



## **Acute Coronary Syndrome** (ACS)

- Umbrella term for a group of thrombotic coronary artery disease conditions that cause myocardial ischemia
- · These syndromes represent progression of occlusion in the involved coronary artery
  - STEMI (ST segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction)
  - **NSTEMI** (Non-ST Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction)
  - Unstable Angina

#### Heart Attack Signs & **Symptoms for Males**

- Chest Pain
- · Pain radiating down arms
- Jaw Pain
- Sweating
- Nausea



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# **Heart Attack Signs & Symptoms** for Women "Atypical" Chest Pain

- Shortness of Breath/ Trouble Breathing
- **Tingling of Fingers**
- Extreme Fatigue
- Heartburn / Nausea
- Sweating
- Dizziness
- Feeling of Apprehension or Impending Doom Even if they recognize the symptoms, women hesitate to call 911, and get to the hospital 40 to 60 minutes later than men











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# Target Door to Balloon < 90 minutes (Class 1, Level A) or Door to Needle < 30 minutes

(Class 1, Level B)

ACC/AHA 2013 Guidelines for Management of STEMI

#### Fibrinolytic Therapy When There Is an Anticipated Delay to Performing Primary PCI Within 120 Minutes of FMC



In the absence of contraindications, fibrinolytic therapy should be given to patients with STEMI and onset of ischemic symptoms within the previous 12 hours when it is anticipated that primary PGI cannot be performed within 120 minutes of FMC.





Fibrinolytic therapy should not be administered to patients with ST depression except when a true posterior (inferobasal) MI is suspected or when associated with ST elevation in lead aVR.

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#### **Bare Metal Stents (BMS)**

- Early bare metal stents showed a high rate of instent re-stenosis.
  - Stent-mediated arterial injury elicited neointimal hyperplasia, leading to restenosis and the need for repeat revascularization in up to one third of patients
- Used in patients
  - With high bleeding risk
  - Inability to comply with 1 year of DAPT (dual antiplatelet therapy)
  - With anticipated invasive or surgical procedures in the next year (Class I, Level C)

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#### **Drug Eluting Stents**



DES should not be used in primary PCI for patients with STEMI who are unable to tolerate or comply with a prolonged course of DAPT because of the increased risk of stent thrombosis with premature discontinuation of one or both agents.





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#### Adjunctive Antithrombotic Therapy to Support Reperfusion With Primary PCI (cont.)













Types of Angina	Definition
Angina	Myocardial Anoxia
Exertional Angina (4 Es) (usually sign of atherosclerosis)	Pain with increased myocardial oxygen demand • Exertion • Eating • Extreme Emotions • Exposure to Cold
Prinzmetal's Angina or Variant Angina (thought to be a coronary spasm)	Pain at rest, during sleep or without evidence of provocation
Stable Angina	Exertional angina with consistent symptoms –typically relieved with rest or cessation of cause and possibly NTG
Unstable Angina (crescendo or preinfarction angina) Partially occluding thrombus	Recent onset (within 2 months) Severely limits activity Differs from the person's "typical exertional angina" May occur at rest RX with Anti-platelets Fibrinolytic therapy <u>is not</u> effective





<sup>1</sup>In patients who have been treated with fondaparinux (as upfront therapy) who are undergoing PCI, an additional anticoagulant with anti-lla activity should be administered at the time of PCI because of the risk of catheter thrombosis.

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### Nitrates

- Cause vascular smooth muscle relaxation to increase coronary blood flow
- Reduce preload
   Decrease cardiac wall
  - Decrease myocardial oxygen demand
- Short acting
   IV
   SL or spray
   Ointment
- Long acting
  - Isosorbide Dinitrate
  - Isosorbide Mononitrate
  - Calcium channel blockers can be an alternative especially if uncontrolled HTN

#### **Nitrates contraindications**

- Hypotension
- Severe aortic stenosis
- Right ventricular infarction
- Hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy
- Patients who recently received a phosphodiesterase inhibitor
  - Within 24 hours of sildenafil or vardenafil or within 48 hours of tadalafil





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# Ventricular remodeling in the infarcted area

- Dilation & ventricular wall thinning
- Increased wall stress on the healthy myocardium
- Sets the stage for Heart Failure
- ACE Inhibitors reduce remodeling & prevent the progression of heart failure

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#### AMI Medications

- ASA
- ACE inhibitor if EF < 40%
- Beta blocker
- Statin
- Antiplatelet if stent
- Smoking Cessation Counseling







Statins and Beta-blockers:

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- Initiate in the first 24 hours (Class I, Level B)
- Continue during & after hospitalization (Class I, Level B)
- Patients with initial contraindications to the use of beta blockers in the first 24 hours after MI should be reevaluated to determine their subsequent eligibility (Class I, Level C)
- Initiate EBP BB for stabilized HF with EF < 40% (Class I, Level C)
   Sustained-release metoprolol succinate, carvedilol, or bisoprolol.









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# Renin-Angiotensin-Aldosterone System Inhibitors

- ACEI: initiate within the first 24 hours (Class I a)
   STEMI with anterior location
  - HF with EF < 40% (STEMI and NSTEMI)</li>
- ARB if intolerant to ACEI (Class I b)
- ACE inhibitors are reasonable for all patients with MI and no CI to their use  $(\mbox{Class II} a)$
- Aldosterone antagonist: Initiate on patients who are already receiving an ACE inhibitor and beta blocker and who have an EF <40% and either symptomatic HF or diabetes mellitus (Class I b)

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<ul> <li>Betaxolol</li> </ul>	Kerlone	
<ul> <li>Bisoprolol*</li> </ul>	Zebeta	
<ul> <li>Carvedilol*</li> </ul>	Coreg	
<ul> <li>Metoprolol Tartrate</li> </ul>	Lopressor	
<ul> <li>Metoprolol Succinate<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>	Toprol XL	
<ul> <li>Nadolol</li> </ul>	Corgard	
<ul> <li>Pindolol</li> </ul>	Visken	
<ul> <li>Propranolol</li> </ul>	Inderal	* EBP HF BB
<ul> <li>Timolol</li> </ul>	Blocadren	

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#### **Cocaine and Methamphetamine Users**

Recommendations	COR	LOF
Patients with NSTE-ACS and a recent history of cocaine or methamphetamine use should be treated in the same manner as patients without cocaine- or methamphetamine- related NSTE-ACS. The only exception is in patients with signs of acute intoxication (e.g., euphoria, tachycardia, and/or hypertension) and beta-blocker use, unless patients are receiving coronary vasodilator therapy.	I	С
Benzodiazepines alone or in combination with nitroglycerin are reasonable for management of hypertension and tachycardia in patients with NSTE-ACS and signs of acute cocaine or methamohetamine intoxication.	lla	С
Beta blockers should not be administered to patients with ACS with a recent history of cocaine or methamphetamine use who demonstrate signs of acute intoxication due to the risk of potentiating coronary spasm.	III: Harm	с
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#### Statins help prevent recurrent MI

- Statins have pleiotropic effects (more than one benefit)
- Anti-inflammatory and antithrombotic
   properties and antioxidant effects help prevent
   recurrent MI
- Also lower cholesterol
- High-intensity statin therapy should be initiated or continued in all MI patients (Class I b)

































**Pre Stress: Questions to ask patient** 

Can you walk on a treadmill - how far can you walk?

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#### **Before ordering stress test**

- Get 12 Lead EKG
- Is the appropriate stress test ordered?
  - Identify what test is indicated for what you want to know.
    Why are we doing the test? What question/symptom are we trying to answer?
  - Is the stress test appropriate for the patient can they walk?
  - What are the contraindications for the test you ordered?
- Nuclear Medicine tests
  - Pregnancy test prior on all women < 55y/O</li>

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What brought you in?

Chest pain with exertion?

Identify Cardiac Risk Factors

Exercise Stress Test (EST) Functional Stress				
<ul> <li>Initial test to evaluate for suspected or known heart disease</li> <li>Indicated for stable, low and intermediate risk patients</li> <li>Exercise stress protocols (Bruce) to exercise to target heart rate         <ul> <li>(220-age) x.85 for minum</li> <li>70 – 80% sensitivity &amp; 60 – 75% specificity for identification of ischemic heart disease</li> <li>High risk findings             <ul> <li>ST depression &gt; 3 mm</li> <li>SBP &gt; 220,</li> <li>Significant angina</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Contraindications Ischemic changes – Miin past 2 days Severe Aortic Stenosis LBB8 Uncontrollable arrhythmias Hypertension Syncope Altb – need to do chemical PE – If lung scan is ordered, make sure it is negative before doing a stress test. Acute aortic dissection Pacing may be CI – if can't get HR up.			









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#### **Sent for Coronary Angiogram**

CONCLUSION

- Ischemic cardiomyopathy, left ventricular ejection fraction 35%.
- Severe coronary artery disease involving the left main and left anterior descending.
- Percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty of the left anterior descending was performed.
- · Unable to cross the stent due to the short left main and acute angulation of the left anterior descending and the left main.
- Coronary bypass surgery recommended.

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#### **Stress Echocardiogram** EST or pharmacological stress test + Exercise stress protocols (Bruce) or echocardiogram to assess stress-induced changes in cardiac or pharmacological agents (Dobutamine) to exercise to target pulmonary vascular function heart rate Indicated for patients with baseline (220 - age) x .85 for minim Get Heart rate to 100 – 110% for at least 30 seconds because it will drop really fast. Need to get echo while HR is at least 85%. EKG changes (ie repolarization) that limit interpretation of ischemic changes on EKG. Baseline echo images are obtained Contraindications similar to EST

- and then at maximal tolerated exercise
- Resting and post stress images are compared
- Positive Test
- Worsening of regional wall motion on stress images when compared to resting images
- 85% sensitivity, 77% specificity to detect CHD











Case #3 Admission EKG What's the Rhythm? What's your EKG interpretation? What's your action?

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