A Study on Evaluation of Diagnostic Role of NTproBNP in Heart Failure in Background of STEMI

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Abstract: We have evaluated the relationship between NT-proBNP levels and symptom onset, markers of reperfusion, size of infarct and prognosis in the STEMI patients. Objectives of the study: To study diagnostic role of NT-proBNP in ST segment elevation myocardial infarction patients complicated by heart failure, clinical profile of heart failure in STEMI patients and comparison between STEMI with heart failure and STEMI without heart failure. Study Area: Department of Cardiology, Medical college, Kolkata. Study Population: Patients with STEMI admitted in Medical college Kolkata. Study Period: One year (after ethics committee clearance). Sample Size: A minimum of 80 subjects. <u>Results</u>: In the present study 56 males(70%) and 24 females (30%) were involved and male and female ratio was 2.33:1. 1) Present study showed that males were more commonly affected by STEMI compared to female and STEMI was also more predominant in smokers. 2) We found that heart failure group of subjects had mean CPK and CPK-MB higher in comparison to that in the group without heart failure. 3) It was found that NT pro-BNP was significantly increased in heart failure group compared to group without heart failure. 4) Our study found that LVIDD and LVIDS were higher in heart failure group compared to group without heart failure which was statistically significant. Mean (⁺/- SD) ejection fraction was significantly lower in heart failure group. 5) Heart failure was more common in the patients with AWSTEMI compared to IWSTEMI group and it was statistically significant. 6) Heart failure was more common in the patients with triple vessel coronary artery disease and it was statistically significant. 7) All patients of AMI with and without heart failure taken together(n=80) when studied it was found that the NT pro-BNP was positively correlated with LVIDD, LVIDS and severity of CAD in STEMI patients which was statistically significant. NT pro-BNP was negatively correlated with LVEF in STEMI patient and it was statistically significant. 8) In patients of AMI with systolic heart failure group only (n=40) NT pro-BNP was positively correlated with LVIDD, LVIDS and severity of CAD but NT pro-BNP was negatively correlated with LVEF which were not statistically significant. 9) In patients of AMI with diastolic heart failure only (n=10) NT pro-BNP was positively correlated with LVIDD, LVIDS and severity of CAD. It was also observed that NT pro-BNP was negatively correlated with LVEF though that was not statistically significant. 10) It seems that the NT-proBNP in acute coronary syndrome may be a very useful marker . There is a positive correlation between NT Pro BNP and the number of coronary artery (ies) involved and the severity of luminal stenosis. Last but not the least NT Pro BNP is a very valuable marker for predicting higher incidence of heart failure and lower ejection fraction.

Keywords: STEMI, Heart failure, NTproBNP

1. Introduction

Accurate diagnosis of heart failure is known to be a significant challenge for healthcare professionals in emergency departments (EDs). Acute myocardial infarction (AMI) is a common cause of heart failure (HF), which can develop soon after AMI and may persist or resolve or develop late. Both BNP and NT-proBNP can be detected in the circulation. Whilst increased levels of these biomarkers are not exclusive to incidences of heart failure, studies have shown that they can be sensitive and specific diagnostic biomarkers for heart failure when used as an adjunct to clinical judgment. We accordingly evaluated the relationship between NT-proBNP levels and symptom onset, markers for diagnosis of heart failure in the STEMI patients.

During the last decade, B type-natriuretic peptides have moved on »from bench to bedside« very quickly. Originally, they were introduced in clinical practice as a diagnostic tool for heart failure (HF)¹. Later, their independent prognostic value was also shown, especially concerning mortality and heart failure, in patients with stable and unstable coronary artery disease (CAD). On the other hand, data about acute coronary events prediction are still conflicting; in contrast to the »PEACE« trial², in which neither BNP nor NT-proBNP significantly increased the risk of myocardial infarction (MI), »The Heart and Soul Study« found an independent association of both markers with the individual outcomes of heart failure, myocardial infarction and cardiovascular death³. Also, NT-proBNP was found to be a useful biomarker for distinguishing patients with long-standing hypertension who are at risk of heart failure, allowing optimization and proper treatment of these patients⁴.

Patients with previous myocardial infarction represent a heterogenous group, whose prognosis differs significantly. Since traditional risk factors have less prognostic value in this secondary prevention population, they are important candidates for neurohumoral testing. Serial analyses of NT-proBNP in patients with non-ST segment elevation acute coronary syndromes (FRISC-II substudy) showed that levels measured during a chronic, relatively stable phase are a better predictor of mortality than those measured during an acute, unstable phase⁵. Also, assessment of NT-proBNP level 6 months after ST-elevation MI was a better indicator of infarct size and left ventricular function measured by cardiac magnetic resonance than baseline (admission) NT-pro BNP values⁶.

Although previously thought to be equally effective for diagnostic and prognostic purposes⁷, recently published data from »The Heart and Soul Study« found NT-proBNP to be

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superior to BNP, when added to clinical risk factors, for net reclassification of the risk for major adverse cardiac events in patients with stable CAD.

Meta-analysis of nine prospective studies, which indicated strong association between the circulating concentration of NT-proBNP and long-term prognosis of patients with stable CAD, pointed out that although most of the included studies grouped the population according to the median or quartiles of NT-proBNP, the specific NT-proBNP, levels varied greatly among different studies, making it impossible to give a precise cut-point⁸.

The diagnostic potential of natriuretic peptide concentrations in patients with acute dyspnea was described more than 10 years ago. They correlate with the invasively measured LV filling pressures. The International Collaborative for NTproBNP Study helped defining the most appropriate cut-off values for NT-proBNP by pooling data from several single centre studies that had each suggested excellent accuracy but a wide range of optimal cut-off values (with differences in baseline characteristics including age, which was most likely responsible for this fact. We have accordingly evaluated the relationship between NT-proBNP levels and symptom onset, markers of reperfusion, size of infarct and prognosis in the STEMI patients.

Objectives of the study

- 1) To study diagnostic role of NT-proBNP in ST segment elevation myocardial infarction patients complicated by heart failure
- 2) To study clinical profile of ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI).
- 3) To study clinical profile of heart failure in ST segment elevation myocardial infarction
- 4) Comparison between STEMI with heart failure and STEMI without heart failure

2. Methodology

Study Area:

Department of Cardiology, Medical college, Kolkata

Study Population:

Patients with STEMI admitted in medical college Kolkata

Study Period:

One year (after ethics committee clearance)

Sample Size:

A minimum of 80 subjects

Sample Size Calculation:

Based on the previous study by James L. Januzzi et al.(2005) in which the exchange(rule out) cut off point was 300 pg/ml and with a sensitivity of 99%, specificity 60%, a minimum total sample size of 41 was calculated with a precision of 0.15. Thus we propsed to recruit a sample size of 80(50 diseased and 30 control). In our study we have evaluated 80 patients with STEMI of which 50 were case(with heart failure) and 30 were control(without heart failure).

Sample Design:

Consecutive eligible of both case and control

Study Design:

Cross sectional, observational, single hospital based study

Inclusion Criteria:

 Patients with acute onset of chest pain with or without dyspnea diagnosed to have ST segment elevation myocardial infarction defined as Patients with typical chest pain for at least 20 min and positive troponin T level with ≥1 mm ST segment elevation in 2 adjacent leads (>0.2 mV in leads V1, V2, or V3), or a new left bundle branch block in ECG.(As per definition in Braunwald heart disease 11th edition).

Exclusion Criteria:

- 1) Patients unwilling to participate
- 2) Pregnant patients
- 3) Patient presented with cardiogenic shock or killip class 4
- 4) Patient with serum creatinine > 2
- 5) Patients who had cardiopulmonary resuscitation before admission

Method:

This is a Cross sectional, observational, single hospital based study which was include 80 selected patients with acute chest pain with or without dyspnea. The informed consent was obtained from every patient. All patients were subjected to standard 12-lead ECG immediately after admission. Patients with ST segment elevation at the J point in 2 or more consecutive leads (with the cut-off point being >0.2 mV in leads V1, V2, or V3, and >0.1 mV in the other leads) were defined as having ST elevation myocardial infarction. Among the whole study population, patients with atleast one of the following criteria will be defined as heart failure patients.

- Symptoms of CHF on admission according to Framingham criteria
- Killip class ≥ 2 on admission
- Killip class ≥ 2 at any time of hospitalization
- Left ventricular ejection fraction ≤40% at any time during hospitalization

Patients with none of these criteria were considered as patients without CHF.

50 patients of STEMI with features of heart failure was used as a case in this study, where as 30 patients of STEMI without any features of heart failure was taken as control group in this study. Transthoracic 2-dimensional echocardiography was performed within 24 h of admission. The LV end-diastolic (LVEDD) and left ventricular endsystolic diameters (LVESD) were measured according to the guidelines of the American Society of Echocardiography. The LV ejection fraction (LVEF) was calculated by the modified Simpson's method. Coronary angiography was done for determination of the culprit coronary artery (ies) or branch (es). Blood samples were taken from every patient immediately after admission for biochemical measurements of CK-MB, TnT and NT-proBNP. All analyses were performed with statistical software.

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Study Tools:

- Parameters under study:
- 1) History and clinical examination
- Investigations: 2)

Blood biochemistry

- 1) FBS/PPBS/HbA1C
- Urea/ creatinine/Sodium,Potassium 2)
- 3) Lipid profile
- 4) CK-MB, Troponin T, NT-proBNP
- 5) CBC
- ECG 6)
- 7) Chest xray
- 8) Echocardiography
- 9) Coronary angiography

Statistical Analysis Plan:

For statistical analysis data were entered into a Microsoft excel spreadsheet and then analyzed by SPSS (version 25.0; SPSS Inc., Chicago, IL, USA) and GraphPad Prism version Data had been summarized as mean and standard 5. deviation for numerical variables and count and percentages for categorical variables. Two-sample t-tests for a difference in mean involved independent samples or unpaired samples. Paired t-tests were a form of blocking and had greater power than unpaired tests. One-way analysis of variance (one-way ANOVA) was a technique used to compare means of three or more samples for numerical data (using the F distribution). A chi-squared test (χ^2 test) was any statistical

hypothesis test wherein the sampling distribution of the test statistic is a chi-squared distribution when the null hypothesis is true. Without other qualification, 'chi-squared test' often is used as short for Pearson's chi-squared test. Unpaired proportions were compared by Chi-square test or Fischer's exact test, as appropriate.

Correlation was calculated by Pearson correlation analysis. The Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient was a measure of the linear dependence between two variables X and Y. Explicit expressions that can be used to carry out various *t*-tests are given below. In each case, the formula for a test statistic that either exactly follows or closely approximates a t-distribution under the null hypothesis is given. Also, the appropriate degrees of freedom are given in each case. Each of these statistics can be used to carry out either a one-tailed test or a two-tailed test.

Once a t value is determined, a p-value can be found using a table of values from Student's t-distribution. If the calculated p-value is below the threshold chosen for statistical significance (usually the 0.10, the 0.05, or 0.01 level), then the null hypothesis is rejected in favour of the alternative hypothesis. *P*-value ≤ 0.05 was considered for statistically significant.

3. Results and Analysis

Table 1: Distribution of m	nean Age of patients of STEMI
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		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value
Age	Case	50	56.6800	9.4792	35.0000	85.0000	55.0000	0.7418
	Control	30	57.3667	8.1006	38.0000	69.0000	57.5000	

In Case, the mean age(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 56.6800 \pm 9.4792 and in Control, the mean age (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 57.3667 ± 8.1006 . The association of mean age vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.7418). Thus age was match in this study.



Figure 1: Distribution of mean Age of patients of STEMI

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		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value
SBP	Case	50	131.0000	147.2220	90.0000	1146.0000	110.0000	0.8594
	Control	30	135.8000	13.0712	110.0000	164.0000	135.0000	0.8594
DDD	Case	50	76.4800	7.5112	62.0000	98.0000	74.0000	< 0.0001
DBP	Control	30	84.4000	8.2278	70.0000	98.0000	84.0000	<0.0001

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In Case, the mean SBP (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 131.0000 \pm 147.2220 and in control the mean SBP(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 135.8000 \pm 13.0712. The association of mean SBP vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.8594).

In case, the mean DBP (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 76.4800 \pm 7.5112 and in control, the mean DBP (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 84.4000 \pm 8.2278. The association of mean DBP vs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).



Figure 2A: Distribution of mean SBP of patients of STEMI



Figure 2B: Distribution of mean DBP of patients of STEMI

Table 3: Distribution of mean HR and RR of patients of STEMI										
		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value		
HR (per minute)	Case	50	100.2800	19.2301	58.0000	136.0000	102.0000	< 0.0001		
	Control	30	78.0667	15.3082	58.0000	120.0000	76.0000	<0.0001		
RR	Case	50	27.6200	4.2661	18.0000	36.0000	27.5000	< 0.0001		
	Control	30	20.2333	3.8299	14.0000	34.0000	20.0000	<0.0001		

In case, the mean HR (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 100.2800 \pm 19.2301(per minute)and in control, the mean HR (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 78.0667 \pm 15.3082(per minute). The association of mean HR vs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).

In case, the mean RR (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 27.6200 \pm 4.2661 and in control, the mean RR (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 20.2333 \pm 3.8299. The association of mean RR vs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).



Figure 3A: Distribution of mean HR of patients of STEMI



Figure 3B: Distribution of mean RR of patients of STEMI

	Table 4: Distribution of mean HB of patients of STEMI										
-			Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value		
-	Hb(g/dl)	Case	50	12.8140	1.3163	9.9000	16.0000	12.7500	0.9813		
		Control	30	12.8067	1.4083	10.4000	15.2000	12.4500	0.9815		

In case, the mean Hb(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 12.8140 \pm 1.3163g/dl and in control, the mean Hb (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 12.8067 ± 1.4083 g/dl. The association of mean Hb vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.9813).



Figure 4: Distribution of mean HB of patients of STEMI

		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value
TLC(Cells per liter)	Case	50	9745.5200	3194.0871	4769.0000	17651.0000	9113.0000	0.3644
	Control	30	10426.4000	3293.1861	5432.0000	18761.0000	11110.5000	0.3044

In case, the mean TLC (mean± s.d.) of patients was 9745.5200± 3194.0871(Cells per liter) and in control, the mean TLC (mean± s.d.) of patients was 10426.4000±

3293.1861(Cells per liter). The association of mean TLC vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.3644).



Figure 5: Distribution of mean TLC of patients of STEMI

Table 6: Distribution of mean Urea and Creatinine: Group										
		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value		
Urea(mg/dl)	Case	50	24.6000	10.4256	11.0000	51.0000	23.0000	0.0429		
	Control	30	29.5333	10.3048	12.0000	51.0000	31.5000	0.0429		
	Case	50	1.0280	0.1980	0.7000	1.5000	1.0000	0.4004		

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In case, the mean Urea (mean± s.d.) of patients was 24.6000± 10.4256(mg/dl)and in control, the mean Urea (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 29.5333 \pm 10.3048 (mg/dl). The association of mean Urea vs two groups was statistically significant (p=0.0429). In case, the mean Creatinine (mean±

Case

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s.d.) of patients was 1.0280± 0.1980(mg/dl) and in control, the mean Creatinine (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 1.0667 \pm 0.2006 (mg/dl). The association of mean Creatinine vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.4026).

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Creatinine (mg/dl)



Figure 6A: Distribution of mean Urea of patients of STEMI



Mean SD Minimum Maximum Median Number p-value 138.5400 5.0354 Case 50 123.0000 151.0000 138.0000 Serum Na 0.9755 30 138.5000 6.4954 121.0000 151.0000 138.0000 Control 50 4.4520 0.6649 3.3000 5.7000 4.4000 Case Serum K 0.8296 Control 30 4.4833 0.5608 3.3000 5.6000 4.4000

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Table 7: Distribution of mean Serum Na and Serum K: Group

In case, the mean Serum Na(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 138.5400 \pm 5.0354and in control, the mean Serum Na (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 138.5000 \pm 6.4954. The association of mean Serum Na vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.9755).

In case, the mean Serum K(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 4.4520 ± 0.6649 and in control, the mean Serum K (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 4.4833 ± 0.5608 . The association of mean Serum K vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.8296).



5 4 3 2 2 4 5 6 Case Control 1 0 Case Control Figure 7B: Distribution of mean Serum K of patients of

STEMI

Figure 7A: Distribution of mean Serum Na of patients of STEMI

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		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value			
СРК	Case	50	1570.9200	1582.8160	79.0000	6543.0000	1107.0000	0.7831			
	Control	30	1473.2000	1440.5551	107.0000	5432.0000	722.0000	0.7851			
СРК-МВ	Case	50	179.7600	241.2701	12.0000	1544.0000	99.5000	0.2651			
	Control	30	126.8667	116.6326	10.0000	367.0000	72.5000	0.2031			

Table 8: Distribution of mean CPK and CPK-MB of patients of STEMI

In case, the mean CPK (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 1570.9200 \pm 1582.8160and in control, the mean CPK (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 1473.2000 \pm 1440.5551. The association of mean CPKvs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.7831).

In case, the mean CPK-MB (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 179.7600 \pm 241.2701and in control, the mean CPK-MB (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 126.8667 \pm 116.6326. The association of mean CPK-MB vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.2651).



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Figure 8A: Distribution of mean CPK of patients of STEMI

Figure 8B: Distribution of mean CPK-MB of patients of STEMI

Table 9: Distribution	of mean NT	pro-BNP of	patients of STEMI
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		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value
NT pro-BNP (pg/mL)	Case	50	4206.2600	3985.7472	598.0000	15257.0000	2401.0000	< 0.0001
	Control	30	382.8333	176.8588	104.0000	745.0000	378.5000	<0.0001

In case, the mean NT pro-BNP(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 4206.2600 \pm 3985.7472(pg/mL) and in control, the mean NT pro-BNP (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 382.8333 \pm 176.8588(pg/mL). The association of mean NT pro-BNP vs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).

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Figure 9: Distribution of mean NT pro-BNP of patients of STEMI

Table 10: Distribution of mean LVIDD of patients of STEMI								
		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value
LVIDD	Case	50	51.2000	4.2952	43.0000	59.0000	51.0000	< 0.0001
	Control	30	44.4000	2.0103	41.0000	48.0000	45.0000	<0.0001

In case, the mean LVIDD(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 51.2000 \pm 4.2952and in Control, the mean LVIDD(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 44.4000 \pm 2.0103. The association of mean LVIDDvs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).



Figure 10: Distribution of mean LVIDD of patients of STEMI

Table 11: Distribution of mean LVIDS of patients of STEMI								
		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value
LVIDS	Case	50	38.5400	5.1079	29.0000	47.0000	40.0000	< 0.0001
LVIDS	Control	30	30.3667	2.0424	27.0000	35.0000	30.5000	<0.0001

In case, the mean LVIDD(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 38.5400 \pm 5.1079and in Control, the mean LVIDD (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 30.3667 \pm 2.0424. The association of mean LVIDSvs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).



LVEF	Case	50	36.6200	4.4762	30.0000	47.0000	36.5000	< 0.0001
	Control	30	46.6000	2.4719	41.0000	52.0000	47.0000	

In case, the mean LVEF (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 36.6200 \pm 4.4762and in Control, the mean LVEF (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 46.6000 \pm 2.4719. The association of mean between LVEFvs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).



Figure 12: Distribution of mean LVEF of patients of STEMI

Table 13: Distribution of mean Grade of Diastolic dysfunction of patients of STEMI

		Number	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum	Median	p-value
Grade of Diastolic dysfunction	Case	50	0.8600	0.9260	0.0000	3.0000	1.0000	< 0.0001
Grade of Diastolic dysfuliction	Control	30	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	<0.0001

In case, the mean Grade of Diastolic dysfunction (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 0.8600 ± 0.9260 which was statistically significant (p<0.0001)



Figure 13: Distribution of mean Grade of Diastolic dysfunction of patients of STEMI

 Table 14: Distribution of Occupational profile of patients of

 STEMI

GROUP						
Occupation	Case	Control	Total			
Carpenter	1	0	1			
Row %	100	0	100			
Col %	2	0	1.3			
Driver	2	0	2			
Row %	100	0	100			
Col %	4	0	2.5			
Factory worker	2	1	3			
Row %	66.7	33.3	100			
Col %	4	3.3	3.8			
Farmer	13	2	15			
Row %	86.7	13.3	100			
Col %	26	6.7	18.8			
Fruit seller	0	2	2			

Row %	0	100	100
Col %	0	6.7	2.5
Housewife	12	11	23
Row %	52.2	47.8	100
Col %	24	36.7	28.8
Juice maker	1	0	1
Row %	100	0	100
Col %	2	0	1.3
Labour	7	8	15
Row %	46.7	53.3	100
Col %	14	26.7	18.8
Office clerk	3	2	5
Row %	60	40	100
Col %	6	6.7	6.3
Security Worker	2	2	4
Row %	50	50	100
Col %	4	6.7	5
Teacher	5	1	6
Row %	83.3	16.7	100
Col %	10	3.3	7.5
Traffic surgeon	2	1	3
Row %	66.7	33.3	100
Col %	4	3.3	3.8
TOTAL	50	30	80
Row %	62.5	37.5	100
Col %	100	100	100

Chi-square value: 13.5575; p-value: 0.2585

In case, 13(26.0%) patients were Farmer and in control, 2(6.7%) patients were farmer.

In case, 12(24.0%) patients were Housewife and in control, 11(36.7%) patients were Housewife.

The association between Occupation vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.2585).

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Figure 14: Distribution of Occupational profile of patients of STEMI

Table 15: Distribution of Sex of patients of STEMI

	GROUP							
Sex	Case	TOTAL						
Female	13	11	24					
Row %	54.2	45.8	100					
Col %	26	36.7	30					
Male	37	19	56					
Row %	66.1	33.9	100					
Col %	74	63.3	70					
TOTAL	50	30	80					
Row %	62.5	37.5	100					
Col %	100	100	100					

Chi-square value: 1.0159; p-value: 0.3135

In case, 13(26.0%) patients were female and in control, 37(74.0%) patients were male. Incontrol,11(36.7%) patients were female and 19(63.3%) patients were male. The association between sex vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.3135).



Figure 15: Distribution of Sex of patients of STEMI

Та	ble	16:	Distribution	of	HTN	of	patients	of STEN	ΛI

GROUP							
HTN	Case	Control	TOTAL				
No	23	15	38				
Row %	60.5	39.5	100				
Col %	46	50	47.5				
Yes	27	15	42				
Row %	64.3	35.7	100				

	Col %	54	50	52.5
	TOTAL	50	30	80
	Row %	62.5	37.5	100
	Col %	100	100	100
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Chi-square value: 0.1203; p-value:0.7287

In case, 27(54.0%) patients had HTN and in control, 15(50.0%) patients had HTN. The association between HTN vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.7287)



Figure 16: Distribution of HTN of patients of STEMI

Т	able 17:	Distribution	of DM	of	patients	of	STEN	ЛI

	GROUP							
DM	Case	Control	Total					
No	26	11	37					
Row %	70.3	29.7	100					
Col %	52	36.7	46.3					
Yes	24	19	43					
Row %	55.8	44.2	100					
Col %	48	63.3	53.8					
TOTAL	50	30	80					
Row %	62.5	37.5	100					
Col %	100	100	100					

Chi-square value: 1.7733; p-value: 0.1829

In case, 24(48.0%) patients had DM and in control, 19(63.3%) patients had DM. This association between DM vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.1829).

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Figure 17: Distribution of DM of patients of STEMI

Ta	ble 18:	Distribution	smoking	of	patients	of STE	MI

	Group					
Smoker	Case	Control	Total			
No	20	14	34			
Row %	58.8	41.2	100			
Col %	40	46.7	42.5			
Yes	30	16	46			
Row %	65.2	34.8	100			
Col %	60	53.3	57.5			
TOTAL	50	30	80			
Row %	62.5	37.5	100			
Col %	100	100	100			

Chi-square value: 0.3410; p-value: 0.5592

In case, 30(60.0%) patients were Smoker and in control, 16(53.3%) patients were smoker. The association between Smokervs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.5592)



Figure 18: Distribution of smoking of patients of STEMI

Table 19: Distribution COPD of patients of STEMI

	GROUP						
COPD	Case	Control	TOTAL				
No	40	25	65				
Row %	61.5	38.5	100				
Col %	Col % 80		81.3				
Yes	10	5	15				
Row %	66.7	33.3	100				
Col %	20	16.7	18.8				
TOTAL	50	30	80				
Row %	Row % 62.5		100				
Col %	100	100	100				

Chi-square value: 0.1368; p-value: 0.7115

In case, 10(20.0%) patients had COPD and in control, 5(16.7%) patients had COPD. The association between COPD vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.7115).



Figure 19: Distribution COPD of patients of STEMI

 Table 20: Distribution of Clinical profile of patients of STEMI (N=80)

Clinical profile	Case		Total	Control		Total
	Yes	No		Yes	No	
Dyspnea	43	7	50	2	28	30
Orthopnea	31	19	50	0	30	30
PND	24	26	50	1	29	30
Fatigue	25	25	50	13	17	30
Lung Rales	26	24	50	5	25	30
JVP	24	26	50	0	30	30
S3	23	27	50	5	25	30



Figure 20 A: Distribution of Clinical profile of patients of STEMI with heart failure (N=50)



Figure 20B: Distribution of Clinical profile of patients of STEMI without heart failure (N=30)

In case, 43(86.0%) patients had Dyspnea and in control, 2(6.7%) patients had Dyspnea. The association between Dyspnea vs two groups was statistically significant (p <0.0001).

In case, 31(62.0%) patients had Orthopne and in control, no patients had Orthopnea. The association between Orthopnea vs two groups was statistically significant (p <0.0001).

In case, 24(48.0%) patients had PND and in control, 1(3.3%) patient had PND. The association between PND vs two groups was statistically significant (p <0.0001).

In case, 25(50.0%) patients had Fatigue and in control, 13(43.3%) patients had Fatigue. The association between Fatigue vs two groups was not statistically significant (p =0.5632).

In case, 26(52.0%) patients had Lung Rales and in control, 5(16.7%) patients had Lung Rales. The association between Lung Rales vs two groups was statistically significant (p=0.0016).

In case, 26(52.0%) patients had JVP NR and in control, 30(100.0%) patients had JVP NR.

In case, 24(48.0%) patients had JVP R and in control, no patients had JVP R.

The association between JVP vs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).

In case, 23 (46.0%) patients had S3 and in control, 5(16.7%) patients had S3. The association between S3 vs two groups was statistically significant (p=0.0077).

Table 21: Distribution of ECG characteristics of patients of
AMI (n=80)

GROUP					
ECG Case Control Total					
AWSTEMI	41	7	48		
IWSTEMI	9	23	32		
Total	50	30	80		

Chi-square value: 26.8889; p-value:<0.0001

In case, 41(82.0%) patients had ECG for AWSTEMI and in control, 7(23.3%) patients had ECG for AWSTEMI.

In case, 9(18.0%) patients had ECG for IWSTEMI and in control, 23(76.7%) patients had ECG for IWSTEMI.

The association between ECG vs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).

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Figure 21: Distribution of ECG characteristics of patients of AMI

 Table 22: Distribution of Echocardiographic RWMA characteristics in patients of STEMI (N=80)

GROUP					
RWMA Case Control Total					
Anterior and antero-lateral wall hypokinesia	6	1	7		
Row %	85.7	14.3	100		
Col %	12	3.3	8.8		

Anterior and antero-septal wall hypokinesia from base to apex	27	0	27
Row %	100	0	100
Col %	54	0	33.8
Apical hypokinesia	0	2	2
Row %	0	100	100
Col %	0	6.7	2.5
Mid-apical anterior and antero-septal wall hypokinesia	9	4	13
Row %	69.2	30.8	100
Col %	18	13.3	16.3
Mid-basal inferior and infero- septal wall hypokinesia	8	23	31
Row %	25.8	74.2	100
Col %	16	76.7	38.8
TOTAL	50	30	80
Row %	62.5	37.5	100
Col %	100	100	100

Chi-square value: 39.2027; p-value: <0.0001

In case, RWMA was higher [27(54.0%)] in anterior and antero-septal wall hypokinesia from base to apex and in control, RWMA was higher [23(76.7%)] in mid-basal inferior and infero-septal wall hypokinesia. The association between RWMA vs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).



Figure 22: Distribution of Echocardiographic RWMA characteristics in patients of STEMI

Table 23: Grades of Diastolic dysfunction of patients of	
STEMI	

STEMI					
GROUP					
Grade of Diastolic dysfunction	Case	Control	Total		
0	23	30	53		
Row %	43.4	56.6	100		
Col %	46	100	66.3		
1	13	0	13		
Row %	100	0	100		
Col %	26	0	16.3		
2	12	0	12		
Row %	100	0	100		
Col %	24	0	15		
3	2	0	2		
Row %	100	0	100		
Col %	4	0	2.5		
TOTAL	50	30	80		

	Row %	62.5	37.5	100	
	Col %	100	100	100	
Chi-square value: 24.4528; p-value: <0.0001					

In case, Grade of Diastolic dysfunction was higher [23(46.0%)] in ZERO and in control, Grade of Diastolic dysfunction was higher [30(100.0%)] in ZERO. The association between Grade of Diastolic dysfunction vs two groups was statistically significant (p<0.0001).

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Figure 23: Grades of Diastolic dysfunction of patients of STEMI

Table 24: Distribution of number	of coronary artery
involved of patients of	STEMI

Group				
CAG Report	Case	Control	Total	
DVCAD	23	14	37	
Row %	62.2	37.8	100	
Col %	46	46.7	46.3	
SVCAD	13	15	28	
Row %	46.4	53.6	100	
Col %	26	50	35	
TVCAD	14	1	15	
Row %	93.3	6.7	100	
Col %	28	3.3	18.8	
TOTAL	50	30	80	
Row %	62.5	37.5	100	
Col %	100	100	100	
annone				

Chi-square value: 9.1720; p-value: 0.0102

In case, CAG Report was higher [23(46.0%%)] in DVCAD and in control, CAG Report was higher [15(50.0%)] in SVCAD. The association between CAG Report vs two groups was statistically significant (p=0.0102).



Figure 24: Distribution of number of coronary artery involved of patients of STEMI

Independent Variables	r and p values (Correlation coefficient and significance)	Dependent(out put) Variable NT pro-BNP	Remarks
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.522**	Positive correlation
LVIDD	p-Value	< 0.0001	Significant
	Number	80	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.524**	Positive correlation
LVIDS	p-Value	< 0.0001	Significant
	Number	80	

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 Table 25: Mean and SD of NT Pro BNP Levels in different subsets of STEMI Patients

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Mean and SD of NT Pro BNP Levels in different subsets of				
STEMI Patients				
	Mean Std. Deviation			
Total number of Stemi patients with and without heart failure				
NT pro-BNP	2772.48	3651.649	80	
LVIDD	48.65	4.889	80	
LVIDS	35.48	5.794	80	
LVEF	40.36	6.190	80	
Number of vessel involved	1.84	.719	80	
TOTAL number of stemi patients with heart failure				
NT pro-BNP	4206.26	3985.747	50	
LVIDD	51.20	4.295	50	
LVEF	36.62	4.476	50	
LVIDS	38.54	5.108	50	
Number of vessel involved	2.02	.742	50	

Mean and SD of NT Pro BNP Levels in different subsets of AMI Patients				
	Mean	Std. Deviation	Ν	
STEMI WITHOUT HEART FAILURE				
NT pro-BNP	382.83	176.859	30	
LVIDD	44.40	2.010	30	
LVEF	46.60	2.472	30	
LVIDS	30.37	2.042	30	
Number of vessel involved	1.53	.571	30	
STEMI WITH SYST	OLIC HEA	RT FAILURE		
NT pro-BNP	4812.93	4225.728	40	
LVIDD	52.45	3.644	40	
LVEF	35.00	3.289	40	
LVIDS	40.05	4.326	40	
Number of vessel involved	2.15	.736	40	
STEMI WITH DIAST	OLIC HEA	RT FAILURE		
NT pro-BNP	1779.60	966.099	10	
LVIDD	46.20	2.860	10	
LVEF	43.10	1.969	10	
LVIDS	32.50	3.206	10	
Number of vessel involved	1.50	.527	10	

	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	606**	Negative correlation
LVEF	p-Value	< 0.0001	Significant
	Number	80	
SEVERITY	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.297**	Positive correlation
OF CAD	p-Value	.007	Significant
OFCAD	Number	80	

In Total, the positive correlation was found in LVIDD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant. In Total, the positive correlation was found in LVIDS vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant. In Total, the negative correlation was found in LVEF vs NT

pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant. In Total, the positive correlation was found in severity of CAD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant.

	Case(n=50)	NT pro-BNP	Remarks
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.294*	Positive correlation
LVIDD	p-Value	.038	Significant
	Number	50	
LVEF	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	415**	Negative correlation
LVEF	p-Value	.003	Significant
	Number	50	
LVIDS	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.291*	Positive correlation
LVIDS	p-Value	.041	Significant
	Number	50	
SEVERITY OF CAD	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.184	Positive correlation
SEVENTI OF CAD	p-Value	.201	Not Significant
	Number	50	
Control(n=30)			
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.177	Positive correlation
LVIDD	p-Value	.349	Not Significant
	Number	30	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	270	Negative correlation
LVEF	p-Value	.149	Not Significant
	Number	30	
LVIDS	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.058	Positive correlation
	p-Value	.760	Not Significant
	Number	30	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.049	Positive correlation
SEVERITY OF CAD	p-Value	.796	Not Significant
	Number	30	

In case, the positive correlation was found in LVIDD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant. In case, the positive correlation was found in LVIDS vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was found in LVEF vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant. In case, the positive correlation was statistically significant. In case, the positive correlation was statistically significant. In case, the positive correlation was found in CAG vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant.

In control, the positive correlation was found in LVIDD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant. In control, the positive correlation was found in LVIDS vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant. In control, the negative correlation was found in LVEF vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant. In control, the positive correlation was found in CAG vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant.

Systolic heart failure group(n=40)		NT pro-BNP	Remarks
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.170	Positive correlation
LVIDD	p-Value	.293	Not Significant
	Number	40	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	303	Negative correlation
LVEF	p-Value	.058	Not Significant
	Number	40	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.162	Positive correlation
LVIDS	p-Value	.316	Not Significant
	Number	40	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.081	Positive correlation
SEVERITY OF CAD	p-Value	.618	Not Significant
	Number	40	
Diastolic heart failure group $(n=10)$			
LVIDD	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	296	Negative correlation
	p-Value	.406	Not Significant

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	Number	10	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	102	Negative correlation
LVEF	p-Value	.779	Not Significant
	Number	10	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	329	Negative correlation
LVIDS	p-Value	.354	Not Significant
	Number	10	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r)	.224	Positive correlation
SEVERITY OF CAD	p-Value	.534	
	Number	10	

In systolic, the positive correlation was found in LVIDD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant. In systolic, the negative correlation was found in LVEF vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant. In systolic, the positive correlation was found in LVIDS vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant. In systolic, the positive correlation was not statistically significant. In systolic, the positive correlation was not statistically significant. In systolic, the positive correlation was not statistically significant. In systolic, the positive correlation was not statistically significant.

In Diastolic, the negative correlation was found in LVIDD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant. In Diastolic, the negative correlation was found in LVEF vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant. In Diastolic, the negative correlation was found in LVIDS vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant. In Diastolic, the positive correlation was found in CAG vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant.

4. Discussion

Brain natriuretic peptide is a neurohormone synthesized in ventricular myocardium and released in response to cardiac stretch. NT-proBNP is the N-terminal fragment of the prohormone BNP. These natriuretic peptides have prognostic value across the full spectrum of acute coronary syndrome patients. Patients with elevated BNP or NT-proBNP are at significantly increased risk for subsequently developing heart failure. The NT proBNP seems to be affected more by worsening renal function than BNP. So patients with creatinine >2.0mg/Dl were excluded from the study.

In our study 80 patients of STEMI were involved of which 56 were males (70%) and 24 were females (30%). Mean age of presentation of STEMI was 57.02 yrs.

Sime manola et al⁹. in 2009 also found that mean age of STEMI presentation was 58.9 ± 10.3 and males were 74.5% and females were 25.5%.

Mean age of STEMI presentation of **Ragaa H.M. Salama** et al¹⁰. study in 2011 was 60.72 ± 0.9 and among the STEMI patients 77.77% were males and 22.23% were females.

In case, the mean CPK(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 1570.9200 ± 1582.8160 and in control, the mean CPK (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 1473.2000 ± 1440.5551 . The association of mean CPK vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.7831).

In case, the mean CPK-MB(mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 179.7600 \pm 241.2701and in control, the mean CPK-MB (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 126.8667 \pm 116.6326. The association of mean CPK-MB vs two groups was not statistically significant (p=0.2651).

In our study the mean NT pro-BNP (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 4206.2600 \pm 3985.7472(pg/mL) in patients with LVEF <40%. In case, the mean NT pro-BNP (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 4206.2600 \pm 3985.7472(pg/MI), and the mean NT pro-BNP (mean \pm s.d.) of patients was 382.8333 \pm 176.8588(pg/mL) in patient with LVEF >40%.

Hanan Radwan et al¹¹. in 2014 found that the mean NT pro-BNP(mean \pm s.d.) was 2569 \pm 2270.5 (pg/ml) in patient with LVEF <40% and the mean NT pro-BNP (mean \pm s.d.) was 328.4 \pm 46.8(pg/ml). In the present study we found that HTN was present in 52.5% of all STEMI patients while DM was present in 53.75% of all STEMI patients. Among all STEMI patients 57.5% were smokers.

Wojciech Drewniak et al¹². in 2015 showed that HTN was present in 65% of all STEMI patients.

Sime manola et al¹⁰. in 2009 found that among all STEMI patient 59.57% had HTN, 44.68% had DM, 53.19% of all STEMI patients were smokers.

Ragaa H.M. Salama et al⁹. in 2011 found that among all STEMI patients HTN and DM was present in 55.5% cases. In the present study we found that STEMI patient presented with heart failure more common In case of AWSTEMI (82.0%) compared to IWSTEMI (18.0%).

Kang Q et al¹³.(2017) found that levels of NT-proBNP in the extensive anterior wall infarction group were higher compared to that of the inferior wall infarction groups: p < 0.05; the levels of NT-proBNP in the inferior wall and posterior wall infarction group were higher compared with the inferior wall infarction group and anteroseptal wall infarction group: p < 0.05.

In all STEMI cases, the positive correlation was found in LVIDD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant.

In all STEMI cases, the positive correlation was found in LVIDS vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant.

In all STEMI cases, the negative correlation was found in LVEF vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant.

Hanan Radwan et al¹¹. in 2014 showed that the negative correlation was found in LVEF vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant.

In our study we found that in all patient with STEMI, the positive correlation was found in severity of CAD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant.

We found that in patients with acute coronary syndrome, the number of vessels affected and percentage of stenosis were significantly higher statistically in those with high NT-proBNP (equal to or more than 300 pg/ml) compared to those with low NT-proBNP (less than 300 pg/ml). These results were concordant with other studies that focused on the association between the severity CAD and NT-pro-BNP level.

In case, the positive correlation was found in LVIDD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant. In case, the positive correlation was found in LVIDS vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant.

In case, the negative correlation was found in LVEF vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was statistically significant. The underlying pathomechanism was not fully understood, but a direct release of NT proBNP from ischemic cardiomyocytes in addition to ischemia induced by increase in ventricular wall stress was postulated .

In case, the positive correlation was found in CAD vs NT pro-BNP and this correlation was not statistically significant.

In the present study, we found that the ejection fraction was significantly reduced in patients with NT-proBNP equal to or more than 700 pg/ml compared to patients with NT-proBNP less than 700 pg/ml. This result was comparable to that reported by Shahabi et al.. Furthermore, we found highly significant negative correlation between NT-proBNP and ejection fraction(r = 0.234, p = 0.0063). This result was concordant with **Shahabi et al**¹⁴. and was also supported by **Emdin et al**.¹⁵who found that NT-proBNPhad acceptable accuracy for identifying heart failure due to left ventricular dysfunction.

Kang Q et al.¹³ **in 2017** found that the levels of NT-proBNP in the multi-vessel group were higher than those in the single-vessel group: p < 0.05. The BNP level was positively correlated with age, heart rate, creatinine kinase-myocardial band (CK-MB), cardiac troponin T (cTnT), whereas it was negatively correlated with left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF).

The NT proBNP is a powerful biomarker for the diagnosis and prognosis of HF. It is elevated in conditions of increased ventricular wall stress and is most commonly used to rule out HF in dyspnoeic patients.

Rao SJ et al ¹⁶ (2016) found that early identification of heart failure as a post-myocardial infarction is very important in a clinical setting. A study was planned to determine the levels of (N-terminal) NT-pro-(Brain Natriuretic Peptide) BNP in systolic heart failure consequential to ischaemic heart disease, and to find out the risk factors in those patients. The

levels of NT-pro-BNP was determined in 100 patients admitted to Basaveshwar Teaching and General Hospital, Kalaburagi, with a diagnosis of systolic heart failure having an ejection fraction<40% subsequent to ischaemic heart disease. The levels of NT-pro-BNP ranged between 358 pg/ml and 3000 pg/ml with a mean value of 2049 pg/ml and a median value of 1886 pg/ml. NT-pro-BNP level had a good predictive value for heart failure (p-0.03).

Arafath MY et al¹⁷ (2019) found that Cardiac enzymes (Troponin T and CKMB) was elevated for the majority of the patients (N=27, 67.5%). Cardiac enzymes (Troponin T and CKMB) were normal for only 32.5% of the patients. Even though the study is done in patients without clinical signs of heart failure, the levels of NT-proBNP had an inverse relationship with Ejection Fraction. Low NT-proBNP levels at the time of admission rule out high-risk patients or patients with heart failure.

Ozturk TC et al ¹⁸ (2011) found that NT-proBNP levels were significantly higher in hospitalized patients compared to outpatients, and this finding was correlated with the clinical status of the patients. The mean NT-proBNP value of the patients was 9741.9 \pm 8973 pg/ml (range: 245-35000) while the mean NT-proBNP value of patients diagnosed with non-decompensated congestive heart failure was 688.9 \pm 284.5 pg/ml (range: 115-1450.65). NT-proBNP can be used as an easy diagnostic method for congestive heart failure.

Kashlov JK et al ¹⁹ (2016) found that all patients with STEMI and elevated serum levels of NT- proBNP have left ventricular ejection fraction <50%. Their results imply that NT –proBNP level and its increase in the serum may be used as a biomarker for the severity of the ischemic heart disease.

Our study was designed to assess the diagnostic value of plasma NT proBNP level as a non-invasive indicator of LV dysfunction and to differentiate it from other causes of dyspnoea in background of STEMI. Also, to correlate the NT proBNP values with echocardiographic ejection fraction.

Although echocardiography is considered the gold standard for the detection of LV dysfunction, it is expensive, not easily accessible, and may not always reflect an acute condition. In our study NT proBNP levels correlated well with reduced LVEF. Patients with a final diagnosis of LV dysfunction had significantly higher levels of NT proBNP than those without LV dysfunction (P < 0.001).

5. Summary

- 1) In the present study 56 males (70%) and 24 females (30%) were involved and male and female ratio was 2.33:1.
- 2) Present study showed that males were more commonly affected by STEMI compared to female and STEMI was also more predominant in smokers.
- 3) We found that heart failure group of subjects had mean CPK and CPK-MB higher in comparison to that in the group without heart failure.

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- 4) It was found that NT pro-BNP was significantly increased in heart failure group compared to group without heart failure.
- 5) Our study found that LVIDD and LVIDS were higher in heart failure group compared to group without heart failure which was statistically significant. Mean (⁺/- SD)ejection fraction was significantly lower in heart failure group.
- 6) Heart failure was more common in the patients with AWSTEMI compared to IWSTEMI group and it was statistically significant.
- 7) Heart failure was more common in the patients with triple vessel coronary artery disease and it was statistically significant.
- 8) All patients of AMI with and without heart failure taken together(n=80) when studied it was found that the NT pro-BNP was positively correlated with LVIDD, LVIDS and severity of CAD in STEMI patients which was statistically significant. NT pro-BNP was negatively correlated with LVEF in STEMI patient and it was statistically significant.
- 9) In patients of AMI with systolic heart failure group only (n=40) NT pro-BNP was positively correlated with LVIDD, LVIDS and severity of CAD but NT pro-BNP was negatively correlated with LVEF which were not statistically significant.
- 10) In patients of AMI with diastolic heart failure only (n=10) NT pro-BNP was positively correlated with LVIDD, LVIDS and severity of CAD .It was also observed that NT pro-BNP was negatively correlated with LVEF though that was not statistically significant.
- 11) It seems that the NT-proBNP in acute coronary syndrome may be a very useful marker. There is a positive correlation between NT Pro BNP and the number of coronary artery (ies) involved and the severity of luminal stenosis. Last but not the least NT Pro BNP is a very valuable marker for predicting higher incidence of heart failure and lower ejection fraction.

Abbreviations

NT pro-BNP-N-Terminal pro B type natriuretic peptide STEMI-ST elevation myocardial infarction ACS= acute coronary syndrome PCI= percutaneous coronary intervention CABG= coronary artery bypass graft CHF= congestive heart failure **HTN-Hypertension DM-Diabetes mellitus** COPD-Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease PND-Paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnoea **BP-Blood** pressure HR-Heart rate **RR-Respiratory rate** JVP-Jugular venous pulse HB-Hemoglobin TLC-Total leucocyte count CPK -Creatine phosphokinase CPK-MB- Creatine phosphokinase-Muscle band LVIDD-Left ventricular internal diameter in diastole LVIDS- Left ventricular internal diameter in systole LVEF-Left ventricular ejection fraction RWMA-Regional wall motion abnormality

LMCA-Left main coronary artery CAG – Coronary Angiography LAD-Left anterior descending artery LCX-Left circumflex artery RCA-Right coronary artery M ± SD= mean ± standard deviation N-No Y-Yes R-Raise NR-Not raise

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