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How do we handle CIN in the emergency situation

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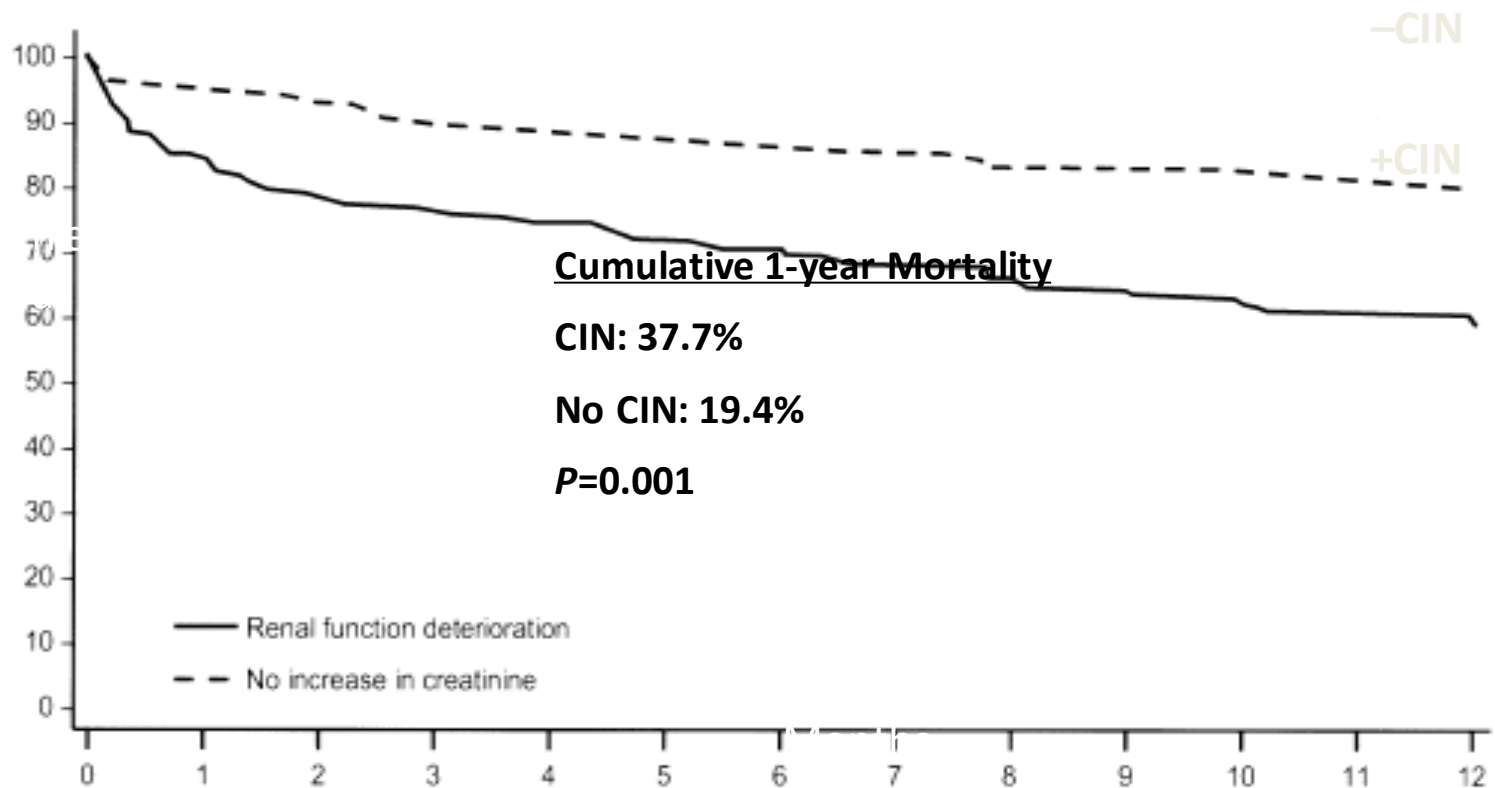
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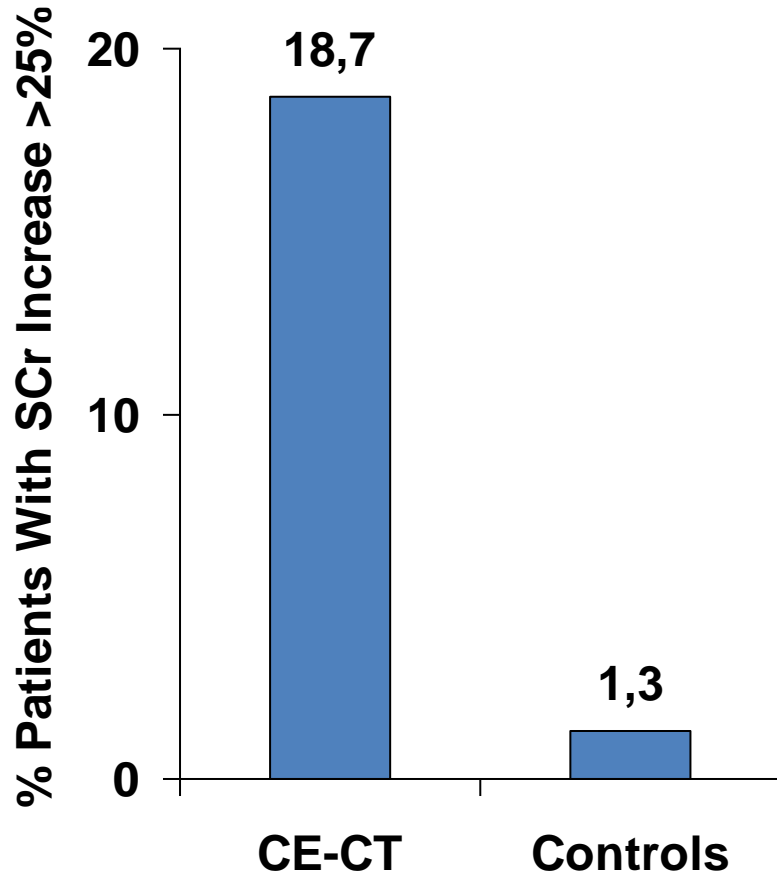
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Is CIN dangerous?

Kaplan Meier 1-year Survival Rates Following CIN



CIN in CT: Intensive Care Unit Patients

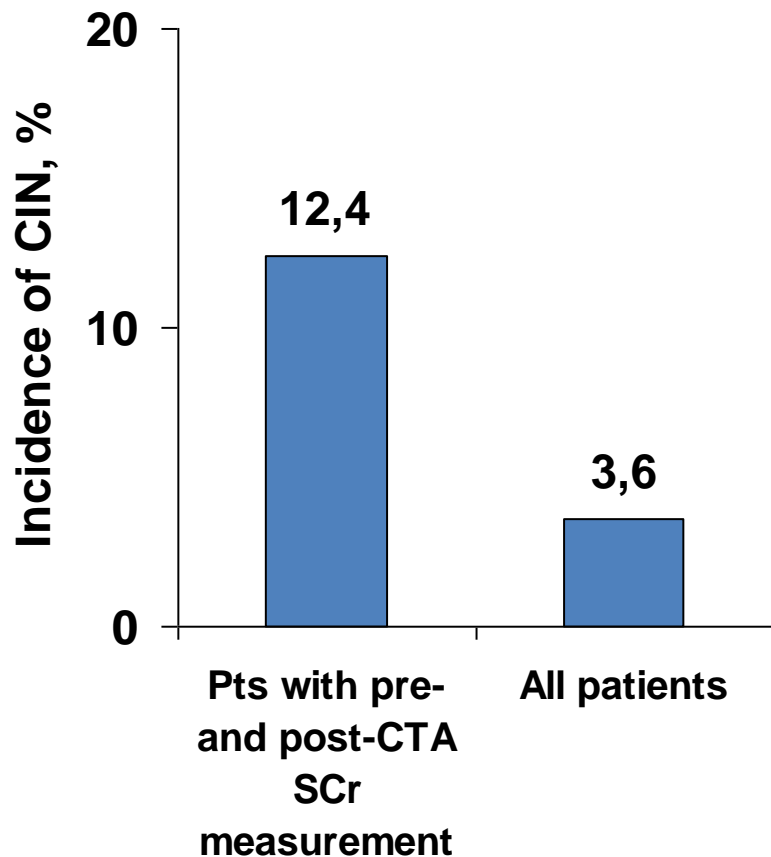


Parameter	CE-CT	Controls*
n	75	75
Age, y	64.5	66.1
Diabetes	34%	32%
Hypertension	60%	57%
CHF	18%	23%
CAD/PVD	57%	54%
SCr <1.5	88%	85%
SCr 1.5–2.0	12%	15%

*Controls are critically ill patients not given CM while in the ICU

CE-CT agent: iopamidol

CIN in CT: Chest CTA for Pulmonary Embolism in the Emergency Department



Parameter	Pts with pre + post CTA SCr	Pts with pre-CTA SCr only
N	354	870
Age, y	53	47
Diabetes	22%	12%
HTN	48%	36%
CHF	9%	6%
CAD*	14%	8%
SCr ≥ 1.2 mg/dL	25%	19%

*24% incidence of CIN in pts with history of CAD

CE-CT agent: iopamidol

Can “pseudo CIN ”(raise in SCr) occur
without contrast media?

“Pseudo CIN” without contrast medium

- 32.000 patients – serum creatinine measurements
- Same frequency of CIN with/without contrast media administration

Newhouse, AJR 2008

“Pseudo CIN” without contrast medium

- 11500 patients – serum creatinine measurements
- Same frequency of “AKI” without contrast media as after an IOCM (CT study)

How do we then know that CIN exists at all

We know that CM are nephrotoxic

Contrast-induced nephropathy (CIN)

*Nils Alwall (Lund, Sweden)
1st clinical dialysis equipment*

*Alwall N, Johnsson S,
Tornberg, A Werkö L.*

*Acute renal failure
following
angiography.*

*Acta Chir Scand
1955;109:11-19.*



Frequency of Acute Kidney Injury Following Intravenous Contrast Medium Administration: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis¹

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Frequency of Acute Kidney Injury Following Intravenous Contrast Medium Administration: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

- Systematic review and meta –analysis on patients that
- Received Iodin CM where Scr values were obtained before before and after CM injection with a control group, that NOT received any CM.
- 26.000 patients (13 studies).

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Frequency of Acute Kidney Injury Following Intravenous Contrast Medium Administration:

- AKI after CM injection 6,4%
- AKI in the NON CM group 6,5%

Frequency of Acute Kidney Injury Following Intravenous Contrast Medium Administration:

Sub-group analysis

- No differences whether the patients had renal insufficiency or diabetes
- No differences between CM (high-low or iso).

Two studies on incidence on CIN with propensity matching.

McDonald RJ, McDonald JS, Bida JP, Carter RE, Fleming CJ, Misra S, Williamson EE, Kallmes DF.

Intravenous contrast material-induced nephropathy: causal or coincident phenomenon?

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Davenport MS, Khalatbari S, Dillman JR, Cohan RH, Caoili EM, Ellis JH.

Contrast material-induced nephrotoxicity and intravenous low-osmolality iodinated contrast material.

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Contrast Material–induced Nephrotoxicity and Intravenous Low-Osmolality Iodinated Contrast Material¹

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Contrast Material Induced Nephrotoxicity and Intravenous Low-Osmolality Iodinated Contrast Material:

Propensity scoring

- A method to control for different variables that increases the probability that the patient will get a condition (CIN)

Contrast Material Induced Nephrotoxicity and Intravenous Low-Osmolality Iodinated Contrast Material:

Propensity scoring

- The drawback is that you can only adjust for known and correctly measured variables

Contrast Material Induced Nephrotoxicity and Intravenous Low-Osmolality Iodinated Contrast Material:

- To determine the frequency of CIN after intravenous injection of CM Att bestämma frekvensen av CIN vid intravenös kontrastmedelsinjektion
- 430.000 CT-investigations of which 20.000 patients received CM and 20.000 that had NO CM injection
- With the same "propensity score"

Matthew S. Davenport et al; Radiology, 2013; 267:94-105

Contrast Material Induced Nephrotoxicity and Intravenous Low-Osmolality Iodinated Contrast Material:

Resultat

- Patients with normal or <1.5 mg/dl (132.6 $\mu\text{mol/L}$) in SCr no increased risk
- Patienter with SCr >136 $\mu\text{mol/L}$ and (154 mg/dl) had an INCREASED risk
- And was DOUBLED at SCr >180 $\mu\text{mol/L}$ (2.0 mg/dl)

Intravenous Contrast Material-induced Nephropathy: Causal or Coincident Phenomenon?

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Robert J. McDonald et al; Radiology, 2013; 267:106-118

Intravenous Contrast Material-induced Nephropathy: Causal or Coincident Phenomenon?

- Retrospective study to see if there was a difference between patients that had a Contrast CT and non-enhanced CT

Intravenous Contrast Material-induced Nephropathy: Causal or Coincident Phenomenon?

- 53.000 patients with 1.5 milj SCr values

Intravenous Contrast Material-induced Nephropathy: Causal or Coincident Phenomenon?

Result

- No difference between those who received CM and those who did not independent of SCr.
- No difference in subgroups divided on level of SCR (3 levels, below 1.5 mg/ml; 1.5-2 mg/dl and >2.0 mg/dl).

Conclusion

- The authors question the relationship between CM and CIN,
AT ALL

How do we then know that CIN exists at all

If CIN exist after intraarterial CM injections.
Why would intravenous be less dangerous?

Contrast-induced acute kidney injury and clinical outcomes after intra-arterial and intravenous contrast administration: Risk comparison adjusted for patient characteristics by design

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(Am Heart J 2013;0:1-7.e1.)

Contrast-induced acute kidney injury and clinical outcomes after intra-arterial and intravenous contrast administration: Risk comparison adjusted for patient characteristics by design

- Comparative study between patients that received both intra -arteriell and intravenous injection of CM within one year.

Contrast-induced acute kidney injury and clinical outcomes after intra-arterial and intravenous contrast administration: Risk comparison adjusted for patient characteristics by design

Result

- 14% CIN following intra-arteriel CM injection
- 11,7% following intravenous CM injection
- NO statistical difference
- *Conclusion*
- CI-AKI is the same after intra- arteriel as intravenous injection

Safety first

- As there are no good RCT studies comparing the risk between i.v. and i.a injections, we better assume the risk is the same.
- The recommendation is therefore to regard all patients as having the same risk

How do we then know that CIN exists at all

First: We know that CM are nephrotoxic
Second: CIN is an arbitrary binomial value

Radiology 1966;86:835-838

Complications of "No Arteriography"¹

STANLEY BAUM, M.D., GEORGE N. STEIN, M.D., and KOSON K. KURODA, M.D.

“A striking similarity was noted in the incidence and character of untoward reactions occurring within 48h prior to angiography and those within 48h afterwards”

CIN with contrast medium

- Differences in randomized controlled studies must be due to "true CIN", but the frequency may be overestimated, especially in not "high-risk patients".
- Occur in experimental animal studies.

RCT

- Statistical difference is superior to no difference
- “No difference” does not automatically imply equality
“Absence of evidence not equal to evidence of absence ”

Limitations

- Number of and level of risk-patients, sample size, time for measuring Scr and timing and number of postdose SCR measures etc

Levels of Evidence

Highest

Level A

- High-quality randomized controlled trial (RCT)
- High-quality meta-analysis

Level B

- Well-designed, nonrandomized clinical trial
- Nonquantitative systematic review
- Lower quality RCTs
- Clinical cohort studies
- Case-controlled studies
- High-quality, historical, uncontrolled studies
- Well-designed epidemiological studies

Level C

- Consensus viewpoint
- Expert opinion

Lowest

Why is it difficult to prove the existence of CIN?

Because all the studies have used, both prevention strategies according to the ACR recommendations and sometimes also used Visipaque (iso-osmolar CM in high risk patients)

CIN is NOT an " statistical-group"
problem, but an Individual
personalized medicin problem.
How do we prevent the individual
patient from getting nephrones killed?

All injections of CM is a risk benefit equation.

If the benefit is greater than the risk-
then do it!

How to avoid

“Luck favours a prepared mind”

Louis Pasteur

CIN- prevention

We know the risk factors

How to handle CIN in emergency radiology

Identify the risk patient

Plan the investigation-calculate the contrast media dose needed

Find out (in OMNIVIS) if the dose correlates to the renal function

Hydrate (plasma expansion) the patient

Measures that can be taken at CT in order to reduce the risk of CIN

- Hydrate (before and after)
- Reduce the CM dose. Keep it below (dose in g Iodine) 50% of the eGFR.
- Dose in relation to body weight
- Reduce the dose by reducing the KV (when possible)
- Optimize injection timing
- Flush the catheter

EVERY contrast medium injection must contain

A consideration- is it necessary for the diagnosis

What is the risk/benefit analysis

A well considered risk = OK

Ignorance = NO

Give the patient the required dose needed to get the correct diagnosis

How to handle CIN in emergency radiology

A MAN HAS TO DO WHAT A MAN HAS TO DO

John Wayne

Conclusion

- 1. CIN (CM-AKI) exists
- 2. The risk may have been overexaggerated.
- 3. With adequate preventive actions you may reduce the risk and use the least nephroroxic CM.
- 4. The average group of patients may have a low risk but the individual patients may have a large risk of CIN
- 5. Know the risk and do what you can to prevent CIN-
Safety first
- 6. **THEN DO IT**