Characterizing Hypokinetic Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy

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Purpose: To characterize patients with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy(HCM) with hypokinetic left ventricles(LVEF<50%).

Methods: Two hundred and ten patients with HCM from our tertiary HCM clinic database were analyzed. One hundred and ninety four patients had LV ejection fraction ≥50%(normal) and were compared to the remaining 16 patients who had LVEF<50% (hypokinetic).

In subgroup analysis we found that 9 of the hypokinetic patients had dilated LV cavities (LV end-diastolic dimension>55 mm) and we further compared them with the 7 hypokinetic patients without LV dilation.

Results:

Table 1: Comparison between HCM patients with normal and hypokynetic LV (n=210)

	ons et	History(%)	LVEF(%)	thickness(LVOT Obstructio n(%)	Diastolic Dysfunctio	r		Death(%)
Hypokineti c (n=16)	114	1)		15±3	2(12.5%)	12(75%)	4(25%)		6(37.5 %)
Normal(n= 194)	38± 18	89(46%)	63±5	18±5	97(50%)	25(13%)	7(3.6%)	1.9±0. 8	5(2.5%)
n		0.0004 ^	<0.000 1*	0.02*	0.0004^	0.0001^	0.0006^	<0.000 1*	0.003^

Table 2: Comparison between hypokinetic HCM patients with and without dilated LV (n=16).

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	LVEF(%)	(mm)	Thickness(mm)	Hypertrophy(%)	Class	Death	
Normal(n=7)			16±3	4(57%)	3.5±0.5	4(57%)	
Dilated(n=9)	33±7	60±3	14±3	0(0%)	2.5±0.5	1(11%)	
р	NS*	0.0001*	0.1*	0.02^	0.01*	0.1^	

^{*}T-test,^Chi-square.

Conclusion: Hypokynetic HCM patients are characterized by earlier onset of disease, a high prevalence of family history, severe diastolic dysfunction and adverse prognosis. LV remodeling characterized by LV dilation and wall thinning allows better adaptation to hemodynamic load than small hypokynetic ventricles and is associated with less severe heart failure