invasive techniques such as foam sclerotherapy.

The Brazilian national health service (SUS) doesn't cover chemical ablations.

Dr. Cavezzi defends, foam sclerotherapy as a good and low cost solution for developing countries.

The author will show epidemiological data of CVI in Brazil and conclude that chemical ablations using foam sclerotherapy is an excellent option for a country, where few people (around 30%) have private health plans.

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