MICROCIRCULACIÓN ¡QUÉ TONTERÍA!...O NO

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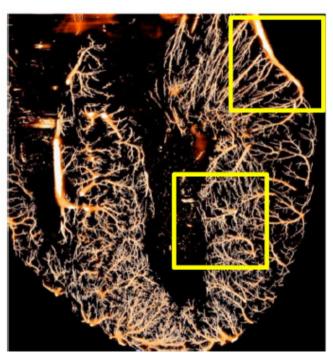
Visible en una angiografía: mayor a 500 µm

Con el permiso Prof. P. Carnici

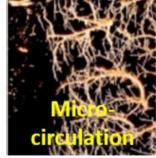


Invisible en una angiografía: menor a 500 µm

Epicardial vessels and microcirculation in clinical practice







Investigated and treated (stenosis only)

Largely ignored and not treated

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CLINICAL STUDIES

SYNDROME X

Cardiac Syndrome X: Clinical Characteristics and Left Ventricular Function

Long-Term Follow-Up Study

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Objectives. Our aim was to study the clinical characteristics and evolution of symptoms and left ventricular function in a clinically homogeneous group of patients with syndrome X (anaina pectoris, positive exercise test results and normal conarteriograms).

Background. The syndrome of angina with normal con arteriograms is heterogeneous and encompasses different p genetic entities. These characteristics may contribute to existing controversy concerning the cause of syndrome X.

Methods. We studied 99 patients with syndrome X (78 wt 21 men; mean age \pm SD 48.5 \pm 8 years). All underwent cl characterization, ambulatory electrocardiographic (ECG) toring and echocardiographic assessment of left ventricular tion during a follow-up period of 7 ± 4 years.

Results. The syndrome was more common in women th men. Of the women, 61.5% were postmenopausal before the of chest pain. All 99 patients had exertional angina, and 41 had rest angina. The average duration of episodes of chest was >10 min in 53% of patients. Sublingual nitrate was eff for relief of pain in 42% of patients. Transient ST sea

depression was observed during ambulatory ECG monitoring in 64 patients and myocardial perfusion abnormalities in 22. During the first stage of the exercise test 32 patients had an increase

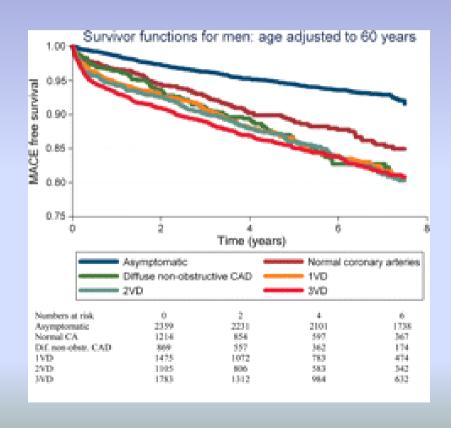
Conclusions. Syndrome X, as defined in this study, occurs predominantly in postmenopausal women. Patients usually have chest pain typical for angina, but conventional antianginal treatment is not often successful. Myocardial perfusion abnormalities occur in a small proportion of patients. Long-term survival is not adversely affected, and deterioration of cardiac function rarely occurs.

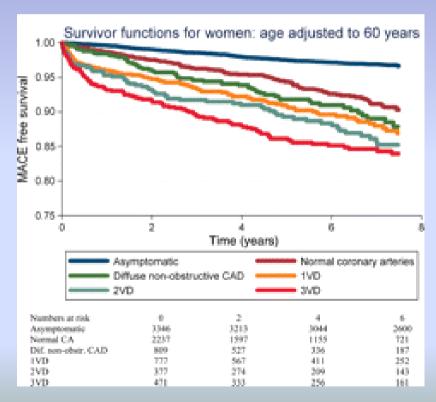
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Stable angina pectoris with no obstructive coronary artery disease is associated with increased risks of major adverse cardiovascular events

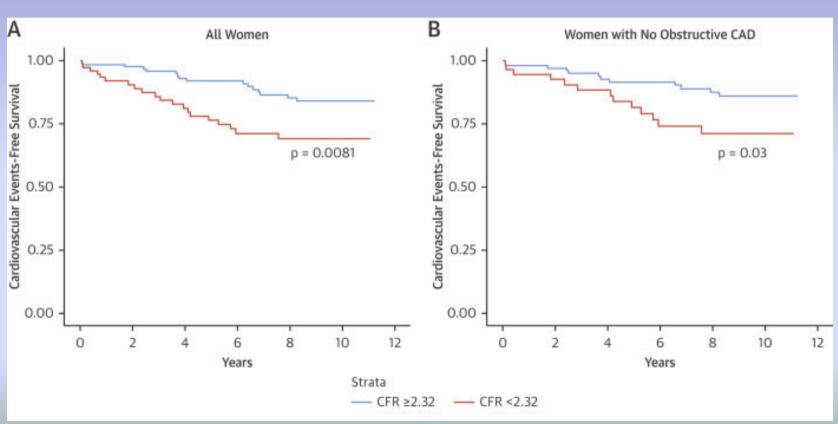






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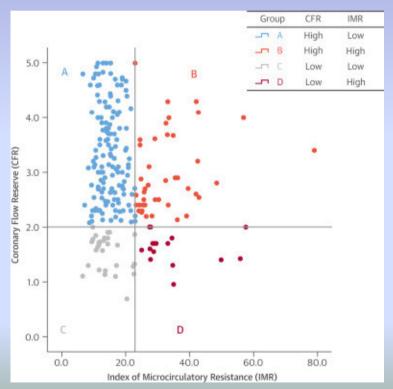
Impact of Abnormal Coronary Reactivity on Long-Term Clinical Outcomes in Women

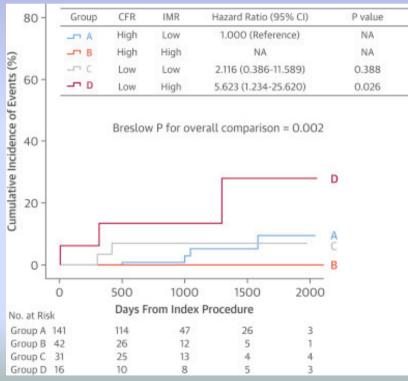




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Coronary Flow Reserve and Microcirculatory Resistance in Patients With Intermediate Coronary Stenosis

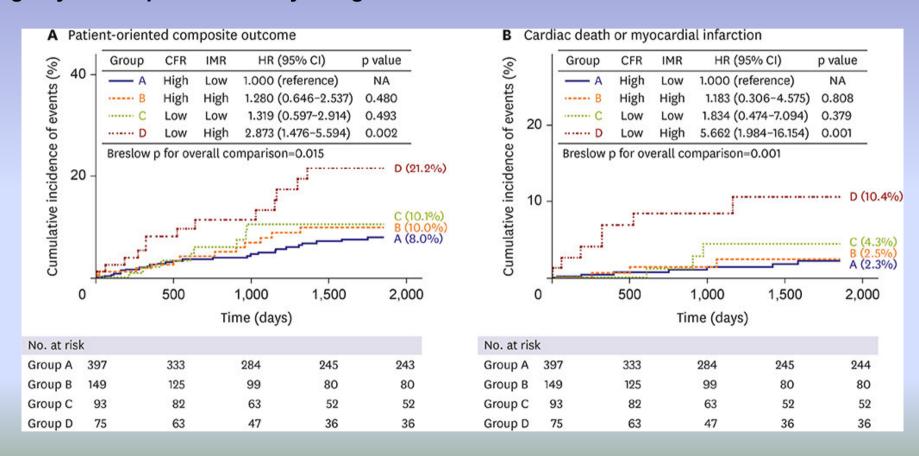






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Long-term Patient Prognostication by Coronary Flow Reserve and Index of Microcirculatory Resistance: International Registry of Comprehensive Physiologic Assessment



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Stratified Medical Therapy Using Invasive Coronary Function Testing in Angina: The CorMicA Trial



Invasive coronary angiography

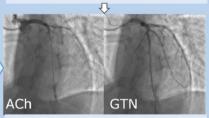
> Pressure wire assessment (adenosine)

Vasoreactivity (acetylcholine)

Diagnosis & Management No Obstructive CAD



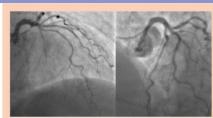
Normal Invasive Physiology (FFR 0.84, CFR 5.3, IMR 9)



Vasospasm with ACh (resolves with nitrate) む

Vasospastic Angina

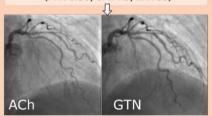
- Smoking cessation
- · Calcium channel blocker
- Long-acting Nitrate
- · Lifestyle changes



No Obstructive CAD



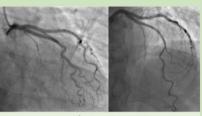
Coronary Microvascular Dysfunction (FFR 0.95, CFR 1.3, IMR 33)



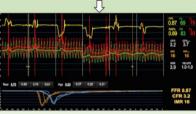
Endothelial dysfunction without vasospasm to ACh

Microvascular Angina

- Betablocker (e.g. Nebivolol)
- · Lifestyle changes & weight loss (Cardiac rehab, smoking cessation)
- Consider ACEi & Statin



No Obstructive CAD



Normal invasive physiology (FFR 0.87, CFR 3.2, IMR 16)



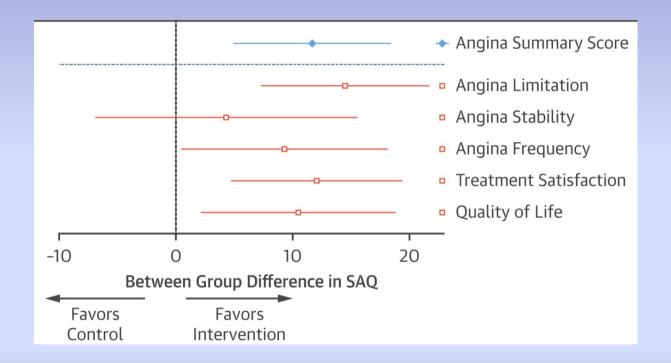
No significant response to vasoreactivity testing

Non-Cardiac Chest Pain

- · Stop antianginal Rx
- · Discharge from cardiology
- Consider non-cardiac investigation

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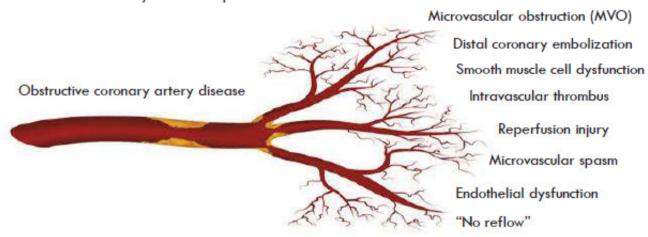
2019 ESC Guidelines for the diagnosis and management of chronic coronary syndromes

Recommendations	Classa	Level ^b
Guidewire-based CFR and/or microcirculatory resistance measurements should be considered in patients with persistent symptoms, but coronary arteries that are either angiographically normal or have moderate stenoses with preserved iwFR/FFR. 412,413	lla	В
Intracoronary acetylcholine with ECG moni- toring may be considered during angiography, if coronary arteries are either angiographically normal or have moderate stenoses with pre- served iwFR/FFR, to assess microvascular vasospasm. ^{412,438–440}	Шь	В



MICROVASCULAR DYSFUNCTION

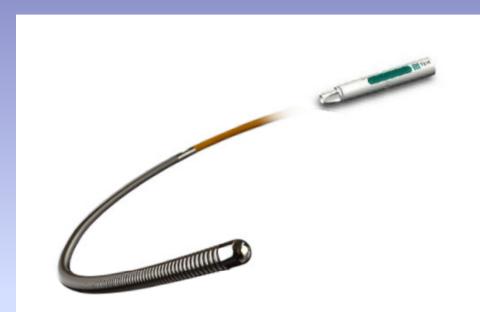
- Up to 50% of patients with Angina have no obstructive coronary artery disease at angio¹
- Up to 30% of patients continue to have angina after successful PCI²
- Microvascular dysfunction predicts adverse events



^{1.} Patal MR, Patarson ED, Dai D at al. Low diagnostic yield of elective coronary angiography. N Engl J Mod 2010;362:886-95.

^{2.} Arnold SV, Jang JS, Tang F, Graham G, Cohan DJ, Sportus JA. Prodiction of residual angine after percutaneous coronary intervention. Eur Heart J Qual Care Clin Outcomes. 2015;1:23– IMR Guide ROI New 2018

Contion: Always refer to CoroFlow IFU for safety and handling instructions

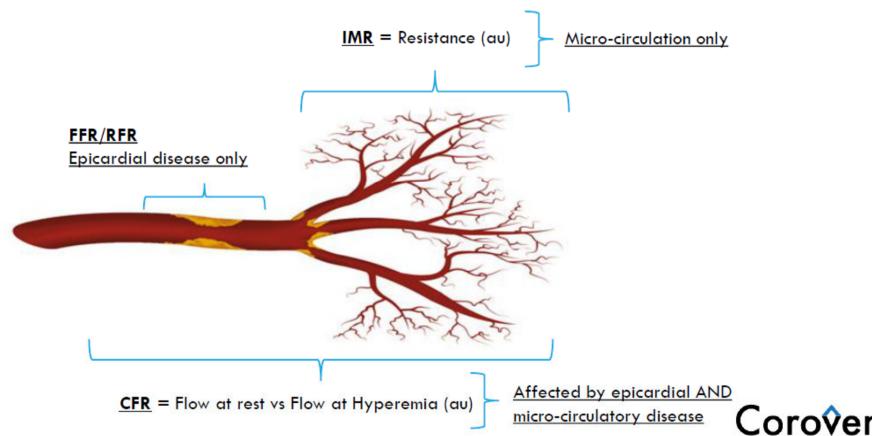




IMR/CFR WITH COROVENTIS COROFLOW

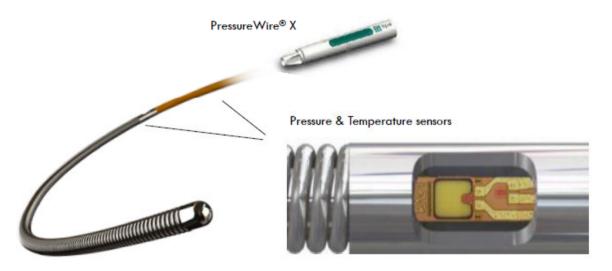


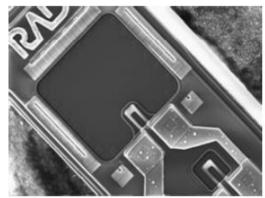
METHODS FOR ASSESSING CORONARY CIRCULATION



PRESSUREWIRE FLOW MEASUREMENT

- Abbott's PressureWire® X contains three sensors: one pressure and two temperature (proximal and distal)
- The temperature sensors can be used to measure flow via thermo-dilution

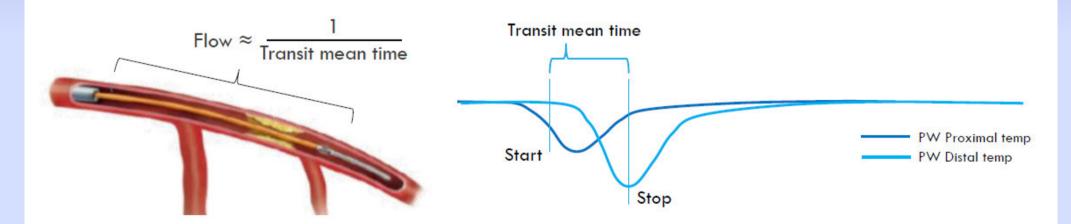






FLOW BY BOLUS THERMODILUTION

- Coronary blood flow is estimated inversely proportional to the time it takes for an injected bolus of room temperature saline to travel down the coronary artery
- By measuring the proximal and distal temperatures of the PressureWire the CoroFlow system can detect a bolus injection travelling down the artery and calculate the transit mean time: Tmn



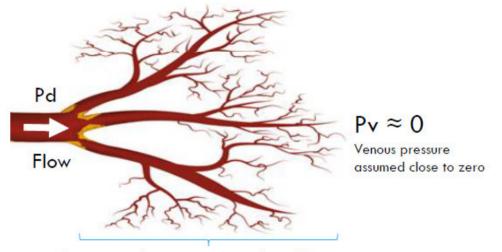
Coronary Thermodilution to Assess Flow Reserve, Validation in Humans, Nico H.J. Pijls, Circulation. 2002;105:2482-2486

IMR Guide RO1 Nov 2018

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DERIVATION OF IMR

$$\frac{\text{IMR}}{\text{(Index of microcirculatory resistance)}} = \frac{\frac{\text{Pd - Pv}}{\text{Flow}}}{\text{Flow}} \approx \frac{\text{Pd x Tmn}}{1/\text{Tmn}} \approx \frac{\text{Pd x Tmn}}{\text{(at max hyperemia)}}$$



Pressure gradient across myocardium: Δ Pressure

Index of Microcirculatory Resistance
Resistance at max hyperemia

IMR = Pd x Tmn

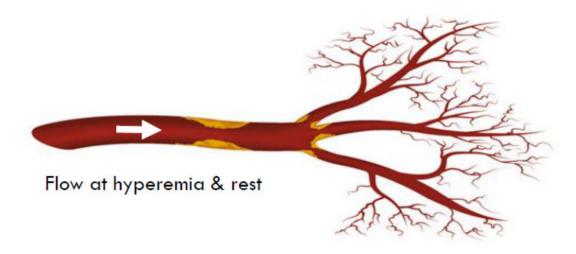
Normal value ≤25

Resistance change from Rest to Hyperemia



Novel index for invasively assessing the coronary microcirculation. Fearon et al. Circulation. 2003;107:3129-3132

DERIVATION OF CFR



Coronary Flow Reserve

Flow change from rest to hyperemia

CFR = Imn_Rest Tmn_Hyp Normal value: >2



PRESSUREWIRE™ X GUIDEWIRE

Helps to diagnose the severity and nature of coronary artery disease.



≤0.80



≤0.89



≤2.0

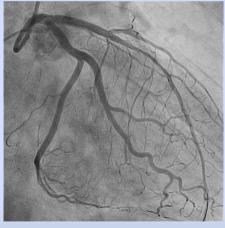


≥25

CONCLUSIONES

- La microcirculación NO es una tontería
- Ya sabemos que no es esto





- Podemos diagnosticar mejor
- Podemos orientar tratamiento
- Podemos identificar pacientes alto riesgo
- Procedimiento sencillo

CONCLUSIONES

- Dolor anginoso persistente
- Mejor si test de isquemia positivo
- Coronarias epicárdicas sin lesiones significativas

