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Potential use of cardiac biomarkers in cardio-oncology



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start of chemotherapy

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Individual predisposition: Genetics?

- CV factors control
- Limit AC dose
- AC continuous infusion
- AC analogues
- Liposomial AC
- Dexrazoxane
- Beta-blockers
- RAS inhibitors
- Statins

Primary prevention

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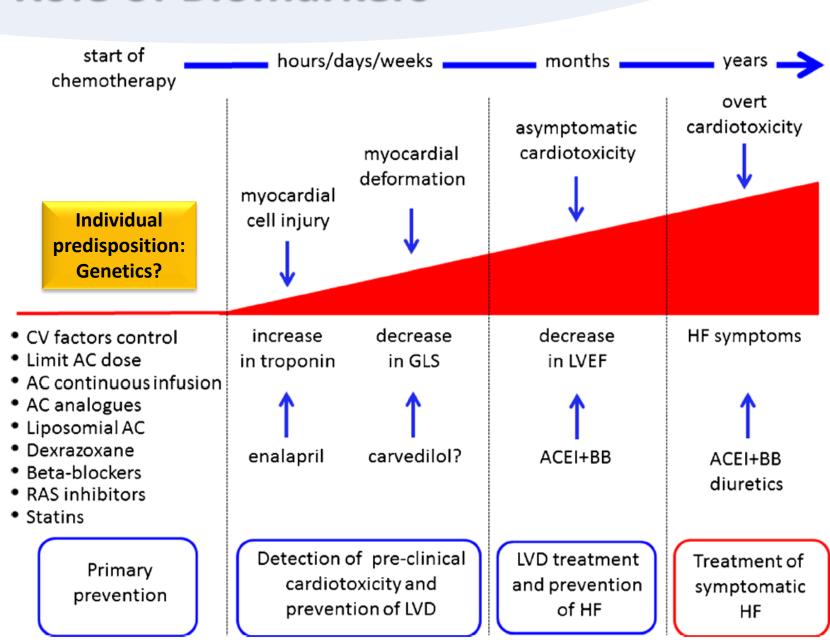
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Biomarkers

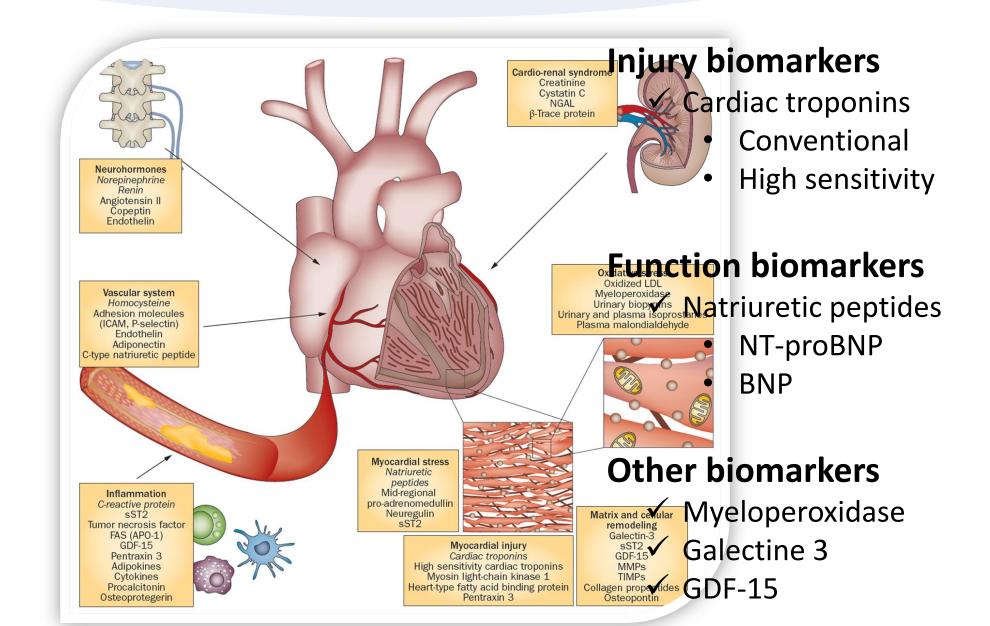
WHO definition

Any substance, structure, or process that can be measured in the body (or its products) that influences or predicts the incidence or outcome of disease \rightarrow can include physiologic tests, clinical images, genetic variants, and biopsies of tissue specimens

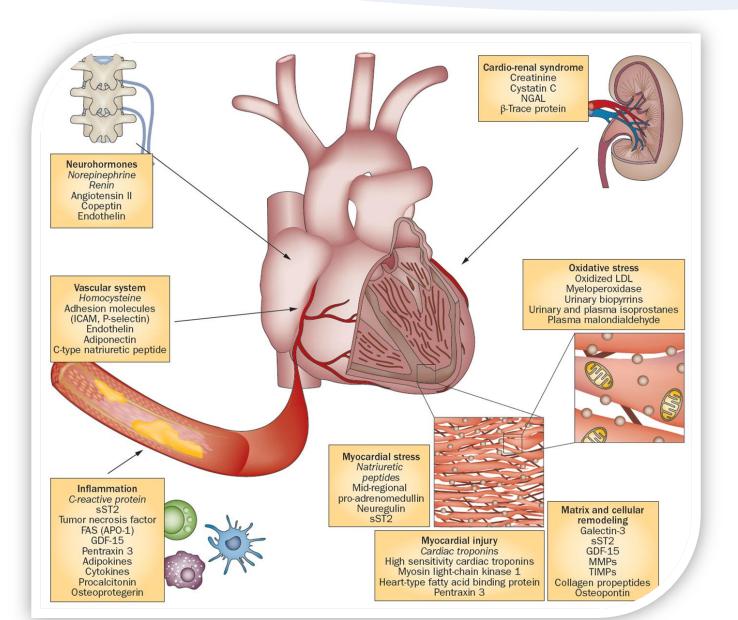
Ideal biomarker in blood samples

- Sensitivity (baseline close to zero; rapid rise when illness)
- Specificity (exclusivity of a disease; rise in accordance to injury severity)
- Easy to measure (analytics and preanalytics)
- 24h available with short TAT
- Low individuality index
- Low biological variation
- Good balance cost / efectivity

Cardiac biomarkers and cardiotoxicity



Cardiac biomarkers and cardiotoxicity



Injury biomarkers

- ✓ Cardiac troponins
 - Conventional
 - High sensitivity

Function biomarkers

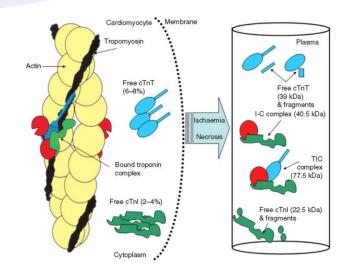
- ✓ Natriuretic peptides
 - NT-proBNP
 - BNP

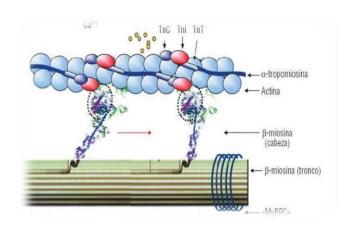
Other biomarkers

- √ Myeloperoxidase
- ✓ Galectine 3
- ✓ GDF-15

Troponina cardiaca

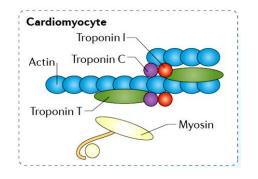
- Complejo troponina:
 - transmisión señal intracelular del Ca2+
 - interacción actina-miosina
- Presente en músculo estriado y cardiaco (no en liso)
- Hay isoformas específicas de músculo cardiaco (genes distintos)
- Un 7% TnT y 4% TnI disuelto citoplasma miocardiocito → liberación bifásica
- Rápida liberación
- cTnI libera 4-6h del daño → 7-10 días





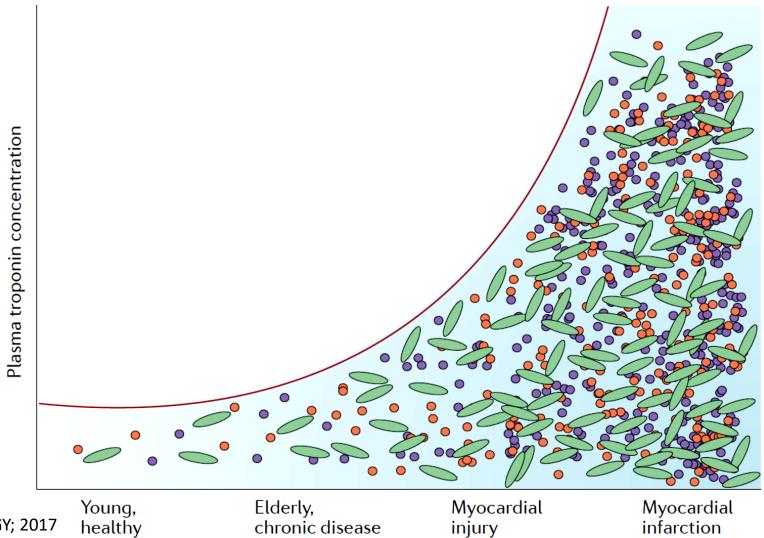
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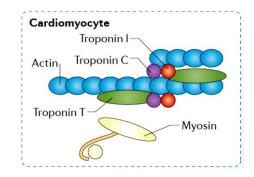
- Conventional
- Improved sensitivity
- High sensitivity troponin
- New high sensitivity troponin



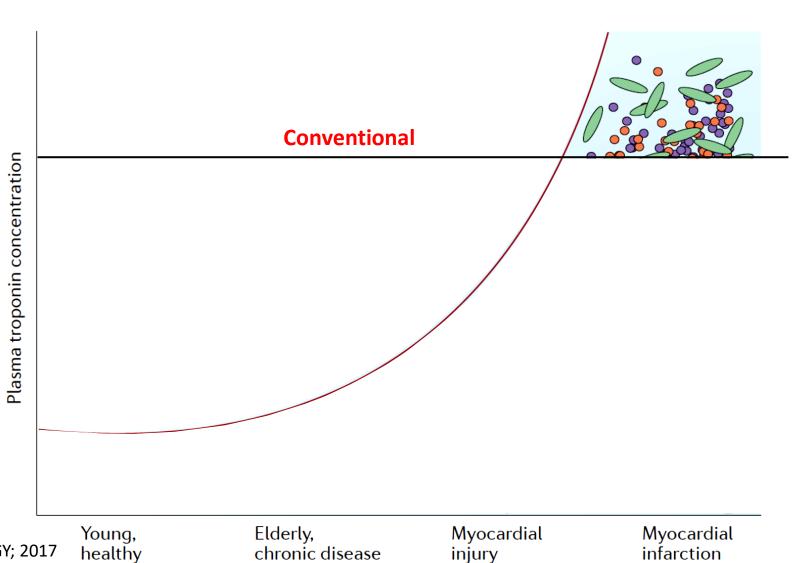


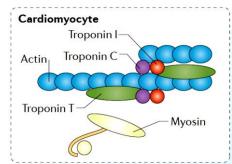
High sensitivity troponin





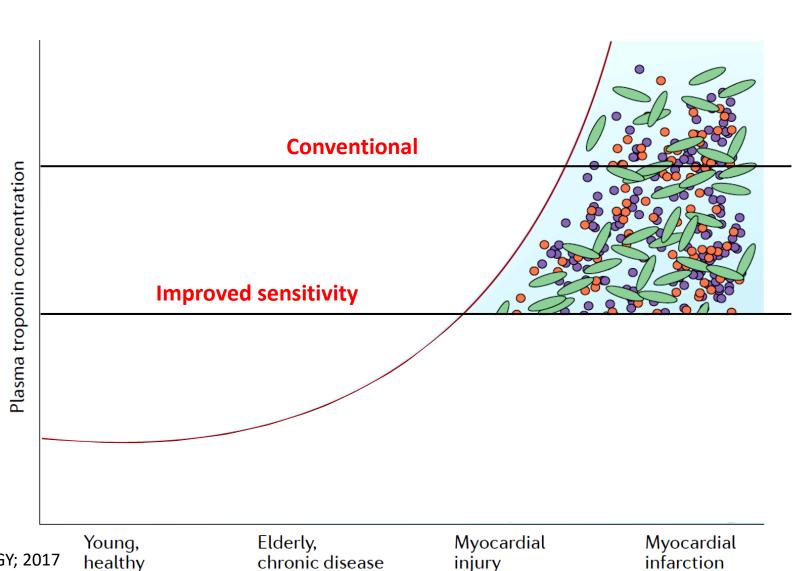
Conventional troponin

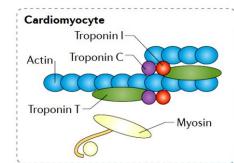




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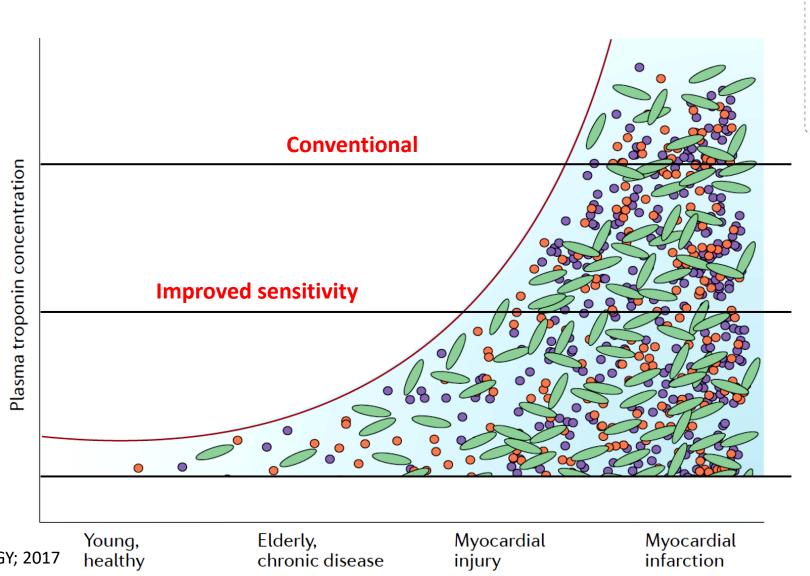
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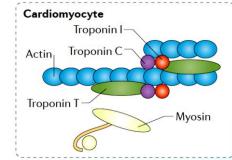




infarction

High sensitivity troponin

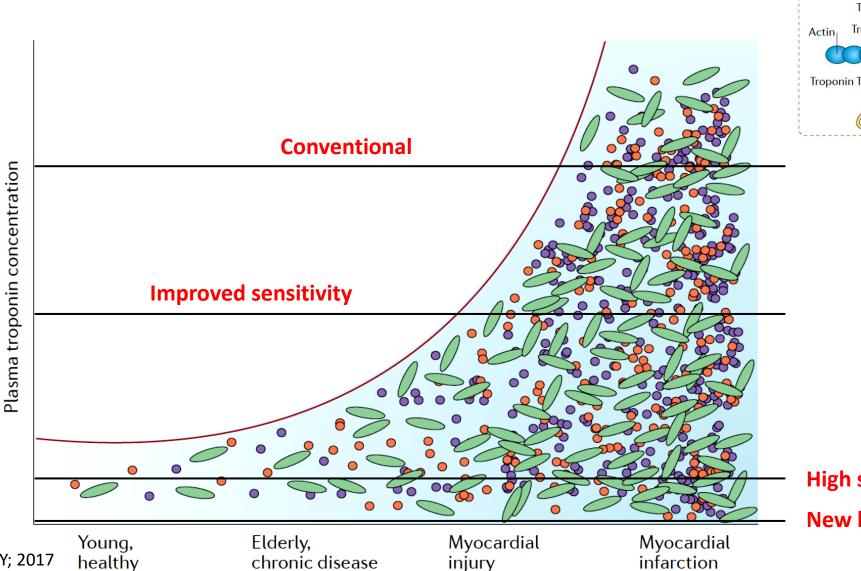




High sensitivity

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New high sensitivity troponin



High sensitivity

Cardiomyocyte

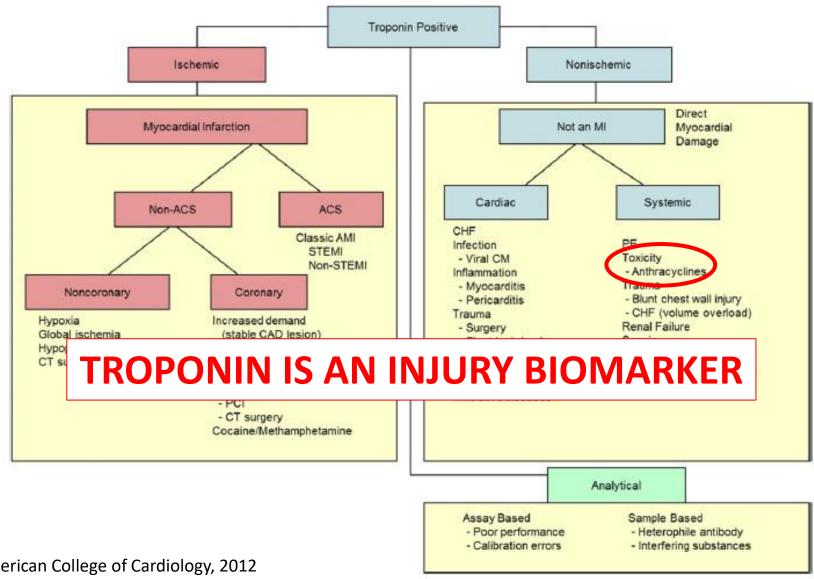
Troponin I

Troponin (

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New high sensitivity

Cardiac troponin: causes of increase





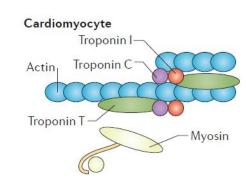
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High sensitivity troponin

Clinical Chemistry 63:1 73-81 (2017) Mini-Reviews

Cardiac Troponin Assays: Guide to Understanding Analytical Characteristics and Their Impact on Clinical Care

Fred S. Apple, 1* Yader Sandoval, 2 Allan S. Jaffe, 3 and Jordi Ordonez-Llanos, 4 for the IFCC Task Force on Clinical Applications of Cardiac Bio-Markers



- CV <10% at p99
- Measures troponin values in at least 50% of healthy individuals

| Company/platform/assay hs-Assays | LoD, ng/L | 99th, M/F, ng/L | % CV at 99th | 10% CV, ng/L | % Normals Measurable >L0D |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Abbott ARCHITECT hs-cTnI | 1.2 | 34/16 | 5 | 3 | 83 |
| Beckman Coulter Access hs-cTnl | 2.5 | 52/23 | <10 | 8 | 80 |
| Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics hs-cTnl | 1.0 | 19/16 | <10 | 3 | 75 |
| Singulex Errena hs-cTnl | 0.09 | 36/30 | 5 | 0.9 | 100 |
| Siemens Vista hs-cTnl | 0.8 | 55/33 | 5 | 3 | 86 |

99th percentile

- Recommended as cut-off threshold for clinical use
- Imprecision (CV) below 10%
- Factors that influence:
 - Gender: men higher than women
 - Age: higher overall above 60y
- Very important, how to define healthy population
- Calculated according to guidelines

99th percentile

Table 2. Measurable values among hs-cardiac troponin assays using sex-specific cutoffs. 99th xduded values Measurable values Proportion of >LoD-99th No. of LoD, percentile, above the 99th undetectable Manufacturer-analyzer-assay results percentile, n percentile values (<LOD) ng/L ng/L F: 252° F: 2 Abbott ARCHITECT hs-cTnl 1.9 F: 16 F: 67% (168/250) F: 33% (82/250) M: 272 M: 2 M: 34 M: 80% (215/270) M: 20% (55/270) Beckman Access 2 hs-cTnl F: 252 2.5 F: 9 F: 12 F: 73% (175/240) F: 27% (65/240) M: 272 M: 11 M: 16 M: 87% (222/256) M: 13% (34/256) Roche Cobas e601 hs-cTnT F: 252 5 F: 14 F: 1 F: 7% (17/251) F: 93% (234/251) M: 272 M: 2 M: 43% (115/270) M: 57% (155/270) M: 22 Siemens Dimension Vista hs-cTnl F: 239 0.5 F: 33 F: 5 F: 82% (191/234) F: 18% (43/234) M: 264 M: 55 M: 3 M: 90% (234/261) M: 10% (27/261) Singulex Erenna hs-cTnl F: 252 0.1 F: 15 F: 8 F: 100% (244/244) F: 0% (0/0) M: 272 M: 27 M: 5 M: 100% (267/267) M: 0% (0/0) ^a F, female; M, male.

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Prevention and Monitoring of Cardiac Dysfunction in Survivors of Adult Cancers: American Society of Clinical Oncology Clinical Practice Guideline

J Clin Oncol 34. © 2016 by American Society of Clinical Oncology



Serum cardiac biomarkers (troponins, natriuretic peptides)

- Useful in the surveillance and monitoring during and after treatment in patients at risk for cardiac dysfunction
- Use of BNP and NT-proBNP in asymptomatic patients with cancer remains largely investigational
- Need for additional studies to clarify the role of troponins and NPs assessment during cancer therapy

Cardiovascular toxicity induced by chemotherapy, targeted agents and radiotherapy: ESMO Clinical Practice Guidelines[†]

Annals of Oncology 23 (Supplement 7): vii155-vii166, 2012



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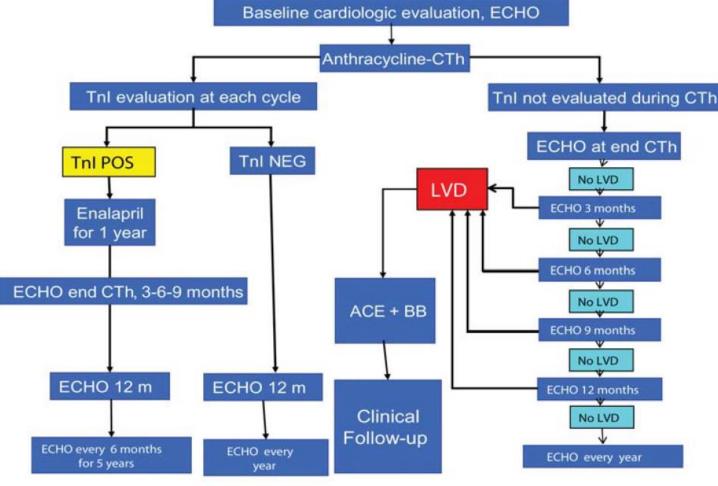
- CV evaluation before anticancer treatment
- CV monitoring during and after anticancer treatment
- Although it is not yet established whether their routine monitoring is useful in predicting cardiotoxicity, and this needs to be examined in prospective studies, there is a strong case to incorporate their use in the clinical trial setting

ESVO

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Algorithm for the management of cardiotoxicity in patients receiving anthracyclines



CTh, chemotherapy; Tnl, Troponin I

2016 ESC Position Paper on cancer treatments and cardiovascular toxicity developed under the auspices of the ESC Committee for Practice Guidelines

European Heart Journal (2016) 37, 2768–2801



Table 6 Proposed diagnostic tools for the detection of cardiotoxicity

| Technique | Currently available diagnostic criteria | Advantages | Major limitations |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cardiac biomarkers: - Troponin I - High-sensitivity Troponin I - BNP - NT-proBNP | A rise identifies patients receiving anthracyclines who may benefit from ACE-Is. Routine role of BNP and NT-proBNP in surveillance of high-risk patient needs futher investigation. | Accuracy, reproducibility.Wide availability.High-sensitivity. | Insufficient evidence to establish the significance of subtle rises. Variations with different assays. Role for routine surveillance not clearly established. |

Long-term Cardiovascular Toxicity in Children, Adolescents, and Young Adults Who Receive Cancer Therapy: Pathophysiology, Course, Monitoring, Management, Prevention, and Research Directions A Scientific Statement From the American Heart Association (Circulation. 2013;128:1927-1995.)



Serum cardiac biomarkers (troponins, natriuretic peptides)

Possible use for monitoring during and after anticancer treatment

Expert Consensus for Multimodality Imaging
Evaluation of Adult Patients during and after Cancer
Therapy: A Report from the American Society of
Echocardiography and the European Association of
Cardiovascular Imaging

(J Am Soc Echocardiogr 2014;27:911-39.)





Serum cardiac biomarkers (troponins, natriuretic peptides)

- Elevated troponins in patients receiving cardiotoxic chemotherapy may be a sensitive measurement for the early detection of toxicity
- Serum NPs, although likely reflective of elevated filling pressures, may be less consistent in the early identification of Cancer therapeutics—related cardiac dysfunction

Cardiovascular Disease in Survivors of Childhood Cancer: Insights Into Epidemiology, Pathophysiology, and Prevention

Saro H. Armenian, Gregory T. Armstrong, Gregory Aune, Eric J. Chow, Matthew J. Ehrhardt, Bonnie Ky, Javid Moslehi, Daniel A. Mulrooney, Paul C. Nathan, Thomas D. Ryan, Helena J. van der Pal, Elvira C. van Dalen, and Leontien C.M. Kremer

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REVIEW ARTICLE

No recommendation can be formulated for cardiomyopathy surveillance for survivors treated with low dose (< 15 Gy) chest radiation with conventional fractionation What surveillance modality should be used? later than 2 years after completion of cardiotoxic therapy, repeated at 5 years after diagnosis, and continue every 5 years thereafter.

More frequent cardiomyopathy surveillance may be reasonable for moderate/low-risi

What surveillance modality should be used?

Echocardiography <u>is recommended</u> as the primary cardiomyopathy surveillance modality for assessment of left ventricular systolic function in survivors treated with anthracyclines and/or chest radiation.

Radionuclide angiography or cardiac magnetic resonance imaging <u>may be reasonable</u> for cardiomyopathy surveillance in at risk survivors for whom echocardiography is not technically feasible/optimal.

Assessment of cardiac blood biomarkers (eg, natriuretic peptides and troponins) is <u>not</u> <u>recommended</u> as the primary cardiomyopathy surveillance in at-risk survivors.

'... cardiac blood biomarkers ... is not recommended for surveillance in survivors."

Role of cardiac biomarkers

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The role of cardiac biomarkers in cardio-oncology

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Troponin as a tool for detecting cardiotoxicity

Table 1
Selected clinical studies investigating troponin as a tool for detecting cardiotoxicity.

| Reference | Patient population | Patient sam- ple size | Chemotherapy regimen | Value cutoff for troponin | Timing of measurement | Results |
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| Ky et al ⁷ | HER2 + breast cancer | 78 | Doxorubicin, cyclophosphamide, paclitaxel, trastuzumab | | -Biomarkers measured at baseline, 3, and 6 mo -LVEF was measured at baseline, 3, 6, 9, 12, and 15 mo | TnI and MPO rise at 3 mo was associated with subsequent cardiotoxicity |
| awaya et al ¹⁹ | HER2 + breast cancer | 81 | Anthracycline, paclitaxel, trastuzumab | ≥30 pg/mL | Measurements were made at baseline, 3, 6, 9, 12, and 15 mo | Elevated Tnl at 3 mo was predictive of subsequent cardiotoxicity |
| Onitilo et al ¹⁵ | HER2 + breast cancer | 54 | Trastuzumab adjuvant | ≥0.01 ng/mL | -Biomarkers measured at baseline, then every 3 wk up to 1 y -LVEF was measured every 3-4 mo | -Only hs-CRP was associated with a clinically significant decline in LVEF -Troponin was not |
| Iorris et al ¹⁶ | HER2 + breast cancer | 95 | Doxorubicin, cyclophosphamide, paclitaxel, trastuzumab | >0.04 ng/mL (DF/HCC) >0.06 ng/mL (MSKCC) | -Biomarkers measured every 2 wk during chemo and at 6, 9, and 18 mo -LVEF measured at 0, 6, 9, and 18 mo | -TnI rise (peak ~14 wk) preceded max decline in LVEF but did not predict or relate to max LVEF decline -CRP did not correlate with LVEF |
| Cardinale et al ¹⁸ | Breast cancer | 251 | Anthracycline, cyclophosphamide, paclitaxel, trastuzumab | >0.08 ng/mL | -Tnl was measured before and after each cycle -LVEF was measured at baseline, every 3 mo during therapy, and every 6 mo after | -TnI independently predicted cardiotoxicity and LVEF recovery |
| Feola et al ¹⁴ | Breast cancer | 53 | Cyclophosphamide, epirubicin Fluorouracil ± locoregional XRT | >0.03 ng/mL | -Biomarkers and MUGA were assessed at baseline, 1 mo, 1 y, and 2 y | -Troponin level did not correlate with LV dysfunction |

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| Cardinale et al ¹¹ | Advanced or primary resistant breast CA (326), high grade NHL (264), myeloma (44), poor prognosis Hodgkin's disease (30), relapsed or refractory ovarian CA (16), SCLC (10), germ-cell tumors (8), and Ewing's sarcoma (5) | 703 | High-dose chemotherapy (Some regimens did not contain an anthracycline) | ≥0.08 ng/mL | -Troponin was measured soon after chemo administration and 1 mo after -LVEF by TTE was evaluated at baseline, 1, 3, 6, and 12 mo after treatment | -A persistent TnI increase was associated with a greater incidence of cardiac events PPV was 84% for patients was persistent troponin elevation and NPV was 99% for patients without troponin elevation |
| Cardinale et al ¹⁰ | High risk breast cancer | 211 | Epirubicin, Taxotere, ifosfamide, Carboplatin, Etoposide, Cyclophosphamide (Some regimens did not contain an anthracycline) | ≥0.05 ng/mL | Tnl was measured before, immediately after, and then 12, 24, 36, and 72 h after every single cycle of chemo | -Positive TnI was associated with a reduction in LVEF during 12 mo of follow-up. |
| Kremer et al ¹² | Various malignancies (pediatric); 16 with solid tumor and 22 with leukemia or lymphoma | 38 | Anthracyclines (33) or mitoxantrone (5) | >0.01 ng/mL | -TnT was measured prior to each chemo cycle, 4-6 h after each chemo cycle and 24 h after each chemo cycle. -Measurement of LV shortening fraction was measured using M-mode echo before, during, and after chemo | -TnT measured in the first 24 hours after administration of chemotherapy did not predict cardiotoxicity or cardiac dysfunction |
| Cardinale et al ⁹ | Breast Cancer, ovarian cancer, SCLC, Hodgkin's lymphoma, NHL | 204 | Various regimens with epirubicin, etoposide, taxotere, carboplatin, and cyclophosphamide | >0.5 ng/mL | Tnl was measured before, immediately after, and then 12, 24, 36, and 72 h after every single cycle of chemo -TTEs were performed at baseline, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7 mo after chemo | -Tnl elevation predicted future decline in LVEF |

Natriuretic peptides for the monitoring of cardiotoxicity

Table 2
Selected studies investigating natriuretic peptides (NPs) for the monitoring of cardiotoxicity.

| Reference | Patient population | Patient sample size | Chemotherapy regimen | Normal reference value | Timing of measurement | Results |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| De Iuliis et al ²⁷ | Breast CA | 100 | Anthracyclines, Taxanes, trastuzumab | Not defined | NT-pro BNP and LVEF were measured at baseline, 3, 6, and 12 mo | -Significant increase in NT-proBNP (P > 0.0001) was seen before LVEF decrease became evident -There was a correlation between increased NT-proBNP after chemo and predicted 1 year mortality |
| Lenihan, D et al ²⁵ | Sarcoma, lymphoma, breast cancer | 109 | Anthracyclines | BNP > 100 pg/mL | Pre- and postcycle | -BNP was superior for the detection of cardiac events than LVEF |
| Skovgaard et al ²⁶ | Breast CA, hematologic malignancies, uterine/ovarian CA | 333 | Anthracyclines | BNP < 100 pg/mL | No standard intervals for measurement | -BNP and LVEF independently predicted hospitalization for CHF -Only BNP showed prognostic value in predicting mortality |
| Daugaard et al ²⁸ | Various advanced cancers (malignant disease) | 107 | Anthracyclines | Not defined | No standard intervals for measurement but started after ½ cumulative dose of anthracycline was administered | -Neither baseline levels of BNP or change in level of BNP during therapy were predictive of change in LVEF -BNP cannot replace measurement of LVEF |
| Sandri et al ²⁴ | Various aggressive malignancies | 52 | High-dose chemo-based on study institution protocol | NT-pro BNP cutoff values differed based on age and gender. >153 ng/mL for women < 50 y; >88 ng/mL for men <50 y; 334 ng/mL for women >50 y; 227 ng/L for men >50 y | -NT-pro BNP levels were drawn at baseline (before each treatment), at the end of chemo infusion, and 12, 24, 36, and 72 h after the end of each chemo cycle -TTE was performed at baseline and at 4 and 12 mo after treatment | -Persistent increase in NT-proBNP was associated with development of cardiac dysfunction |
| Suzuki et al ²³ | Hematologic malignancies | 27 | Anthracyclines | BNP < 19 pg/mL | BNP levels were drawn at baseline and after chemo administration | -Concentrations of BNP increased after treatment -Persistent elevations in BNP were associated with poor prognosis |

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"Current clinical research in cardio-oncology has not firmly established these biomarkers as effective screening tools for cardiotoxicity in a broad range of populations or cancer therapeutics but the future is bright for these markers as indicators of cardiac risk as well as tools to ensure cardiac safety".

Potential explanations

- The timing of serum troponin collection
- Studies with chemotherapy regimens that are now out of date
- Different methods for troponin measurement
- Several cut-offs used to consider a test as positive
- Percentage of cardiac injury of chemotherapy agents is variable

Potential explanations

Prognostic Value of Troponin I in Cardiac Risk Stratification of Cancer Patients Undergoing High-Dose Chemotherapy

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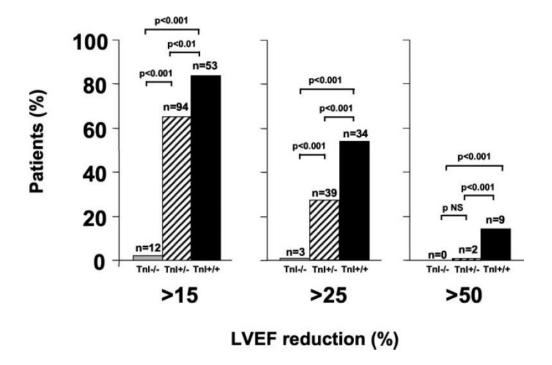
(Circulation. 2004;109:2749-2754.)

- 703 pacientes con cáncer y QT a altas dosis sin cardiopatía previa
- Troponina medida por método convencional. Cut-off 0,08 ng/mL
- Medición de TnI basal y al mes del tto (inmediatamente después, 12, 24, 36, 72h)
 Considera el valor más alto:
 - Al terminar 33%; tras 12h 22%; tras 24h 8%; tras 36h 24%; tras 72h 13%

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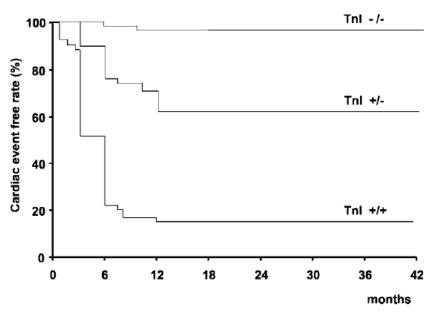


Figure 3. Cumulative cardiac events rate in 3 study groups. P < 0.001 for TnI^{+/+} vs TnI^{-/-} and TnI^{+/-}, and for TnI^{+/-} vs TnI^{-/-}.

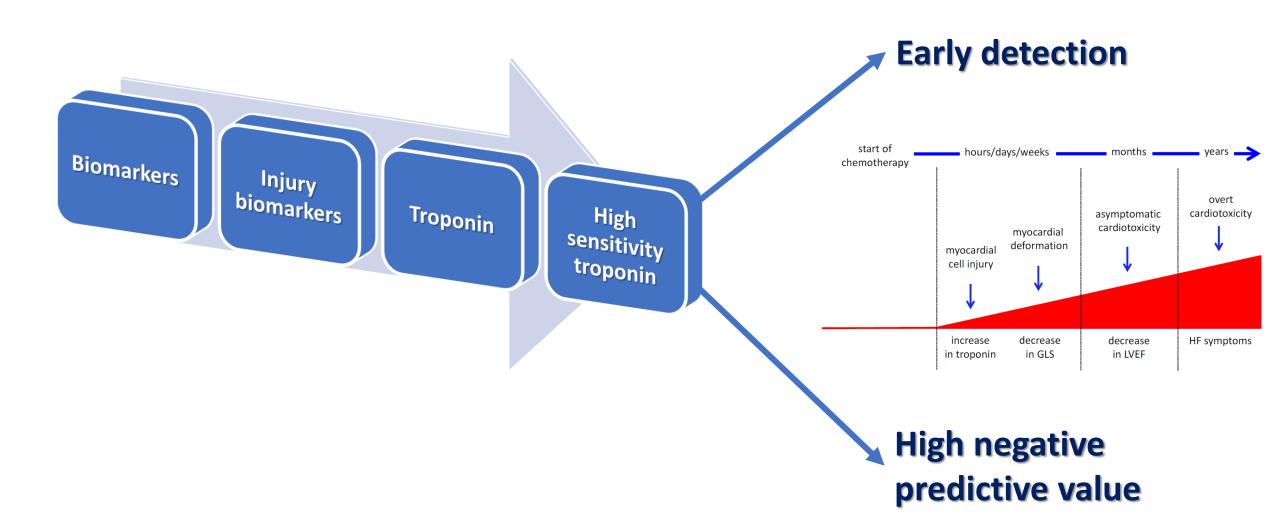
Advantages of cardiac biomarkers

- "Easy to use" availability
- Minimally invasive
- Costs less than echocardiogram and than a nuclear LVEF assessment
- Without direct damage for patient
- Interpretation of results doesn't depend on the experience of an operator
- Early detection of potential cardiotoxicity
- Potential high negative predictive value → allows identification of low-risk patients who will not require further cardiac monitoring
- Tnl-positive patients require more strict surveillance

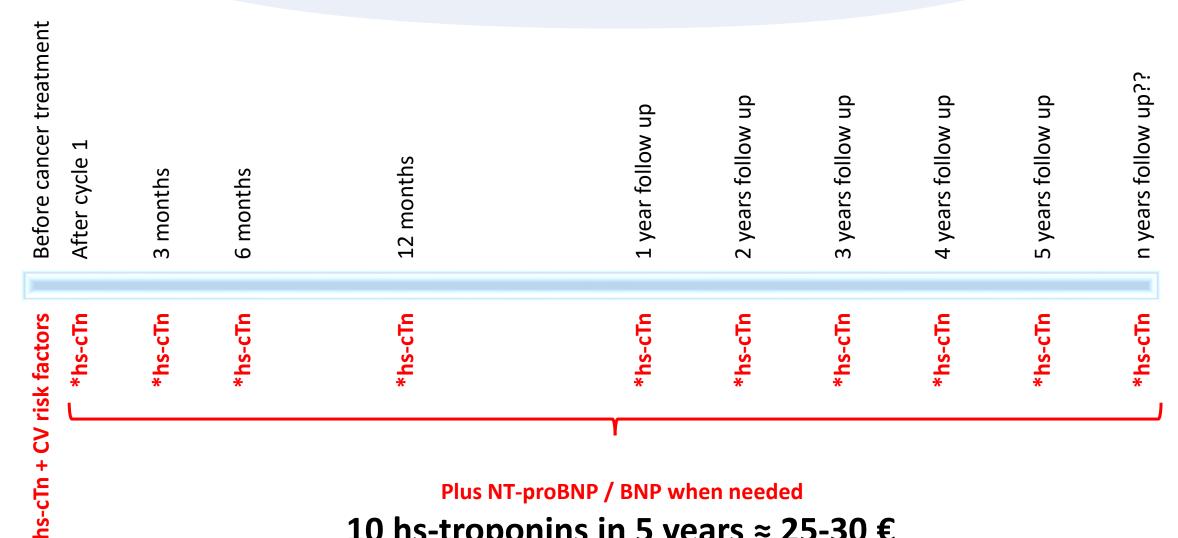
Possible utilities of cardiac biomarkers

- Identify patients at risk before cancer therapy (chemo or radio): unknown cardiac diseases vs cancer damage?
- Identify patients that develop myocardial injury during cancer therapies (surveillance and monitoring)
- Monitoring of the cardioprotective effect preventive treatments (dexrazoxane, nebivolol, valsartan, ...)
- Long term follow up of patients after cancer treatment: "personalization" of the frequency of cardiac function monitoring
- **Prognostic** value → prediction of future LVD severity

Proposal of a biomarker algorithm



Proposal of how to use a biomarker



Plus NT-proBNP / BNP when needed

10 hs-troponins in 5 years ≈ 25-30 €

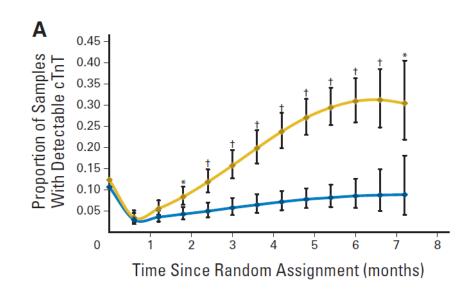
^{*} High sensitivity troponin is better than conventional, but conventional is better than nothing.

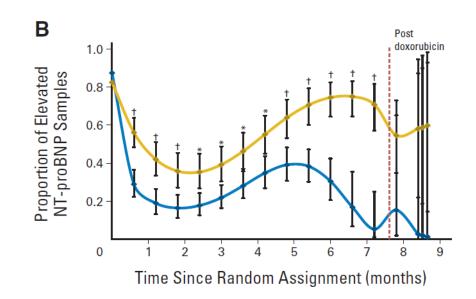
Cardiotoxicidad en la infancia

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Changes in Cardiac Biomarkers During Doxorubicin Treatment of Pediatric Patients With High-Risk Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia: Associations With Long-Term Echocardiographic Outcomes

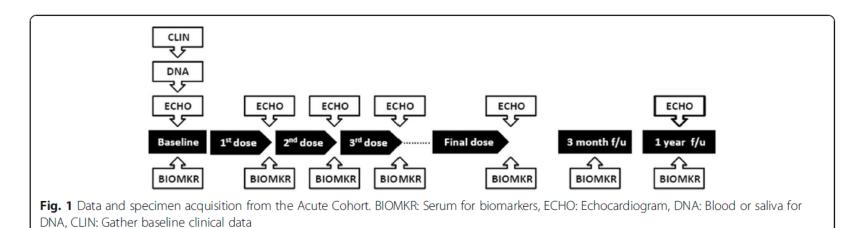
- Doxorrubicina (n: 100/75) vs doxorrubicina y dexrazoxano (n: 105/81)
- cTnT (cualquier valor medible) y NT-proBNP (>150 pg/mL en <1a y >100 pg/mL en >1a)
- Clara asociación entre % de aumento de BM y hallazgos ecocardiográficos

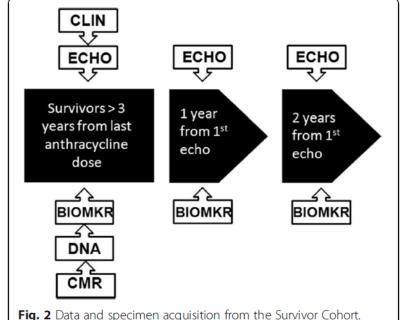




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Skitch et al. BMC Cancer (2017) 17:519 DOI 10.1186/s12885-017-3505-0 Novel approaches to the prediction, diagnosis and treatment of cardiac late effects in survivors of childhood cancer: a multi-centre observational study





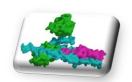
BIOMKR: Serum for biomarkers, ECHO: Echocardiogram, DNA: Blood for DNA, CMR: Cardiac Magnetic Resonance, CLIN: Gather baseline

clinical data

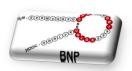
Take home messages



Biomarkers has the potential to anticipate other diagnostics techniques (cell injury level)



 High sensitivity troponin (not conventional) is the preferable biomarker but we need to learn how to use it



• Results with natriuretic peptides are controversial



Other biomarkers are less practicable and results are inconclusive



Possible roles:

- a) Identify patients at risk before and during cancer therapy
- b) Monitoring cancer treatment or cardioprotective treatments
- c) Surveillance after treatment
- d) Prognostic value



But ... there are many questions to be solved with future investigations

