

Prognosis and Predictors of Mortality in Patients Suffering Myocardial Infarction With Non-Obstructive Coronary Arteries

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Background—Myocardial infarction with nonobstructive coronary arteries (MINOCA) is a heterogeneous disease entity. Its prognosis and predictor of mortality remain unclear. This study aimed to compare the prognosis between MINOCA and myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease and identify factors related to all-cause death in MINOCA using a nation-wide, multicenter, and prospective registry.

Methods and Results—Among 13 104 consecutive patients enrolled, patients without previous history of significant coronary artery disease who underwent coronary angiography were selected. The primary outcome was 2-year all-cause death. Secondary outcomes were cardiac death, noncardiac death, reinfarction, and repeat revascularization. Patients with MINOCA (n=396) and myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease (n=10 871) showed similar incidence of all-cause death (9.1% versus 8.8%; hazard ratio [HR], 1.04; 95% Cl, 0.74–1.45; *P*=0.83). Risks of cardiac death, noncardiac death, and reinfarction were not significantly different between the 2 groups (HR, 0.82; 95% Cl, 0.53–1.28; *P*=0.38; HR, 1.55; 95% Cl, 0.93–2.56; *P*=0.09; HR, 1.23; 95% Cl, 0.65–2.31; *P*=0.38, respectively). MINOCA patients had lower incidence of repeat revascularization (1.3% versus 7.2%; HR, 0.17; 95% Cl, 0.07–0.41; *P*<0.001). Results were consistent after multivariable regression and propensity-score matching. In a multivariate model, several significant predictors of all-cause death of MINOCA were found, including the nonuse of renin-angiotensin system blockers (HR, 2.63; 95% Cl, 1.08–6.25; *P*=0.033) and statins (HR, 2.17; 95% Cl, 1.04–4.54; *P*=0.039).

Conclusions—Patients with MINOCA and those with myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease had comparable clinical outcomes. Use of renin-angiotensin system blockers and statins was associated with lower mortality in patients with MINOCA. (*J Am Heart Assoc.* 2019;8:e011990. DOI: 10.1161/JAHA.119.011990.)

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Myocardial infarction with nonobstructive coronary arteries (MINOCA) is characterized by a positive cardiac biomarker and appropriate clinical scenario consistent with acute myocardial infarction (AMI). MINOCA is an infrequent (5–10% of AMI) syndrome with heterogeneous etiologies, including plaque disruption, coronary spasm, and coronary thromboembolism. Sometimes it is difficult to differentiate it from stress-induced cardiomyopathy, myocarditis, and type 2 myocardial infarction (MI).¹

Accordingly, data regarding the long-term prognosis and its predictors of MINOCA are limited and controversial. Previous studies have demonstrated that MINOCA has a low risk of adverse clinical outcomes.^{2–4} Other studies have reported a considerable rate of mortality in MINOCA compared with MI

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Clinical Perspective

What Is New?

- Patients with Myocardial infarction with nonobstructive coronary arteries (MINOCA) had similar risks of all-cause death and myocardial infarction compared with those with myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease.
- Risk of all-cause death of MINOCA with vasospasm did not differ from that of MINOCA without vasospasm.
- Use of renin-angiotensin system blockers and statins was independently associated with decreased risk of all-cause mortality in patients with MINOCA.

What Are the Clinical Implications?

• MINOCA is not a benign disease, but a disease which might require clinical attention and intensive medical treatment with renin-angiotensin system blockers and statins to reduce mortality.

with obstructive coronary artery disease (MI-CAD).^{5–7} This uncertainty has led to variations in its treatment. Calciumchannel blockers and vasodilators can be used for patients with a positive coronary spasm test.⁸ Conventional guidelinerecommended therapies, such as dual antiplatelet therapy, renin-angiotensin system blockers, beta-blockers, and statins, can also be prescribed for patients with MINOCA.^{9,10}

Therefore, the objective of this study was to evaluate the long-term risk of clinical outcomes in patients with MINOCA compared with MI-CAD. Independent predictors of mortality, including medications after discharge, were also determined using a large-scale, nation-wide, multicenter, dedicated registry for AMI.

Methods

Anonymized patient-level data will be made available by the corresponding author upon reasonable request.

Study Protocols and Population Selection

Patients were derived from the nation-wide, multicenter, prospective KAMIR-NIH (Korean Acute Myocardial Infarction-National Institutes of Health) registry. The KAMIR-NIH was a dedicated prospective registry that consecutively enrolled AMI-diagnosed patients at 20 tertiary university hospitals who were eligible for primary percutaneous coronary intervention from November 2011 to December 2015 without any exclusion criteria. The detailed study protocols have been previously published.¹¹ The protocol of the KAMIR-NIH registry was approved by the ethics committee at each

To include the incident AMI patients only, we excluded patients who did not undergo coronary angiography (n=201) and those who had a previous history of MI, coronary intervention, or bypass surgery (n=1636) from 13 104 patients. We enrolled 396 patients with MINOCA (<50% stenosis in all vessels) and 10 871 patients with MI-CAD (≥50% stenosis in any of their coronary arteries). If MINOCA was suspected, a vasospasm test was recommended as a standard of care. Of patients with MINOCA, 95 (24% of MINOCA) demonstrated vasospasm defined by spontaneous coronary spasm with ST-segment elevation (≥0.1 mV) on the coronary angiogram and/or documented coronary spasm during an ergonovine provocation test (Figure 1). The test was considered positive for epicardial coronary spasm in the presence of focal or diffuse epicardial coronary diameter reduction \geq 90% in comparison with the relaxed state following intracoronary nitroglycerine administration, associated with the reproduction of the patient's symptoms and ischemic electrocardiographic shifts.¹² Data from coronary intravascular imaging or magnetic resonance imaging were limited; we did not include them in this analysis.

Patient Management, Data Collection, and Follow-up

Patient management was performed according to current standard guidelines. Patients with MI-CAD underwent percutaneous coronary intervention by a standard technique if the patient was clinically indicated. Patients were also recommended to take aspirin indefinitely plus P2Y12 inhibitors, renin-angiotensin system blockers, beta-blockers, and statins that were prescribed according to the practice guidelines. Patients with MINOCA were treated with medications under the physician's discretion.

Demographic features and cardiovascular risk factors were collected by detailed patient interview. Patient chest pain was categorized according to the presence of substernal chest pain or discomfort that was provoked by exertion or emotional stress and was relieved by rest and/or nitroglycerin. Chest pain was classified as "typical" angina if all 3 descriptors were present and as "atypical" if <3 descriptors were present. During hospitalization, the findings of coronary angiography and detailed procedural characteristics of percutaneous coronary intervention as well as information on the discharge medications were collected. A successful percutaneous coronary intervention was defined as a decrease in minimum stenosis diameter to <30% with Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction flow grade ≥ 2 on coronary angiogram. Recurrent ischemia was defined as presence of angina and changes in

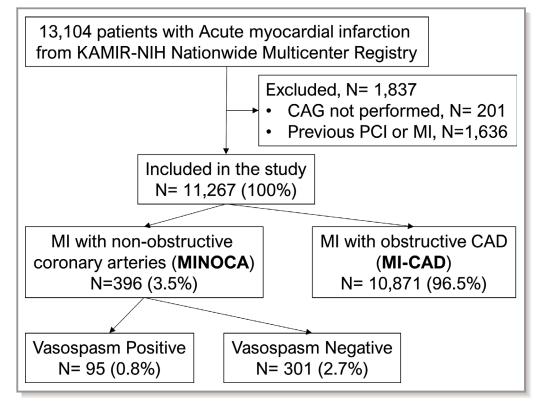


Figure 1. Study flow. The study population was derived from a nation-wide, multicenter, prospective KAMIR-NIH (Korea Acute Myocardial Infarction Registry-National Institute of Health) registry. CAG indicates coronary angiography; MI, myocardial infarction; MI-CAD, myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease; MINOCA, myocardial infarction with nonobstructive coronary arteries; PCI, percutaneous coronary intervention.

hemodynamics or ECG. After discharge, patients were followed at 6, 12, and 24 months by the attending physician. If patients did not visit on the day of the scheduled follow-up, the outcome data were assessed by a telephone interview. All data were collected by independent clinical research coordinators using a web-based case report form in the Internetbased Clinical Research and Trial management system (iCReaT), which is a data management system established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Ministry of Health and Welfare, Republic of Korea (iCReaT Study No. C110016). Clinical events that occurred within 2 years of follow-up were analyzed.

Primary and Secondary End Points

The primary end point was all-cause death. Secondary end points were cardiac death, noncardiac death, recurrent MI, and repeat revascularization. All deaths were considered cardiac unless an undisputed noncardiac cause was present. Recurrent MI was defined as recurrence of symptoms or presence of electrocardiographic changes in association with a rise in cardiac biomarker level above the upper limit of normal. Periprocedural MI was not included as a clinical outcome. Clinically driven revascularization that occurred after discharge from the index hospitalization was coded as a repeat revascularization event according to the Academic Research Consortium definitions.

Statistical Analysis

Categorical variables were presented as numbers and relative frequencies (percentages). They were compared using the chisquared test. Continuous variables are expressed as mean±SD. They were compared using an independentsample t test. Cumulative event rates were calculated based on Kaplan-Meier censoring estimates. Comparison of clinical outcomes between patients with MINOCA and patients with MI-CAD was performed with a log-rank test. Given that differences in baseline characteristics could significantly affect outcomes, a multivariable Cox regression model was performed, adjusting for confounders as much as possible. Covariates in the multivariable model were selected if they were significantly different between the 2 groups, including the following: age, sex, Killip class at initial presentation, diabetes mellitus, current smoking, ST changes in the initial ECG, lipid profile, and left ventricular ejection fraction. A

Table 1. Baseline Demographic, Laboratory, and Angiographic Characteristics

	Overall Population (N=13 104)	MINOCA (N=396)	MI-CAD (N=10 871)	P Value
emographic characteristics				
Age, y	64.0±12.6	62.3±12.6	63.4±12.7	0.097
Male	9686 (73.9%)	227 (57.3%)	8144 (74.9%)	< 0.001
BMI, kg/m ²	24.0±3.4	23.8±3.4	24.0±3.3	0.149
Symptom at presentation				
Typical chest pain	11 294 (86.2%)	315 (79.5%)	9475 (87.2%)	< 0.001
Dyspnea	3105 (23.7%)	85 (21.5%)	2482 (22.8%)	0.540
Killip				0.008
1	10 220 (78.0%)	325 (82.1%)	8602 (79.1%)	
2	1133 (8.6%)	42 (10.6%)	893 (8.2%)	
3	977 (7.5%)	14 (3.5%)	741 (6.8%)	
4	773 (5.9%)	15 (3.8%)	634 (5.8%)	
Cardiac arrest on arrival	96 (0.7%)	2 (0.5%)	77 (0.7%)	1.0
Previous history of angina	1279 (9.8%)	48 (12.1%)	394 (3.6%)	< 0.001
Previous history of heart failure	213 (1.6%)	12 (3.0%)	92 (0.8%)	< 0.001
Hypertension	6690 (51.1%)	201 (50.8%)	5320 (48.9%)	0.506
Diabetes mellitus	3752 (28.6%)	87 (22.0%)	2882 (26.5%)	0.050
Dyslipidemia	1388 (10.6%)	35 (8.8%)	1116 (10.3%)	0.397
Family history of CAD	830 (6.3%)	19 (4.8%)	715 (6.6%)	0.182
Current smoking	5113 (39.0%)	126 (31.8%)	4492 (41.3%)	< 0.001
Previous CVA	888 (6.8%)	23 (5.8%)	671 (6.2%)	0.904
Initial vital sign				
Systolic BP	130.1±30.0	132.8±30.7	130.5±29.9	0.136
Diastolic BP	78.6±18.3	78.9±17.9	79.0±18.3	0.920
Heart rate	78.7±19.6	80.2±18.6	78.3±19.3	0.046
Initial ECG		1		
ST elevation	6194 (46.9%)	59 (14.9%)	5684 (52.3%)	< 0.001
ST depression	1567 (12.0%)	36 (9.1%)	1285 (11.8%)	0.115
Wide QRS tachycardia	112 (0.8%)	6 (1.5%)	83 (0.8%)	0.134
Atrial fibrillation	712 (5.4%)	30 (7.6%)	610 (5.6%)	0.093
Complete atrioventricular block	62 (0.5%)	0 (0.0%)	58 (0.5%)	0.271
Laboratory characteristics				
Creatinine, mg/dL	1.1±1.2	1.0±1.0	1.1±1.1	0.085
Peak CK-MB, ng/mL	110.6±164.4	31.1±67.3	118.5±170.1	< 0.001
Troponin, ng/mL		- I		
Troponin I	46.8±105.6 (n=11 182)	9.6±26.7 (n=368)	50.2±111.7 (n=9197)	< 0.001
Troponin T	14.2±459.6 (n=1922)	0.6±0.9 (n=28)	15.9±492.4 (n=1674)	< 0.001
Total cholesterol	177.9±46.3	169.1±55.3	182.4±45.2	< 0.001
Triglyceride, mg/dL	134.5±120.1	128.5±207.9	136.8±120.1	0.231
HDL-C, mg/dL	42.8±12.5	47.2±14.2	42.8±12.0	< 0.001
LDL-C, mg/dL	112.0±39.6	100.6±36.0	116.0±39.1	< 0.001
LVEF, %	51.9±11.2	58.5±11.0	52.2±10.6	< 0.001

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Table 1. Continued

	Overall Population (N=13 104)	MINOCA (N=396)	MI-CAD (N=10 871)	P Value
Regional wall motion index	1.42±0.39	1.19±0.33	1.41±0.37	< 0.001
Angiographic characteristics				
Multivessel disease	5761 (44.0%)		5024 (46.2%)	
Left main disease	658 (5.0%)		526 (4.8%)	
Culprit lesion	·	· ·		·
Left main	274 (2.1%)		217 (2.0%)	
LAD	5476 (41.8%)		4910 (45.2%)	
LCX	2053 (15.7%)		1790 (16.5%)	
RCA	3951 (30.2%)		3462 (31.8%)	
Pre-TIMI flow of culprit	· ·		· · ·	
0	5518 (42.1%)		4956 (47.8%)	
1	1286 (9.8%)		1113 (10.7%)	
2	1813 (13.8%)		1566 (15.1%)	
3 3137 (23.9%)			2744 (26.4%)	
Culprit treatment	·	· ·	· ·	
Plain balloon angioplasty	802 (6.1%)		458 (4.4%)	
Bare-metal stent	325 (2.5%)		312 (3.0%)	
First-generation DES	170 (1.3%)		148 (1.4%)	
Second-generation DES	10 381 (79.2%)		9400 (91.1%)	
Successful PCI	11 580 (88.4%)		10 236 (94.2%)	
Total revascularization	8063 (61.5%)		7442 (68.5%)	
Total number of stent	1.3±0.9		1.4±0.8	
CABG	258 (2.0%)		199 (1.8%)	

Values are n (%) or mean±SD. *P* value is from a comparison of MINOCA and MI-CAD. BMI indicates body mass index; BP, blood pressure; CABG, coronary artery bypass surgery; CAD, coronary artery disease; CK-MB, creatine kinase-myocardial band; CVA, cerebrovascular accident; DES, drug-eluting stent; HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; LAD, left anterior descending artery; LCX, left circumflex artery; LDL-C, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; MI-CAD, myocardial infarction with nonobstructive coronary arteries; PCI, percutaneous coronary intervention; RCA, right coronary artery; TIMI, thrombolysis in myocardial infarction.

propensity score analysis was also performed to adjust for potential confounders with a logistic regression model. The variables listed above were used. Prediction accuracy of the logistic model was assessed with an area under the receiveroperating characteristic curve (C statistic), which was 0.802 (95% CI, 0.780-0.825). According to the propensity score, patients were selected by 1:1 matching without replacement using the nearest neighbor method. A caliper width of 0.2 standardized differences (SD) was used for matching. This value has been shown to eliminate almost 99% of the bias in observed confounders.¹³ Furthermore, to identify independent predictors of all-cause death in patients with MINOCA, we used a multivariable Cox proportional hazard model. The C-statistics with 95% CI were calculated to validate the discriminant function of the model. Echocardiogram data of 486 patients (4.3%) was missing: 25 in MINOCA (6.3%) and 461 in MI-CAD (4.2%). We performed the multiple imputation for missing data of the echocardiogram. As a sensitivity analysis, we analyzed data of patients without missing data of echocardiogram (Tables S1 through S3). In all analyses, participating centers were included as the stratification factor. All probability values were 2-sided, and P<0.05 was considered statistically significant. Statistical packages of SPSS software (version 22.0; SPSS, Inc., Chicago, IL) were used for all statistical analyses.

Results

Baseline Characteristics Between the Groups

Baseline characteristics of the patient groups are listed in Table 1. Compared with patients with MI-CAD, those with MINOCA were more likely to be women, but less likely to be diabetic. They had a lower Killip class, lower creatine kinasemyocardial band level, lower low-density lipoprotein cholesterol, higher high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, higher ejection fraction, and lower regional wall motion score in the echocardiogram. However, rates of previous angina and previous heart failure were higher in MINOCA than in MI-CAD.

In-Hospital Events and Medications After Discharge

In-hospital clinical events in patients and medications at discharge and 1 year are summarized in Table 2. Frequencies of cardiogenic shock and ventricular arrhythmias were lower in patients with MINOCA than in those with MI-CAD during hospitalization. Rate of in-hospital death, recurrent MI, stroke, acute kidney injury, sepsis, or multiorgan failure did not significantly differ between the 2 groups of patients. However, the discharge therapies, including dual antiplatelet therapy, renin-angiotensin system blockers, beta-blockers, and statin, were less frequently used in patients with MINOCA. Use of calcium-channel blockers was higher in patients with MINOCA than that in those with significant stenosis. This trend of the medications was maintained at 12 months after the index hospitalization.

Mid-Term Clinical Outcomes

Results of the comparison of clinical outcomes at 2 years between MINOCA and MI-CAD are shown in Table 3 and Figure 2. The median follow-up duration of patients with MINOCA was similar to that of those with MI-CAD (median [interquartile range]; 733 [697–759] versus 732 days [694–760]; P=0.68). The unadjusted rate of all-cause death at 2 years (ie, the primary outcome) did not significantly differ between patients with MINOCA and those with MI-CAD. For the secondary outcomes, the rate of cardiac death, noncardiac death, and recurrent MI was not significantly different between the 2 groups either. However, the rate of repeat revascularization was higher in patients with MI-CAD.

Risk of all-cause death in patients with MINOCA did not significantly differ from that of those with MI-CAD after multivariate adjustment (hazard ratio [HR], 1.18; 95% CI, 0.74–1.87; P=0.49) and propensity matching (HR, 1.25; 95% CI, 0.77–2.05; P=0.36; Tables S4 and S5). Risk of cardiac death, noncardiac death, or recurrent MI was not significantly different either between the 2 groups. However, risk of repeat revascularization was higher in patients with MI-CAD after multivariate adjustment and propensity matching.

Characteristics and Clinical Results According to Coronary Spasm Test in Patients With MINOCA

Patients with positive vasospasm were younger, more male, and more likely to have typical symptoms, ST elevation on

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Table 2. In-Hospital Events and Medications After Discharge

	MINOCA (N=396)	MI-CAD (N=10 871)	P Value
In-hospital events			
Cardiogenic shock	20 (5.1%)	971 (8.9%)	0.008
New-onset heart failure	14 (3.5%)	452 (4.2%)	0.689
Recurrent ischemia	0 (0.0%)	96 (0.9%)	0.051
Recurrent MI	0 (0.0%)	43 (0.4%)	0.406
Cerebral infarction	4 (1.0%)	69 (0.6%)	0.327
Cerebral hemorrhage	1 (0.3%)	14 (0.1%)	0.416
Hemoglobin decrease >5 g/dL	3 (0.8%)	128 (1.2%)	0.632
Ventricular arrhythmia	8 (2.0%)	514 (4.7%)	0.014
Acute kidney injury	4 (1.0%)	99 (0.9%)	0.785
Sepsis	4 (1.0%)	60 (0.6%)	0.288
Multiorgan failure	2 (0.5%)	69 (0.6%)	1.000
Temporary pacemaker	0 (0.0%)	347 (3.2%)	< 0.001
ICD	0 (0.0%)	6 (0.1%)	1.000
In-hospital death	11 (2.8%)	382 (3.5%)	0.575
Cardiac death	7 (1.8%)	323 (3.0%)	0.182
Noncardiac death	4 (1.0%)	59 (0.5%)	
Medication at discharge			
Aspirin	378 (95.5%)	10 840 (99.7%)	< 0.001
P2Y12 inhibitor	146 (36.9%)	10 493 (96.5%)	<0.001
Calcium-channel blocker	208 (52.5%)	596 (5.5%)	<0.001
Beta-blocker	133 (33.6%)	9080 (83.5%)	<0.001
RAS blocker	192 (48.5%)	8517 (78.3%)	<0.001
Statin	289 (73.0%)	9988 (91.9%)	<0.001
Medication at 1 year			
Aspirin	293 (84.9%)	8783 (91.2%)	<0.001
P2Y12 inhibitor	57 (16.5%)	5306 (55.1%)	<0.001
Calcium-channel blocker	179 (51.9%)	647 (6.7%)	<0.001
Beta-blocker	90 (26.1%)	7176 (74.5%)	< 0.001
RAS blocker	137 (39.7%)	6567 (68.2%)	< 0.001
Statin	223 (64.6%)	8591 (89.2%)	< 0.001

Values are n (%). ICD indicates implantable cardioverter-defibrillator; MI, myocardial infarction; MI-CAD, myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease; MINOCA, myocardial infarction with nonobstructive coronary arteries; RAS, renin-angiotensin system.

the ECG, low serum creatinine, high ejection fraction, and low regional wall motion index compared with those with MINOCA and negative vasospasm (Table S6). The rate of inhospital events was not different between the 2 groups.

Table 3. Comparison of 2-Year Clinical Outco
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			Unadjusted		Multivariable-Adjusted		Propensity-Score Matched	
	MINOCA (N=396)	MI-CAD (N=10 871)	HR (95% CI)	P Value	HR (95% CI)	P Value	HR (95% CI)	P Value
All-cause death*	9.1 (36)	8.8 (954)	1.04 (0.74–1.45)	0.832	1.18 (0.74–1.87)	0.493	1.25 (0.77–2.05)	0.364
Noncardiac death	4.0 (16)	2.6 (285)	1.55 (0.93–2.56)	0.09	1.21 (0.59–2.48)	0.596	1.81 (0.80-4.10)	0.154
Cardiac death	5.1 (20)	6.2 (669)	0.82 (0.53–1.28)	0.384	1.13 (0.62–2.08)	0.689	1.01 (0.54–1.87)	0.986
Recurrent MI	2.8 (11)	2.2 (241)	1.23 (0.65–2.31)	0.528	1.12 (0.52–2.42)	0.764	0.92 (0.39–2.18)	0.856
Any repeat revascularization	1.3 (5)	7.2 (783)	0.17 (0.07–0.41)	<0.001	0.22 (0.09–0.53)	0.001	0.15 (0.06–0.38)	<0.001
Death or MI	11.6 (46)	10.7 (1158)	1.08 (0.81–1.46)	0.594	1.17 (0.78–1.75)	0.451	1.14 (0.74–1.74)	0.554

Values are % (n), unless otherwise indicated. Cumulative incidences of clinical outcomes at 2 years are presented. The number of patients with specific events is presented in parentheses. Multivariable Cox proportional hazard regression model and propensity-score—matched cohort were used to adjust for baseline differences between the comparative groups. HR indicates hazard ratio; MI, myocardial infarction; MI-CAD, myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease; MINOCA, myocardial infarction with nonobstructive coronary arteries. *The primary outcome of the study.

Most of the patients with positive vasospasm were prescribed calcium-channel blockers whereas dual antiplatelet therapy, renin-angiotensin system blockers, and beta-blockers were used less frequently in patients with positive vasospasm. This trend was also maintained at 12 months after the index hospitalization (Table S7). Incidence of all-cause death was lower in patients with positive vasospasm than in those with negative vasospasm (3.2% versus 11.0%; P=0.023). There is no difference in occurrence of recurrent MI (4.2% versus 2.3%; P=0.304) and repeat revascularization (3.2% versus 0.7%; P=0.092) between the 2 groups.

Independent Predictors of Mortality in Patients With MINOCA

Multivariable Cox proportional hazard models were used to identify the independent predictors of all-cause death at 2 years in patients with MINOCA (Table 4). At the patients' initial presentation, an old age, atypical symptoms, ST elevation on the ECG, Killip Class IV, and diabetes mellitus were independent predictors of all-cause death at 2 years. MI by vasospasm was not associated with risk of all-cause death at 2 years (HR, 0.54; 95% Cl, 0.16–1.84; P=0.323). Patients with ST elevation had lower ejection fraction (54.1±12.1% versus 59.7±10.9%; P=0.003), but higher regional wall motion index (1.41±0.43 versus 1.16±0.31; P<0.001). Regarding medical treatment, the nonuse of renin-angiotensin system blockers (HR, 2.63; 95% Cl, 1.08–6.25; P=0.033) and statins (HR, 2.17; 95% Cl, 1.04–4.54; P=0.039) were independently associated with an increased risk of all-cause death at 2 years.

Discussion

In the present study, 2-year clinical outcomes were compared between MINOCA and MI-CAD using data from a nation-wide,

multicenter, prospective MI registry. Although patients with MINOCA had lower risk profiles compared with those with MI-CAD, their frequencies of in-hospital events, such as MI, stroke, acute kidney injury, sepsis, and multiorgan failure and rates of mortality and recurrent MI at 2 years, were similar. For patients with MINOCA, use of renin-angiotensin system blockers and statins showed a significantly lower risk of all-cause death.

Previous meta-analyses have demonstrated that patients with MINOCA have a lower likelihood of death or cardiovascular events than those with MI-CAD.^{14,15} Baseline characteristics were comparable with previous studies. MINOCA patients of our study also were less likely to be male, diabetic, current smoker, and to be treated with antiplatelet agents, beta-blockers, renin-angiotensin system blockers, and statins. Age and frequency of hypertension in MINOCA patients were higher compared with the previous studies. The results of each of the studies enrolled in the meta-analysis are heterogeneous. Several studies have reported that patients with MINOCA and those with MI-CAD show a similar long-term mortality.^{6,7,16–18} The reason for such discrepancies among the studies is likely attributed to the different inclusion criteria because patients with MINOCA have heterogenous mechanistic profiles. In particular, Takostubo syndrome is 1 of the primary mechanisms of MINOCA.¹ Other medical conditions and neurological disorders are critical triggering factors and contribute to the mortality increase in Takostubo syndrome.¹⁹ In the present study, frequency of those conditions in the index hospitalization did not significantly differ between the MINOCA group and the MI-CAD group. A previous study¹⁶ reported that causes of death of MINOCA patients were significantly less often cardiovascular. Though the rate of noncardiac death was numerically higher in patients with MINOCA of previous studies those with MINOCA in this study, it was not statistically significant in every analysis. This ORIGINAL RESEARCH

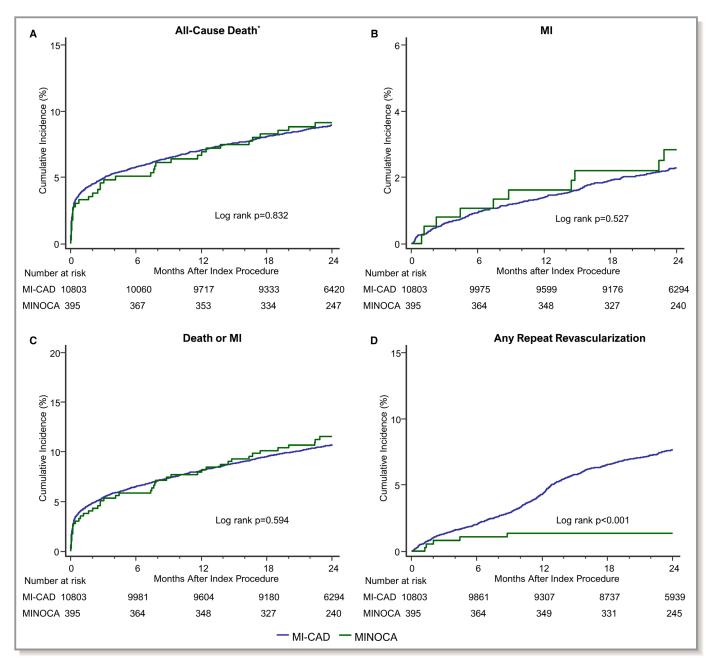


Figure 2. Cumulative incidence of primary and secondary outcomes. Kaplan–Meier curves with cumulative hazards of (A) all-cause death, (B) MI, (C) death or MI, and (D) any repeat revascularization. MI indicates myocardial infarction; MI-CAD, myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease; MINOCA, myocardial infarction with nonobstructive coronary arteries. *The primary outcome of the study.

suggests that MINOCA patients in this study were more homogenous than those of the other studies.

Elucidating the pathophysiological cause of MINOCA is challenging, but crucial to establish an appropriate management strategy. Coronary spasm and spontaneous coronary dissection (type 2 MI) as well as atherosclerotic plaque disruption and coronary thrombosis (type 1 MI) may be the cause of MINOCA.²⁰ A provocation test with intracoronary acetylcholine or ergonovine to rule out the vasospasm in MINOCA can be performed safely to identify high-risk patients.⁸ In this study, 24% of patients with MINOCA had vasospasm. That rate was comparable with the rate reported in previous studies.¹⁵ The prognosis of patients with MINOCA by vasospasm remains controversial.⁸ However, the presence of vasospasm did not influence the risk of all-cause death in the present study.

The long-term medical treatment strategy in patients with MINOCA is also a challenging issue. Previous studies have suggested that use of renin-angiotensin system blockers^{9,10} and statins⁹ is associated with a lower risk of all-cause death.

 Table 4. Independent Predictors of All-Cause Death in

 Patients With MINOCA

	Hazard Ratio	95% CI	P Value
Age	1.04	1.01 to 1.08	0.02
Atypical symptom	5.98	2.68 to 13.37	<0.001
ST elevation at presentation	3.57	1.61 to 7.90	0.002
Killip Class I	Reference		
Class II	0.81	0.27 to 2.40	0.705
Class III	1.81	0.64 to 5.17	0.265
Class IV	6.05	2.13 to 17.20	0.001
Diabetes mellitus	3.12	1.47 to 6.64	0.003
Nonuse of RAS blocker	2.63	1.08 to 6.25	0.033
Nonuse of statin	2.17	1.04 to 4.54	0.039

Multivariate Cox model analysis for all-cause death. MINOCA indicates myocardial infarction with nonobstructive coronary arteries; RAS, renin-angiotensin system.

Our study was in line with those studies. Although one-quarter of the patients had vasospasm, use of calcium-channel blockers was not related to mortality. Use of dual antiplatelet therapy or use of beta-blockers was not an independent predictor of all-cause death either. Because nonobstructive coronary artery lesions cause most MIs,²¹ use of reninangiotensin system blockers and statins might be able to suppress the progression of nonobstructive plaques and the occurrence of major cardiac events. Nevertheless, in patients with CAD and absence of heart failure or depressed left ventricular function, renin-angiotensin system blockers has shown beneficial effects on mortality and morbidity.⁹ Properly designed and powered randomized clinical trials are needed to confirm this hypothesis.

Consistent with a previous study,²² the present study revealed that nonobstructive coronary artery disease was more common in patients with non-ST elevation MI than that in patients with ST-elevation MI. The present study also showed that ST elevation in MINOCA was associated with an increased risk of all-cause death. This can be explained by more extensive myocardial damage on echocardiography. Female sex also was not the predictor of mortality of MINOCA. Excess risk of post-MI death in women is restricted to those with MI-CAD in previous studies.^{14,23} Furthermore, atypical symptoms was also an independent predictor of all-cause death in MINOCA. Compared with typical symptoms, atypical symptoms in MI are related to higher risk profiles of patients and delayed initial management known to be associated with increased mortality.²⁴

This study had an inherent limitation regarding its observational nature with registry data. However, the KAMIR-NIH registry used standardized definitions for all collected variables regulated and monitored by the National Institutes of Health. In addition, this study did not include information from coronary intravascular imaging or magnetic resonance imaging to reveal all specific causes of AMIs. Stratification by the cause through an in-depth investigation might provide the prognosis and appropriate management strategy according to causes of MINOCA.

Conclusion

Patients with MINOCA have similar risk of all-cause death and MI at 2 years compared with those with MI-CAD. Treatment with renin-angiotensin system blockers and statins might improve the prognosis of these high-risk patients.

Disclosures

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Supplemental Material

Appendix

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	MINOCA	MI-CAD	р
	(N=371)	(N=10,410)	Value
Demographic characteristics			
Age, years	62.0±12.7	63.2±12.6	0.070
Male	214(57.7%)	7810(75.0%)	< 0.001
BMI, kg/m ²	23.8±3.3	24.0±3.3	0.188
Symptom at presentation			
Typical chest pain	296(79.8%)	91005(87.4%)	<0.001
Dyspnea	80(21.6%)	2354(22.6%)	0.665
Killip			0.007
1	306(82.5%)	8330(80.0%)	
2	41(11.1%)	862(8.3%)	
3	14(3.8%)	713(6.8%)	
4	10(2.7%)	505(4.9%)	
Cardiac arrest on arrival	1 (0.3%)	53 (0.5%)	1.0
Prior history of angina	44 (11.9%)	377 (3.6%)	< 0.001
Prior history of heart failure	12 (3.2%)	102 (1.0%)	<0.001

Table S1. Baseline demographic, laboratory, and angiographic characteristics in patients without missing data of echocardiogram.

Hypertension	187(50.4%)	5065(48.7%)	0.526
Diabetes	82(22.1%)	2734(26.3%)	0.083
Dyslipidemia	31(8.4%)	1075(10.3%)	0.259
Family history of CAD	17(4.6%)	692(6.6%)	0.140
Current Smoking	119(32.1%)	4340(41.7%)	<0.001
Previous CVA	22(5.9%)	643(6.2%)	0.988
Initial Vital Sign			
Systolic BP	133.8±28.5	131.1±29.0	0.077
Diastolic BP	79.9±16.3	79.5±17.9	0.603
Heart Rate	79.8±17.8	78.2±18.8	0.082
Initial ECG			
ST elevation	50(13.5%)	5413(52.0%)	<0.001
ST depression	34(9.2%)	1237(11.9%)	0.123
Wide QRS Tachycardia	6(1.6%)	80(0.8%)	0.076
Atrial fibrillation	26(7.0%)	570(5.5%)	0.201
Complete AV Block	0(0.0%)	48(0.5%)	0.414
Laboratory Characteristics			
Creatinine, mg/dl	1.0±1.0	1.1±1.1	0.085

31.1±67.3	118.5±170.1	< 0.001
9.3±25.3	49.4±111.2	< 0.001
(n=352)	(n=8,965)	
0.7±1.0	16.1±497.2	< 0.001
(n=19)	(n=1,445)	
170.0±53.2	182.7±44.2	< 0.001
130.0±194.7	136.4±115.2	0.532
46.6±13.2	42.8±11.6	< 0.001
102.7±33.2	116.2±37.9	< 0.001
59.0±11.3	52.2±10.8	< 0.001
1.19±0.34	1.41±0.38	< 0.001
	4801(46.1%)	
	477(4.6%)	
	191(1.8%)	
	4699(45.1%)	
	1728(16.6%)	
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RCA	3334(32.0%)	
NCA	5554(52.070)	
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0	4737(47.6%)	
1	1066(10.7%)	
2	1524(15.3%)	
3	2625(26.4%)	
Culprit Treatment		
	401(4.00/)	
Plain balloon angioplasty	421(4.3%)	
Bare-metal stent	279(2.8%)	
First-generation DES	144(1.5%)	
Second-generation DES	9051(91.5%)	
Successful PCI	9840(94.5%)	
	5010(51.570)	
Total Revascularization	7101/60 10/)	
	7191(69.1%)	
Total Number of Stent	$1.4{\pm}0.8$	
CABG	188(1.8%)	

Values are n (%) or mean ±SD. MINOCA= myocardial infarction with non-obstructive coronary arteries; MI-CAD= myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease; BMI= body mass index; CAD= coronary artery disease; CVA= cerebrovascular accident; BP= blood pressure; ECG= electrocardiogram; CK-MB= creatine kinase-myocardial band; HDL-C= high density lipoprotein cholesterol; LDL-C= low density lipoprotein cholesterol; LVEF= left ventricular ejection fraction; ; LAD = left anterior descending artery; LCX= left circumflex artery; RCA= right coronary artery; TIMI=Thrombolysis In Myocardial Infarction; DES=drug-eluting stent; PCI= percutaneous coronary intervention; CABG= coronary artery bypass surgery.

Table S2. In-hospital events and medications after discharge in patients without missingdata of echocardiogram.

	MINOCA	MI-CAD	р	
	(N=371)	(N=10,410)	Value	
In-hospital Events				
Cardiogenic shock	14(3.81%)	785(7.5%)	0.007	
New onset heart failure	14(3.8%)	430(4.1%)	0.894	
Recurrent ischemia	0(0.0%)	86(0.8%)	0.124	
Recurrent MI	0(0.0%)	42(0.4%)	0.404	
Cerebral infarction	4(1.1%)	67(0.6%)	0.310	
Cerebral hemorrhage	1(0.3%)	12(0.1%)	0.366	
Hemoglobin decrease > 5g/dL	3(0.8%)	107(1.0%)	1.000	
Ventricular Arrhythmia	7(1.9%)	438(4.2%)	0.023	
Acute Kidney Injury	1(0.3%)	89(0.9%)	0.377	
Sepsis	4(1.1%)	52(0.5%)	0.126	
Multiorgan failure	1(0.3%)	43(0.4%)	1.000	
Temporary pacemaker	0(0.0%)	311(3.0%)	< 0.001	
ICD	0(0.0%)	6(0.1%)	1.000	
In-hospital Death	8(2.2%)	192(1.8%)	0.560	

Cardiac death	4(1.1%)	147(1.4%)	0.167
Non-cardiac Death	4(1.0%)	45(0.4%)	
Medication at Discharge			
Aspirin	356(96.0%)	10394(99.8%)	< 0.001
P2Y12 inhibitor	137(36.9%)	10144(97.4%)	< 0.001
Calcium channel blocker	195(52.6%)	574(5.5%)	<0.001
Beta blocker	128(34.5%)	8848(85.0%)	<0.001
RAS blocker	187(50.4%)	8307(79.8%)	<0.001
Statin	277(74.7%)	9717(93.3%)	< 0.001
Medication at 1 year			
Aspirin	281(85.2%)	8584(91.3%)	< 0.001
P2Y12 inhibitor	54(16.4%)	5192(55.2%)	< 0.001
Calcium channel blocker	169(51.2%)	621(6.6%)	<0.001
Beta blocker	88(26.7%)	7026(74.7%)	<0.001
RAS blocker	134(40.6%)	6433(68.4%)	< 0.001
Statin	218(66.1%)	8395(89.2%)	< 0.001

Values are n (%). MINOCA= myocardial infarction with non-obstructive coronary arteries; MI-CAD= myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease; MI= myocardial infarction; ICD= implantable cardioverter-defibrillator; RAS= renin-angiotensin system.

Table S3. Comparison of 2-Year Clinical Outcomes in patients without missing data ofechocardiogram.

	MIN	MI-	Unadjust	ed	Multivari	able-	Propensity	-
	OCA	CAD			Adjusted		Score Mate	ched
	(N=3	(N=10	HR(95%	p	HR(95%	p	HR(95%C	р
	71)	410)	CI)	valu	CI)	valu	I)	valu
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All-cause death*	7.5	7.1	1.07(0.7	0.71	1.12(0.7	0.61	1.07(0.73-	0.71
	(28)	(737)	4-1.57)	5	0-1.82)	8	1.57)	8
Non-cardiac	3.8	2.5	1.51(0.8	0.12	1.23(0.6	0.59	1.52(0.87-	0.12
death	(14)	(261)	7-2.59)	9	0-2.52)	6	2.60)	9
Cardiac death	3.8	4.6	0.83(0.4	0.49	1.04(0.5	0.68	0.83(0.49-	0.49
	(14)	(476)	9-1.41)	2	5-1.97)	9	1.41)	2
Recurrent MI	2.7	2.1	1.29(0.6	0.43	1.15(0.5	0.72	1,29(0.68-	0.43
	(10)	(220)	8-2.43)	4	3-2.48)	6	2.42)	4
Any repeat	1.3	7.3	0.18(0.0	<0.	0.22(0.0	0.00	0.18(0.07-	< 0.0
revascularization	(5)	(758)	7-0.44)	001	9-0.54)	1	0.44)	01
Death or MI	10.0	8.8	1.14(0.8	0.44	1.16(0.7	0.49	1.14(0.82-	0.44
	(37)	(921)	2-1.58)	4	7-1.75)	2	1.58)	4

Values are % (n) unless otherwise indicated. The cumulative incidences of clinical outcomes at 2 years are presented. The number of patients with specific events is presented in parentheses. Multivariable Cox proportional hazard regression model and propensity-score matched cohort were used to adjust for baseline differences between the comparative groups. MINOCA= myocardial infarction with non-obstructive coronary arteries; MI-CAD= myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease; MI= myocardial infarction. * indicates the primary outcome of the study.

Table S4. Baseline demographic, laboratory and angiographic characteristics in a propensity score matched population.

	MINOCA(N=394)	MI-CAD (N=394)	р
Demographic characteristics			
Age, yrs	62.5±12.4	62.6±12.8	0.881
Male	227(57.6%)	214(54.3%)	0.389
BMI, kg/m ²	23.8±3.4	24.0±3.5	0.433
Symptom at presentation			
Typical chest pain	313(79.4%)	348(88.3%)	0.001
Dyspnea	84(21.3%)	77(19.5%)	0.596
Killip			0.173
1	323(82.0%)	325(82.5%)	
2	42(10.7%)	28(7.1%)	
3	14(3.6%)	18(4.6%)	
4	15(3.8%)	23(5.8%)	
Cardiac arrest on arrival	2 (0.5%)	2 (0.5%)	1.0
Prior history of angina	48 (12.2%)	24 (6.1%)	0.004
Prior history of heart failure	12 (3.0%)	8 (2.0%)	0.498
Hypertension	201(51.0%)	223(56.6%)	0.133
Diabetes	87(22.1%)	84(21.3%)	0.863
Dyslipidemia	35(8.9%)	47(11.9%)	0.199
Family history of CAD	18(4.6%)	30(7.6%)	0.100
Current Smoking	125(31.7%)	130(33.0%)	0.761
Previous CVA	23(5.8%)	34(8.6%)	0.169

Initial Vital Sign			
Systolic BP	132.9±30.8	134.6±31.6	0.422
Diastolic BP	79.0±17.9	80.6±18.6	0.198
Heart Rate	80.3±18.6	78.3±19.6	0.157
Initial ECG			
ST elevation	59(15.0%)	60(15.2%)	1.000
ST depression	36(9.1%)	86(21.8%)	< 0.001
Wide QRS Tachycardia	6(1.5%)	4(1.0%)	0.752
Atrial fibrillation	30(7.6%)	28(7.1%)	0.892
Complete AV Block	0(0.0%)	3(0.8%)	0.249
Laboratory Characteristics			
Creatinine, mg/dl	1.0±1.0	1.0±1.0	0.652
Peak CK-MB, ng/ml	30.9±67.2	66.7±92.0	0.000
Troponin, ng/ml			
Troponin I	9.5±26.7	27.0±62.1	< 0.001
	(n=366)	(n=341)	
Troponin T	0.6±0.9	2.3±4.0	< 0.001
	(n=28)	(n=53)	
Total cholesterol	169.3±55.4	169.0±40.9	0.937
Triglyceride, mg/dl	128.9±208.5	133.4±132.2	0.735
HDL-C, mg/dl	47.3±14.2	45.8±14.3	0.164
LDL-C, mg/dl	100.8±36.0	103.6±34.2	0.282
LVEF (%)	59.0±11.3	58.5±9.6	0.535
Regional wall motion index	1.2±0.3	1.2±0.3	0.141

Angiographic characteristics	
Multivessel disease	157(39.8%)
Left main disease	20(5.1%)
Culprit lesion	
Left main	10(2.5%)
LAD	163(41.4%)
LCX	85(21.6%)
RCA	110(27.9%)
Pre-TIMI flow of Culprit	
0	84(22.8%)
1	46(12.5%)
2	85(23.1%)
3	153(41.6%)
Culprit Treatment	
Plain balloon angioplasty	21(5.7%)
Bare-metal stent	10(2.7%)
First-generation DES	3(0.8%)
Second-generation DES	332(90.7%)
Successful PCI	365(92.6%)
Total Revascularization	289(73.4%)
Total Number of Stent	1.4±0.8
CABG	4(1.0%)

Values are n (%) or mean ±SD. MINOCA= myocardial infarction with non-obstructive

coronary arteries; MI-CAD= myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease;

BMI= body mass index; CAD= coronary artery disease; CVA= cerebrovascular accident; BP= blood pressure; ECG= electrocardiogram; CK-MB= creatine kinase-myocardial band; HDL-C= high density lipoprotein cholesterol; LDL-C= low density lipoprotein cholesterol; LVEF= left ventricular ejection fraction; ; LAD = left anterior descending artery; LCX= left circumflex artery; RCA= right coronary artery; TIMI =Thrombolysis In Myocardial Infarction; DES=drug-eluting stent; PCI= percutaneous coronary intervention; CABG= coronary artery bypass surgery. Table S5. In-hospital events and medications after discharge in a propensity scorematched population.

	MINOCA(N=394)	MI-CAD (N=394)	р
In-hospital Events			
Cardiogenic shock	20(5.1%)	31(7.9%)	0.147
New onset heart failure	14(3.6%)	10(2.5%)	0.535
Recurrent ischemia	0(0.0%)	6(1.5%)	0.031
Reinfarction	0(0.0%)	0(0.0%)	1
Cerebral infarction	4(1.0%)	3(0.8%)	1
Cerebral hemorrhage	1(0.3%)	0(0.0%)	1
Hemoglobin decrease > 5g/dL	3(0.8%)	6(1.5%)	0.505
Ventricular Arrhythmia	8(2.0%)	12(3.0%)	0.498
Acute Kidney Injury	4(1.0%)	5(1.3%)	1
Sepsis	4(1.0%)	1(0.3%)	0.373
Multiorgan failure	2(0.5%)	2(0.5%)	1.000
Temporary pacemaker	0(0.0%)	18(4.6%)	< 0.001
ICD	0(0.0%)	0(0.0%)	1
In-hospital Death	11(2.8%)	13(3.3%)	0.836
Cardiac death	7(1.8%)	11(2.8%)	0.458
Non-cardiac Death	4(1.0%)	2(0.5%)	
Medication at Discharge			
Aspirin	376(95.4%)	390(99.0%)	0.004
P2Y12 inhibitor	145(36.8%)	376(95.4%)	< 0.001
Calcium channel blocker	207(52.5%)	40(10.2%)	< 0.001

Beta blocker	133(33.8%)	317(80.5%)	< 0.001
RAS blocker	192(48.7%)	316(80.2%)	< 0.001
Statin	288(73.1%)	362(91.9%)	< 0.001
Medication at 1 year			
Aspirin	291(84.8%)	319(90.6%)	0.021
P2Y12 inhibitor	56(16.3%)	174(49.4%)	< 0.001
Calcium channel blocker	178(51.9%)	45(12.8%)	< 0.001
Beta blocker	90(26.2%)	241(68.5%)	< 0.001
RAS blocker	137(39.9%)	228(64.8%)	< 0.001
Statin	222(64.7%)	307(87.2%)	< 0.001

Values are n (%). MINOCA= myocardial infarction with non-obstructive coronary arteries; MI-CAD= myocardial infarction with obstructive coronary artery disease; MI= myocardial infarction; ICD= implantable cardioverter-defibrillator; RAS= renin-angiotensin system. Table S6. Baseline demographic, laboratory and angiographic characteristics accordingto the presence of vasospasm.

	Positive	insignificant	р
	vasospasm	stenosis(N=301)	Value
	(N=95)		
Demographic characteristics			
Age, yrs	57.5±11.8	63.8±12.5	< 0.001
Male	69(72.6%)	158(52.5%)	0.001
BMI, kg/m ²	24.3±3.7	23.6±3.3	0.086
Symptom at presentation			
Typical chest pain	88(92.6%)	227(75.4%)	< 0.001
Dyspnea	16(16.8%)	69(22.9%)	0.252
Killip			0.092
1	85(89.5%)	240(79.7%)	
2	4(4.2%)	38(12.6%)	
3	2(2.1%)	12(4.0%)	
4	4(4.2%)	11(3.7%)	
Cardiac arrest on arrival	1 (1.1%)	1 (0.3%)	0.423
Prior history of angina	19 (20.0%)	29 (9.6%)	< 0.001
Prior history of heart failure	0 (0%)	12 (4.0%)	0.078
Hypertension	46(48.4%)	155(51.5%)	0.639
Diabetes	14(14.7%)	73(24.3%)	0.064
Dyslipidemia	7(7.4%)	28(9.3%)	0.681
Family history of CAD	6(6.3%)	13(4.3%)	0.416

Current Smoking	35(36.8%)	91(30.2%)	0.256
Previous CVA	4(4.2%)	19(6.3%)	0.616
Initial Vital Sign			
Systolic BP	128.1±28.3	134.2±31.4	0.090
Diastolic BP	78.2±16.5	79.2±18.3	0.651
Heart Rate	80.5±19.6	80.2±18.3	0.872
Initial ECG			
ST elevation	21(22.1%)	38(12.6%)	0.031
ST depression	5(5.3%)	31(10.3%)	0.156
Wide QRS Tachycardia	1(1.1%)	5(1.7%)	1.000
Atrial fibrillation	5(5.3%)	25(8.3%)	0.383
Complete AV Block	0	0	
Laboratory Characteristics			
Creatinine, mg/dl	0.8±0.2	1.1±1.2	0.022
Peak CK-MB, ng/ml	45.6±95.6	26.6±54.8	0.016
Troponin, ng/ml			
Troponin I	11.3±28.3	9.2±26.2	0.337
	(n=81)	(n=287)	
Troponin T	0.8±1.3	0.5±0.4	0.548
	(n=14)	(n=14)	
Total cholesterol	173.2±81.7	167.7±43.2	0.417
Triglyceride, mg/dl	160.5±383.1	118.1±98.5	0.113
HDL-C, mg/dl	47.3±13.2	47.2±14.5	0.952
LDL-C, mg/dl	100.0±35.8	100.8±36.1	0.865

LVEF (%)	62.5±9.5	57.8±11.6	0.001
Regional wall motion index	1.13±0.27	1.21±0.35	0.016

Values are n (%) or mean \pm SD. The abbreviations are as in Table S1.

Table S7. In-hospital events and medication after discharge according to the presence ofvasospasm.

	Positive	insignificant	p Value
	vasospasm (N=95)	stenosis(N=301)	
In-hospital Events			
Cardiogenic shock	5(5.3%)	15(5.0%)	1.000
New onset heart failure	2(2.1%)	12(4.0%)	0.533
Recurrent ischemia	0	0	
Reinfarction	0	0	
Cerebral infarction	0(0.0%)	4(1.3%)	0.576
Cerebral hemorrhage	0(0.0%)	1(0.3%)	1.000
Hemoglobin decrease > 5g/dL	0(0.0%)	3(1.0%)	1.000
Ventricular Arrhythmia	3(3.2%)	5(1.7%)	0.404
Acute Kidney Injury	1(1.1%)	3(1.0%)	1.000
Sepsis	2(2.1%)	2(0.7%)	0.244
Multiorgan failure	0(0.0%)	2(0.7%)	1.000
Temporary pacemaker	0	0	
ICD	0	0	
In-hospital Death	2(2.1%)	9(3.0%)	1.000
Cardiac death	1(1.1%)	6(2.0%)	0.831
Non-cardiac Death	1(1.1%)	3(1.0%)	
Medication at Discharge			
Aspirin	90(94.7%)	288(95.7%)	0.778
P2Y12 inhibitor	24(25.3%)	122(40.5%)	0.007

Calcium channel blocker	88(92.6%)	120(39.9%)	< 0.001
Beta blocker	4(4.2%)	129(42.9%)	< 0.001
RAS blocker	29(30.5%)	163(54.2%)	< 0.001
Statin	70(73.7%)	219(72.8%)	0.895
Medication at 1 year			
Aspirin	78(89.7%)	215(83.3%)	0.170
P2Y12 inhibitor	6(6.9%)	51(19.8%)	0.004
Calcium channel blocker	77(88.5%)	102(39.5%)	< 0.001
Beta blocker	3(3.4%)	87(33.7%)	< 0.001
RAS blocker	30(34.5%)	107(41.5%)	0.258
Statin	61(70.1%)	162(62.8%)	0.244

Values are n (%). The abbreviations are as in Table S2.