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Effect of Early Administration of Beta Blockers in patients with STEMI before primary PCI: The EARLY-BAMI trial

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Background

- Early diagnosis and reperfusion therapy has improved outcome of STEMI
- Additional interventions early after onset of ischemia might further improve outcome
- Infarct size is a main determinant of long term morbidity and mortality



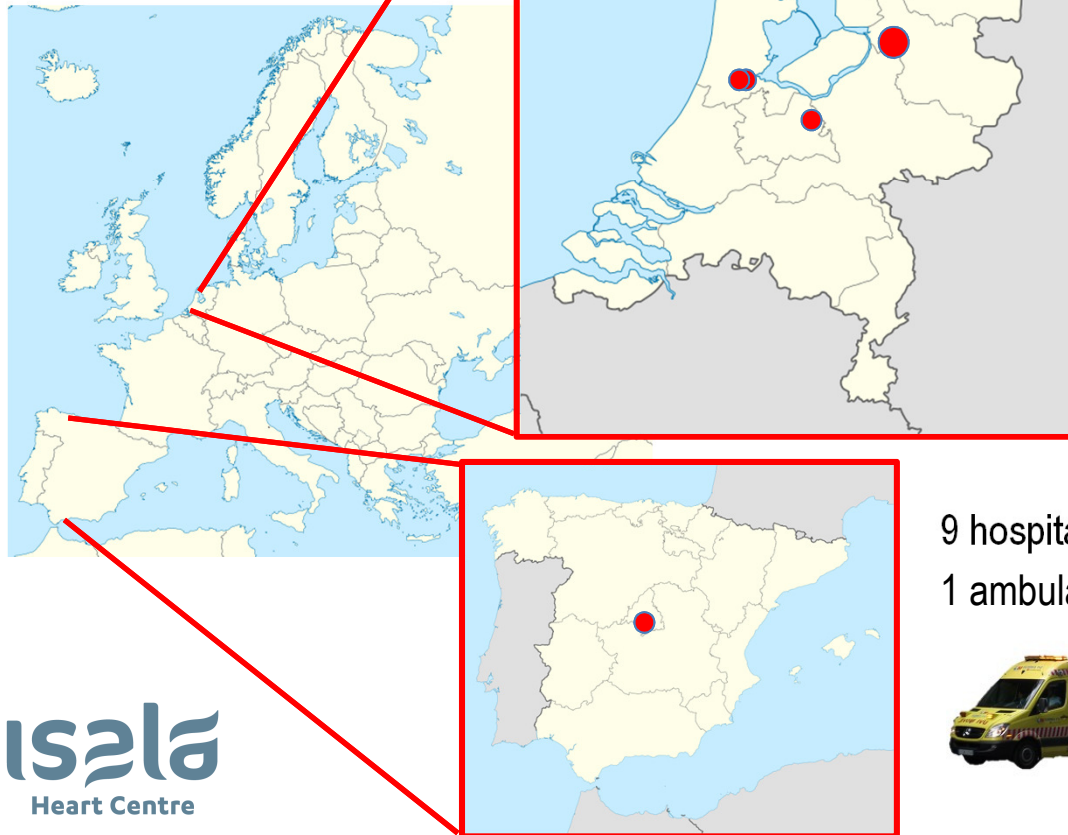
Background

- The effect of early i.v. Beta-blockers on infarct size is unclear:
 - Few randomized trials in the thrombolytic era
 - Only one randomized trial (METOCARD-CNIC* trial) in the primary PCI era (only anterior location, not-placebo controlled)



Study aim

- Effects of early Beta-blockers (pre primary PCI) on infarct size in patients with STEMI
- All infarct locations
- Double blind, placebo-controlled



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Methods



5 hospitals in the Netherlands
3 ambulance services

9 hospitals in Madrid, Spain
1 ambulance service



Fuente: SUMMA



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STEMI (any location)

Study Design

Inclusion criteria:

- >18 Years old
- <12 h of symptom onset
- ECG: >2 mm ST-elevation or new LBBB

Exclusion criteria:

- BP < 100 mmHg
- HR < 60 bpm
- Type II or III AV block
- Killip klass III or IV
- Prior MI
- ICD or pacemaker (no MRI possible)
- Pregnant or breastfeeding



Metoprolol i.v.

2 x 5 mg

pPCI

MRI (one month)

Placebo i.v.

2 x 5mg

pPCI

MRI (one month)



Study Design

- First bolus in ambulance, 2nd bolus in PCI hospital, before PCI
- Thrombus aspiration, glycoprotein IIb-IIIa inhibitors, at discretion operator, stenting with a 2nd generation DES
- All patients planned to receive oral metoprolol < 12 hours after PCI, according current guidelines
- Initially, enzymatic infarct size primary endpoint. Change in primary outcome was made: 1) reduce sample size
2) more precise measurement of infarct size by MRI



Study Design

- **Primary endpoint:**
 - Myocardial infarct size measured by MRI at one month, blinded for study medication
- **Secondary endpoint:**
 - Enzymatic infarct size (peak CK, area under CK curve, peak troponin)
- **Safety endpoint**
 - Ventricular arrhythmias, bradycardia, cardiogenic shock, MACE
- **Prespecified subgroups:**
 - Anterior infarction
 - Early presentation (<6 h of symptom onset)
 - Occluded vessel at pPCI (TIMI 0/1 flow)



- No MRI**
- 44 Inclusion before amendment
 - 1 CABG
 - 25 Claustrophobia
 - 11 Comorbidity
 - 3 Distance
 - 1 ICD
 - 9 No infarction criteria (enzymes)
 - 4 Previous MI
 - 14 No written informed consent
 - 15 Out of window
 - 8 Died
 - 17 Refused
 - 7 Unable to plan appointment
 - 8 Other

**Included
N=684**

1 patient randomization
unknown

**Metoprolol
N=336**

**Placebo
N=347**

**Underwent cardiac MRI
N=169**

**Underwent cardiac MRI
N=173**

**MRI analyzed
N=162
Excluded (n = 7)**

- 3 Acquisition problem
- 4 No infarction criteria (enzymes)

**MRI Analyzed
N=169
Excluded (n = 4)**

- 1 Previous MI
- 2 Acquisition problem
- 1 No infarction criteria (enzymes)

- No MRI**
- 47 Inclusion before amendment
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Baseline characteristics

Characteristic	Metoprolol (N=336)	Placebo (N=347)
Mean Age (years) \pm SD	62.39 \pm 12.42	62.46 \pm 12.58
Female gender (%)	25.0	25.4
Mean length (cm) \pm SD	174.3 \pm 10.2	175.2 \pm 9.6
Mean weight (kg) \pm SD	82.8 \pm 16.4	84.7 \pm 16.0
Mean BMI \pm SD	27.1 \pm 4.5	27.4 \pm 4.1
Diabetes (%)	14.3	17.9
Previous hypertension (%)	40.3	38.7
Beta blocker as home medication (%)	18.1	19.5
Anterior location (%)	49.4	52.2
First medical contact (%)		
Referring hospital	5.7	4.6
PCI center	2.4	3.5
Ambulance	91.9	91.9
Time (minutes) from symptom onset till first medical contact		
Mean \pm SD	135.5 \pm 231.9	147.9 \pm 212.5
Early presenters (% within 6 hours)	93.8	89.4
Time (minutes) from symptom onset till reperfusion		
Mean \pm SD	195.5 \pm 262.5	201.6 \pm 262.1
Hemodynamics at randomisation		
Mean Systolic BP (mm Hg) \pm SD	147.5 \pm 24.7	146.7 \pm 25.0
Mean Diastolic BP (mm Hg) \pm SD	89.9 \pm 15.5	90.5 \pm 17.0
Mean Heart Rate (beats/min) \pm SD	78.6 \pm 15.2	80.5 \pm 15.7



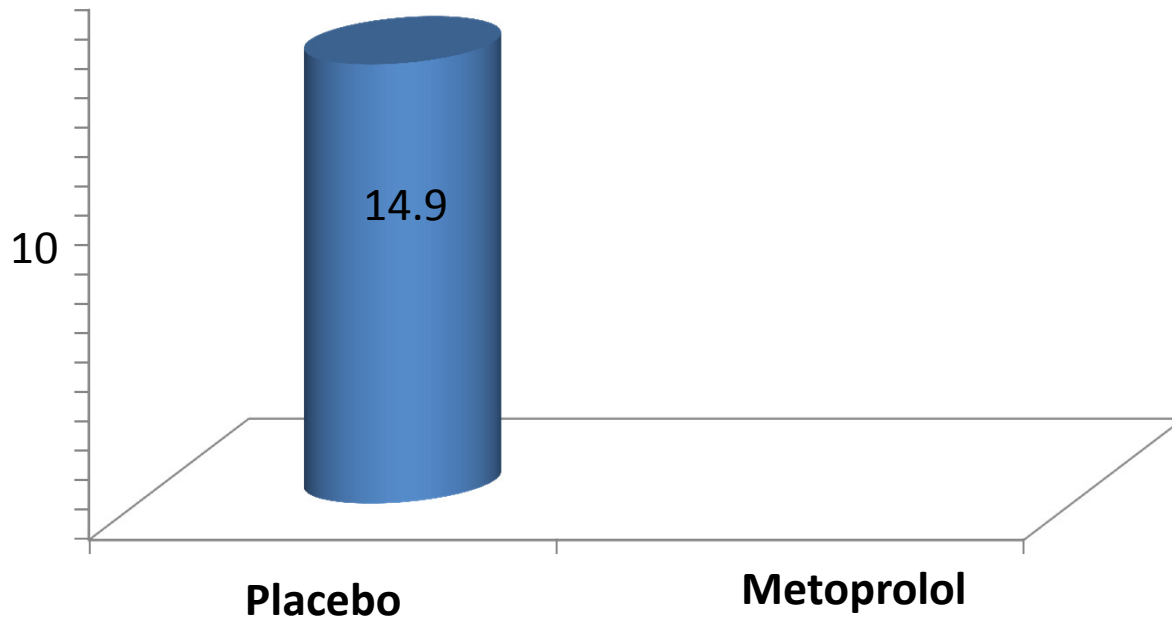
Safety endpoint

Outcome	Metoprolol (N=336)	Placebo (N=347)	P-value
Severe bradycardia (%)	1.5	0.6	0.279
Severe hypotension (%)	2.9	5.5	0.102
Cardiogenic shock (%)	0.6%	0.3	0.618
Malignant ventricular arrhythmias (%)	3.6	6.9	0.050



Primary endpoint

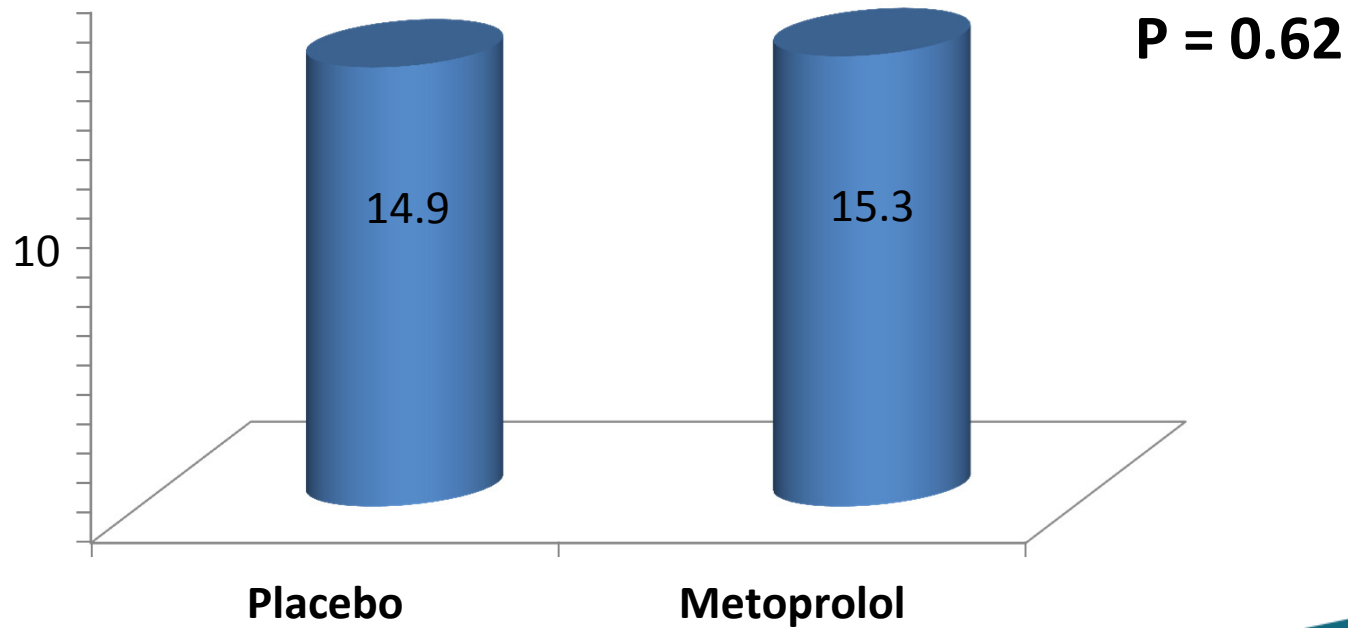
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Primary endpoint

Delayed enhancement-Infarct (% of LV)



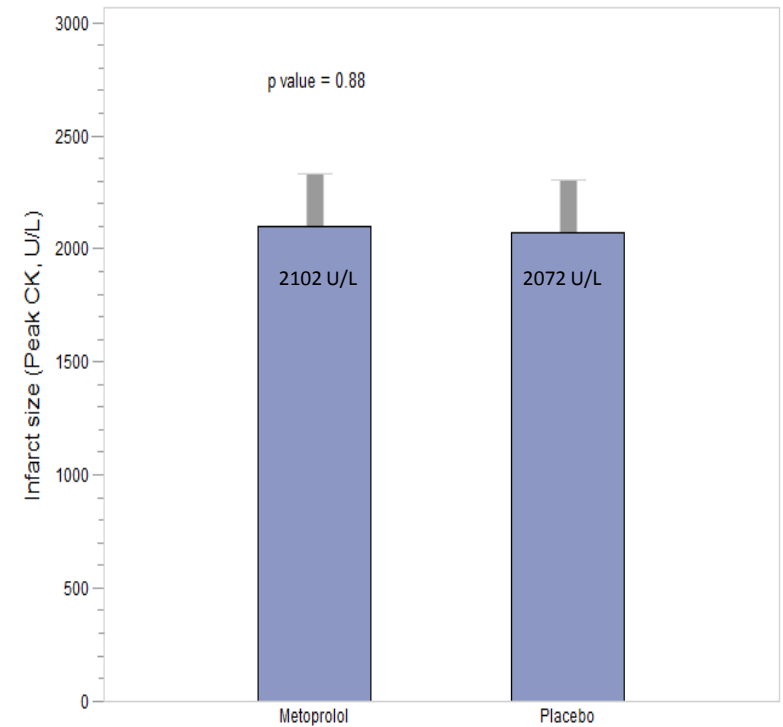
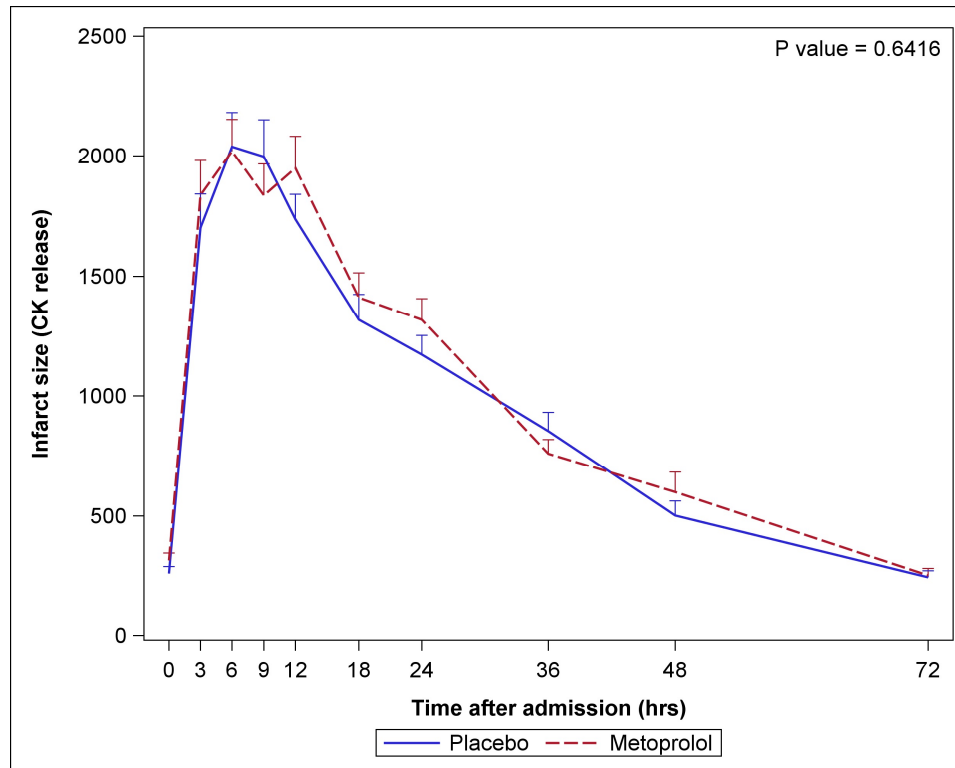


MRI results

MRI Measurement	Metoprolol (N=162)	Placebo (N=169)	P-value
Delayed enhancement-Infarct (% of LV)			
Mean \pm SD	15.3 \pm 11.0	14.9 \pm 11.5	0.62
Median (IQR)	13.4 (6.4-21.3)	13.3 (5.6-21.3)	
LVEF (%)			
Mean \pm SD	51.0 \pm 10.9	51.7 \pm 10.8	0.68
Median (IQR)	53.0 (44.1-59.3)	53.7 (45.3-58.9)	
LVEDV (ml)			
Mean \pm SD	183.9 \pm 52.4	184.2 \pm 40.1	0.398
Median (IQR)	177.9 (149.1-209.1)	181.8 (157.5-212.0)	
LVESV (ml)			
Mean \pm SD	93.3 \pm 46.1	90.5 \pm 32.9	0.65
Median (IQR)	82.7 (64.0-108.7)	86.3 (65.8-106.1)	
LV mass (g) from function			
Mean \pm SD	96.4 \pm 25.2	96.5 \pm 23.1	0.89
Median (IQR)	96.4 (77.2-110.7)	94.6 (80.6-110.1)	
LV mass (g) from delayed enhancement			
Mean \pm SD	104.6 \pm 29.4	103.1 \pm 25.7	0.78
Median (IQR)	100.6 (85.1-122.5)	101.3 (84.1-119.0)	

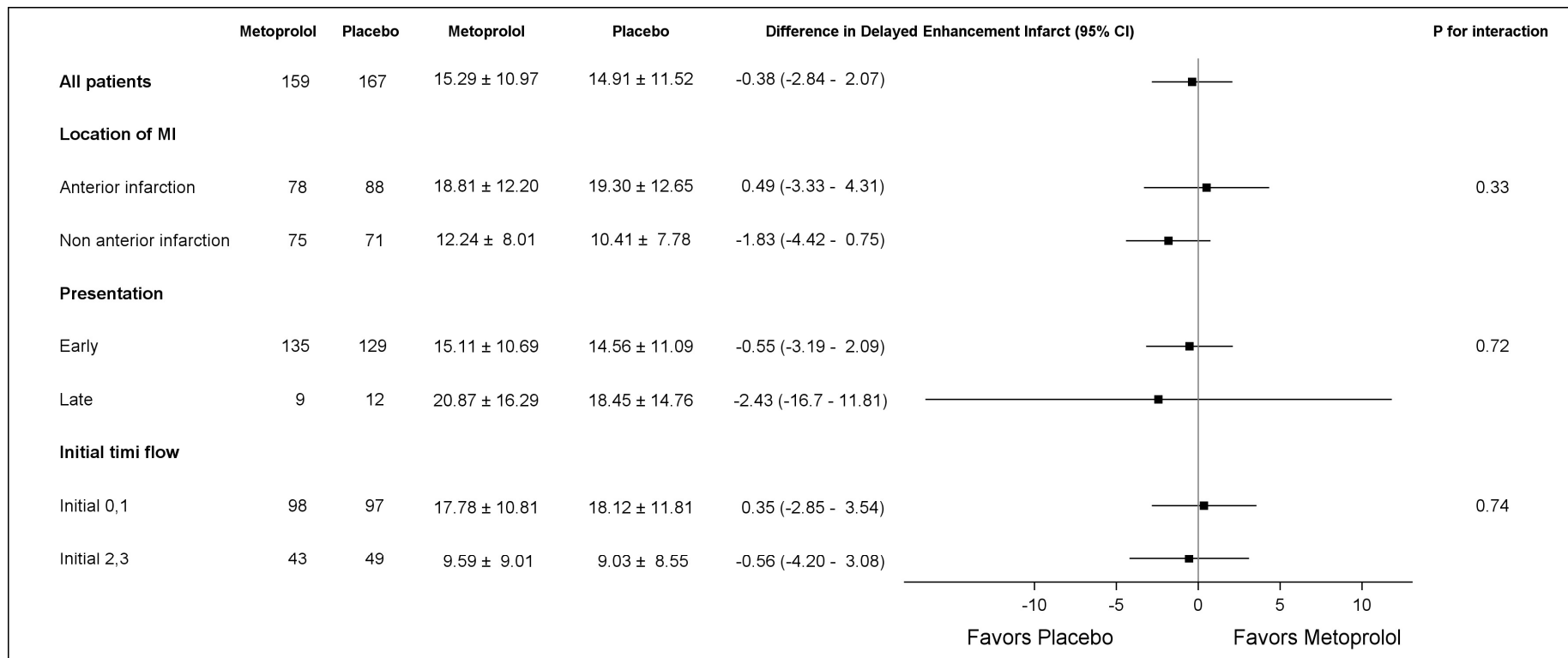


Results: enzymatic infarct size





Results: prespecified subgroups





Adverse cardiac events at 30 days

Outcome	Metoprolol (N=336)	Placebo (N=347)	P-value
All MACE (%)	6.2	6.9	0.721
Cardiac mortality (%)	2.3	2.2	0.942
Recurrent MI (%)	1.0	0.6	0.681
Target Vessel Revascularization (%)	3.9	4.7	0.625



Discussion

- Our results do not confirm the effect observed in the METOCARD-CNIC trial



Discussion

METOCARD-CNIC:

- Only anterior infarctions, which resulted in larger infarct size (21.2% vs 15.3% in our study)
- Higher dose of metoprolol: 15 mg vs 10 mg in our trial
- Excluded long term beta-blocker treatment before admission vs 19% in our study
- Time beta-blocker treatment till primary PCI longer than in our study: recent analyses suggest more effects with increase of time*



Conclusion (1)

- In a non-restricted STEMI population, early intravenous metoprolol before pPCI, was not associated with a reduction in infarct size
- Metoprolol reduced the incidence of malignant arrhythmias in the acute phase and was not associated with an increase in adverse events



Conclusion (2)

- Concerning conflicting results with METOCARD-CNIC, more large randomized trials are needed to clarify whether early beta-blocker treatment has any effect in STEMI treated by pPCI
- Safety profile, low cost, and the reduction of acute malignant arrhythmias, encourage the performance of additional larger trials



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