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IMR in acute STEMI and clinical outcomes

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IMR in STEMI

1. Pathophysiology

2. Practical considerations

3. Prognosis

- Surrogate outcomes
- Health outcomes

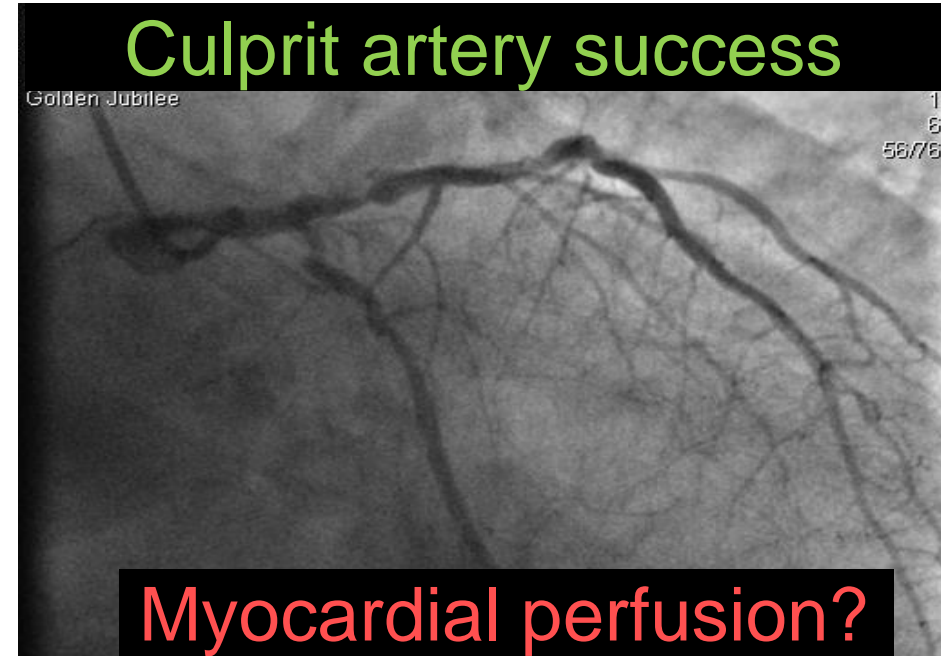
3. Conclusions

STEMI patient pathway

Acute STEMI

Primary PCI → IMR → MRI → Outcome

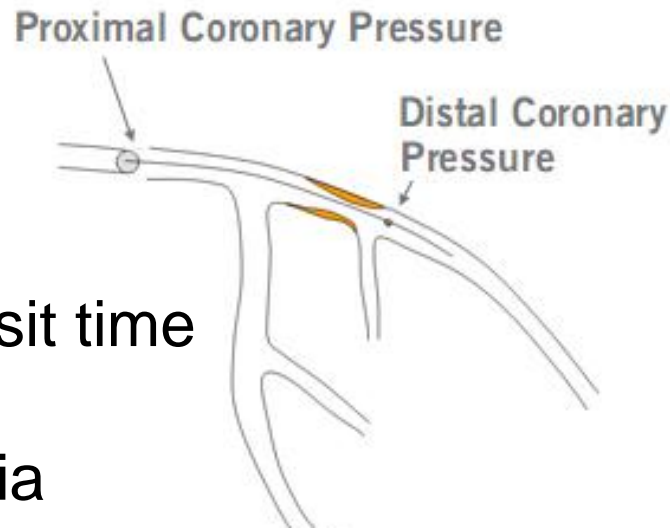
Acute STEMI : coronary vs. myocardial reperfusion – both equally achieved ?



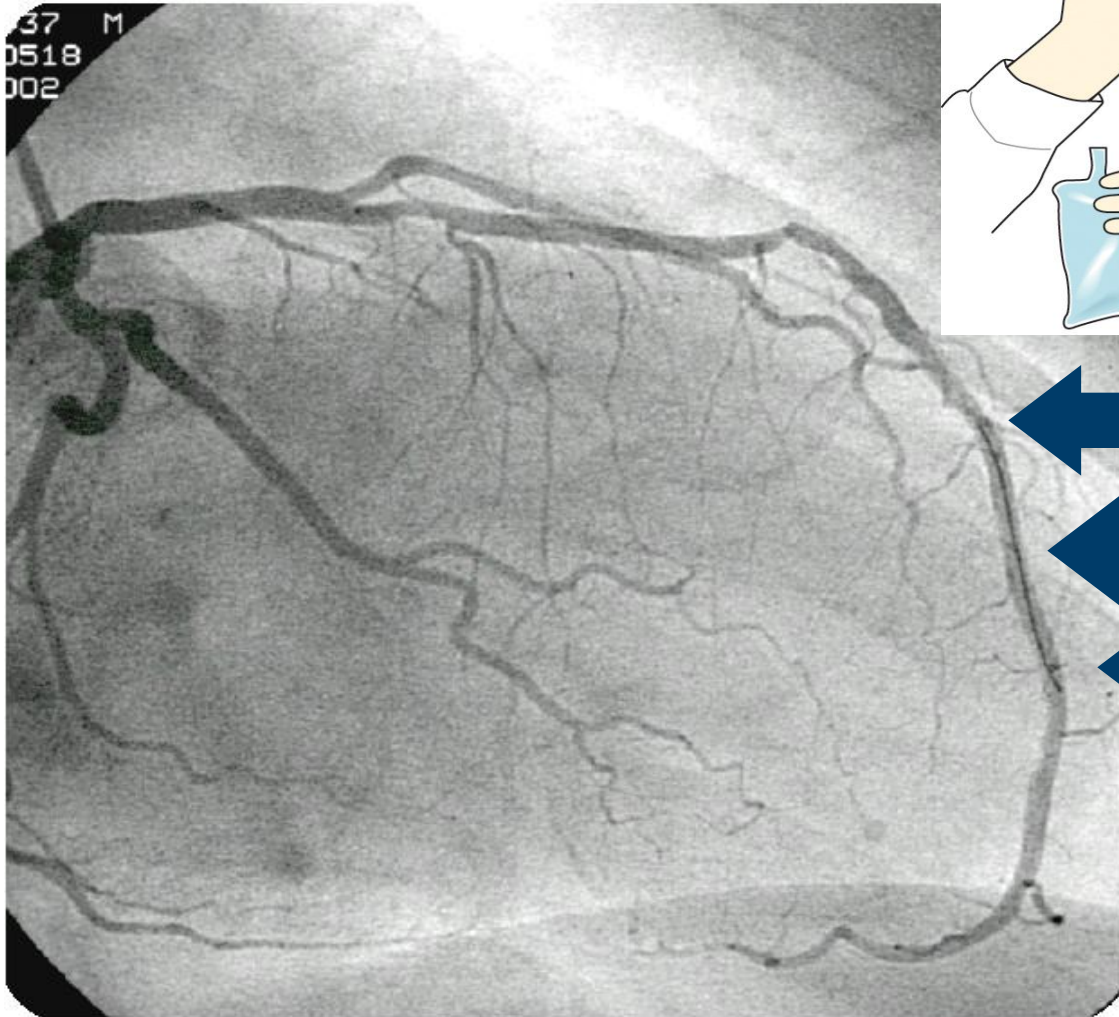
Use of a diagnostic wire for prognostication at the end of primary PCI

IMR
= Pd x mean transit time

During hyperaemia



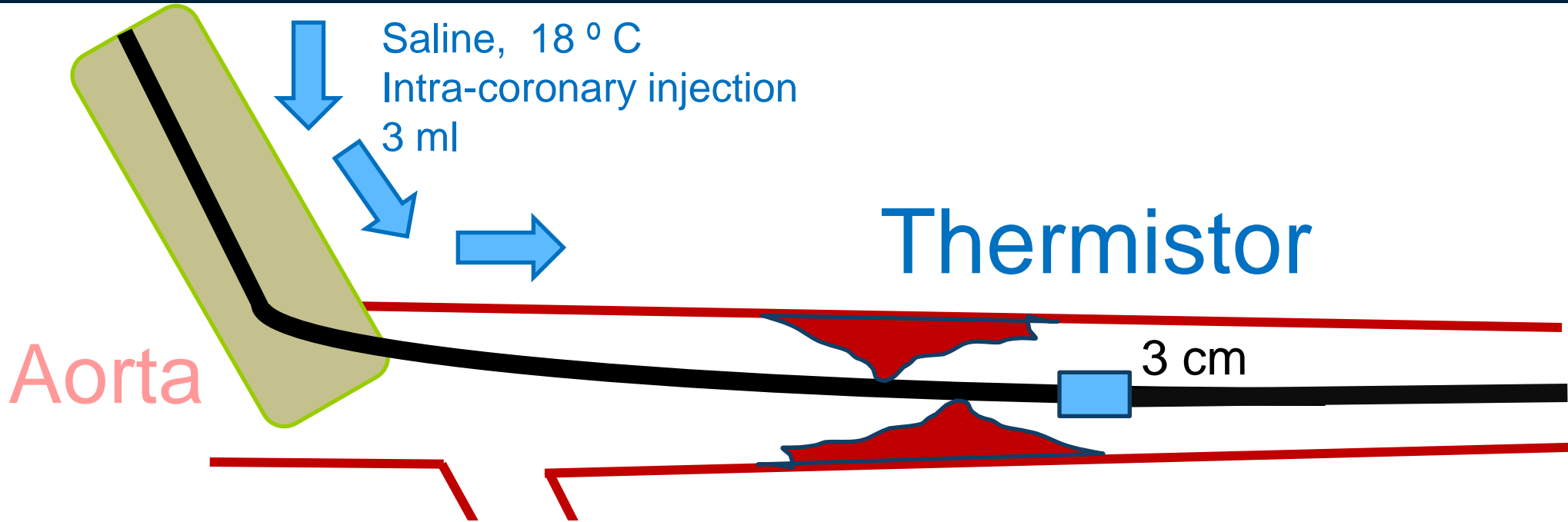
PressureWire sensor is placed in the coronary artery, distal to the atherosclerotic plaque.



PressureWire Sensor
in the artery.



Microvascular function with thermodilution



Coronary flow reserve, CFR

= $T_{mn \text{ rest}} / T_{mn \text{ hyperaemia}}$

Index of microvascular resistance, IMR

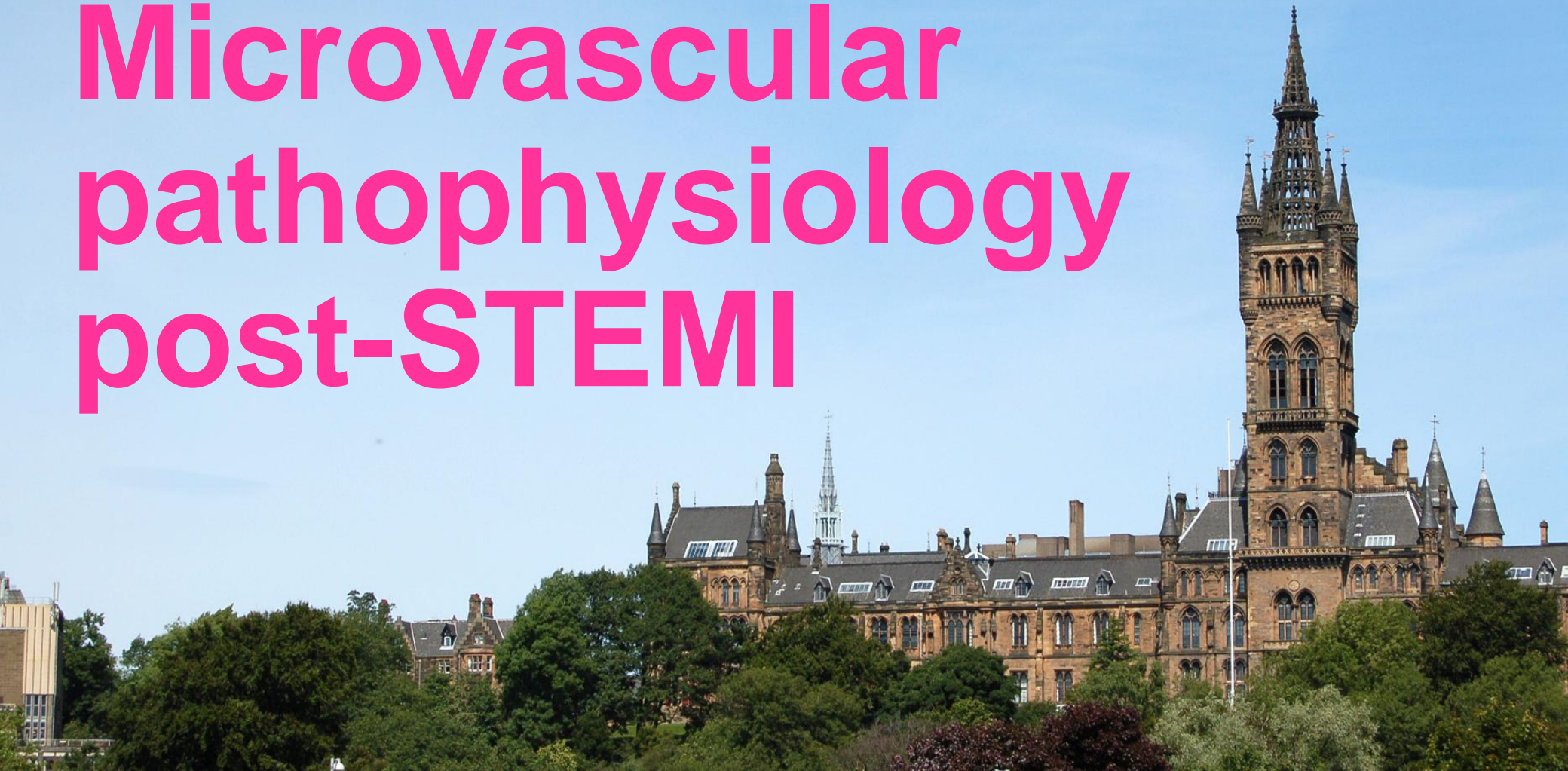
= Distal coronary pressure x mean transit time during hyperaemia



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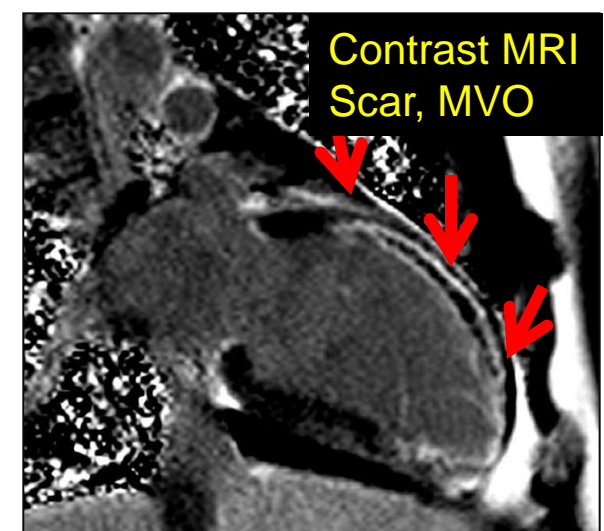
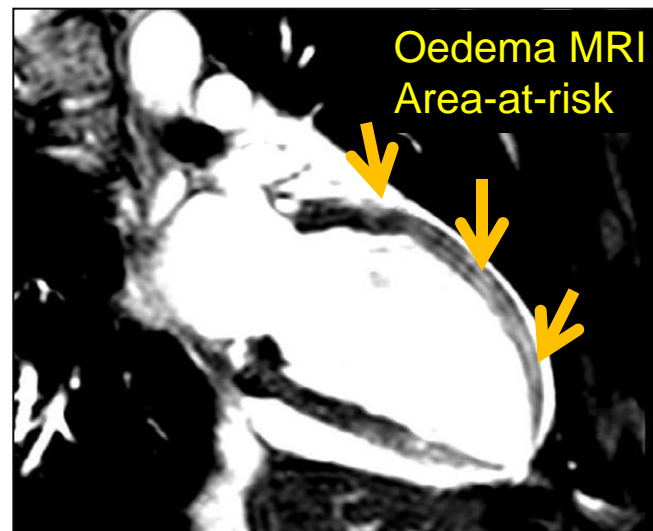
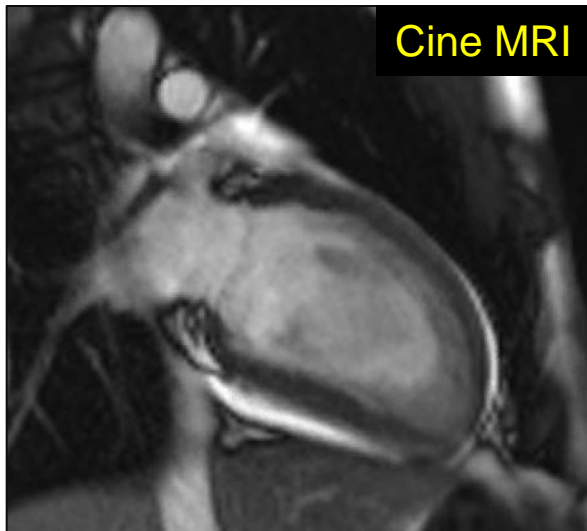
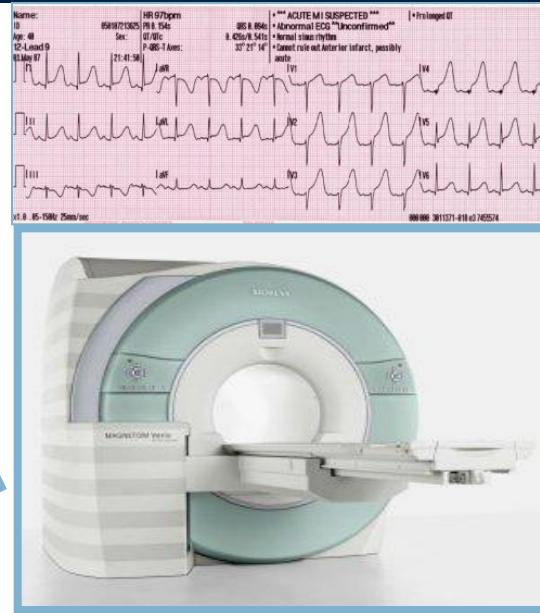


Microvascular pathophysiology post-STEMI





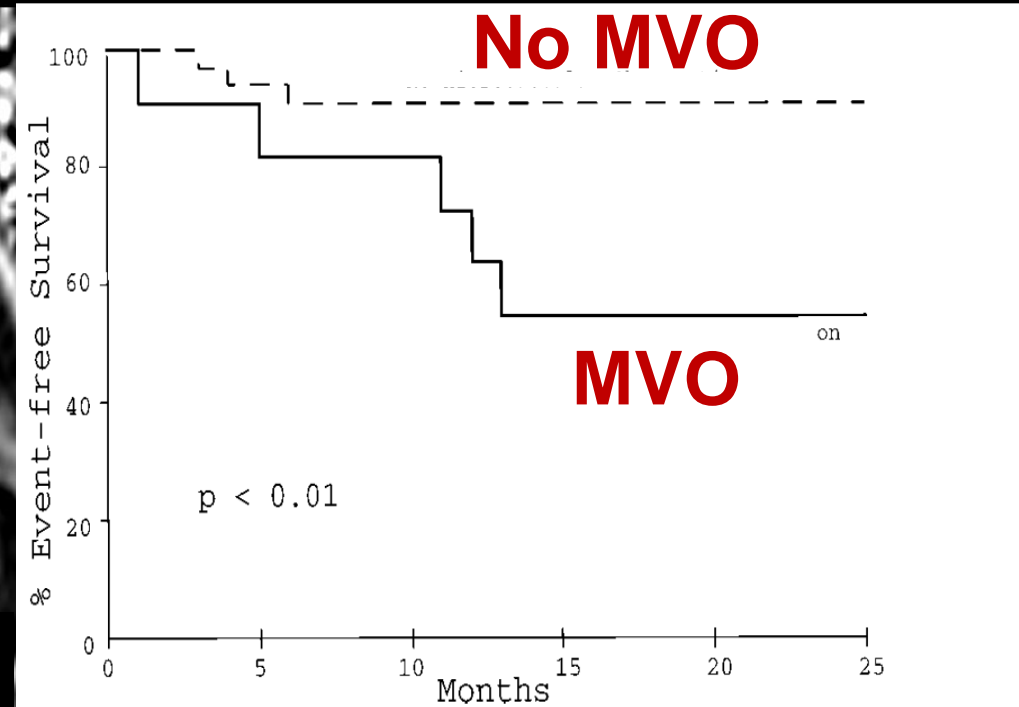
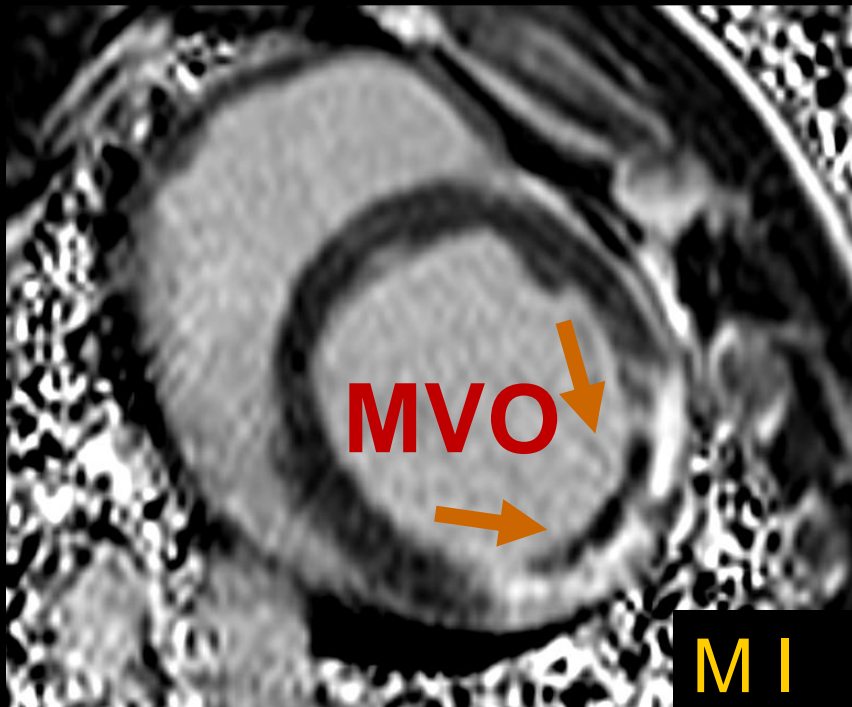
Serial MRI to quantify infarct pathology post-STEMI





Independent prognostic importance of MVO

One third of acute MIs are complicated by microvascular obstruction (MVO)

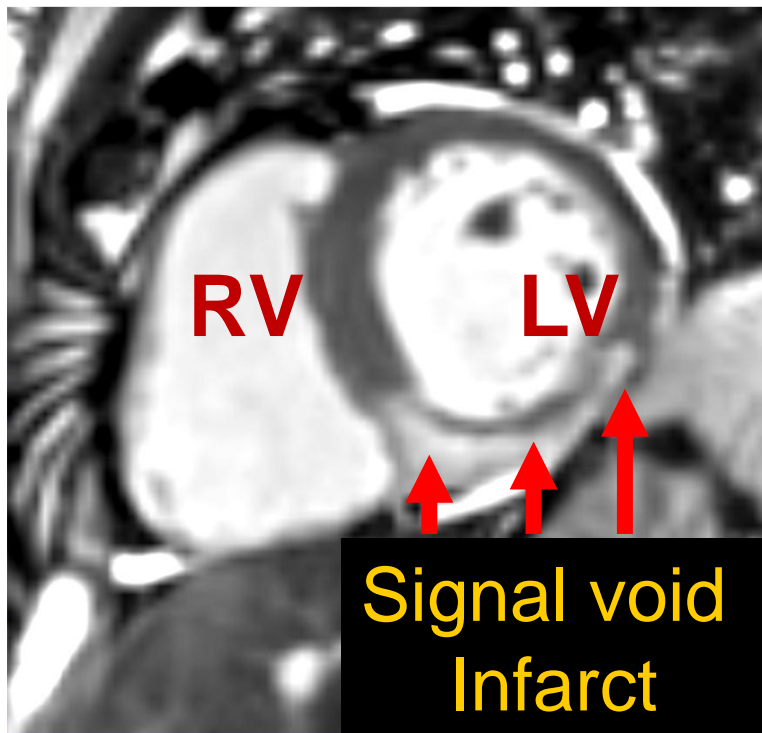


Wu et al Circulation 1998



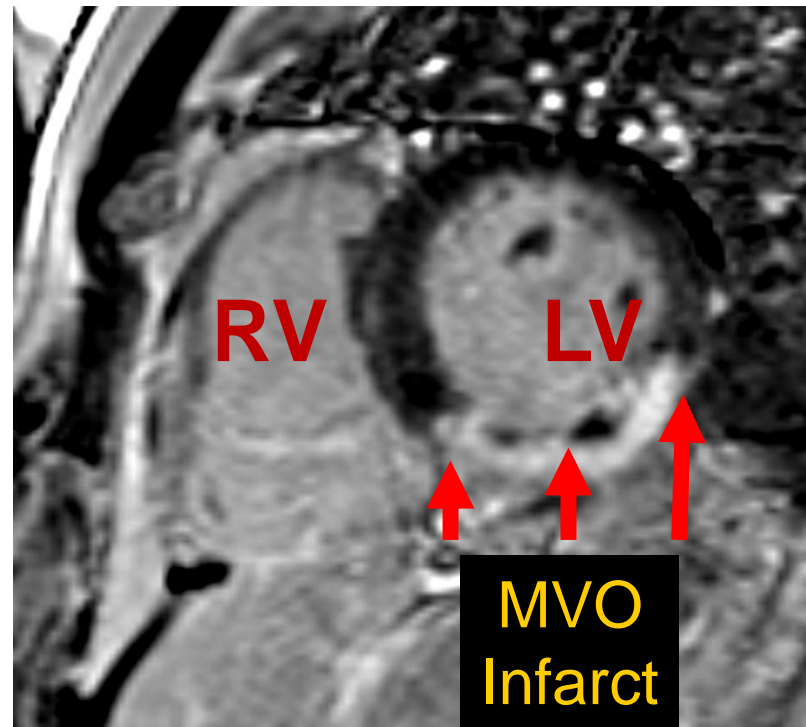
MRI reveals cardiac pathology

T2-Oedema MRI



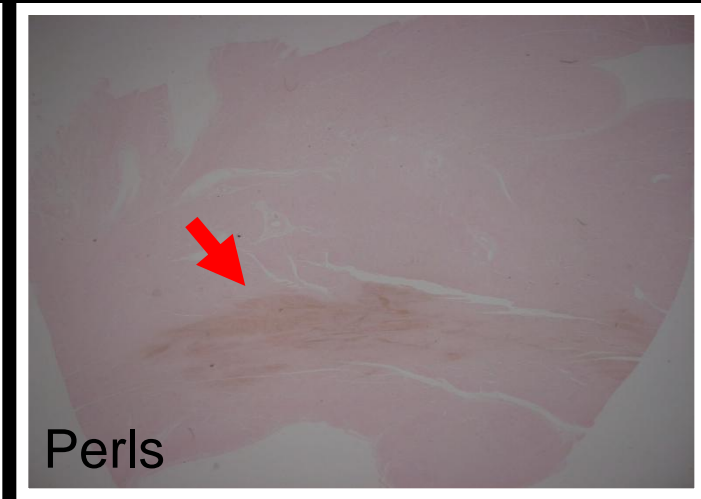
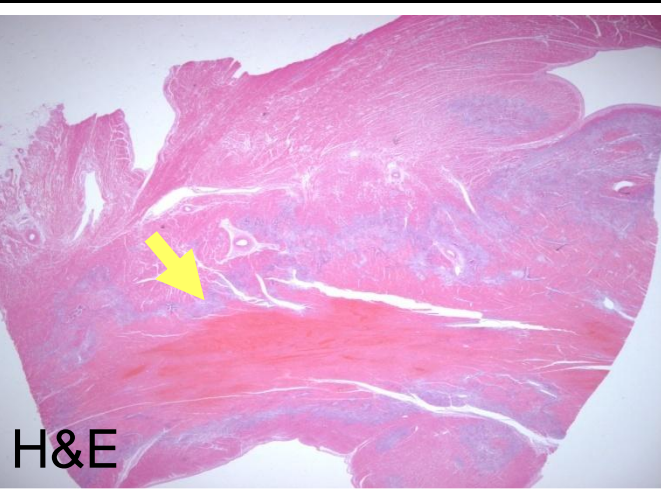
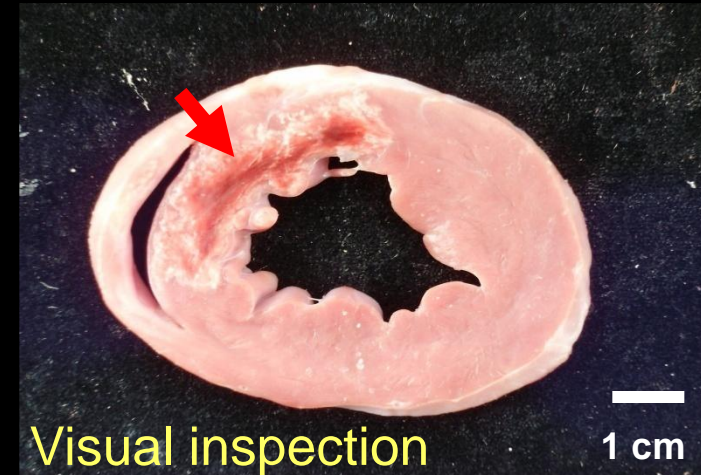
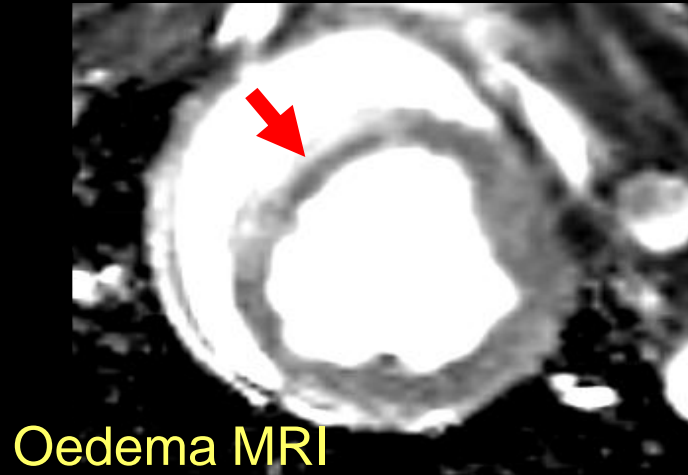
No contrast agent

Infarct MRI



IV gadolinium contrast

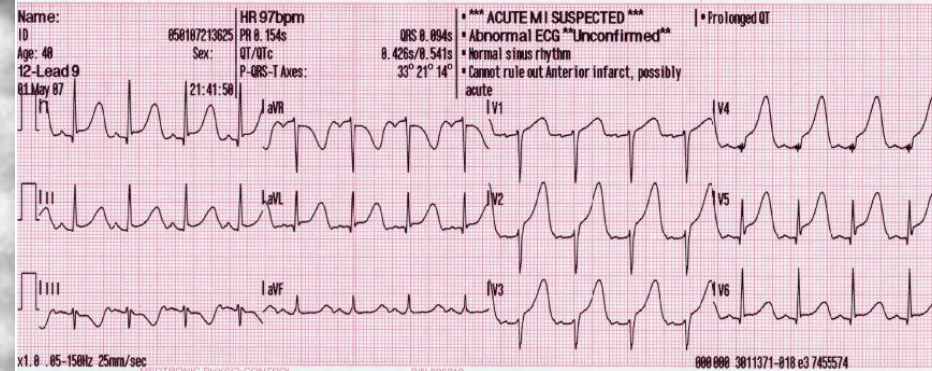
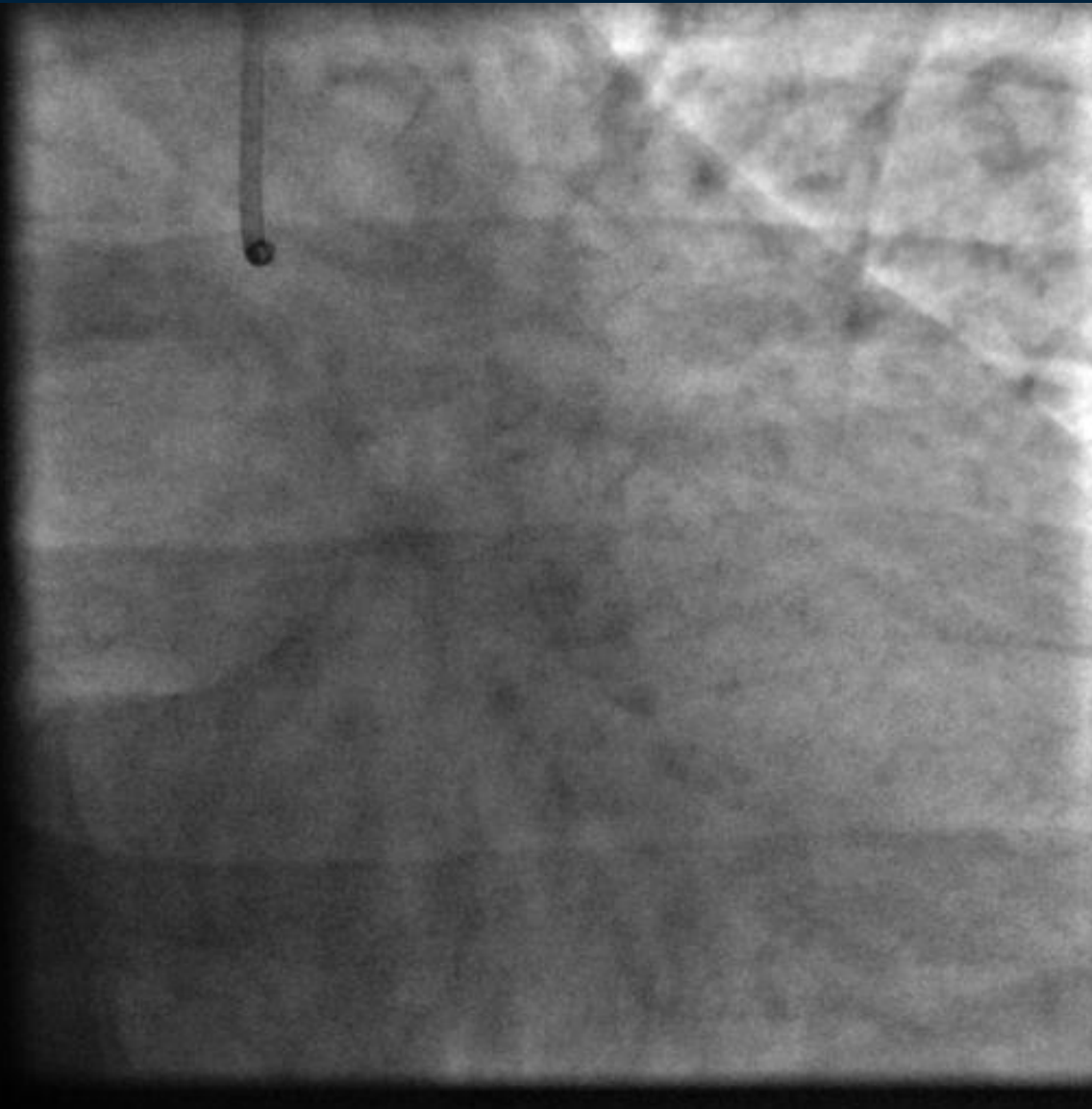
Detection of myocardial haemorrhage with MRI



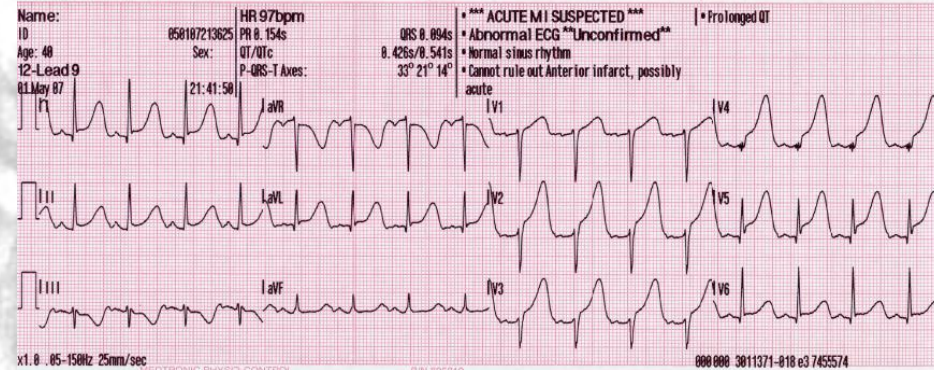
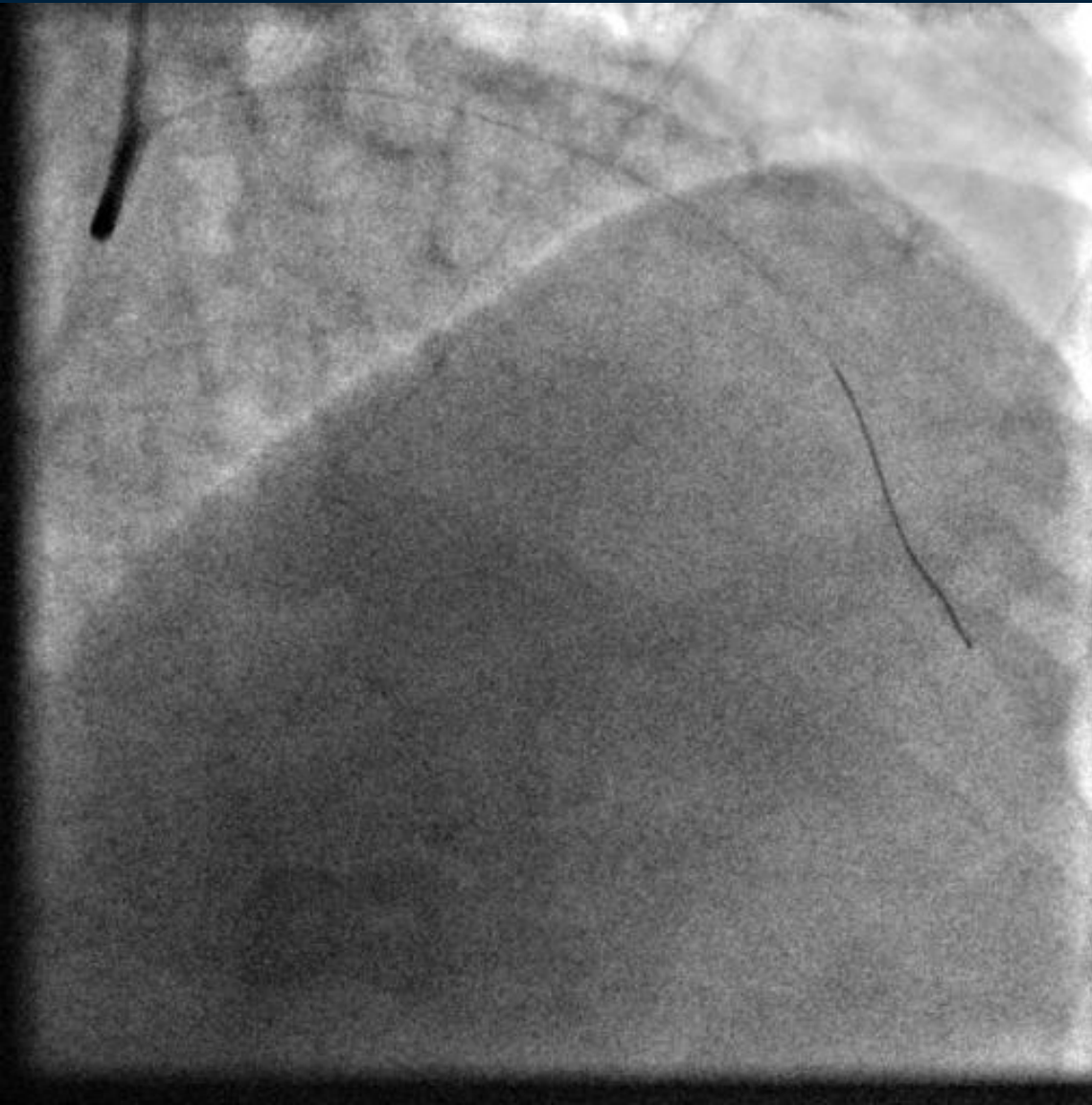
Berry C et al *Circ Cardiovasc Imaging* 2011



Anterior STEMI

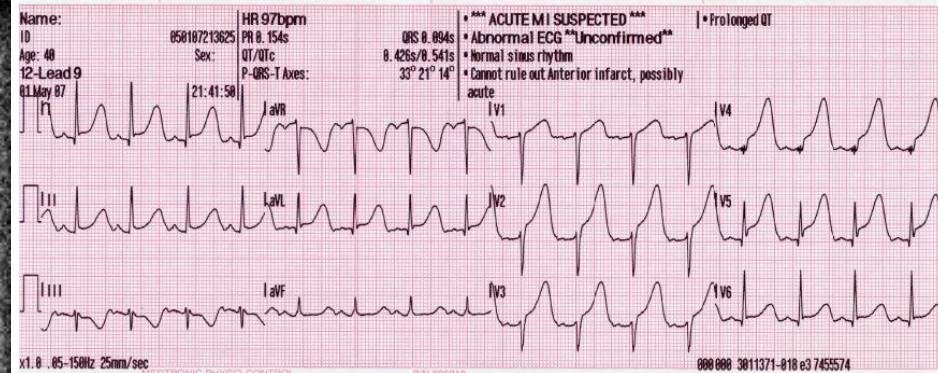


Proximal
occlusion of the
LAD coronary
artery



Clot aspiration

TIMI grade II Improved, subnormal flow

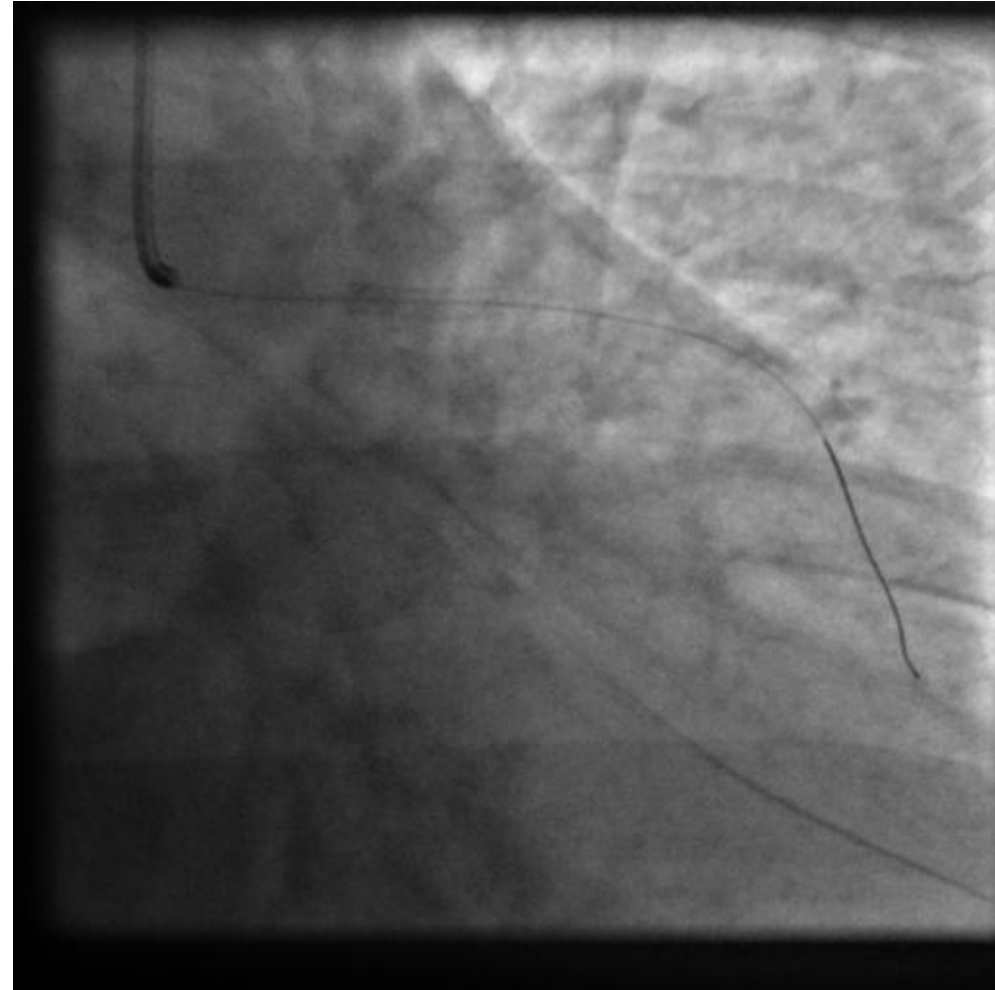


Stent deployed in LAD



Anterior STEMI

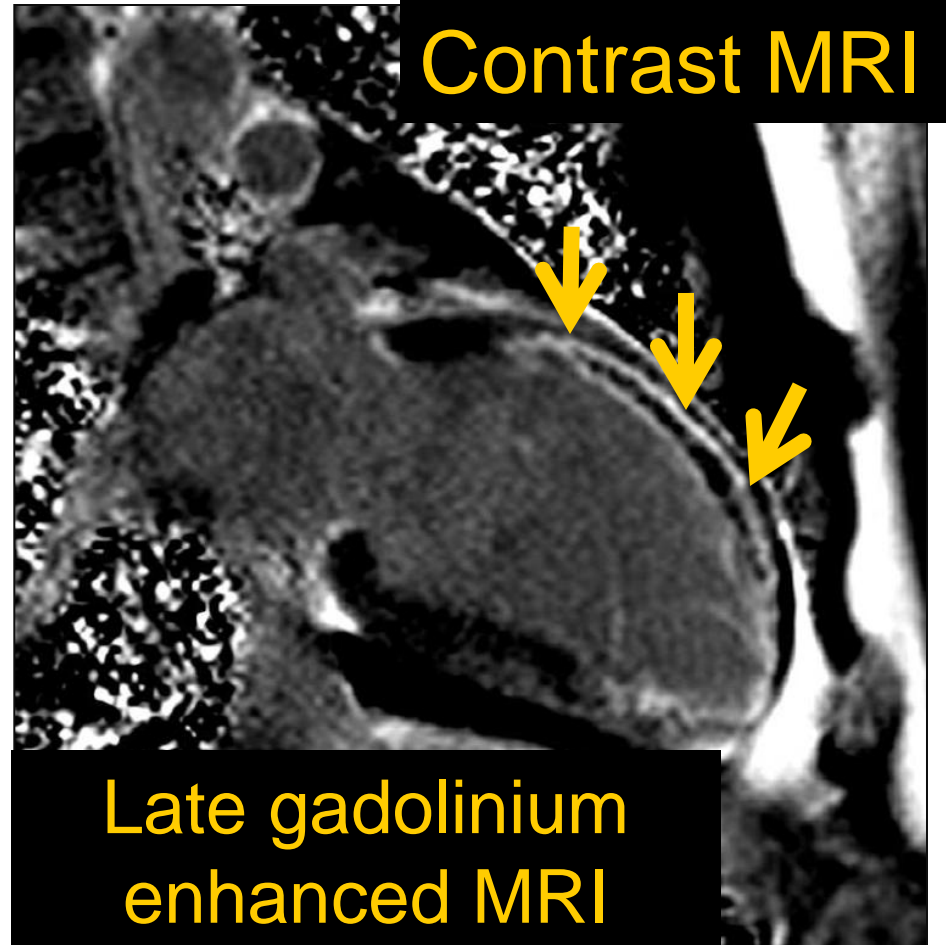
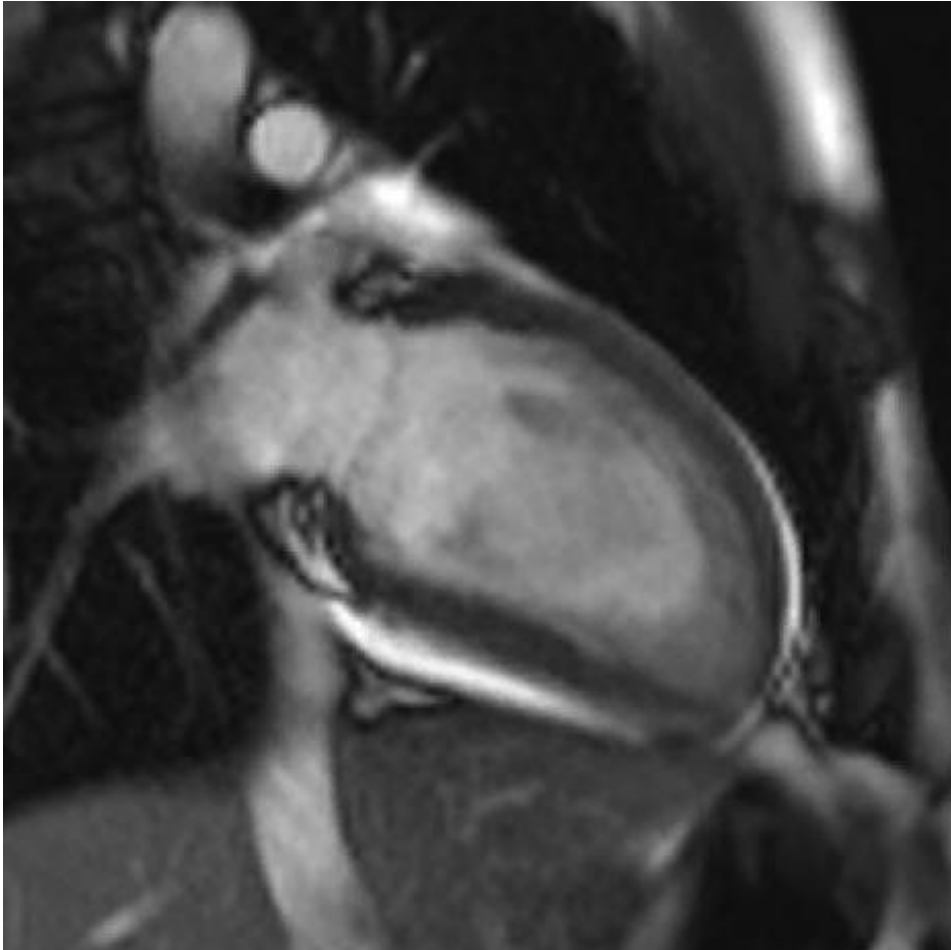
- ✓ Excellent PCI result
- ✓ Normal flow
- ✓ *Procedure success!*





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Day 2 MRI reveals extensive scar and MVO



Despite good PCI result, infarct burden and MVO were severe

Successful coronary reperfusion ✓

Failed myocardial perfusion ✓

MVO, usually not measured, unknown



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IMR and outcome post-STEMI

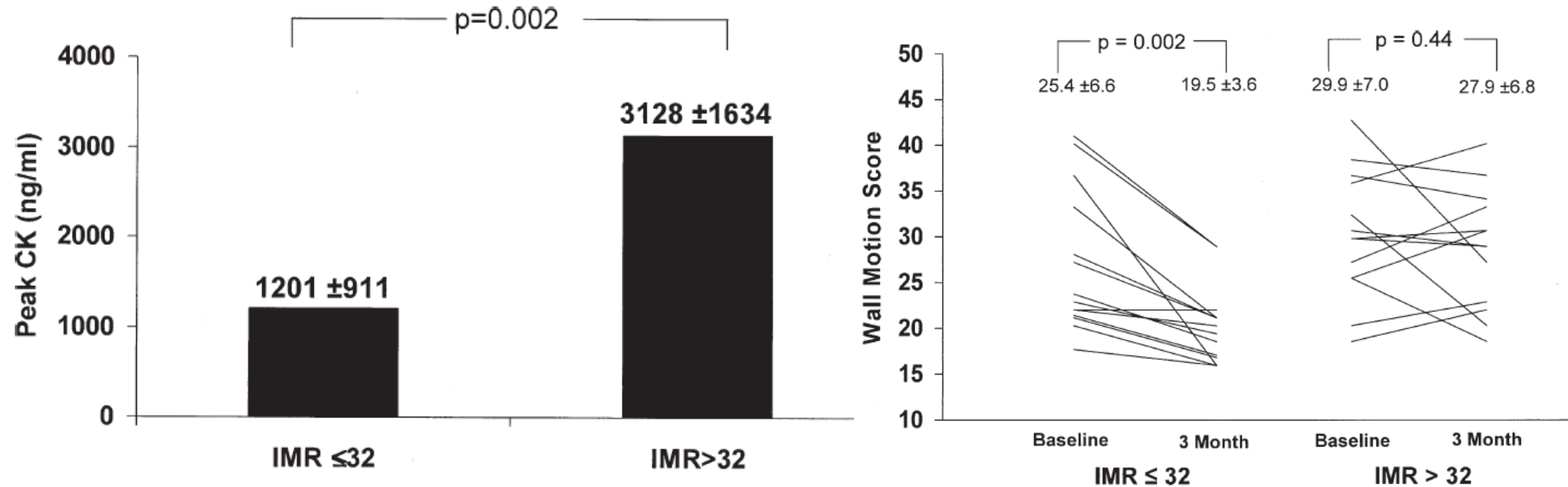


Predictive Value of the Index of Microcirculatory Resistance in Patients With ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction

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29 STEMI patients post- primary PCI
Cardiac biomarkers early post-MI
Echocardiography – 3 months post-MI

IMR associates with peak troponin and change in wall motion score post-STEMI



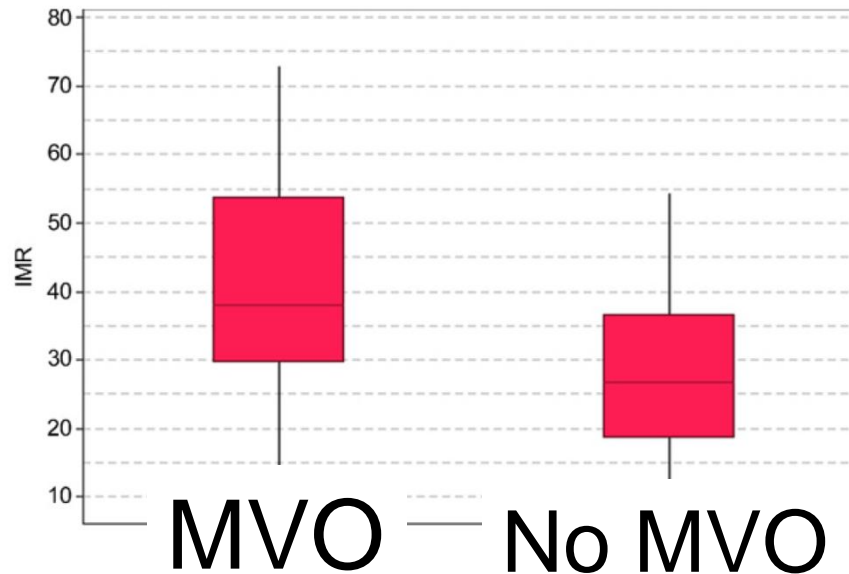
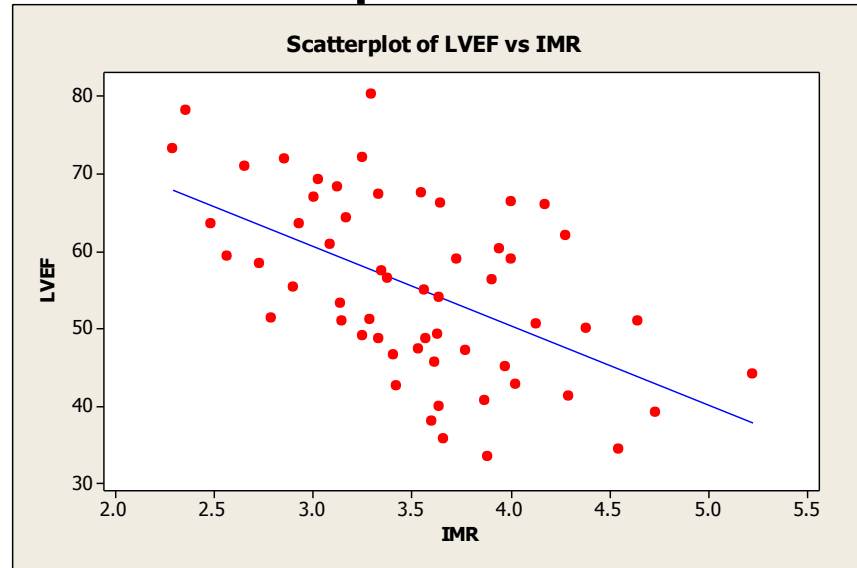
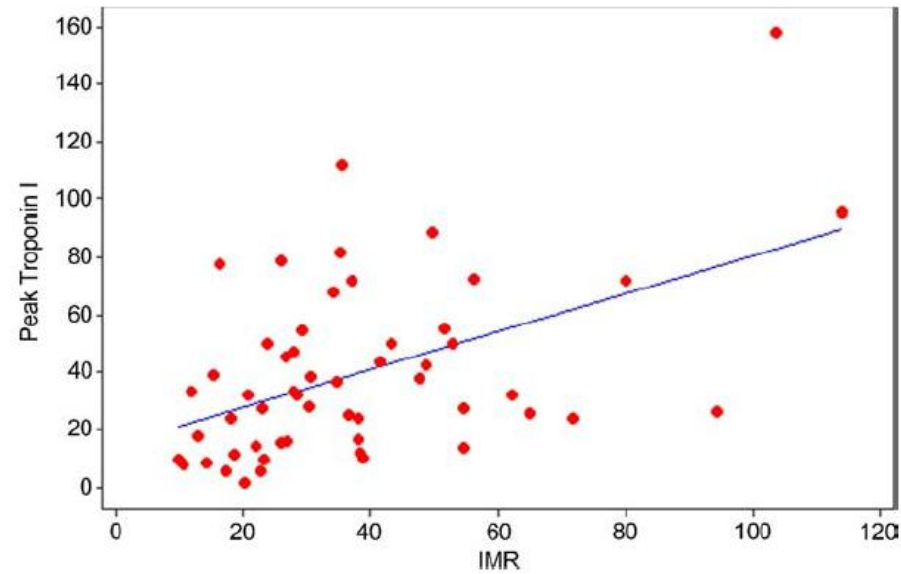


The Index of Microcirculatory Resistance Measured Acutely Predicts the Extent and Severity of Myocardial Infarction in Patients With ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction

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IMR associates with peak troponin & LVEF acutely and microvascular obstruction post-STEMI



McGeoch et al JACC 2008

Microvascular Resistance Predicts Myocardial Salvage and Infarct Characteristics in ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction

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IMR is inversely associated with myocardial salvage

108 STEMI patients,

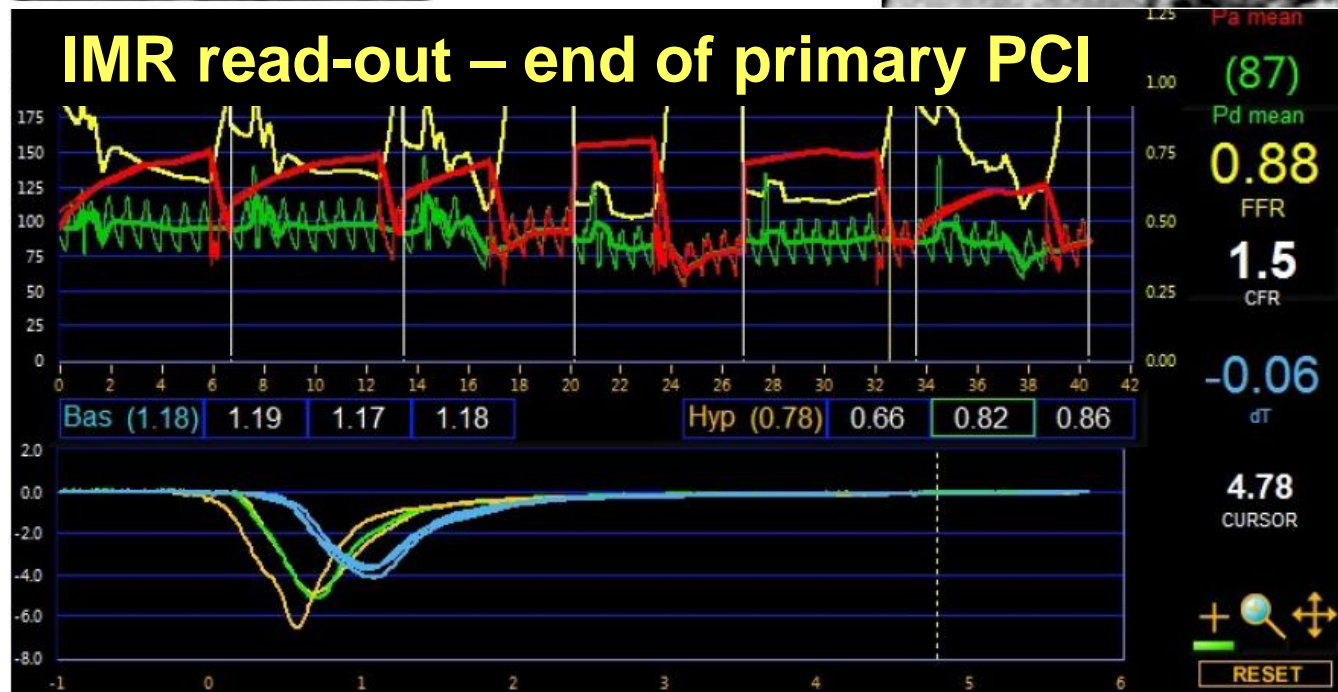
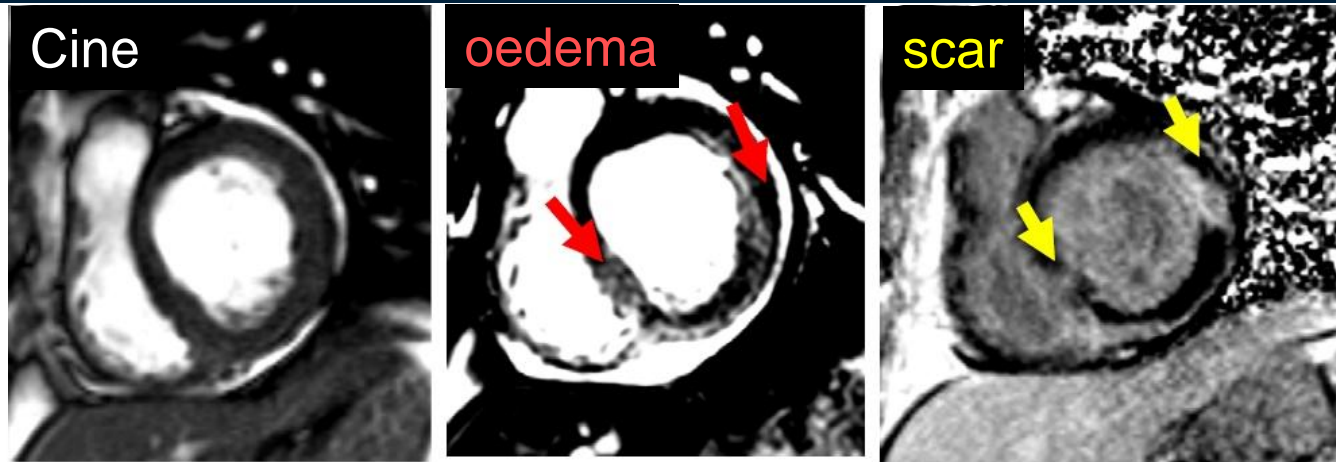
96 with CMR at 6 months

Area-at-risk = 32 (24 – 41) %

Salvage = 21 (11 – 43)%

Median IMR ~ 28

$IMR = Pd \times \text{Mean } Tm,$
hyperaemia



Conclusion

IMR & LV pathophysiology post-STEMI

IMR end primary PCI correlates with

1. Infarct pathology

- infarct size
- microvascular obstruction
- myocardial salvage

2. LV systolic function

- Baseline
- Within subject change during FUp.

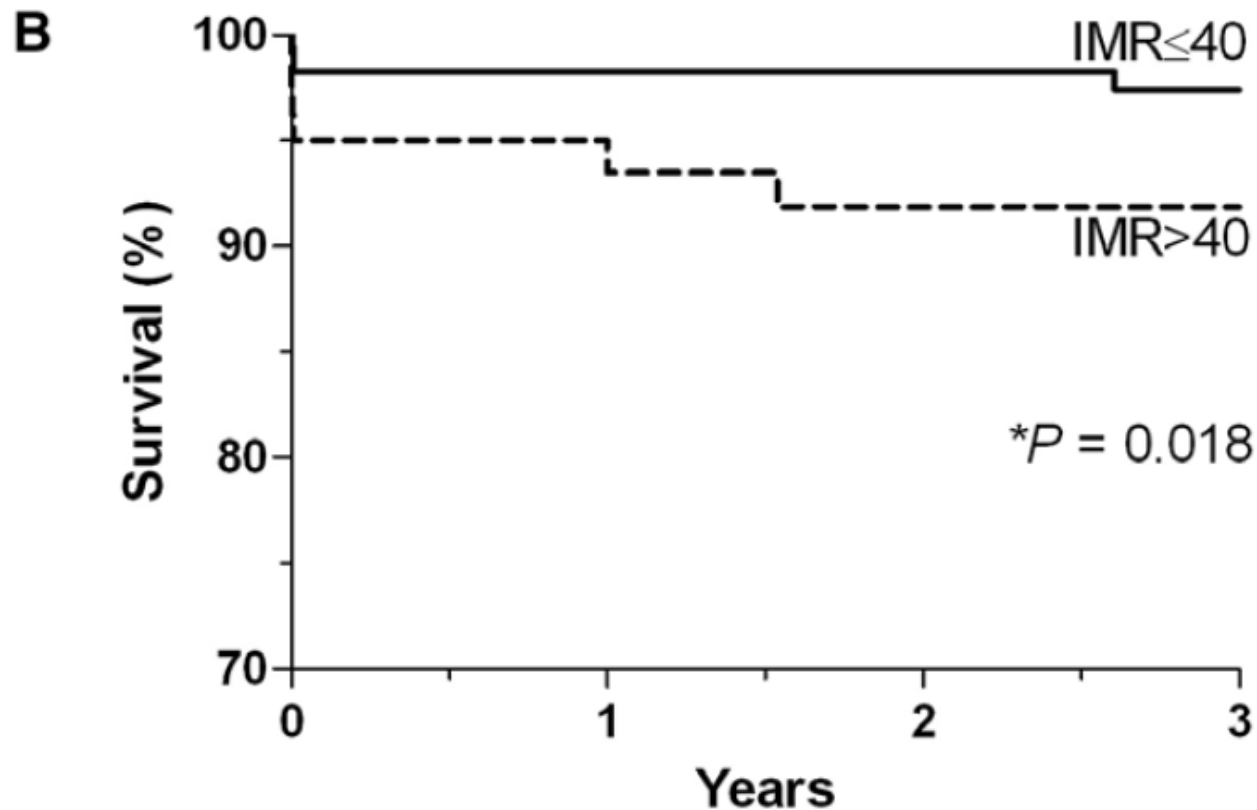
Prognostic Value of the Index of Microcirculatory Resistance Measured after Primary Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

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- 3 primary PCI centres
(Stanford, Glasgow, Singapore), n=253 patients
- Primary endpoint = death or HF hospitalisation
- Mean Fup = 2.8 years, 13.8% PEP, 4.3% died
- Prognostic value of IMR compared to CFR, TMP, clinical variables.

IMR > 40 predicts death post-STEMI

IMR hazard ratio, p-value
Death or HF hospitalisation 2.1, $p=0.034$



No. at risk:

IMR ≤ 40 173

154

149

84

IMR > 40 80

69

63

33

Fearon et al

Circulation 2013

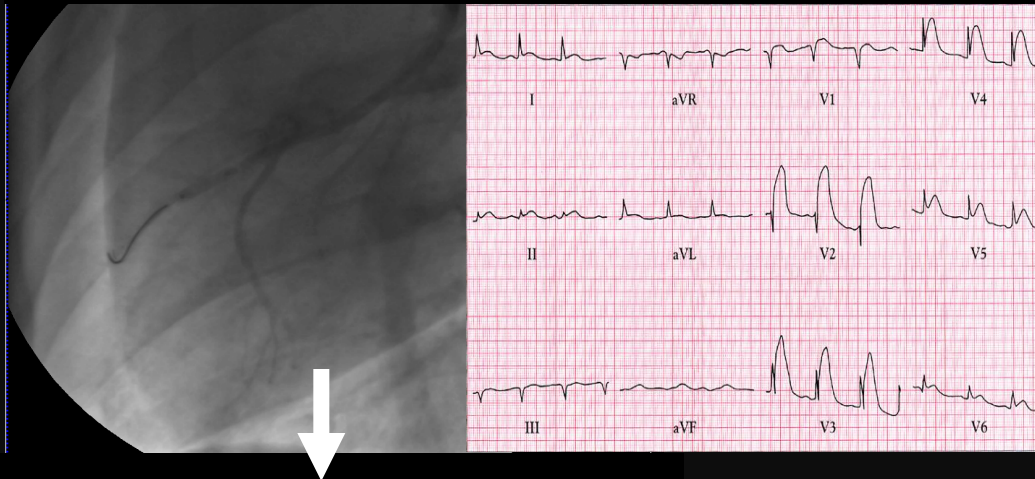
IMR: a multivariable predictor of death or HF hospitalisation post-STEMI

	<i>P</i> Value	Hazard Ratio	95% CI
Univariable predictors			
→ Diabetes mellitus	<0.001	3.98	2.05–7.75
→ CFR <2	0.021	3.40	1.20–9.66
Hypertension	0.030	2.15	1.08–4.27
IMR >40	0.034	2.08	1.06–4.07
Age	0.058	1.03	1.00–1.06
FFR ≤0.8	0.072	2.15	0.93–4.94
TIMI myocardial perfusion grade <3	0.087	1.95	0.91–4.18
Multivariable predictors			
→ Diabetes mellitus	<0.001	4.44	2.22–8.88
→ FFR ≤0.8	0.008	3.24	1.35–7.76
→ IMR >40	0.026	2.23	1.10–4.49

Fearon et al
Circulation 2013

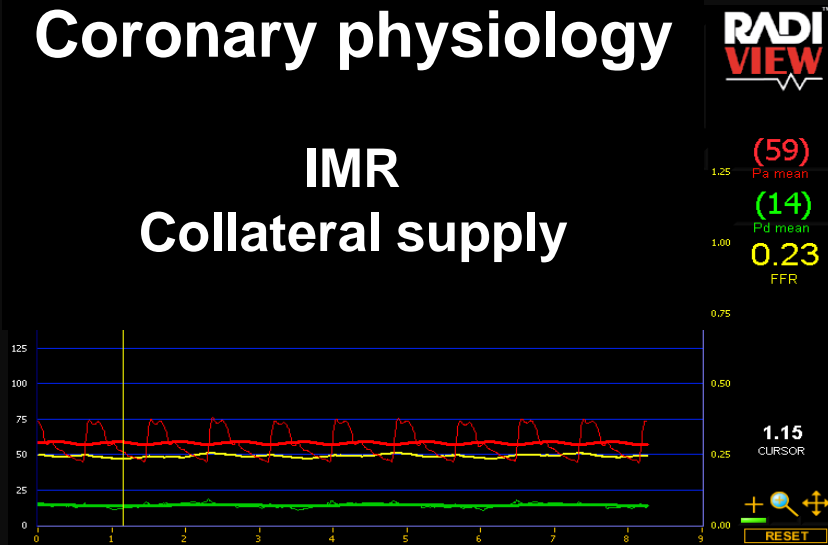
Clinical significance of MI haemorrhage

343 acute MI patients

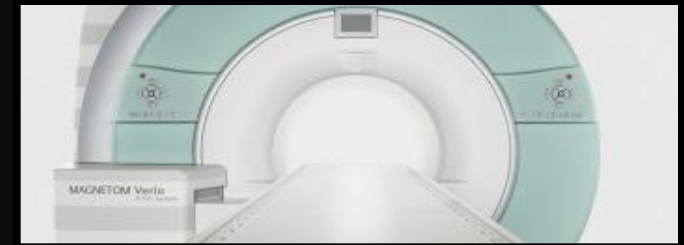


Coronary physiology

IMR
Collateral supply



Cardiac MRI



Prognostic study
> 1 year and 5 years

British Heart Foundation

Siemens Healthcare



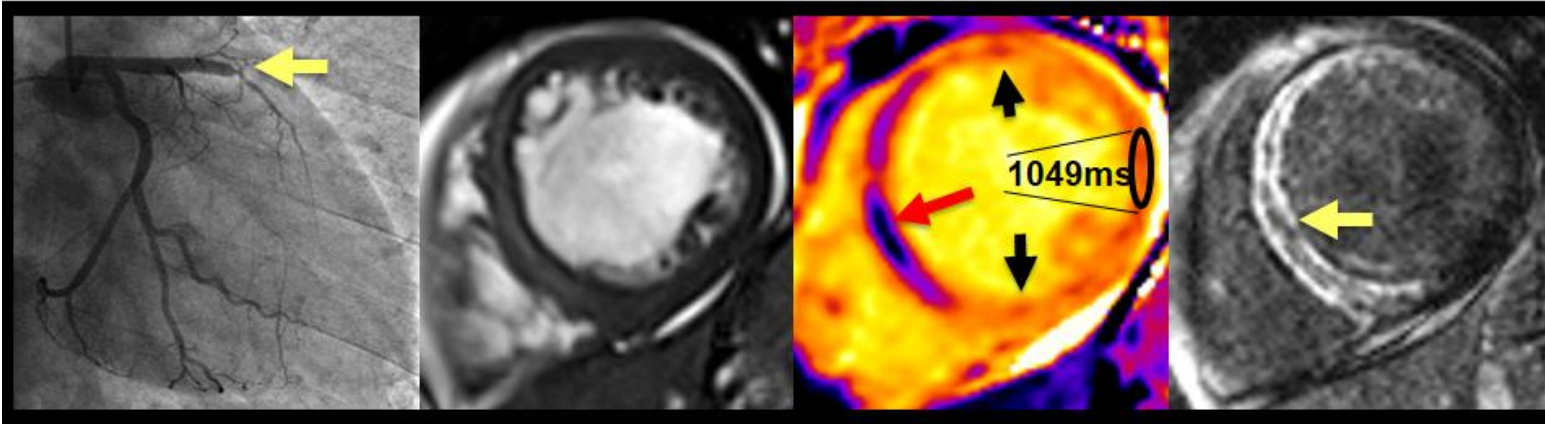
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Angiogram

Cine MRI

T1 map

Contrast MRI



MRI Day 2

Scar

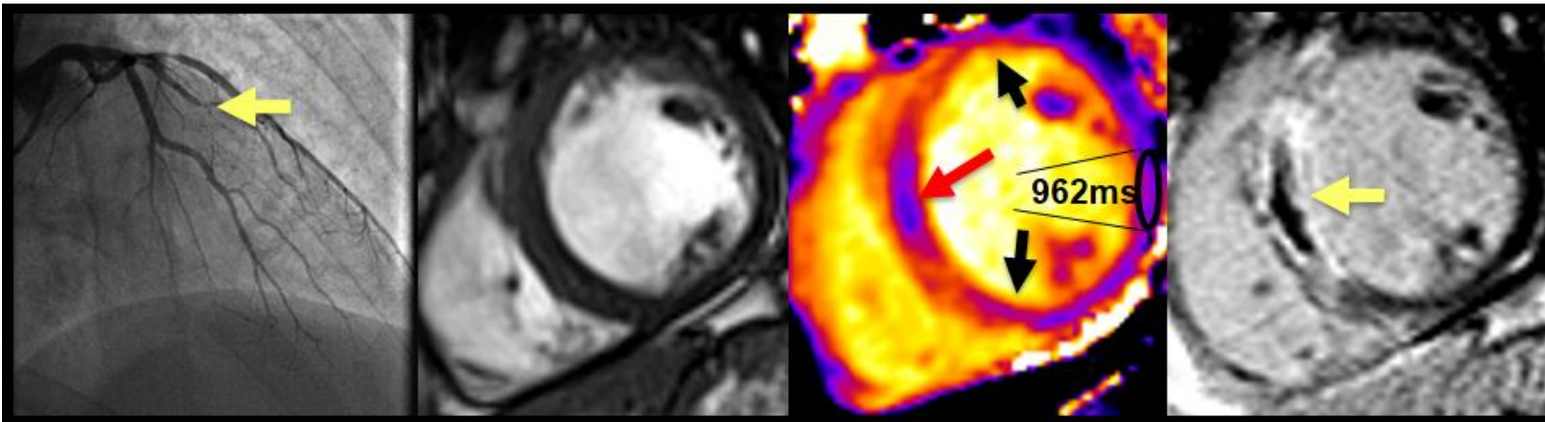
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Cine MRI

T1 map

Contrast MRI



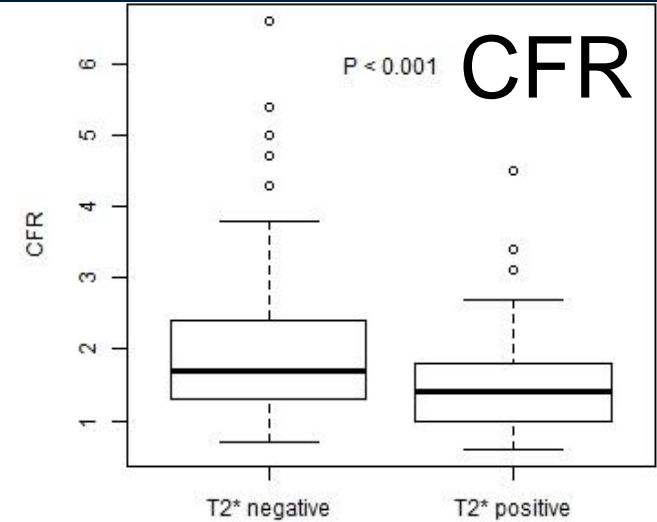
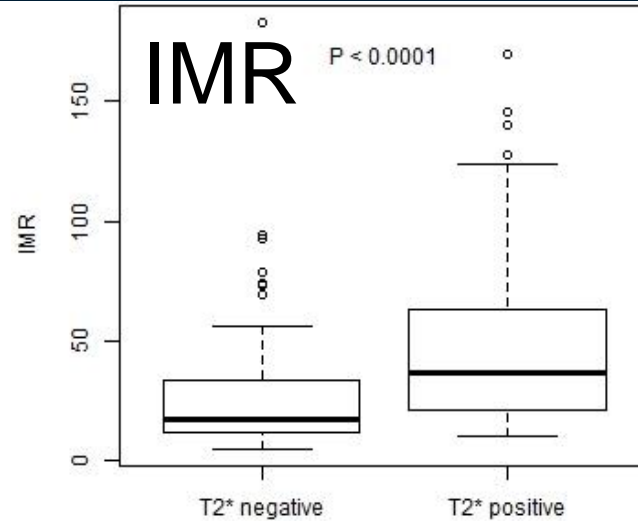
MVO

Hemorrhage

Transition in microvascular damage

Early (functional) MVO → Persistent MVO →
Myocardial haemorrhage (T2*-MRI positive)

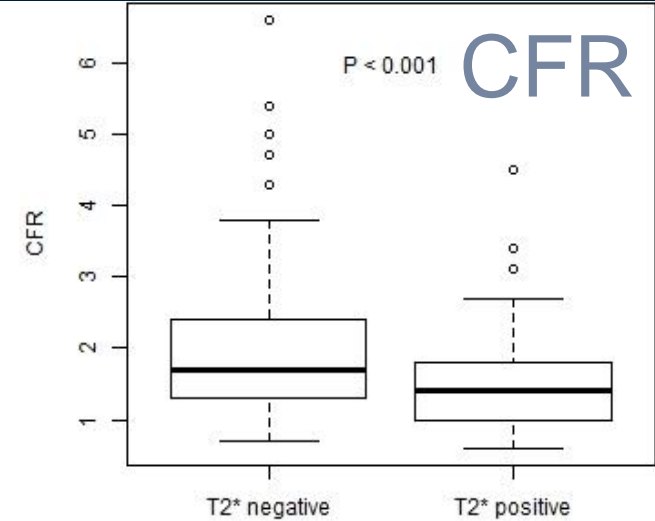
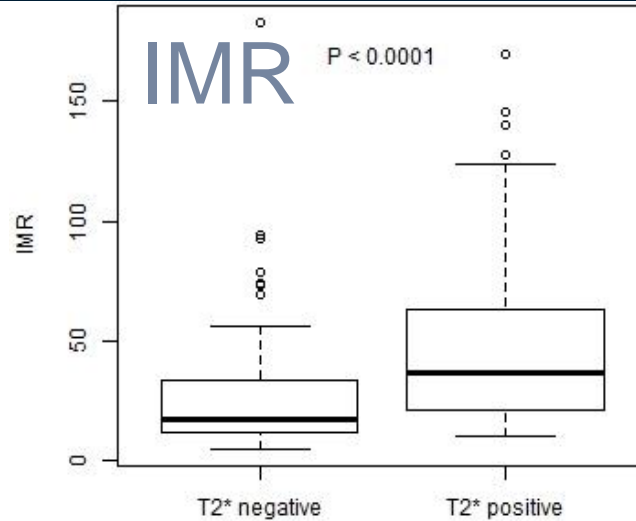
STEMI
n = 219



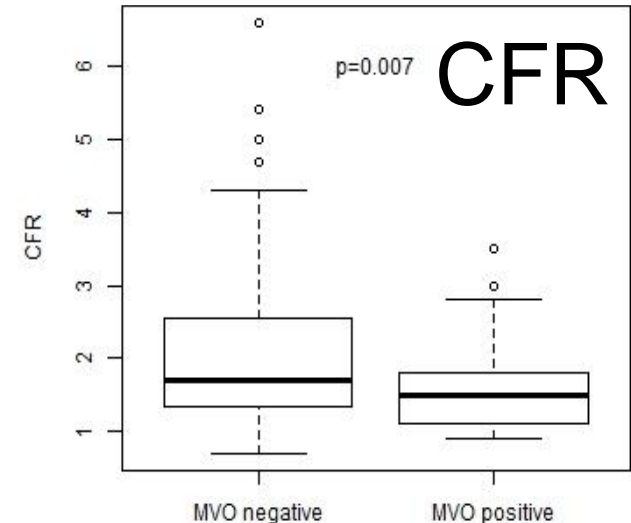
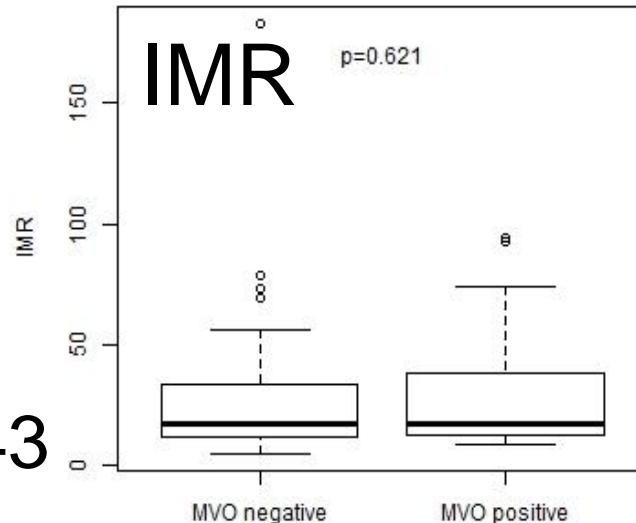
Transition in microvascular damage

Early (functional) MVO → Persistent MVO →
Myocardial haemorrhage

STEMI
n = 219



No
Haemorrhage
n = 128



MVO, n = 85
No MVO, n = 43

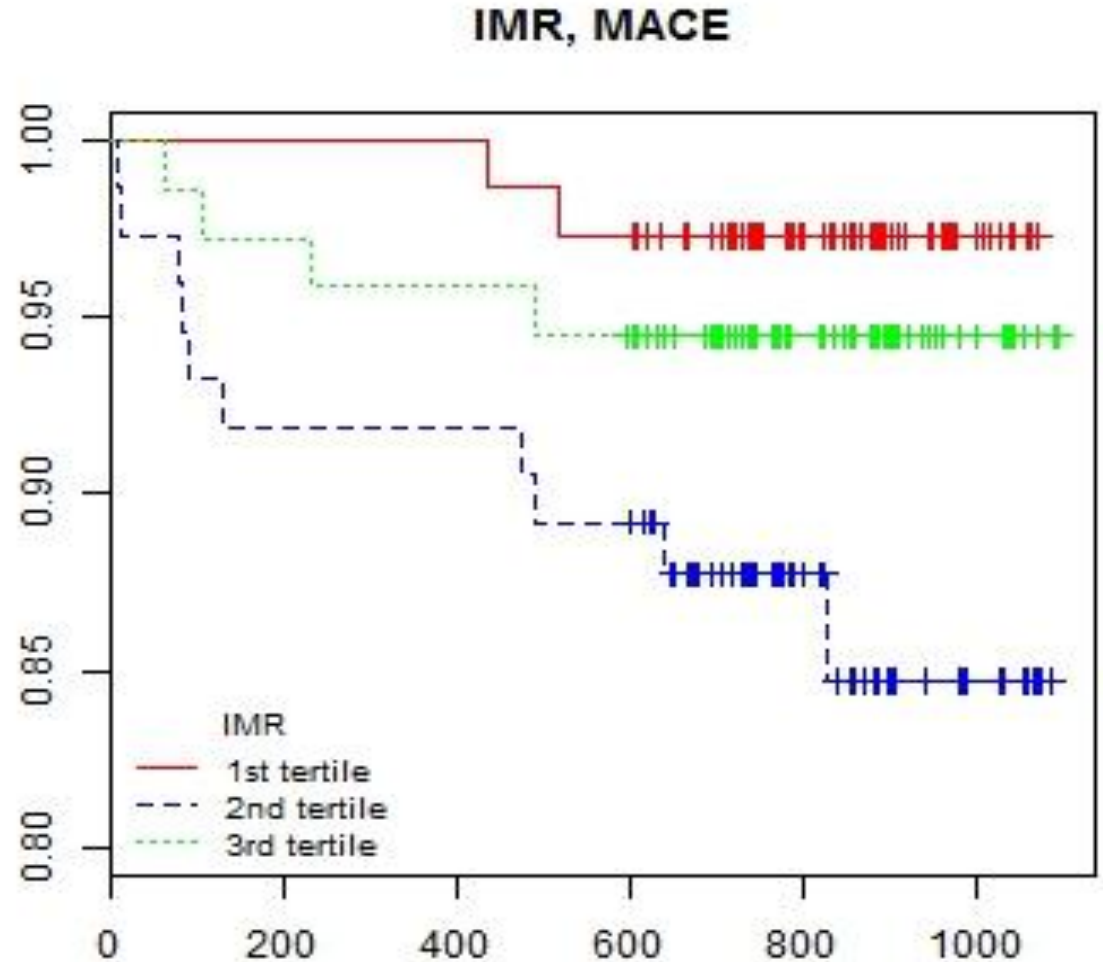
IMR predicts prognosis

Post-discharge MACE
n = 16 events

IMR tertile 2
HR 5.34, p = 0.03

CFR, tertile 3
HR 2.6, p=0.065

FFR, tertile 3
HR 0.60, p=0.44



1. CFR vs. IMR: different associations with microvascular injury; different meaning.
2. IMR is associated with severe infarct pathology, incl. MVO and haemorrhage.
3. CFR is discriminative of less severe forms of pathology (ie MVO in patients without haemorrhage).
4. IMR and to a lesser extent CFR at end of primary PCI are prognostically important.



Future directions

1. To date, evidence lacking on whether reduction of IMR or CFR during primary PCI might improve prognosis.
2. Randomised trials of interventions to reduce IMR in STEMI patients are warranted.



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Diagnostic coronary wire to measure microvascular function in vivo



0.014"

PressureWire to
measure pressure
inside the coronary
arteries



RadiAnalyzer Xpress
to calculate the pressure
measurements and show
them on a screen



Hyperemic drug
to simulate
exercise

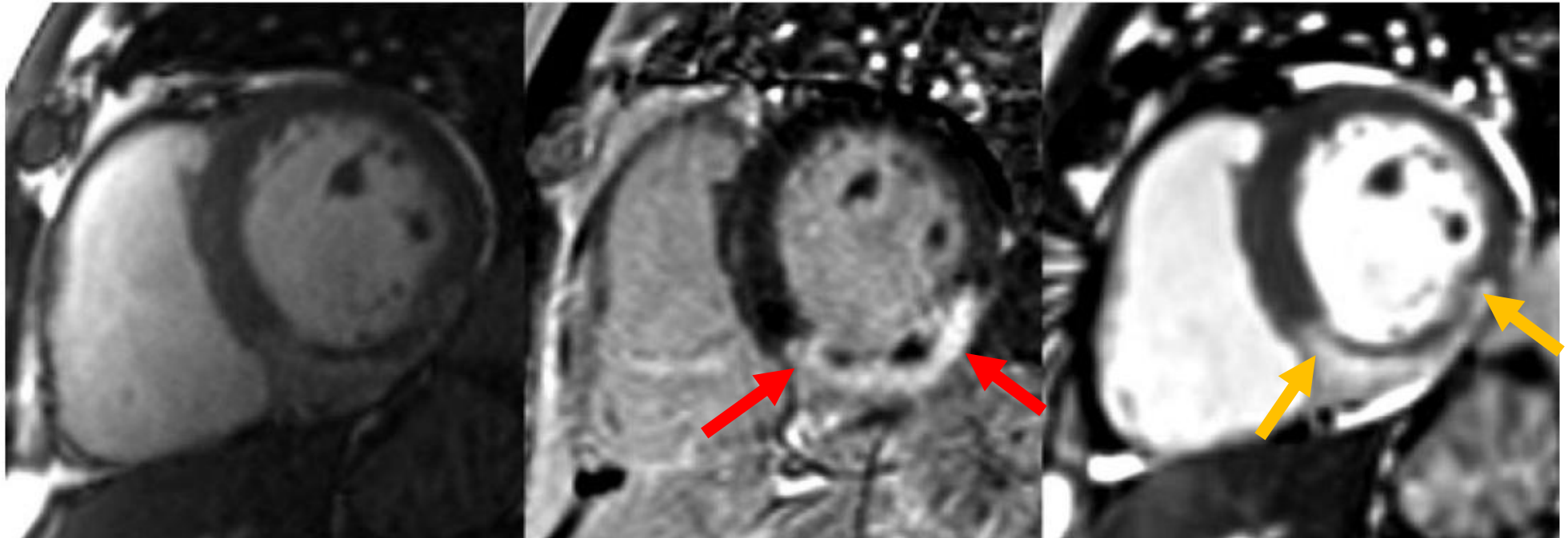


T₂ MRI delineates the area-at-risk & myocardial salvage

Cine

late gadolinium
scar

T₂ MRI
oedema



Myocardial salvage = 'Area-at-Risk' *minus* Infarct Size