

Long-Term Clinical Outcome according to Changes of Glomerular Filtration Rate in AMI Patients with Multivessel Disease after Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

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Glomerular filtration rate (GFR) is an important indicator of renal failure. However, regarding delta GFR in acute myocardial infarction (AMI) is rare. In this study, it was examined whether the delta GFR had an adverse effect on outcomes in patients with AMI and multivessel disease (MVD). Among 13,105 consecutive patients enrolled in the Korea Acute Myocardial Infarction-National Institute of Health registry, 2619 with AMI and MVD who underwent percutaneous cardiac intervention (PCI) were assigned to the better delta GFR (group I, n=1432 [54.7%]) or worse delta GFR (group II, n=1187 [45.3%]) groups and followed for 3 or more years. The mean age of group I was lower than that of group II (62.64±11.52 years vs. 64.29±11.64 years; p<0.001). On multivariate analysis, delta GFR (hazard ratio, 1.50; 95% confidence interval, 1.05-2.13; p=0.024) was a negative risk factor for adverse cardiac events. Age over 65 years (p<0.001), history of MI (p=0.008), low hemoglobin (p<0.001), high triglyceride (p=0.008), low high-density lipoprotein cholesterol (p=0.002), and low left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) (p<0.001) were prognostic factors for major adverse cardiac events (MACE). In patients with a GFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m², mortality was increased by 0.9% in the multivessel PCI group and 0.7% in the IRA-only PCI group at the 1-year follow-up. According to the 3-year clinical follow-up analysis, prognosis was better in better delta GFR patients with AMI and MVD who underwent PCI than in worse delta GFR patients.

Key Words: Myocardial Infarction; Glomerular Filtration Rate; Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

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INTRODUCTION

Patients with chronic kidney disease (CKD) exhibit accelerated atherosclerosis progression and higher cardiovascular morbidity and mortality rates.^{1,2} And the glomerular filtration rate (GFR) is an important indicator for diagnosing CKD and renal injury in real-world practice.³ Additionally, acute coronary artery syndrome (ACS) is the most common reason for death,⁴ and ST-elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI) and non-ST-elevation myocardial infarction are increasingly becoming the focus of researchers. With technological developments, we can treat more complex ACS patients with multivessel disease (MVD). Among them, MVD patients comprise approximately 50%.⁵ The

Korean Acute Myocardial Infarction Registry-National Institutes of Health (KAMIR-NIH) study demonstrated that multivessel lesion patients comprise approximately 55% of patients.⁶ The outcomes of MVD patients is worse than that of single vessel disease patients. There are multiple options for treatment, each patient is cared differently, and the number of MVD patients is growing in the real world. This study sought to better understand whether kidney injury has changed between the two percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) methods (Multivessel PCI and IRA-only PCI) in MVD with acute myocardial infarction (AMI).

Although studies of GFR in patients with MVD are plentiful, those on delta GFR and MVD are rare. Delta GFR is the percentage value converted from GFR, it can be used

as an indicator of improved or impaired renal function, but is uncommonly used in general clinical practice. The delta GFR was calculated as the difference between current GFR and previous GFR. According to a previous study, delta GFR begins to decline at age 60 years in healthy men.⁷ Research on delta GFR in terms of AMI and MVD is currently unavailable. Therefore, here we aimed to determine if delta GFR has an important clinical effect on patients with AMI with MVD.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

1. Study population and design

The study population was derived from the KAMIR-NIH data from between October 2011 and December 2015. The KAMIR-NIH is a prospective, open, online, multi-center registry from 20 tertiary hospitals with resources to perform PCI in Korea that was set up to capture real-life treatment practices and outcomes of patients with AMI.⁸ A total of 13,105 patients are enrolled in the KAMIR-NIH registry. Among them, we excluded patients who were lost to follow-up over 3 years (n=197), cases of failed or unattempted percutaneous coronary interventions (PCI) (n=356), and unclear data on creatinine level or loss of creatinine at the 1-year follow-up (n=5793), patients with single-vessel disease (n=4131) and acute kidney injury (n=9). We selected all patients who underwent successful PCI with completed follow-up regarding creatinine levels at 1 year and complete 3-year data regarding outcomes. Finally, we selected 2619 patients who underwent PCI with AMI and MVD. The 2619 patients were divided into two groups based on the

delta GFR value. In the better delta GFR group (n=1432), the complete 1-year data on creatinine levels were collected and the delta GFR was higher than 0% (group I). In the worse delta GFR group (n=1187), the delta GFR was less than 0% at the 1-year follow-up (group II) (Fig. 1). All patients completed the 3-year interview, chart review, or phone call on outcomes. The study design was approved by the institutional ethics committee.

2. Definition

To determine the GFR, we used the modification of diet in renal disease (MDRD) study equation [GFR: female = $186 \times (\text{creatinine})^{-1.154} \times (\text{age})^{-0.203} \times 0.742$; male = $186 \times (\text{creatinine})^{-1.154} \times (\text{age})^{-0.203}$ (mL/min/1.73 m²)].⁹ The delta GFR (%) was calculated as the difference between current GFR (1 year later) and previous GFR (1 year ago) [$100 \times (\text{current GFR} - \text{previous GFR}) / \text{previous GFR}$, (%)] (Fig. 1).⁷ This formula was used for all the selected patients, and the basal serum creatinine values were calculated on admission.

3. Study endpoint

The endpoint of the study was the occurrence of clinical events within 3 years defined as all-cause death (cardiac and non-cardiac), recurrent myocardial infarction (re-MI), repeat PCI [target lesion revascularization (TLR), target vessel revascularization (TVR), coronary artery bypass graft (CABG), major adverse cardiac events (MACE: all-cause death, re-MI, re-PCI, and CABG)]. Whether delta GFR is a risk factor for predicting the adverse clinical events was also determined. The second endpoint was observed as the predictor of the GFR less than 60 mL/min/1.73 m² after

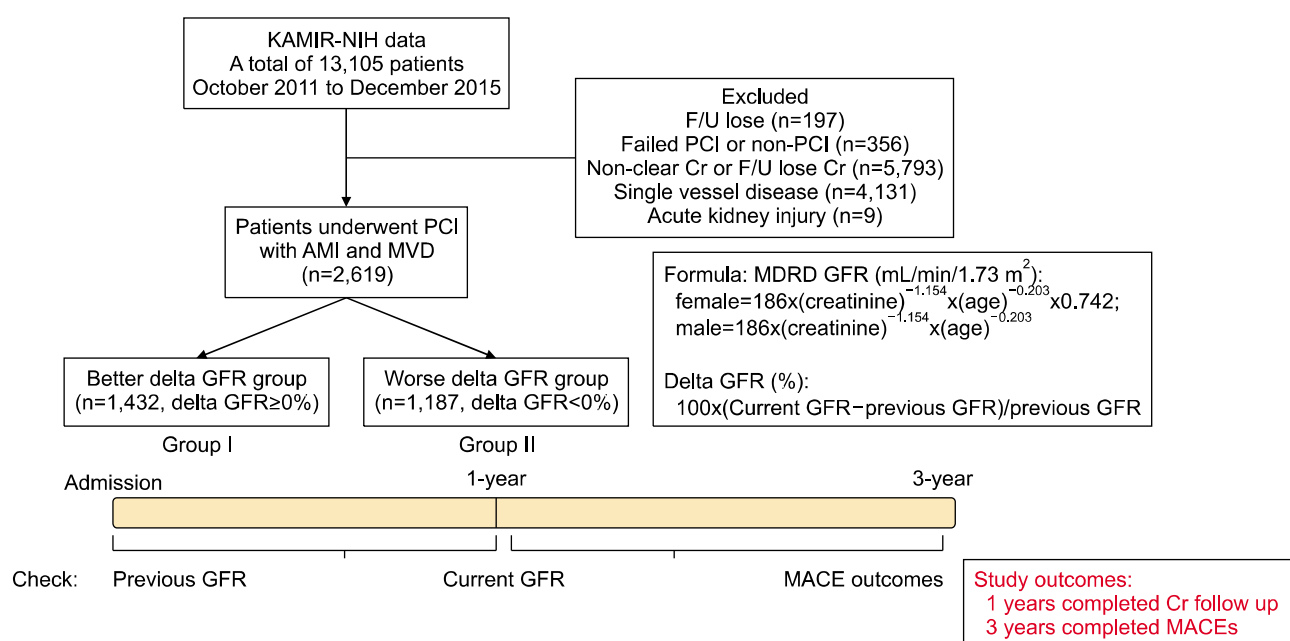


FIG. 1. Flow chart of the study patients. AMI: acute myocardial infarction, Cr: creatinine, F/U: follow-up, GFR: glomerular filtration rate, KAMIR-NIH: Korean Acute Myocardial Infarction Registry – National Institutes of Health, MACE: major adverse cardiac events, MDRD: modification of diet in renal disease, PCI: percutaneous coronary intervention.

1 year. The third endpoint was whether the PCI procedure (Multivessel PCI vs. IRA-only PCI) affected the GFR after 1 year in patients with MVD.

4. Statistical analysis

All continuous variables are expressed as mean±standard deviation (SD). All categorical variables are reported as number and percentage. For continuous variables, the data were compared using the unpaired t-test or Mann-Whitney U test as appropriate. The categorical variables were analyzed using the chi-square test or Fisher's exact test. To adjust for more accurate results, we tested all available variables that could be of potential relevance, such as baseline clinical, laboratory, and medication factors. To investigate intergroup differences in terms of survival, the risk of MACE was assessed for the two groups using the Kaplan-Meier method. We used the Cox proportional hazards regression model to regress survival on an indicator variable denoting and evaluated the hazard ratios of the clinical outcomes to compare the two groups. To identify the significant predictors of MACE according to delta GFR, we screened for all predictors that might affect prognosis and subjected each to modeling. We entered significant variables with p values <0.05 on univariate analysis into the multivariate Cox regression model. For example, lower delta GFR ($<0\%$), old age (≥ 65 years), male sex, high heart rate (>100 , beat/min), hypertension, low systolic blood pressure (SBP <90 , mmHg), high body mass index (BMI) (>25 , kg/m^2), diabetes mellitus and dyslipidemia, history of heart failure, MI, dyspnea, angina or typical chest pain, low left ventricular ejection fractions (LVEFs $<40\%$), high Killip classes (III/IV), smoking, low hemoglobin (<10 , g/dL), high triglycerides (≥ 150 , mg/dL), low high-density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol (≤ 40 , mg/dL) and high low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol (≥ 70 , mg/dL) and high HbA1c ($>6.5\%$), American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association (ACC/AHA) type B2/C lesion, bad final thrombolysis in myocardial infarction (TIMI) flow (0/1) and drug-eluting stents (DES) implanted, and multivessel PCI. In the adjusted survival analysis, the hazard ratios (HR) and 95% confidence intervals (CI) between the two groups were obtained by multivariate analysis using Cox regression analysis.

All statistical analyses were performed using IBM-SPSS Statistics for Windows software (ver. 25.0; SPSS Inc., Chicago, IL, USA). All analyses were two-tailed, and p values <0.05 was considered significant.

RESULTS

1. Baseline and laboratory findings

A total of 2619 patients with AMI and MVD who underwent PCI were enrolled in the final study population. The better delta GFR group (group I) and worse delta GFR group (group II) included 1432 (54.7%) and 1187 (45.3%) patients, respectively. The mean age of group I was lower than that of group II (62.64 ± 11.52 years vs. 64.29 ± 11.64 years, $p<0.001$), and 44.0% and 51.6% of the patients were

over 65 years of age, respectively. The mean SBP and diastolic blood pressure (DBP) were lower in group I than in group II (130.14 ± 29.66 vs. 134.30 ± 28.36 , $p<0.001$; 78.06 ± 18.48 vs. 80.67 ± 16.53 , $p<0.001$; respectively). In contrast, more patients in group I than in group II had Killip class III/IV disease. The mean creatinine level was higher in group I than in group II (1.20 ± 1.15 mg/dL vs. 0.96 ± 0.75 mg/dL, $p<0.001$). However, the 1-year mean creatinine level was lower in group I than in group II (1.01 ± 0.83 mg/dL vs. 1.26 ± 1.05 mg/dL, $p<0.001$). Therefore, the mean GFR in group I was higher than that in group II (77.81 ± 26.32 mL/min/ 1.73 m^2 vs. 96.51 ± 36.25 mL/min/ 1.73 m^2 , $p<0.001$), as was the 1-year mean GFR (91.03 ± 41.42 mL/min/ 1.73 m^2 vs. 72.89 ± 25.83 mL/min/ 1.73 m^2 , $p<0.001$). Conversely, the mean white blood cell count and glucose level were higher in group I than in group II and the mean P2Y12 reaction unit was lower in group I than in group II. Intergroup differences in the other remaining laboratory indicators were insignificant (Table 1).

2. Characteristics of the coronary angiography and prescribed medication

In terms of coronary angiography, a lower number of left anterior descending (LAD) arteries (39.5% vs. 44.7%) were examined in group I than in group II, while more right coronary arteries (RCA) (41.3% vs. 35.5%) were examined in group I than in group II ($p=0.007$), while similar numbers of left circumflex (LCX) arteries (19.1% vs. 19.9%) were examined. Multivessel PCI was performed at similar frequencies in the two groups [531 (37.1%) vs. 436 (36.7%)], and over 98% patients underwent the placement of DES. However, there were more STEMI patients in group I than in group II [767 (53.6%) vs. 546 (46.0%), $p<0.001$]. In terms of medical treatment, medications, including aspirin (99.9% vs 99.9%), clopidogrel (75.1% vs. 73.6%), ticagrelor (33.5% vs. 37.4%), prasugrel (10.5% vs. 11.7%), calcium channel antagonists (CCB) (7.3% vs. 6.6%), angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor/angiotensin II receptor blockers (ACEI/ARB) (82.3% vs. 83.4%), and beta-blockers (87.5% vs. 88.0%), were used at similar frequencies (Table 2).

3. Clinical outcomes

The univariate survival analysis is shown in Table 3. We selected a large number of factors to predict adverse factors. A Cox proportional hazard ratio analysis revealed that delta GFR (HR, 1.50; 95% CI, 1.09-2.07; $p=0.013$) was a risk factor for adverse cardiac events. However, age over 65 years, hypertension, diabetes mellitus, a high heart rate, a high Killip grade (III/IV), history of AMI, history of angina, dyspnea, typical chest pain, smoker status, low hemoglobin level, high triglyceride level, low HDL cholesterol, high LDL cholesterol, and low LVEF were independent predictive factors for adverse cardiac events. In the multivariate analysis, delta GFR (HR, 1.50; 95% CI, 1.05-2.13; $p=0.024$) was a risk factor for adverse cardiac events. Age over 65 years (HR, 2.20; 95% CI, 1.46-3.31; $p<0.001$), history of AMI (HR, 2.07; 95% CI, 1.21-3.55; $p=0.008$), low he-

TABLE 1. Baseline clinical and laboratory characteristics of patients in between two groups

Variables	Delta GFR $\geq 0\%$ (Group 1) (n=1432)	Delta GFR $< 0\%$ (Group 2) (n=1187)	p value
Demographic			
Age, mean (SD), year	62.64 \pm 11.52	64.29 \pm 11.64	<0.001
Age ≥ 65	630 (44.0)	612 (51.6)	<0.001
Male sex (%)	1112 (77.7)	888 (74.8)	0.088
BMI, mean (SD), kg/m ²	24.32 \pm 3.12	24.04 \pm 3.10	0.024
Clinical symptoms			
Dyspnea	347 (24.2)	265 (22.3)	0.251
Typical chest pain	1269 (88.6)	1038 (87.4)	0.358
Cardiovascular risk factors (%)			
Hypertension	780 (54.5)	640 (53.9)	0.778
Diabetes mellitus	449 (31.4)	378 (31.8)	0.788
Dyslipidemia	187 (13.1)	166 (14.0)	0.490
Current smoking	883 (61.7)	696 (58.6)	0.115
Medical history (%)			
Myocardial infarction	83 (5.8)	61 (5.1)	0.463
Heart failure	11 (0.8)	7 (0.6)	0.588
Cerebrovascular accident	83 (5.8)	68 (5.7)	0.904
Vital sign on admission			
SBP, mean (SD), mmHg	130.14 \pm 29.66	134.30 \pm 28.36	<0.001
DBP, mean (SD), mmHg	78.06 \pm 18.48	80.67 \pm 16.53	<0.001
HR, mean (SD), beat/min	77.62 \pm 19.64	78.13 \pm 17.39	0.488
Killip class III/IV (%)	184 (12.8)	109 (9.2)	0.003
LVEF, (%)	52.40 \pm 10.26	51.94 \pm 10.83	0.275
Laboratory findings			
WBC, 10 ³ /uL	10.44 \pm 3.68	10.01 \pm 3.37	0.012
Hb, g/dL	14.02 \pm 1.95	13.92 \pm 2.01	0.198
Total cholesterol, mg/dL	181.71 \pm 42.95	181.38 \pm 46.15	0.851
Triglyceride, mg/dL	144.03 \pm 121.75	135.71 \pm 115.54	0.085
HDL-cholesterol, mg/dL	42.56 \pm 11.79	42.29 \pm 11.29	0.566
LDL-cholesterol, mg/dL	114.29 \pm 37.67	114.75 \pm 38.85	0.769
Glucose	174.11 \pm 83.23	167.45 \pm 77.05	0.038
Creatinine, mg/dL	1.20 \pm 1.15	0.96 \pm 0.75	<0.001
12-month F/U creatinine, mg/dL	1.01 \pm 0.83	1.26 \pm 1.05	<0.001
GFR, mL/min/1.73 m ²	77.81 \pm 26.32	96.51 \pm 36.25	<0.001
12-month F/U GFR, mL/min/1.73 m ²	91.03 \pm 41.42	72.89 \pm 25.83	<0.001
hs-CRP, mg/dL	1.32 \pm 3.57	1.34 \pm 3.31	0.923
Peak CK-MB, ng/mL	111.92 \pm 158.08	119.24 \pm 135.91	0.212
Peak Troponin-I, ng/mL	44.41 \pm 74.34	43.64 \pm 78.19	0.813
HbA1c, (%)	6.62 \pm 1.58	6.63 \pm 1.56	0.938
PRU	177.91 \pm 106.72	199.21 \pm 107.19	0.007
ARU	454.29 \pm 76.04	461.12 \pm 71.93	0.278

Data are expressed as No. (%) unless otherwise indicated.

ARU: aspirin reaction units, BMI: body mass index, CK: creatine kinase, DBP: diastolic blood pressure, DM: diabetes mellitus, F/U: follow up, GFR: glomerular filtration rate, HDL: high-density lipoprotein, HR: heart rate, Hb: hemoglobin, hs-CRP: high-sensitivity C-reactive protein, LDL: low-density lipoprotein, LVEF: left ventricular ejection fraction, PRU: P2Y12 reaction units, SBP: systolic blood pressure, STEMI: ST-elevation myocardial infarction, WBC: white blood cell.

moglobin (HR, 3.50; 95% CI, 2.01-6.07; $p < 0.001$), high triglyceride (HR, 0.53; 95% CI, 0.33-0.85; $p = 0.008$), low HDL cholesterol (HR, 1.76; 95% CI, 1.22-2.53; $p = 0.002$), and low LVEF (HR, 2.40; 95% CI, 1.56-3.69; $p < 0.001$) were prognostic factors for MACE.

The Cox regression unadjusted and adjusted survival analyses are shown in Table 4. In the unadjusted model, all-cause death (HR, 2.15; 95% CI, 1.33-3.48; $p = 0.002$), car-

diac death (HR, 2.03; 95% CI, 1.07-3.84; $p = 0.031$), and non-cardiac death (HR, 2.32; 95% CI, 1.12-4.82; $p = 0.023$) rates were significantly better, and better delta GFR patients had significantly greater survival and MACE rates (HR, 1.50; 95% CI, 1.09-2.07; $p = 0.013$). In the adjusted analysis, at the 3-year clinical follow-up, 68 (4.7%) patients in group I and 84 (7.1%) patients in group II (HR, 1.50; 95% CI, 1.05-2.13; $p = 0.024$) had MACE. All-cause death oc-

TABLE 2. Characteristics of coronary angiography and medication in in between two groups

Variables	Delta GFR ≥0% (Group 1) (n=1432)	Delta GFR <0% (Group 2) (n=1187)	p value
Infarct-related artery (%)			0.007
Left anterior descending	566 (39.5)	530 (44.7)	
Left circumflex	274 (19.1)	236 (19.9)	
Right coronary	592 (41.3)	421 (35.5)	
ACC/AHA B2/C lesion (%)	1246 (87.0)	1055 (88.9)	0.145
Multivessel PCI (%)	531 (37.1)	436 (36.7)	0.854
DES for IRA (%)	1415 (98.8)	1165 (98.1)	0.161
TIMI flow grade (%)			
Initial TIMI flow 0/1	787 (55.0)	649 (54.7)	0.885
Final TIMI flow 3	1400 (97.8)	1157 (97.5)	0.624
Final diagnosis			
STEMI	767 (53.6)	546 (46.0)	<0.001
Medical treatment (%)			
Aspirin	1430 (99.9)	1186 (99.9)	0.676
P2Y12 receptor inhibitor			
Clopidogrel	1076 (75.1)	874 (73.6)	0.378
Ticagrelor	379 (33.5)	330 (37.4)	0.067
Prasugrel	151 (10.5)	139 (11.7)	0.344
Statin	1364 (95.3)	1143 (96.3)	0.190
ACEI/ARB	1179 (82.3)	990 (83.4)	0.469
Beta-blocker	1253 (87.5)	1044 (88.0)	0.725
Calcium channel blocker	105 (7.3)	78 (6.6)	0.447

Data are expressed as No. (%) unless otherwise indicated.

ACC: American College of Cardiology, AHA: American Heart Association, ACEI: angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor, ARB: angiotensin II receptor blocker, DES: dual eluting stent, GFR: glomerular filtration rate, IRA: infarct-related artery, PCI: percutaneous coronary intervention, STEMI: ST-elevation myocardial infarction, TIMI: thrombolysis in myocardial infarction.

occurred in 26 (1.8%) patients in group 1 and 46 (3.9%) patients in group II (HR, 2.21; 95% CI, 1.29-3.80; $p=0.004$). Cardiac death occurred in 15 (1.0%) patients in group I and 25 (2.1%) patients in group II (HR, 2.01; 95% CI, 1.01-3.99; $p=0.046$). Non-cardiac death occurred in 11 (0.8%) patients in group I and 21 (1.8%) patients in group II (HR, 2.90; 95% CI, 1.16-7.27; $p=0.023$). Recurrent MI, repeat PCI and CABG did not differ significantly between groups I and II. In the Kaplan-Meier curves showed that the cumulative rate of MACEs and group I was lower than in the group II (4.7% vs. 7.1%, log-rank, $p=0.012$). Furthermore, the cumulative rate of all cause death and cardiac death and non-cardiac death found in group I was also lower than in the group II (1.8% vs. 3.9%, log-rank, $p=0.001$ and 0.8% vs. 1.8%, log-rank, $p=0.020$ and 1.0% vs. 2.1%, log-rank, $p=0.027$; respectively) (Fig. 2).

In the Cox regression multivariate analysis of the risk factors for a 1-year GFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m² (Table 5), age over 65 years (HR, 2.43; 95% CI, 1.82-3.25; $p<0.001$), male sex (HR, 0.69; 95% CI, 1.26-2.23; $p=0.011$), hypertension (HR, 1.69; 95% CI, 1.26-2.23; $p<0.001$), diabetes mellitus (HR, 1.57; 95% CI, 1.19-2.08; $p=0.002$), high Killip grade

(III/IV) (HR, 1.54; 95% CI, 1.09-2.18; $p=0.015$), low hemoglobin (HR, 2.45; 95% CI, 1.71-3.50; $p<0.001$), low LVEF (HR, 1.41; 95% CI, 1.04-1.92; $p=0.028$), and slow TIMI flow (0/1) (HR, 0.74; 95% CI, 0.58-0.94; $p=0.013$) were risk factors for a low GFR (60 mL/min/1.73 m²) after 1 year.

4. Renal function results by PCI strategy

The renal function characteristics in multivessel versus IRA-only PCI are shown in Table 6. The creatinine, 1-year creatinine, GFR, and 1-year GFR values were similar between the two groups. Regarding a low GFR (<60 mL/min/1.73 m²), 175 patients in the multivessel PCI group (18.1%) and 305 patients in the IRA-only PCI group (18.5%) had similar results ($p=0.816$). A low GFR (<60 mL/min/1.73 m²) was seen in 186 patients in the multivessel PCI group (19.2%) and 318 patients in the IRA-only PCI group (19.2%) at 1 year ($p=0.993$). The proportion of patients with a GFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m² increased by 0.9% in the multivessel PCI group and 0.7% in the IRA-only PCI group at 1 year. And last in the delta GFR, 67 patients in the multivessel PCI group (36.0%) and 104 patients in the IRA-only PCI group (32.7%) had similar results ($p=0.448$).

DISCUSSION

Here we found that better delta GFR patients in AMI with MVD who underwent successful PCI had a lower incidence of MACE than the worse delta GFR patients in terms of 3-year outcomes in the KAMIR-NIH prospective multicenter cohort study registry. The proportion of patients with a low GFR (60 mL/min/1.73 m²) was increased by 0.9% in the multivessel PCI group and 0.7% in the IRA-only PCI group at 1 year. In other words, the risk factors for the lower GFR (60 mL/min/1.73 m²) at 1 year included age over 65 years, male sex, hypertension, diabetes mellitus, high Killip class (III/IV), low hemoglobin, low LVEF, and TIMI flow 0/1.

As an important indicator for the diagnosis of CKD, GFR is considered a major factor in heart failure and AMI outcome events.¹⁰ Approximately one-third of our patients had an estimated GFR suggestive of CKD, an incidence higher than that reported in previous cardiovascular trials.^{11,12} The results of the Valiant study found that the mortality rate of AMI patients gradually increased during 3-year long-term follow-up of GFR decline.¹³ The Global Registry of Acute Coronary Events study demonstrated that moderate renal insufficiency is an important independent predictor of hospital mortality and major bleeding episodes in patients admitted with any ACS diagnosis.¹⁴ GFR plays an important prognostic role in ACS patients,^{15,16} and creatinine has become the primary means of calculating GFR in most studies due to the MDRD study equation. It was seen in our study that patients with a decrease in GFR within 1 year had significantly more cardiac events than patients with an elevated GFR; this conclusion was similar to those of the above studies. Regardless of whether there was kidney failure or a low GFR before the AMI, the GFR

TABLE 3. Univariate and multivariate analysis for predictors of MACE

	Univariate analysis		Multivariate analysis	
	HR (95% CL)	p values	HR (95% CL)	p values
Delta GFR <0%	1.50 (1.09-2.07)	0.013	1.50 (1.05-2.13)	0.024
Age ≥ 65 years	2.86 (2.01-4.06)	<0.001	2.20 (1.46-3.31)	<0.001
Men	0.86 (0.60-1.24)	0.429	None	
Hypertension	1.83 (1.30-2.56)	0.001	1.27 (0.87-1.86)	0.222
Diabetes mellitus	1.72 (1.25-2.37)	0.001	1.13 (0.77-1.64)	0.534
Dyslipidemia	0.75 (0.45-1.27)	0.285	None	
SBP <90, mmHg	1.45 (0.74-2.86)	0.279	None	
Heart rate >100, beat/min	2.18 (1.47-3.22)	<0.001	1.45 (0.93-2.26)	0.105
BMI ≥ 25, kg/m ²	0.74 (0.52-1.05)	0.087	None	
Killip III/IV	2.62 (1.80-3.81)	<0.001	1.25 (0.78-2.00)	0.346
History MI	2.28 (1.38-3.77)	0.001	2.07 (1.21-3.55)	0.008
History angina	2.22 (1.42-3.49)	0.001	1.14 (0.67-1.94)	0.624
Dyspnea	1.53 (1.08-2.15)	0.016	0.85 (0.56-1.28)	0.425
Typical chest pain	0.51 (0.34-0.76)	0.001	0.75 (0.48-1.18)	0.221
Smoking	0.71 (0.52-0.98)	0.037	1.04 (0.71-1.52)	0.836
Hb <10, g/dL	5.29 (3.37-8.32)	<0.001	3.50 (2.01-6.07)	<0.001
Triglyceride ≥ 150, mg/dL	0.55 (0.37-0.83)	0.005	0.53 (0.33-0.85)	0.008
HDL-cholesterol ≤ 40, mg/dL	1.73 (1.24-2.40)	0.001	1.76 (1.22-2.53)	0.002
LDL-cholesterol ≥ 70, mg/dL	0.47 (0.31-0.70)	<0.001	0.74 (0.48-1.15)	0.183
HbA1c >6.5%	0.92 (0.61-1.37)	0.683	None	
LVEF <40%	3.34 (2.33-4.79)	<0.001	2.40 (1.56-3.69)	<0.001
ACC/AHA B2/C lesion	0.97 (0.60-1.57)	0.904	None	
Initial TIMI flow 0/1	0.79 (0.58-1.09)	0.146	None	
DES implantation	0.44 (0.18-1.06)	0.067	None	
Multivessel PCI	0.72 (0.51-1.02)	0.063	None	

ACC: American College of Cardiology, AHA: American Heart Association, BMI: body mass index, CL: confidence interval, DES: dual eluting stent, GFR: glomerular filtration rate, HR: hazard ratios, Hb: hemoglobin, HDL: high-density lipoprotein, LDL: low-density lipoprotein, LVEF: left ventricular ejection fraction, MI: myocardial infarction, PCI: percutaneous coronary intervention, SBP: systolic blood pressure, TIMI: thrombolysis in myocardial infarction.

TABLE 4. Unadjusted and adjusted clinical outcomes at 3 years between two groups

Variables	Delta GFR ≥0% (Group 1) (n=1432)	Delta GFR <0% (Group 2) (n=1187)	Unadjusted HR (95% CL)	p value	Adjusted HR (95% CL)	p value
Clinical outcomes (%)						
All-cause death	26 (1.8)	46 (3.9)	2.15 (1.33-3.48)	0.002	2.21 (1.29-3.80)	0.004
Cardiac death	15 (1.0)	25 (2.1)	2.03 (1.07-3.84)	0.031	2.01 (1.01-3.99)	0.046
Non cardiac death	11 (0.8)	21 (1.8)	2.32 (1.12-4.82)	0.023	2.90 (1.16-7.27)	0.023
Recurrent MI	7 (0.5)	9 (0.8)	1.56 (0.58-4.18)	0.380	1.33 (0.42-4.22)	0.630
Repeat PCI	40 (2.8)	40 (3.4)	1.21 (0.78-1.88)	0.387	1.22 (0.75-1.98)	0.426
TLR	11 (0.8)	11 (0.9)	1.21 (0.52-2.79)	0.656	1.17 (0.43-3.18)	0.754
TVR	10 (0.7)	10 (0.8)	1.22 (0.51-2.93)	0.659	1.62 (0.62-4.23)	0.322
CABG	4 (0.3)	2 (0.2)	0.61 (0.11-3.31)	0.564	0.48 (0.05-4.82)	0.530
MACE	68 (4.7)	84 (7.1)	1.50 (1.09-2.07)	0.013	1.50 (1.05-2.13)	0.024

Data are expressed as No. (%) unless otherwise indicated.

CVA: cerebrovascular accident, CL: confidence interval, CABG: coronary artery bypass graft, GFR: glomerular filtration rate, HR: hazard ratios, MI: myocardial infarction, MACE: major adverse cardiac events, PCI: percutaneous coronary intervention, TLR: target lesion revascularization, TVR: target vessel revascularization.

was no longer degraded within 1 year and the long-term clinical outcomes and mortality rates were better than those of patients with a degraded GFR (Fig. 2).

Multivessel PCI patients and IRA-only patients had

similar results in terms of the 1-year creatinine and GFR-related outcomes (increase by 0.9% and 0.7%, respectively), indicating that the PCI method chosen is not related to changes in GFR. Alsadat et al.¹⁷ showed similar outcomes

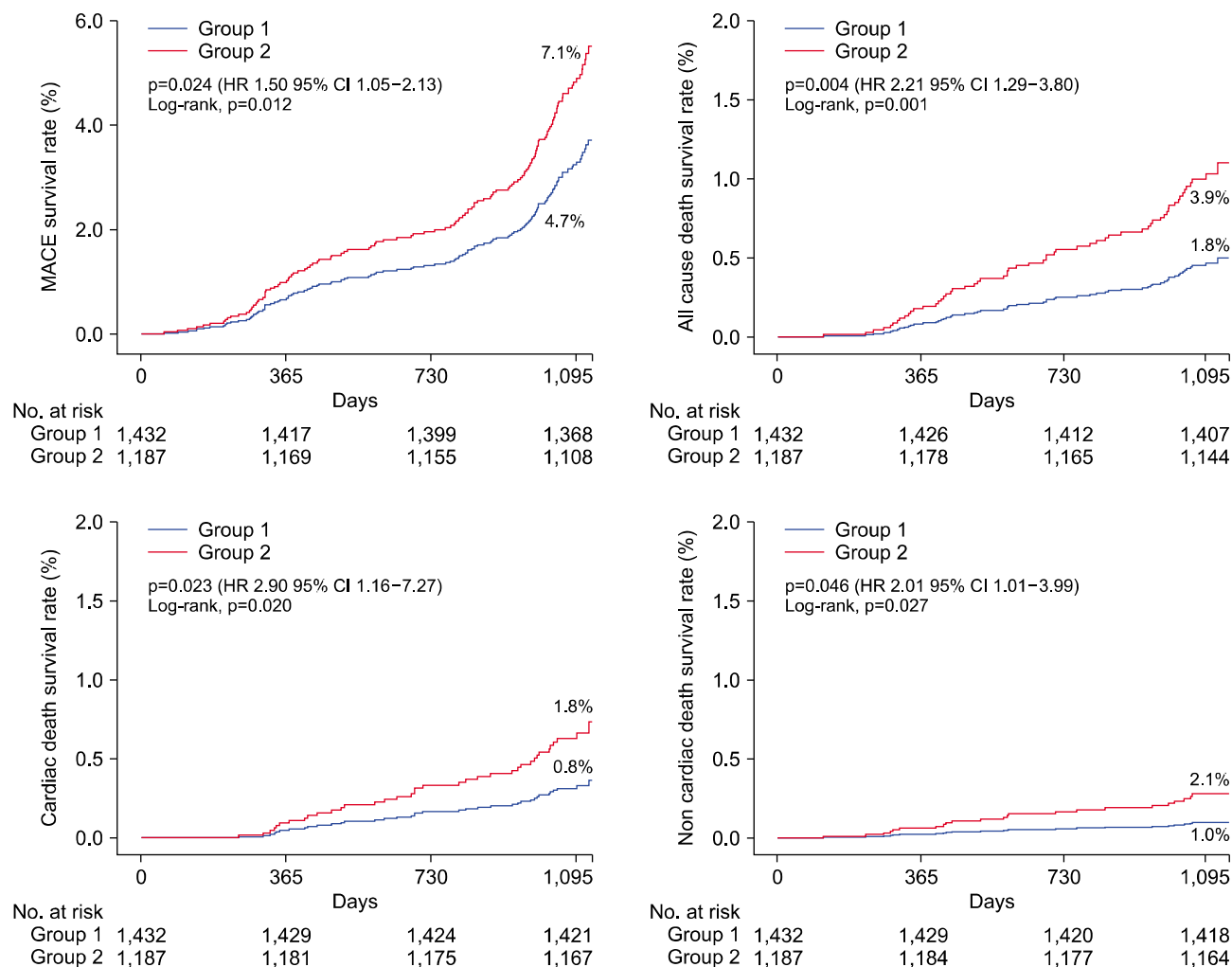


FIG. 2. Adjusted cumulative incidences of MACE, all-cause death, cardiac death and non-cardiac death in Kaplan-Meier analysis. MACE: major adverse cardiac events, CI: confidence interval, HR: hazard ratios.

TABLE 5. Multivariate analysis for predictors of after 1-year in patients with GFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m²

	Multivariate analysis	
	HR (95% CL)	p values
Age ≥ 65 years	2.43 (1.82-3.25)	<0.001
Men	0.67 (0.50-0.91)	0.011
Hypertension	1.69 (1.26-2.23)	<0.001
Diabetes mellitus	1.57 (1.19-2.08)	0.002
Killip III/IV	1.54 (1.09-2.18)	0.015
Hb <10 g/dL	2.45 (1.71-3.50)	<0.001
LVEF <40%	1.41 (1.04-1.92)	0.028
Initial TIMI flow 0/1	0.74 (0.58-0.94)	0.013

CL: confidence interval, GFR: glomerular filtration rate, HR: hazard ratios, Hb: hemoglobin, LVEF: left ventricular ejection fraction, TIMI: thrombolysis in myocardial infarction.

TABLE 6. Renal function laboratory characteristics of patients according to PCI strategies

Variables	Multivessel PCI (n=967)	IRA-only PCI (n=1652)	p value
Renal function laboratory			
Creatinine, mg/dL	1.09±1.05	1.09±0.96	0.984
12 month F/U creatinine, mg/dL	1.11±0.98	1.13±0.92	0.711
GFR, mL/min/1.73 m ²	87.17±33.33	85.77±32.11	0.288
12 month F/U GFR, mL/min/1.73 m ²	81.98±27.87	83.29±40.50	0.372
GFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m ² , (%)	175 (18.1)	305 (18.5)	0.816
12 month F/U GFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m ² , (%)	186 (19.2)	318 (19.2)	0.993
Delta GFR ≥0%	67 (36.0)	104 (32.7)	0.448

Data are expressed as No. (%) unless otherwise indicated. F/U: follow-up, GFR: glomerular filtration rate, IRA: infarct related artery, PCI: percutaneous coronary interventions.

for multivessel PCI and IRA-only PCI in terms of CKD ($p=0.56$). In the KAMIR-NIH data, creatinine levels were not statistically significantly different between the multivessel PCI group and the IRA-only PCI group.¹⁸ Our understanding of this area is still relatively lacking, and more studies are needed. In short, in our results, the two PCI methods in MVD patients have no effect on GFR prognosis.

The risk factors for a GFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m² in AMI with MVD patients after 1 year were age over 65 years, male sex, hypertension, diabetes mellitus, high Killip class, low hemoglobin, low LVEF, and slow TIMI flow. In the Choices for Healthy Outcomes in Caring for ESRD (CHOICE) study, a large percentage of incident dialysis patients had traditional risk factors for cardiovascular disease, including age, hypertension, diabetes mellitus, and low LVEF.¹⁹ Therefore, patients with chronic renal failure as well as those with end-stage renal disease are at higher risk for and have worse outcomes after AMI.^{13,16,20} These results are similar to ours except for male sex, Killip class, and TIMI flow. Moreover, smoking is associated with a markedly increased risk of cardiovascular diseases in CKD patients,²¹ but this factor was not assessed in this study.

Although delta GFR is not a commonly used indicator in the clinical setting, it can elucidate the trends in renal function. However, because creatinine level is a commonly used indicator, the delta GFR value can be calculated easily. Moreover, data regarding delta GFR in patients with AMI and MVD can help ascertain and develop more treatment options and methods to manage their conditions. This, in turn, can significantly reduce the mortality and cardiovascular event rates in this patient population. Conversely, this will place a great burden on the kidneys,²² and thus, the amount of contrast used during coronary angiography should be reduced. At the same time, attention must be paid to the patient's age, sex, blood pressure, and glucose and hemoglobin levels, which are risk factors for a low GFR.

There are several limitations to this study. First, it considered only patients with AMI and MVD using the outcomes of revascularization performed by a variety of cardiologists in major PCI centers in Korea. Second, the baseline creatinine level was only ascertained at arrival. However, this level is unstable, especially in AMI patients. It is uncertain whether the previous creatinine level is an indicator of chronic kidney injury or if acute kidney injury was caused by hemodynamic changes after AMI. The same current creatinine index is that after 1 year, and it was unclear whether the patients were cured of the kidney injury. Furthermore, creatinine or eGFR levels baseline should be equal and then delta GFR should be analyzed for cardiac outcomes after PCI. Third, we selected a very limited number of patients with MVD who underwent PCI. Thus, the results are not generalizable to all AMI patients, such as single-vessel disease patients. Fourth, we didn't exclude cardiac shock, CKD stage >2 , or very old age patients. Finally, our database is at least 5 years old; thus, we need more recent and longer or real-time data to increase the strength of our findings.

In summary, the outcomes were better in the 3-year clinical follow-up analysis of better delta GFR patients with AMI and MVD who underwent PCI than in patients with a worse delta GFR. Delta GFR is an independent risk factor for MACE outcomes. Clinically, we should be more vigilant and closely observe the changes in AMI and MVD patients to monitor their renal function regardless of the PCI method used.

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