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Limitations of this study have been pointed out by the authors. These are important data that need confirmation.

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The authors analysed the potential prognosis of heart rate variability (HRV) in patients treated with primary PCI. The authors analysed HRV in 208 STEMI and in 118 NSTEMI. Depressed HRV was present in 16% and 4% of STEMI and NSTEMI patients respectively. However, presence of depressed HRV and other parameters did not correlate with outcomes. Thus as a result, traditional HRV parameters had no prognostic significance in immediate reperfusion era. Main comments: - It is interesting to see that despite having similar prevalence of reduced HRV parameters as in historical cohorts, prognostic influence disappeared in this cohort. If this is true, immediate reperfusion has been able to improve prognosis despite not being able to reduce HRV abnormalities. Please elaborate on that. - The study also involves patients with NSTEMI. The title refers to patients treated with primary PCI (STEMI). Please change the title according to the type of patients included. - The finding of higher mortality in NSTEMI is interesting. Baseline characteristics of both groups are rather distinct (being worse in the NSTEMI cohort) that surely explained this difference in outcomes. Please indicate mean EF and % of patients with EF < 40% in each group. - Minor issue: Discussion is too long.



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