

Myocardial Infarction Following Vascular Surgery: Why We Should Take It Seriously

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Stenting versus Endarterectomy for Treatment of Carotid-Artery Stenosis

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MI Matters

MI following vascular procedures is associated with substantially increased mortality in comparison to patients who do not have an MI.

- It is better not to have an MI.
- Patients do not look at MI the same way they look at a stroke, however, now we know that MI has broad implications for the patient.
- We are going to have to pay attention to MI as a primary outcome going forward.

| Asymptomatic | CAS Events (%) | CEA Events (%) | P value |
|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| All Stroke | 15 (2.5) | 8 (1.4) | 0.15 |
| Stroke and death | 15 (2.5) | 8 (1.4) | 0.15 |
| MI | 7 (1.2) | 13 (2.2) | 0.76 |
| Stroke, death, MI | 21 (3.5) | 21 (3.6) | 0.96 |

| Symptomatic | CAS Events (%) | CEA Events (%) | P value |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| All Stroke | 37 (5.5) | 21 (3.2) | 0.043 |
| Stroke and death | 40 (6.0) | 21 (3.2) | 0.019 |
| MI | 7 (1.0) | 15 (2.3) | 0.083 |
| Stroke, death, MI | 45 (6.7) | 35 (5.4) | 0.30 |

42 MIs in CREST

- 14 after CAS and 28 after CEA
- 29/42 occurred 1st 24 hrs
 - 9 in the 1st week, 3 in more 1 week to 1 month
- 20 biomarker elevations without chest pain or EKG changes:
 - 8 after CAS and 12 after CEA
 - 18/20 occurred in 1st 24hrs

MI Endpoint Definitions

- EKG: before and up to 48 hours after procedure.
- Biomarkers: before and after (up to 8 hours post).
- Evidence of myocardial ischemia
 - ECG evidence of $> 1\text{mm}$ ST elevation or depression in 2 contiguous leads and/or
 - Chest pain
- Cardiac biomarkers (CK-MB or troponin) ≥ 2 times normal level
- All endpoints adjudicated by CEC

Table 2. Results of Multivariable Analysis of Risk Factors for Periprocedural Myocardial Infarction

| Variable | HR | 95% CI | <i>P</i> |
|---------------------------------------|------|-----------|----------|
| MI model* | | | |
| Age* | 1.03 | 0.99–1.08 | 0.19 |
| Prior cardiovascular disease or CABG* | 2.22 | 1.13–4.35 | 0.02 |

Patients with heart disease did better with CAS

Among patients enrolled in CREST
 44% had prior cardiovascular disease
 21% had previous CABG

Independent Predictors of Mortality

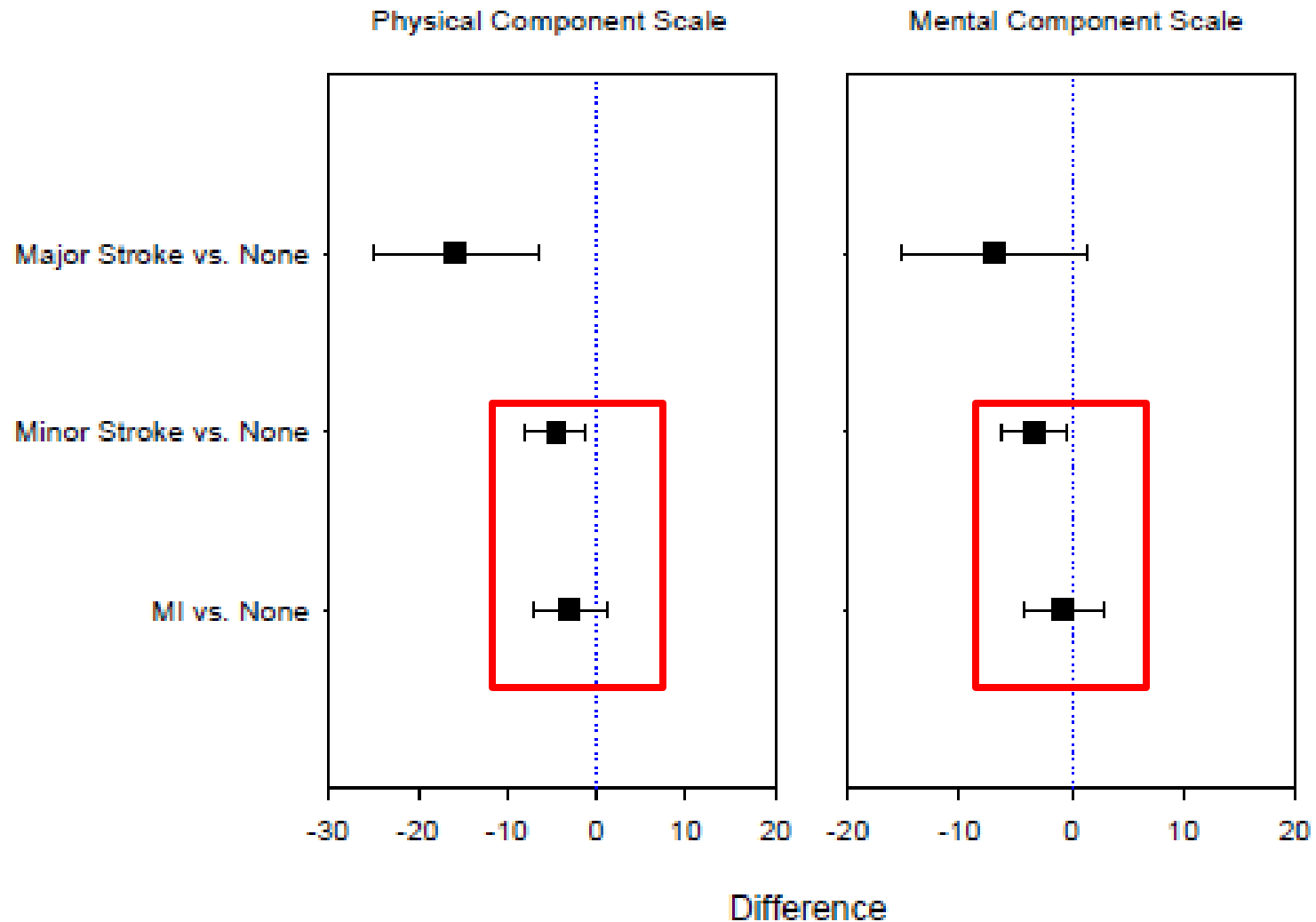
| Variable | HR | 95% CI | p-value |
|--|------|-------------|----------|
| Any stroke within 30 days (yes vs. no) | 2.49 | 1.44 - 4.32 | 0.0011 |
| MI within 30 days (yes vs. no) | 2.14 | 1.23 - 3.86 | 0.0079 |
| Current Smoker (yes vs. no) | 1.69 | 1.19 - 2.39 | 0.0034 |
| Diabetes (yes vs. no) | 1.57 | 1.16 - 2.12 | 0.0032 |
| Sex (male vs. female) | 1.50 | 1.08 - 2.08 | 0.0150 |
| Ischemic Heart Disease/ Congestive Heart Failure (yes vs. no) | 1.48 | 1.10 - 2.00 | 0.0097 |
| Age (in Years) | 1.06 | 1.04 - 1.08 | < 0.0001 |

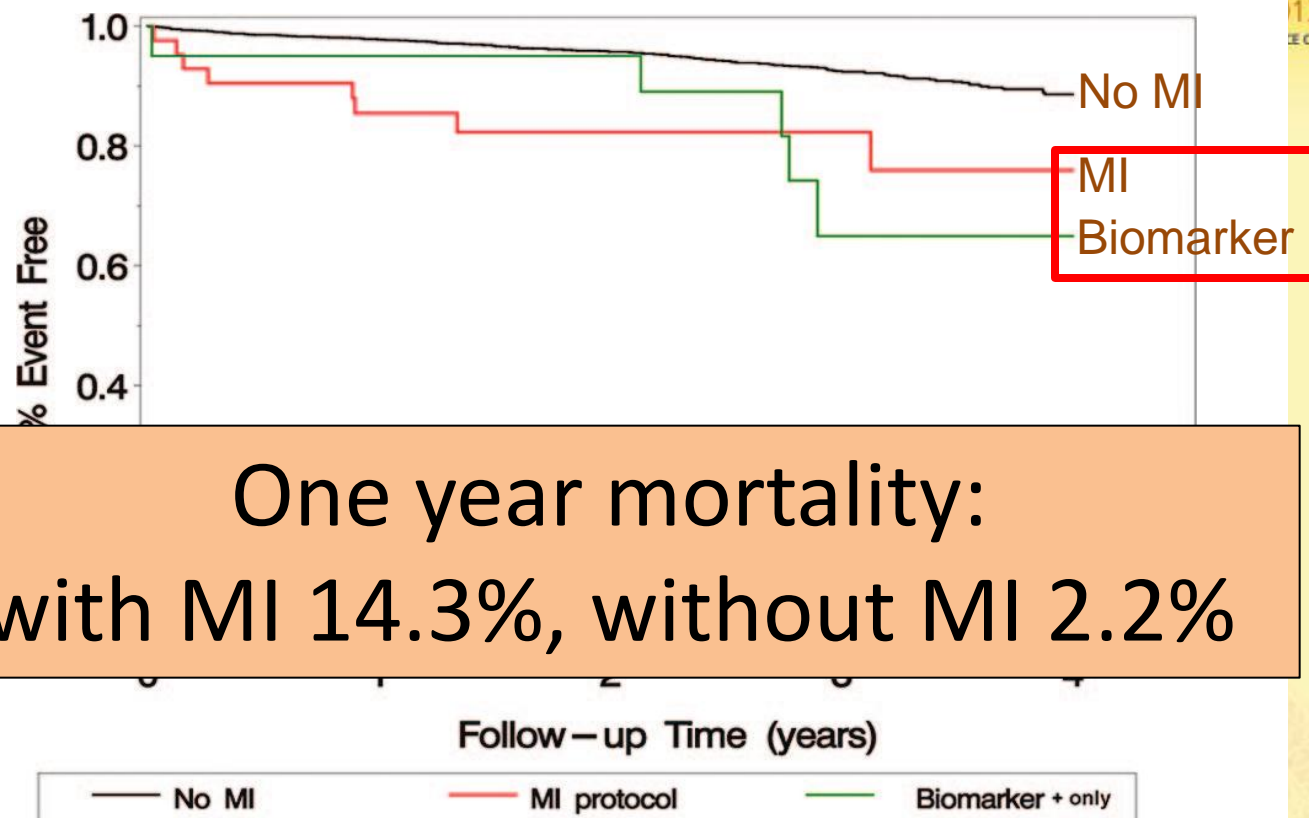
p-values from Cox regression model, for descriptive purposes only

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Does MI Matter?

Quality of Life from CREST by event





One year mortality:
with MI 14.3%, without MI 2.2%

Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier survival curves after randomized carotid revascularization in the Carotid Revascularization Endarterectomy Versus Stenting Trial (CREST). Groups represented include myocardial infarction (MI) patients, biomarker+ only patients, and patients with neither MI nor biomarker+ only.

Perioperative myocardial ischemic injury in high-risk vascular surgery patients: Incidence and clinical significance in a prospective clinical trial

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Table III. All-cause mortality and PMII-related events overall and by index procedure

| <i>Event</i> | <i>Overall</i> | <i>AAA</i> | <i>Afem</i> | <i>Fempop</i> | <i>Femtib</i> |
|---------------|----------------|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| Death | 8 (3.4%) | 2 (4.6%) | 1 (3.5%) | 2 (3.2%) | 2 (2.8%) |
| PMII death | 7 (3.0%) | 1 (2.3%) | 1 (3.5%) | 2 (3.2%) | 2 (2.8%) |
| PMII overall | 42 (17.8%) | 9 (20.5%) | 7 (24.1%) | 8 (12.9%) | 14 (19.7%) |
| MI (nonfatal) | 22 (9.3%) | 5 (11.4%) | 4 (13.8%) | 4 (6.5%) | 7 (9.9%) |
| CHF | 11 (4.7%) | 2 (4.6%) | 3 (10.3%) | 1 (1.6%) | 4 (5.6%) |

of 236 patients: 22 myocardial infarctions, 11 congestive heart failures, and 12 new arrhythmias (3 patients had 2 PMII events). There was no evidence of differences in the incidence of PMII among the various index procedures. PMII was

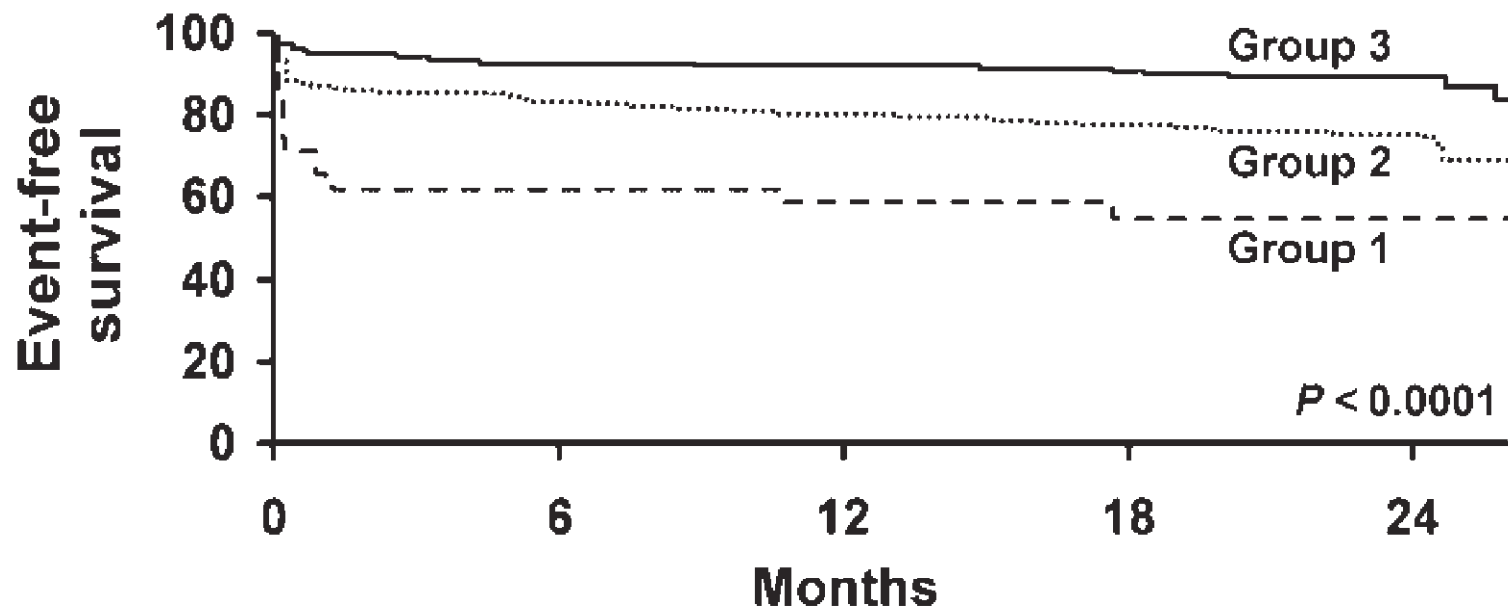
Table IV. Index hospitalization length of stay data through day 30 by the presence of a PMII event

| <i>Resource utilization item</i> | <i>Overall PE substudy (n = 236)</i> | <i>PMII event</i> | | <i>P value</i> |
|--|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| | | <i>Yes (n = 42)</i> | <i>No (n = 194)</i> | |
| No. patients still hospitalized from index operation at day 30 | 9 (3.8%) | 6 (14.3%) | 3 (1.6%) | <.001 |
| Mean length of index stay, d (SD) | 11.2 (7.4) | 16.8 (8.9) | 10.0 (6.4) | <.001 |
| No. patients requiring ICU stay during index hospitalization | 156 (66.1%) | 35 (83.3%) | 121 (62.4%) | <.009 |
| Mean ICU length of stay during index hospitalization, d (SD) | 4.4 (4.6) | 6.6 (6.3) | 3.7 (3.7) | <.009 |

PMII, Perioperative myocardial ischemic injury; PE, pharmacoeconomic; ICU, intensive care unit.

Vascular surgery patients: perioperative and long-term risk according to the ACC/AHA guidelines, the additive role of post-operative troponin elevation

Group 1: Coronary revascularization within the past 5 years



were associated with adverse outcomes even after multivariable adjustment at long-term (adjusted overall HR 1.473, 95%CI 1.292–7.65; $P = 0.0001$) and at 30 days (adjusted HR 1.552, 95%CI 1.323–9.42; $P = 0.0001$).

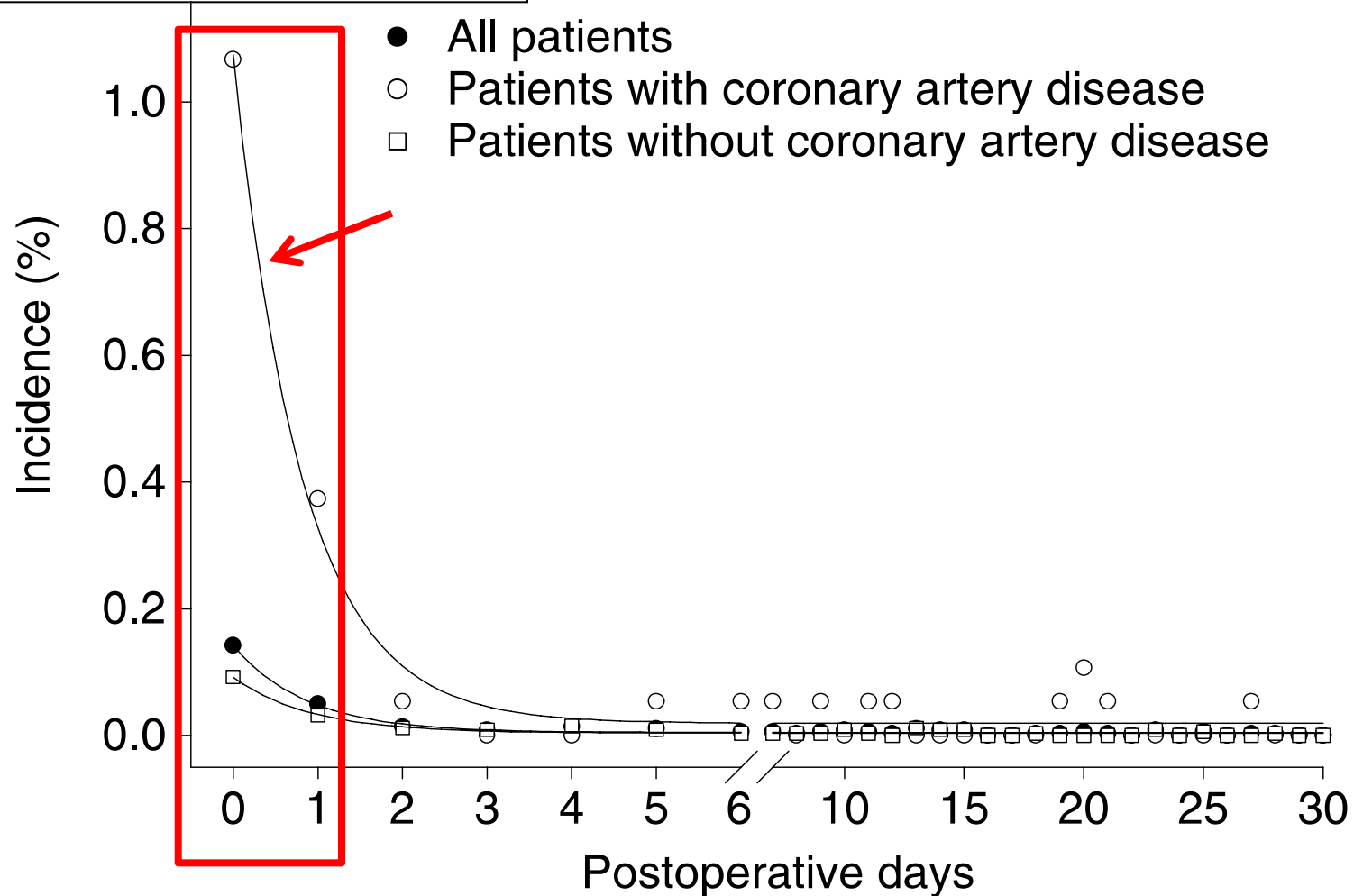
Conclusion After pre-operative stratification, patients undergoing elective major vascular surgery remain at high risk of MI and death. Events occur mainly early after surgery. cTnI elevations are frequent and independently associated with increased risk. These findings suggest the need for a major re-evaluation of our approach to these patients.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Myocardial infarction and cerebrovascular accident following non-cardiac surgery: differences in postoperative temporal distribution and risk factors

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Myocardial infarction



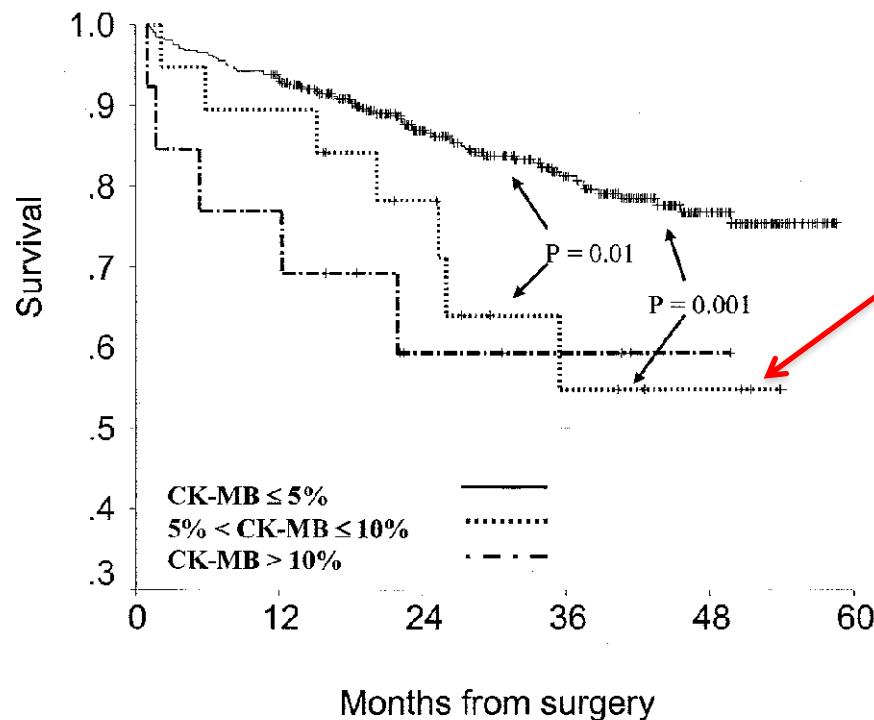


Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier survival curves of all patients divided according to their highest postoperative creatine kinase-MB fraction (CK-MB) level: Group I—CK-MB $\leq 5\%$; Group II— $5\% < \text{CK-MB} \leq 10\%$; Group III—CK-MB $> 10\%$; Groups II and III had worse long-term survival than Group I ($p = 0.01$ and 0.001 , respectively, by log-rank test).

Association of Cardiac Troponin, CK-MB, and Postoperative Myocardial Ischemia With Long-Term Survival After Major Vascular Surgery

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CONCLUSIONS

Postoperative CK-MB and troponin, even at low cutoff levels, are independent and complementary predictors of long-term mortality after major vascular surgery. (J Am Coll Cardiol 2003;42:1547-54) © 2003 by the American College of Cardiology Foundation

Cardiac Troponin I Predicts Short-Term Mortality in Vascular Surgery Patients

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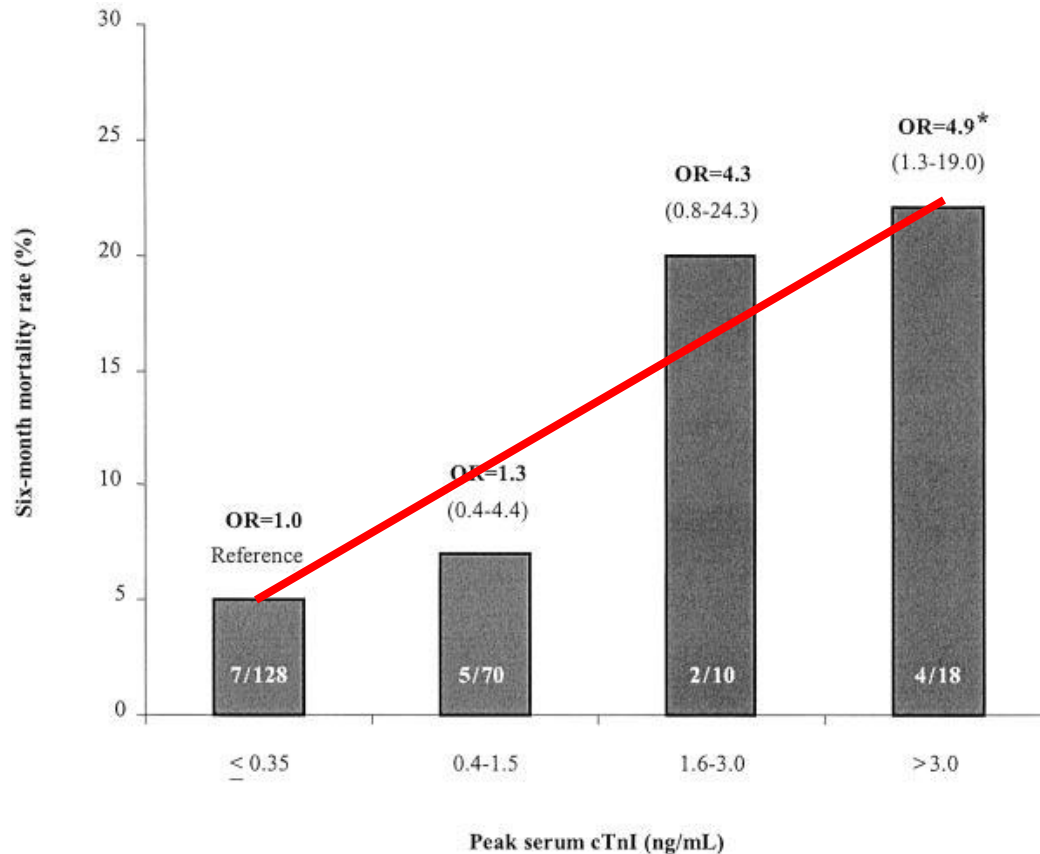


Figure 1. Dose-response relation between peak serum cTnI and 6-month mortality. Peak cTnI concentrations are categorized into 4 groups and presented with 6-month mortality rates. Numbers inside bars indicate number of deaths divided by total number of patients in each group. Odds ratios and 95% confidence intervals for mortality are shown above bars. The ≤ 0.35 ng/mL group is the reference category to which other groups with increasing cTnI levels are compared. * $P < 0.05$.

Does MI Matter?

- Suppose I said that perioperative MI does not matter after:
 - AAA repair
 - Aortofemoral bypass
 - Femoral-popliteal bypass
 - Distal bypass

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Conclusion

- MI will be an important primary outcome going forward.
- MI is an important outcome measure in all other vascular procedures.
- MI is associated with increased mortality.
- We should look for ways to reduce it.

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Perioperative myocardial infarction occurring with vascular intervention or vascular surgery:

- Is associated with substantially increased mortality in comparison to patients who did not experience a myocardial infarction.
- Typically occurs in first 48 hours but not necessarily on the table.
- It is sometimes best to treat medically and will at times require intervention.
- Causes more morbidity for the patient correlating with the rise of cardiac enzymes.