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A Prompted Application to Easily Create Forest Plots with Inner Margin Tables SAS® Global Forum 2016

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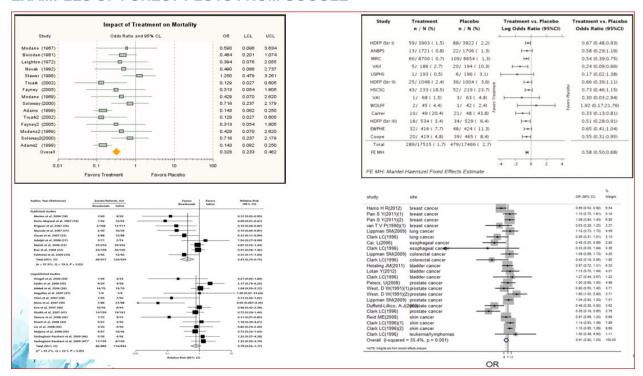
ABSTRACT

Two of the powerful features of ODS Graphics is the ability to create Forest Plots and add Inner-Margin tables to graphics output. The drawback, however, is the syntax required from proc template is complex and tedious. A prompted application or even a parameterized stored process that connects proc template code to a point and click application would make the task of generating the fore-mentioned output much easier.

INTRODUCTION

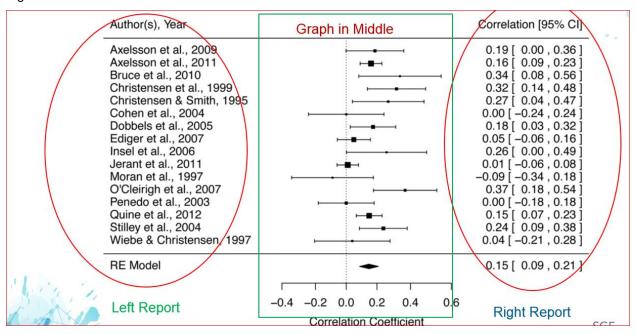
The graphic output featured is designed to compare favorable verses non-favorable results across treatments--remedies used in various kind of health care studies. The output is typically augmented with study information and statistics the left and to the right of the graphic output.

EXAMPLES OF FOREST PLOTS FROM GOOGLE



GENERAL FORM OF FOREST PLOTS

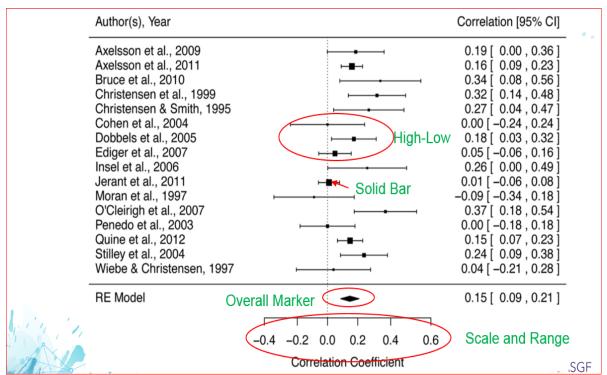
Figure 2



Forest Plots can vary greatly in terms of information and statistics displayed in the Left and Right Report. The graph in the middle is typically of constant form.

GRAPHIC OUTPUT FORM.

Figure 3.



The graphic output in the middle of the Forest Plots consists of two over-laid high-low plots with a logarithmic axis that frequently varies in overall minimum and maximum scale. The overall marker must be calculated from the statistics of the individual weighted studies, and the size of the overall marker will vary based off the range between the overall lower and higher odds-ratio calculated.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- SAS ®Version 9.4
- Base SAS® (ODS Graphics)
- Enterprise Guide version 6.1 or above.
- Business Analytics Environment.
- Office Analytics Add-in for Microsoft Office

KNOWLEDGE REQUIREMENTS

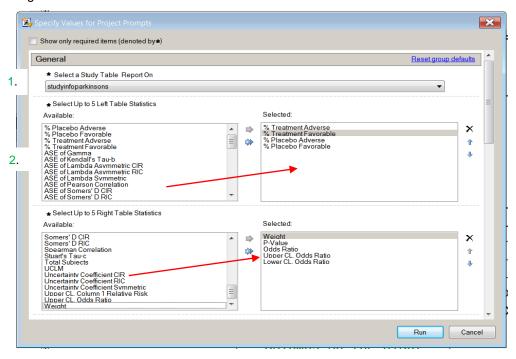
- ODS Graphics syntax SAS® Version9.4
- Data Step Code
- Proc Freq to calculate ODDs Ratio Statistics
- Macro Language concepts
- Creating Prompts in Enterprise Guide
- Generating and Using Stored Processes

FEATURES OF THE APPLICATION

- Select the data set to analyze
- Automatic resizing of output as number of studies in graph varies.
- Pick and choose statistics
- Control the Order of Statistics
- · Apply Custom colors to each field
- Add Custom Titles and Footnotes
- Reposition text and markers
- Automatically Surface results in Microsoft Word

DEMO OF THE APPLICATION: SCREEN 1

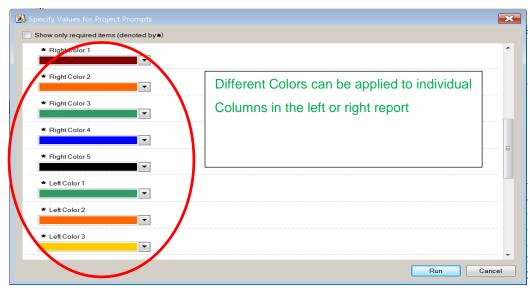
Figure 4.



As the Stored Process opens the user 1.) Selects the study data set. 2.) Moves the statistics to include in the report from the left Available window to the right Selected 3.) Include the Statistics for the right report. The overall left to right order of statistical information can be modified with the up and down arrows at the right of the selected window.

DEMO OF THE APPLICATION: SCREEN 2

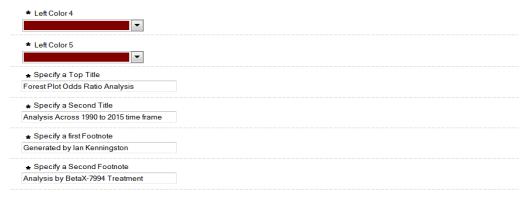
Figure 5



The color drop-downs shown in Figure 5 represent the individual colors which can be applied to any of the columns in the left or the right report.

DEMO OF THE APPLICATION: SCREEN 3

Figure 6.



Up to two Titles and Footnotes can be added to the graphic output from the application. The size of the second title will be slightly smaller than the first.

DEMO OF THE APPLICATION: SCREEN 4

Figure 7.



Often as the number of studies in the overall analysis increases and decreases the horizontal location of the "Favor Treatment" and "Favors Placebo" will have to be adjusted. Often the overall logarithmic scale and range will change from one Forest Plot to another. The smaller the axis scale the wider the high-low plots on the graph will get.

FINAL RESULT

Figure 8.

		% Treatment Favorable		% Placebo Favorable	i		Weight	P-Value	Odds Ratio	Lower CL, Odds Ratio	Upp CL Odd Rati
Nyugen (1991)	6,349	89.67%	10.33%	26.27%	+		0.034	-0.64218	6.2931	0.0357	0.04
Molokia (1992)	6,749	90.25%	9.75%	27.05%	-		0.093	-0.64137	6.5528	0.035	0.0
Rosecrans (1992)	4,274	89.97%	10.03%	27.34%	+		0.0305	-0.63286	6.6469	0.0353	0.04
Lawrence (1993)	3,544	91.11%	8.89%	27.29%	-		0.0404	-0.65047	6.9173	0.0302	0.04
Kennsington (1994)	6,049	89.09%	10.91%	26.92%	-		0.066	-0.62986	5.9115	0.0392	0.05
Michigan Univ. (1995)	3,649	91.08%	8.92%	26.69%	-		0.042	-0.65451	7.1137	0.0294	0.04
Champlain (1997)	3,249	91.27%	8.73%	25.39%	+		0.024	-0.66877	7.3852	0.0265	0.
Parkison (1997)	6,369	90.53%	9.47%	26.23%	-		0.087	-0.65206	6.8328	0.0323	0.04
Bastrope (1998)	4,099	89.49%	10.51%	25.51%	-		0.055	-0.64539	6.5030	0.0338	0.04
Wilhelm (1998)	4,549	89.67%	10.33%	26.82%	-		0.067	-0.63624	6.3253	0.0358	0.04
U of M (1999)	2,399	88.80%	11.20%	26.85%	+		0.027	-0.62561	5.9673	0.0371	0.05
Tarrant (2000)	4,549	89.91%	10.09%	25.63%	-		0.055	-0.64898	6.7217	0.0327	0.04
University of Kansas (2003)	3,049	90.47%	9.53%	26.53%	+		0.034	-0.64820	6.8136	0.031	0.04
Travis (2004)	2,849	89.28%	10.72%	26.28%	-		0.036	-0.63557	6.3333	0.0348	0.05
Cruze (2005)	3,049	90.21%	9.79%	25.84%	+		0.027	-0.65101	6.8005	0.0308	0.04
Cooper (2006)	1,549	87.84%	12.16%	27.99%	-		0.031	-0.60654	5.1934	0.0413	0.07
Duckett (2006)	4,399	89.01%	10.99%	25.15%	+	I	0.021	-0.64471	6.1471	0.0352	0.04
Hopkins (2008)	6,399	89.31%	10.69%	26.57%	=		0.094	-0.63470	6.1574	0.0378	0.04
O'Hanrahan (2008)	6,399	90.22%	9.78%	26.13%	+	I	0.041	-0.64961	6.6297	0.0333	0.04
Oakley (2015)	5,749	90.25%	9.75%	27.73%	<u>+</u>	I	0.021	-0.63444	6.5610	0.0357	0.04
Overall Effect	4,549	83.22%	9.37%	24.56%	Favors Treatment	Favors Placebo=	0.067	-0.59407	6.0002	0.0358	0.04

Forest Plot for Alzheimer Study is displayed.

GENERAL APPROACH USED TO DEVELOP APPLICATION

- Stabilize Graphic Model.
- Calculate ODDs Ratio Statistics with Proc Freq
- Program works with hardcoded values.
- Generalize solution with macro references.
- Create Macro Sub-routine
- Add decision logic and iterative code.
- Create Prompts in Enterprise Guide
- Connect Prompts to SAS Program
- Convert overall routine into a Stored Process
- Surface results across BA Tools

ORIGINAL HARDCODED PROC TEMPLATE SYNTAX

Figure 9.

```
Favor Plecebo--->'
                                    display=(ticks tickvalues line)
                                    type=log logopts=(viewmin=0.01 viewmax=100
                             MinorTicks=true))
                                    y2axisopts=(labelFitPolicy=Split offsetmin=.05
                             offsetmax=.05)
                                    yaxisopts=(display=none labelFitPolicy=Split
                             type=discrete
                                    reverse=true offsetmin=.;
/* Left Table Statistics */
innermargin / align=left opaque=false /* pad=(top=2px bottom=2px)*/;
   axistable y='study'n value='study'n / display=(label) labelposition=max
      labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold) valueattrs=(size=12pt);
   axistable y='study'n value='try'n / display=(label) labelposition=max
      labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold) valueattrs=(size=12pt);
   axistable y='study'n value='trn'n / display=(label) labelposition=max
      labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold ) valueattrs=(size=12pt);
   axistable y='study'n value='pertry'n / display=(label) labelposition=max
      labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold ) valueattrs=(size=12pt);
   axistable y='study'n value='pertrn'n / display=(label) labelposition=max
      labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold);
endinnermargin;
/*--Graph in the middle--*/
HighLowPlot Y='study'n High='U RROR'n Low='L RROR'n / primary=true Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C
thickness=2px) LegendLabel="study" NAME="HIGHLOW";
HighLowPlot Y='study'n High='x high'n Low='x low'n / type=bar barwidth=.4 Display=(Fill)
FillAttrs=(Color=CXA52A2A) LegendLabel="study" NAME="HIGHLOW1";
/*Reference Lines */
ReferenceLine x=0.10 / clip=true Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C Pattern=2 Thickness=2px);
ReferenceLine x=0.01 / clip=true Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C Pattern=2 Thickness=2px);
ReferenceLine x=1 / Lineattrs=( Color=black Pattern=1 Thickness=3px);
ReferenceLine x=10 / Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C Pattern=2 Thickness=2px);
ReferenceLine x=100 / Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C Pattern=2 Thickness=2px);
/*--Columns on the Right--*/
innermargin / align=right opaque=false /*pad=(top=2px bottom=2px)*/;
   axistable y='study'n value='WEIGHT'n / display=(label)
          labelposition=max labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold)
          valueattrs=(size=12pt);
   axistable y='study'n value=' PCORR 'n / display=(label)
          labelposition=max labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold)
          valueattrs=(size=12pt);
```

The original graphic syntax required from Proc template and sgrender is lengthy, layered and tedious to make individual edits to. As an application like this is developed, one has to make sure that the graphic model is stable and creates the basic graphic output required. The hardcoded solution will be connected to the prompted application, and automated thru use of the SAS Macro Language.

PROC FREQ CODE GENERATED BY ENTERPRISE GUIDE

Fig 10.

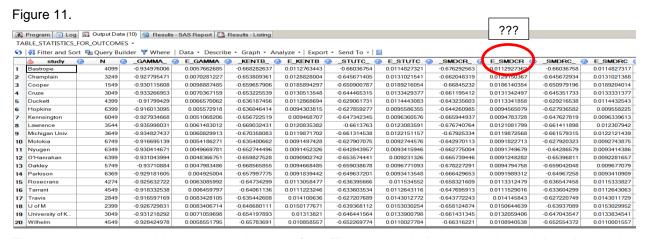
```
PROC FREQ DATA = WORK.Studydata1
    ORDER=INTERNAL
;

BY study;
    TABLES outcome * type /
        NOROW
        NOCOL
        NOPERCENT
        NOCUM
        MEASURES
        SCORES=TABLE
        ALPHA=0.05 OUT=WORK.Cell_statistics_for_outcome
;

OUTPUT        MEASURES
        OUT=WORK.Table_statistics_for_outcomes
;
run;
```

The above proc freq syntax is needed to calculate Odds Ratio's. The code above in Fig 10. Was originally generated by the One-Way frequencies task in Enterprise Guide. Most importantly the "Measures option" had to be selected.

OUTPUT TABLE CREATED BY PROC FREQ (WHAT HAS BEEN GENERATED??)



This output measures table was created by proc freq. The biggest challenge was determining what each of the cryptic field names meant and which one were required or might be optionally included in a Forest Plot.

FINDING A DESCRIPTION OF THE STATISTICS CALCULATED

Figure 12.

Name	Туре	Length	Format	Informat	Label	_
study	Character	20				
N	Numeric	8			Number of Subjects in the Stratum	
GAMMA	Numeric	8			Gamma	
E_GAMMA	Numeric	8			ASE of Gamma	
KENTB	Numeric	8			Kendall's Tau-b	
E_KENTB	Numeric	8			ASE of Kendall's Tau-b	
STUTC	Numeric	8			Stuart's Tau-c	
E_STUTC	Numeric	8			ASE of Stuart's Tau-c	
SMDCR	Numeric	8			Somers' D C R	
E_SMDCR	Numeric	8			ASE of Somers' D C R	
SMDRC	Numeric	8			Somers Dirigo	
E_SMDRC	Numeric	8			ASE of Somers' D R C	
PCORK	Numeric	8			F-Garcon Correlation	
E_PCORR	Numeric	8			ASE of Pearson Correlation	
SCORR	Numeric	8			Spearman Correlation	
E_SCORR	Numeric	8			ASE of Spearman Correlation	
LAMCR	Numeric	8			Lambda Asymmetric C R	
E_LAMCR	Numeric	8			ASE of Lambda Asymmetric C R	
LAMRC	Numeric	8			Lambda Asymmetric R C	
E_LAMRC	Numeric	8			ASE of Lambda Asymmetric R C	
LAMDAS	Numeric	8			Lambda Symmetric	
E_LAMDAS	Numeric	8			ASE of Lambda Symmetric	
UCR	Numeric	8			Uncertainty Coefficient C R	
E_UCR	Numeric	8			ASE of Uncertainty Coefficient C R	
URC	Numeric	8			Uncertainty Coefficient R C	
E_URC	Numeric	8			ASE of Uncertainty Coefficient RIC	-

Looking at the column properties of the output table created by proc freq, a label or description appears which is very helpful in determining what is needed by the Forest Plot. Wouldn't it be nice if these labels could automatically be loaded into the point and click application and selected as the reference to the columns to include in the left and right report.

CONVERTING FIELD NAMES INTO MACRO VARIABLE AND LIST OF VALUES IN PROMPTED APPLICATION

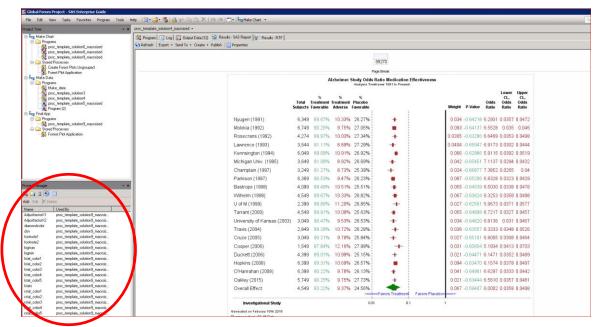
Figure 13.

```
proc sql noprint;
create table gfdata.statistics as
select name as start, label, '$statfmt' as fmtname
from dictionary.columns
where upcase(libname)='WORK' and upcase(memname)='COMBINE' and
upcase(type)='NUM' and upcase(name) not in ("ORDER");
quit;
proc sql noprint;
select name into :namelist separated by
from dictionary.columns
where upcase(libname)='WORK' and upcase(memname)='COMBINE' and
upcase(type)='NUM' and upcase(name) not in ("ORDER");
quit;
%put &namelist;
%let totstats=%sysfunc(countw(&namelist,#));
proc format cntlin=gfdata.statistics lib=gfdata;
select statfmt;
options fmtsearch=(gfdata);
```

These three coded steps use dictionary columns to dynamically get the field names created by proc freq. The information is converted into a macro list and user-defined format that is used later in the application.

USING THE PROMPT MANAGER

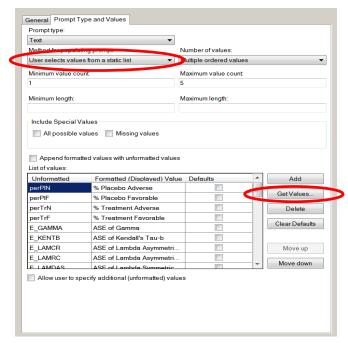
Figure 14.



From the Resources pane in the lower left corner of Enterprise Guide the Prompt manager can be accessed and opened. Items or Objects in the point and click application, like list boxes, text entry fields, color selectors can be configured and added to the application.

CONFIGURING A PROMPT

Figure 15.

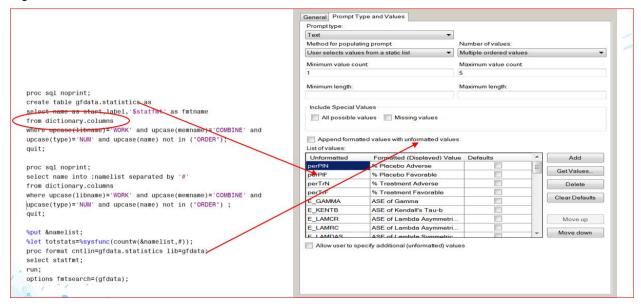


From Fig 15 on the previous page. 1.) The type of prompt, text, is selected. 2.) In the Business Analytics environment the List box can loaded statically, or dynamically. 3.) The Prompt Type and Values tab

allows for the creation of ordered multi-selection list boxes in EG Version 7.1. This latest feature allows statistics, therefore columns in the final graphic output to be selected in specific left to right order.

HOW CODE LOADS STATISTICS INTO A PROMPT

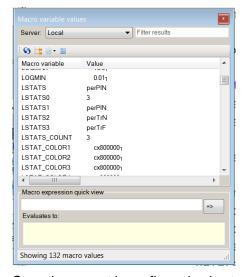
Figure 16.



From the Get values push button in Figure 16. The statistic field names created by proc freq can be loaded into a point and click prompt. And the formatted label/descriptions can displayed in the application that the user sees.

USING MACRO VARIABLE VIEWER TO FIND NAMES CREATED BY PROMPTS

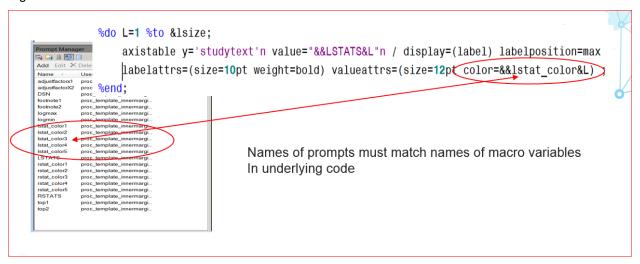
Figure 17.



Once the prompt is configured going to Tools \rightarrow Macro Variable Viewer and a developer can record the name of the macro variables that will have to be incorporated in the underlying program.

CONNECTING PROMPT NAMES TO CODE

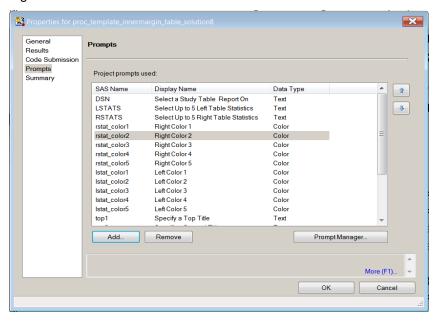
Figure 18.



The ampersand references, (macro variable names), used in the underlying program, must match the names of the prompts generated from the prompt manager.

PROGRAM PROPERTIES (CONNECTING PROMPTS TO APPLICATION PROGRAM)

Figure 19.



Each of the Prompts in the Application must be also be manually connected to the properties of the Forest plot program. The up and down arrows at the right-hand side of the current window, control the relative top to bottom order of the object items in the application.

CONVERTING HARDCODED TEMPLATE SYNTAX INTO DYNAMIC MACRO SYNTAX

```
Figure 20.
                   Original syntax
□ proc template;
     define statgraph Forest two;
          dynamic STUDY N Combo weight pertry
                   pertrn perplY perplN trY plY trN plN
                   _PCORR_ U_RROR L_RROR X_High x_Low _RRC2_ L_RRC2
                   U RRC2;
          mvar obsid group subgroup 1stats rstats;
Figure 21. Automated Macro Equivalent
proc template;
     define statgraph Forest_four;
         dynamic studytext
        %do I=1 %to &LSTATSO;
            &&lstats&I&blank
         %end;
         %do J=1 %to &RSTATSO;
            &&rstats&J&blank
         %end;;
mvar
         %do I=1 %to &LSTATSO;
             lstats&I&blank
         %end:
         %do J=1 %to &RSTATSO;
             rstats&J&blank
         %end:
 ;
Syntax Generated by Macro Program
MPRINT(FORREST2): proc template;
MPRINT(FORREST2): define statgraph Forest five;
MPRINT(FORREST2): dynamic studytext N perTrF perTrN perPIF weight
PCORR RRC2 L RROR U RROR mvar lstats1 lstats2 lstats3
stats4 rstats1 rstats2 rstats3 rstats4 rstats5 pcorr color
odcolor overr overu overl:
```

The three sections of syntax listed in the figures above represent the original hard-coded proc template dynamic statement (figure 20). The macro version of the syntax (figure 21). And the final code generated by the macro program and displayed with the MPRINT option in the log (figure). If a user changes the columns used in the left or right report, the underlying program syntax is automatically modified and in this case the new dynamic statement is created with the latest required syntax.

SYNTAX WHICH GENERATES BASIC GRAPHIC OUTPUT

Figure 22.

```
/*--Graph in the middle--*/
HighLowPlot Y='study'n High='U_RROR'n Low='L_RROR'n / primary=true Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C thicknes
HighLowPlot Y='study'n High='x_high'n Low='x_low'n / type=bar barwidth=.4 Display=( Fill ) FillAttrs=(
ReferenceLine x=0.10 / clip=true Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C Pattern=2 Thickness=2px);
ReferenceLine x=0.01 / clip=true Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C Pattern=2 Thickness=2px);
ReferenceLine x=1 / Lineattrs=( Color=Dlack Pattern=1 Thickness=3px);
ReferenceLine x=10 / Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C Pattern=2 Thickness=2px);
ReferenceLine x=100 / Lineattrs=( Color=CX83838C Pattern=2 Thickness=2px);
```

The two different versions of the high-low statement will create a high-low line with a high low bar overlaid on top of it. The U_RROR, and L_RROR field used in the syntax were calculated by the proc freq code shown previously. Reference line will be included for the logarithmic horizontal axis. Very little macro conversion was required for this syntax

COLUMNS OF REPORT OUTPUT CREATED BY AXIS TABLE STATEMENTS

Figure 23.

```
Hardcoded Statements

axistable y='study'n value='study'n / display=(label) labelposition=max labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold) valueattrs=(size=12pt);

axistable y='study'n value='try'n / display=(label) labelposition=max labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold) valueattrs=(size=12pt);

axistable y='study'n value='trn'n / display=(label) labelposition=max labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold) valueattrs=(size=12pt);

axistable y='study'n value='pertry'n / display=(label) labelposition=max labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold) valueattrs=(size=12pt);

axistable y='study'n value='pertrn'n / display=(label) labelposition=max labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold)

%do L=1 %to &lsize; Macro Equivalent

axistable y='studytext'n value="&&LSTATS&L"n / display=(label) labelposition=max labelattrs=(size=10pt weight=bold) valueattrs=(size=12pt color=&&lstat_color&L);

%end;
```

The iterative macro %DO loop syntax will create a separate custom axistable statement for every left and right statistic that was selected from the application. The specific color for the column is incorporated here as well.

MACRO CONVERSION OF SGRENDER STATEMENTS NEEDED TO DISPLAY TEMPLATE

Figure 24.

```
Macro Equivalent
 Hardcoded Statements
                                                        %let equal=%str(=);
proc sgrender data=work.combine template=forest_three sganno=makeanno;
   dynamic STUDY="'Study'n" N="'N'n"
                                                         %let double=%str(%");%let n=n;
                                                         %let single=%str(%');%let blank=%str();
     Combo="'combo'n" weight="'Weight'n" pertry="'pertrf'n"
      pertrn="'pertrn'n" perplF="'perplf'n" perplN="'perpln'n"
                                                         proc sgrender data=work.combine template=forest_five;
                                                            dynamic studytext="'studytext'n"
      trY="'trf'n" plY="'plf'n" trN="'trN'n" plN="'plN'n"
                                                         %do K=1 %to &LSTATSO;
      _PCORR_="'_PCORR_'n" U_RROR="'U_RROR'n" L_RROR="'L_RROR'n"
                                                           \&blank\&\&LSTATS\&K\&equal"\&single\&\&LSTATS\&K\&single\&n"\&blank
      X_High="'x_high'n" x_Low="'x_low'n" _RRC2_="'_RRC2_'n"
                                                          send:
      L_RRC2="'L_RRC2'n" U_RRC2="'U_RRC2'n";
                                                         %do H=1 %to &RSTATS0:
run;
                                                           &blank&&RSTATS&H&equal"&single&&RSTATS&H&single&n"&blank
           Syntax Generated
         MPRINT(RENDER): proc sqrender data=work.combine template=forest_five:
         MPRINT(RENDER): dynamic studytext="'studytext'n" N="'N'n" perTrF="'perTrF'n"
        perTrN="'perTrN'n" perPIF="'perPIF'n" weight=""weight'n" _PCORR_="'_PCORR_'n"
         MPRINT(RENDER): run;
```

The final syntax required in the program to display the graphic template is proc sgrender. Automated macro generated DYNAMIC statements had to be generated here as well.

CUSTOM VERBAGE ADDED TO GRAPH WITH DRAWTEXT

Figure 25.

For ODS Graphics SAS version 9.4 and later a new drawtable statement is available, which simplifies the old required SGANNOTATE syntax. The code in Figure adds and dynamically positions the "Favors" label near the bottom axis.

CUSTOM VERBAGE ADDED TO GRAPH WITH DRAWTEXT

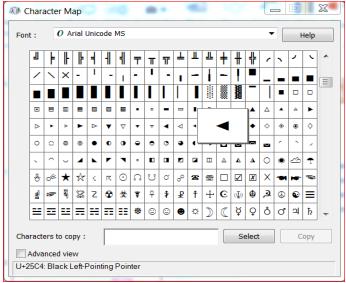
Figure 26.

```
drawtext textattrs ramily='Times New Roman Uni olor=green size=45 ) {unicode"25BA"x} / x=overu y='Overall Effect' anchor=center drawspace=datavalue layer=front width=250 widthunit=pixel; drawtext textattrs=(family='Times New Roman Uni' color=green size=45) {unicode "25C4"x} / x=overl y='Overall Effect' anchor=center drawspace=datavalue layer=front width=250 widthunit=pixel;
```

The other drawtext statements add a green leftward and rightward pointing arrow to depict the overall symbol normally included in Forest Plot output. The Unicode hexa-decimal value was retired from the character map shown in the next figure

CHARACTER MAP TO ADD ANY FONT SYMBOL TO A GRAPHIC DISPLAY

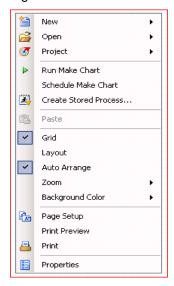
Figure 27.



Any character from a Unicode font can be added to a graphic display at any x and y coordinate location via a drawtext statement. The character map can be accessed by going to Start→Programs→Accessories→System Tools→Character Map.

INITIAL STEP TO CREATE STORED PROCESS FROM APPLICATION PROGRAM

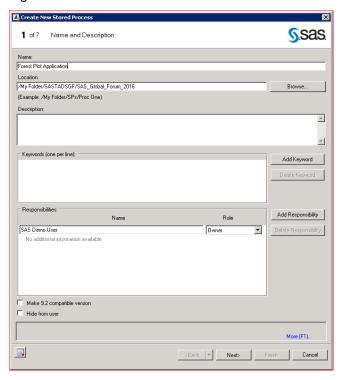
Figure 28.



If an Enterprise Guide User whose organization has the Business Analytics Architecture installed, right-clicks on a program entry in either the process flow diagram or project tree, a menu will appear that brings up a point and click stored process wizard. This wizard will define the metadata, or information needed to allow the Forest Plot application to execute from any computer on an organization's intranet and surface the results in Microsoft Tools like Word, PowerPoint and Excel.

STORAGE LOCATION AND FORMAL NAME OF STORED PROCESS

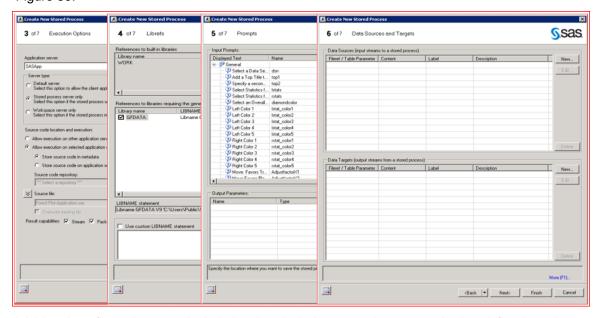
Figure 29.



In the first wizard window the developer defines a formal name for the stored process and a storage folder, which should ultimately allow the application to be accessed from any Business Analytics Tool.

STORED PROCESS CONFIGURATION WIZARD WINDOWS

Figure 30.

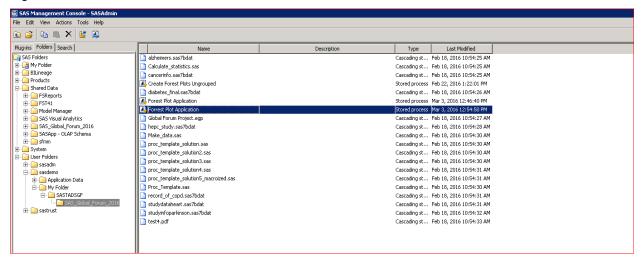


Additional configurations, particularly in wizard windows 3 and 5 are required to define how the program code will be accessed and where it will be executed. In wizard 5, every prompt created in Enterprise

Guide is automatically registered to the stored process. Additional functionality can be added to the application here like cascading prompts, and nested prompts not available in Enterprise Guide.

SETTING ACCESS PERMISSIONS FOR A STORED PROCESS

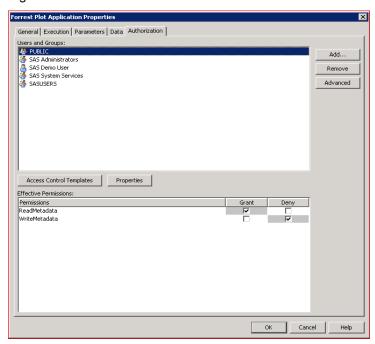
Figure 31.



Once the Stored Process has been configured from the wizard, a user should go over to the SAS Management Console and insure the routine has the right permission for different uses and groups to access. The application developer or SAS Business Analytics administrator will navigate to the folder selected in the previous stored process wizard 1 and set the permissions.

PERMISSIONS FOR A STORED PROCESS

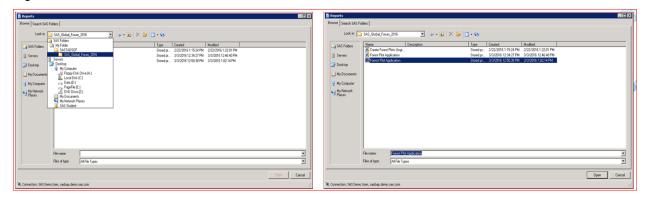
Figure 32



Comprehensive security can be defined from the SAS Management Console to the users and groups obtaining access to the application. The console is part of the office analytics environment.

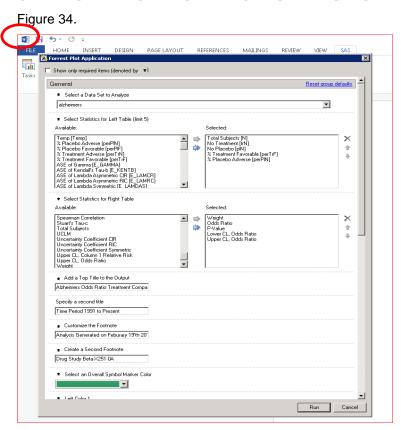
ACCESSING STORED PROCESS IN MS-WORD WITH ADD-IN FOR MICROSOFT OFFICE

Figure 33.



Once the stored process has been registered in the SAS Management Console, a user can go over to Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, or Excel access the SAS Add-In and select the Report Icon from the SAS Ribbon. Then a SAS Folder Window will appear, and the application user can navigate to the location where the stored process was stored, click on the entry and run the point-and-click application.

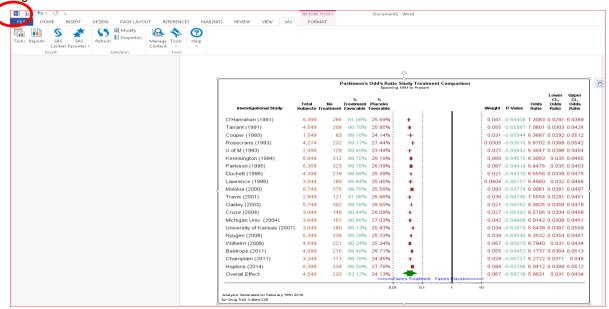
OPENING AND RUNNING APPLICATION IN MS-WORD



Same application shown earlier in the paper will appear. The user can select and define the particular attributes of the Forest Plot, hit the RUN button, and display the output.

FINAL RESULTS IN WORD





The output from the application is automatically inserted into a word document which is being used as documentation for health care studies being sub-mitted to the FDA.

CONCLUSION

As the paper demonstrates creating Forest Plots using a point and click prompted stored process is definitely feasible. The basic application presented can be modified further to incorporate additional customization features. Knowledge from several SAS disciplines and products is required to build and deploy an application like this one. If your organization frequently creates graphic output of this form, then in addition to base SAS software, the SAS Office Analytics environment will have to be licensed.

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CONTACT INFORMATION

If you would like a copy of the Enterprise Guide Application and SAS Program used to generate the output contact the writer via the information below. In addition another solution to the Forrest Plot problem was explored and somewhat developed using proc report, proc sgplot, and ODS Layout. This application showed real promise to extend the capabilities of the current application, but was not specifically related to the abstract.

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