

Should we care about post-procedural troponin in elective coronary stenting?

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Abstract

Background Periprocedural myocardial infarction (MI) and injury (Mi) are frequent after elective percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) and remain a clinical challenge.

Purpose To assess the rate, risk factors, treatments and prognosis of periprocedural MI and of Mi defined according to the Third Universal definition of MI in patients undergoing elective PCI.

Methods We screened and included all patients with a negative troponin level before PCI who underwent an elective PCI during 2014 and 2015 at our institution. Periprocedural complication was defined as the composite of non-fatal PCI-related MI (type 4a or 4b) and Mi evaluated at 48 hours or at discharge if it occurred earlier. Multivariate analysis was performed to identify independent predictors of periprocedural complications. Followup was performed at 30 days and all ischemic events (death, re-MI, urgent re-vascularization, stroke) and re-hospitalization were evaluated. We also assessed off-label prescription of ticagrelor and prasugrel in this indication of elective PCI.

Results Of the 1390 elective PCI patients, 28.74% had a periprocedural complications including 0.14% of stent thrombosis (MI type 4b), 7.0% of type 4a MI and 21.6% of Mi. Risk factors for periprocedural complications were age >75. low creatinine clearance (GFR<60ml/min), use of rotablator, treatment of the left main artery, multiple stenting and total stent length >30mm. Patients with periprocedural MI or Mi had higher rate of cardiovascular events at 30 days (HR 4.9, CI 2.3-10.5, p<0.0001)(see figure). Ticagrelor or prasugrel were prescribed at discharge in 23.1% patients of these patients.

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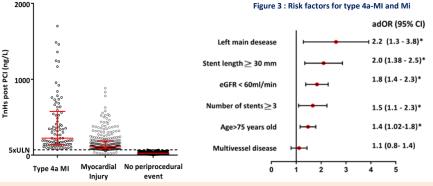
Table 1.: Baseline characteristics

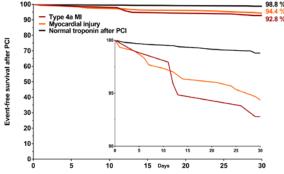
Figure 1 : Flow-Chart of the study n=8475 patients		Baseline Characteristic (% or mean ± SD)	Peri-MI and injury (n=398)	No events (n=989)	p value
For angiogram in 2014 and 2015		Age (years)	69 ± 0.6	66.2 ± 0.38	0.0001*
	n=5059 angiogram alone	Female	84 (21.1)	205 (20.7)	0.9
		BMI (kg/m²)	26.2 ± 0.2	26.9 ± 0.14	0.004*
		Dyslipidemia	230 (58.1)	648 (65.8)	0.006*
Intended PCI n=3416 patients		Active smoking	99 (24.79	236 (23.9)	0.7
	n= 1750 PCI for ACS -STEMI n=688, NSTEMI n=918 -Cardiac arrest n=69 -Shock n=75	Hypertension	254 (64.3)	610 (61.5)	0.3
		Family history of CAD	53 (13.3)	157 (15.9)	0.5
		Diabetes	137 (34.4)	356 (36.0)	0.3
		GFR<60mL/min	220 (55.3)	375 (37.9)	<0.0001*
		No treatment	58 (14.6)	120 (12.1)	0.21
Intended elective PCI : n =1666		Aspirin only	172 (43.2)	443 (44.7)	0.59
		Clopidogrel only	26 (6.5)	65 (6.6)	0.46
	n=276 patients without troponin after PCI	DAPT with clopidogrel	82 (20.6)	238 (24.1)	0.14
\		DAPT with new anti P2Y12	51 (12.8)	132 (13.3)	0.8
N=1390 elective PCI patients with normal troponin level at admission		Multi-vessel disease	190 (47.7)	398 (40.2)	0.01*
		Left main disease	28 (7.0)	36 (3.6)	0.006*
		Chronic total occlusion	20 (6.6)	72 (5.2)	0.13
		PCI with DES only	314 (78.9)	807 (81.6)	0.42
Figure 2 : Troponin level in type-4a MI and Mi		Stent implanted per procedure	1.8 ± 0.05	1.4 ± 0.02	<0.0001*
		Total stent Length (mm)≥ 30 mm	188 (47.2)	292 (29.4)	<0.0001*
		Number of stents ≥ 3	90 (22.6)	104 (10.5)	<0.0001*

0.07% Stroke (n=1) 0.14% Stent thrombosis (MI 4b) (n=2) 0.07% Death (n=1) 100% Myocardial 90% Infarction (n=97) Myocardial 80% Injury (n=301) 70% 60% 50% 40% No events 71.0% 30% 20% 10% Total number n=1390

Figure 2: Periprocedural ischemic events within 48 hours after PCI

Figure 4: Survival without cardiovascular events at 30 days.





Conclusion Periprocedural myocardial infarction and injury are frequent in elective PCI patients and are associated with worse outcome at one-month follow-up. Stronger P2Y12 inhibition during elective PCI could be an alternative to decrease these events and is being evaluated in the randomized ALPHEUS Trial (NCT02617290, n=1900 patients)