



Cardiac Output

Myocardial Mass

151

Cardiac CT applications

RSNA 2011 - Cardiac Radiology

- CAD risk assessment and clinical implication
- Myocardial Perfusion and Infarction
 - Stress perfusion CT and DECT
- Heart Failure Multimodality Imaging
- Acute Chest Pain
- Noncoronary Artery Imaging
 - Cardiovascular Morphology (LA, PV)
 - Cardiomyopathy, VHD
 - Cardiac Function
- Cardiac Nuclear Imaging SPECT/ CT and PET/CT

Appropriate Use Criteria for Cardiac CT

ACCF/SCCT/ACR/AHA/ASE/ASNC/NASCI/SCAI/SCMR 2010 Appropriate Use Criteria for Cardiac CT. JACC 2010;23:1864-94



Characterization of native and prosthetic cardiac valves Suspected clinically significant valvular dysfunction Inadequate images from other noninvasive methods - A (8)

Ventricular function

- End-systolic and end-diastolic images for LV volume
- Cine image for LV wall motion
- No indication for performing cardiac MDCT for the sole assessment of ventricular function
- LV functional assessment utilized as an adjunct to coronary CT angiography to obtain additional information on the patient



EF 63%, EDV 158 ml, ESV 58 ml, Myocardial mass 151 g

Threshold-based technique



Assessment of LV function with 64-slice MDCT: comparison with 2D-TTE (n=126)



SM Ko, et al. Br J Radiol 2010;83:28-34

Assessment of global function of LV with DSCT in patients with severe arrhythmia (n=54)









Table 2 Results of measurement using DSCT and 2D-TTE (n = 54)

	DSCT		2D-TTE	Paralan			
	$Mean \pm SD$	Range	95% CI	$Mean \pm SD$	Range	95% CI	r value
EF (%)	51.0 ± 11.4	25-76	47.9-54.1	55.8 ± 11.6	27-76.3	52.7-59.0	P < 0.001
EDV (ml)	179.5 ± 98.6	65–516	152.6-206.4	152.1 ± 73.8	48.5-406.5	131.9-172.2	P < 0.001
ESV (ml)	90.7 ± 60.7	24-299	74.2-107.3	69.1 ± 46.8	21.2-235.4	56.4-81.9	P < 0.001
SV (ml)	89.0 ± 48.1	31-217	75.8-102.1	82.9 ± 37.3	26.8-213.2	72.7-93.0	P = 0.053

Table 3 Pearson's correlation coefficient and Bland-Altman analysis from DSCT and 2D-TTE (n = 54)

DSCT versus 2D-TTE					
Pearson's correlation coefficient (all P	< 0.001, except SV = .053)	Mean difference	Limits of agreement (±1.96 SD)		
EF (%)	0.798	-4.8	9.5/-19.1		
EDV (ml)	0.946	27.4	100.9/-46.1		
ESV (ml)	0.898	21.6	76.1/-32.9		
SV (ml)	0.891	6.1	50.2/-38.1		

SM Ko, et al. Int J Cardiovasc Imaging 2010;26:213-221

Evaluation of global left ventricular function with DSCT in patients with VHD: comparison with CMR (n=112)



	DSCT	CMR	Mean	Pearson's	<i>P</i> value	
	Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD	difference	correlation coeffienct		
EDV (mL)	170 ± 86.1	187.4 ± 101.1	16.3 ± 30.8	0.95	< 0.0001	
ESV (mL)	61.8 ± 52.1	70.8 ± 61.7	8.5 ± 16.8	0.96	< 0.0001	
SV (mL)	107.9 ± 39.2	117.2 ± 46.2	8.8 ± 19.3	0.90	< 0.0001	
EF (%)	66.9 ±9.6	65.5 ± 10.1	-1.4 ± 4.0	0.92	< 0.0001	

SM Ko, et al. Acta Radiologica 2011, minor revision

51M, old MI, chest pain



48M, Ischemic cardiomyopathy



54M, AMI, chest pain



Ischemic cascade

Transmural Hypoperfusion Subendocardial Hypoperfusion

Ischemia

Stress perfusion (SPECT, MRI)



Time

Time Intensity Curve

Normal Myocardium









64/F chest pain

Myocardial Perfusion Imaging

Coronary CTA

- No physiological significance of coronary stenosis

Myocardial perfusion

- Important prognostic indicator for patient outcome in the management of coronary artery disease
- Hybrid imaging using SPECT and coronary CTA
 - Incremental diagnostic value over either modality alone
- Dual-Energy CT (DECT)
 - Detection of obstructive CAD and its hemodynamic effect simultaneously

Hybrid imaging using SPECT and CTA



Rispler S et al. J Am Coll Cardiol 2007;49:1059-67



George RT, et al. Circ Cardiovas Imaging 2009;2:174-182

Stress perfusion CT and CMR

43M, chest discomfort HTN, hyperlipidemia









Dual-Energy CT

51M, ECG abnormality on routine checkup



Ruzsics B, et al. Am J Cardiol 2009;104:318-26

Comparison of DECT of the heart with SPECT for assessment of coronary artery stenosis and of the myocardial blood supply



61M, known CAD





Adenosine stress DECT

Iodinated contrast agents

- CT attenuation number directly proportional to the iodine content in tissue

Adenosine-induced stress perfusion CT

- George RT, et al. JACC 2006;48:153-60
- Kurata A, et al. Cir C 2005;69:550-7
- Blankstein R, et al. JACC 2009;54:1072-84
- Roch-Filho JA, et al. Radiology 2010;254:410-9

→ Promising potential future role in MPI for the detection of myocardial ischemia

Adenosine stress DECT

- Two tubes emit X-ray spectra of different energy level
- Assessment of myocardial blood volume

 \rightarrow Is adenosine-induced stress perfusion DECT useful for evaluation of myocardial ischemia ?



Bastarrika et al. Radiology 2009; 253: 317-38

Myocardial perfusion imaging using adenosine-induced stress DECT of the heart: comparison with CMR and CCA

Stress DECT performance characteristics

	Sensitivity	Specificity	Accuracy	PPV	NPV
CMR (n = 28)					
Segment	0.89	0.78	0.82	0.74	0.91
Territory	0.91	0.72	0.83	0.82	0.88
CCA (n = 41)					
Territory Patient	0.89 0.97	0.76 0.5	0.83 0.93	0.81 0.95	0.86 0.67

Ko SM, et al. Eur Radiol 2011;21:26-35

59/M, chest pain



55/F, chest pain









Diagnostic Performance of Combined Non-invasive Anatomical and Functional Assessment with DSCT and AIS-DECT for the Detection of Significant Coronary Stenosis (n=45)

ROC	0.798 → 0.893 (p=0.004)	Per-Vessel Analysis		
	100	Before stress DECT	After stress DECT	
Sensitivity (%)	60	91.8	93.2	
Specificity (%)	40 - / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / /	67.7	85.5	
PPV (%)	DSCT-CA after CT-MPI DSCT-CA before CT-MPI 0	77	88.3	
NPV (%)	0 20 40 60 80 100 100-Specificity	87.5	91.4	

Ko SM, et al. AJR 2011, Accepted

Ko SM, et al. 2010 RSNA scientific presentation

59 M, chest pain







Time Intensity Curve



time



nfarcted Myocardium

Contrast injection

Ischemic Myocardium

> 10 min

First-Pass perfusion

Delayed Enhancement
Myocardial perfusion and viability



63/M, AMI

66/M, health check-up





64M, Old MI



72/M, AMI



- Low-dose MDCT late-scan reliably depicts size and transmural extent of microvascular occlusion and late enhancement in AMI
- Radiation dose and contrast material
- Clinical data are currently too limited to allow clinical recommendations on the use of CT for the assessment of perfusion and viability
 Ko SM, et al. KJR 2007;8:94-102
 Ko, et al. Clin Radiol 2006;61:417-422

Valvular heart disease

- In 2004, 99,000 valve replacement procedure and overall in-hospital mortality rate of 5.1% in USA
- Increasing number of valve surgery (4%-7% annually) d/t aging population with an increasing prevalence of degenerative VHD





Aortic stenosis

 M/C indication for valve surgery

 Imaging modalities - Echo, CMR, CT



Vital data of VHD patients



Valve morphology

- number of leaflets, integrity of leaflets and tendinous chords, pathologic features, perivalvular morphology

Valve function

- opening and coaptation pattern, valve orifice/valve circumference, mean/peak systolic flow + calculation of transvalvular gradient, regurgitant flow/fraction

Ventricular function

- volumes, systolic/diastolic function, wall mass, regional wall motion

- Additional information
 - great vessel, thrombi, CAD, MI, myocardial scarring



BAV with ASR





Cardiac Valves: CT

- Excellent spatial resolution and improved temporal resolution
 - valve morphology, motion, and cusps excursion/ apposition, and stenosis and regurgitant severity
- Valvular calcification, aorta abnormality, coronary artery anomaly or stenosis
- Limitation in daily routine
 - limited temporal resolution (70-175 ms)
 - Iodinated contrast media
 - Ionizing radiation
 - No functional information about valve disease severity



Valve morphology assessment



Table 1. Assessment of Aortic and Mitral Valve Stenosis and Regurgitation With MDCT

Authors (Ref. #)	Patients (n)	Referral Reason	CT Technique	Collimation (mm)	Comparison Technique	Correlation	Bland-Altman, Mean Difference (Limits of Agreement)
Aortic valve stenosis (correlation: AVA)	(,		. centrique	()	realinque	Concession	(Linito of Agreenent)
Feuchtner et al. (21)	46 (30 AS)	Pre-operative (CABG)	16-slice	16 imes 0.75	TTE	r = 0.89, p < 0.001	0.04 (-0.20, 0.29)
Alkadhi et al. (22)	40 (20 AS)	Coronary angiography	16-slice	16 imes 0.75	TTE/TEE	$\begin{array}{l} \text{TTE: } r = 0.95, p < 0.001 \\ \text{TEE: } r = 0.99, p < 0.001 \end{array}$	TTE: 0.06 (-0.15, 0.26) TEE: -0.08 (-0.32, 0.16)
Bouvier et al. (23)	103 (30 AS)	Coronary angiography	16-slice	16 imes 0.625	TTE/TEE*	N/A	-0.07 (-0.40, 0.25)
Piers et al. (24)	30 AS	N/A	EBCT	N/A	TTE	r = 0.60, p < 0.01	0.51 (-0.39, 1.41)
Laissy et al. (25)	40 AS	Pre-operative (AVR)	16-slice	16 imes 0.4	TTE	r = 0.77, p < 0.001	0.06 (-0.23, 0.35)
Habis et al. (26)	52 AS	Pre-operative (AVR)	64-slice	64 imes 0.6	TTE	r = 0.76, p < 0.001	0.13 (-0.35, 0.61)
Feuchtner et al. (27)	36 AS	Coronary angiography	64-slice	64 imes 0.6	TTE/TEE†	$\begin{array}{l} \mbox{TTE: } r = 0.88, p < 0.001 \\ \mbox{TEE: } r = 0.99, p < 0.001 \end{array}$	TTE: 0.06 (-0.35, 0.47) TEE: -0.13 (-1.02, 0.76)
Aortic valve regurgitation (correlation: ROA)							
Feuchtner et al. (28)	71 (48 AR)	Several‡	16-slice	12 imes 0.75	TTE	r = 0.95, p < 0.001	N/A
Jassal et al. (29)	64 (30 AR)	Coronary angiography	64-slice	64 imes 0.6	TTE	r = 0.79, p < 0.001	N/A
Alkadhi et al. (30)	30 AR	Several§	64-slice	64 imes 0.6	TTE	r = 0.84, p < 0.001	N/A
Mitral valve stenosis (correlation: MVA)							
Messika-Zeitoun et al. (31)	29 MS	N/A	16-slice	N/A	TTE	r = 0.88, p < 0.001	0.20 (-0.14, 0.54)
Mitral valve regurgitation (correlation: ROA)							
Alkadhi et al. (32)	44 (19 MR)	Coronary angiography	16-slice	16 imes 0.75	TEE	r = 0.81, p < 0.001	N/A

Tops LF, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Img 2008;1:94-106

Aortic valve area measurement



Mitral valve area measurement



MVA Planimetry 1.19 cm2



Which plane is correct for AV area?



CMR - Vmax 2.2 m/sec, AVA 0.98 cm2, TTE - Vmax 2.8 m/sec, AVA (2D/CE 1.4 cm2)

Degenerative calcified AS



Oblique 2.06mm Average

BAV with AS



BAV with AR









Ko SM, et al. AJR 2012, Accepted

Int J Cardiol. 2006 Nov 18;113(3):320-6. Epub 2006 Jan 18.

Echocardiographic anatomy of ascending aorta dilatation: correlations with aortic valve morphology and function.

Della Corte A, Romano G, Tizzano F, Amarelli C, De Santo LS, De Feo M, Scardone M, Dialetto G, Covino FE, Cotrufo M. Department of Cardiothoracic Sciences, Second University of Naples, Department of Cardiovascular Surgery and Transplants, Monaldi Hospital, Naples, Italy, aledellacorte@libero.it

Clin Res Cardiol. 2009 Feb;98(2):114-20. Epub 2008 Dec 12.

Dilatation of the ascending aorta in bicuspid aortic valve disease: a magnetic resonance imaging study.

Debl K, Djavidani B, Buchner S, Poschenrieder F, Schmid FX, Kobuch R, Feuerbach S, Riegger G, Luchner A. Klinik und Poliklinik für Innere Medizin II, Universitätsklinikum Regensburg, F.J.-Strauss-Allee 11, 93042 Regensburg, Germany, kurt.debl@klinik.uni-regensburg.de

Am Heart J. 2004 Apr;147(4):736-40.

Severe BAV stenosis

Dilatation of the aorta in pure, severe, bicuspid aortic valve stenosis.

Morgan-Hughes GJ, Roobottom CA, Owens PE, Marshall AJ. Department of Cardiology, South West Cardiothoracic Centre, Plymouth NHS Trust, Plymouth, United Kingdom, hughesgj@talk21.com



STJ T

BRPA

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Severe TAV stenosis

45 40 35

5

B T

Diameter (mm)

Incidence and location of ascending aorta dilatation in BAV and TAV using DSCT (n = 88)

Characteristic	BAV (n = 53)	TAV (n = 35)	P value
AA diameter ≤ 45 mm	31 (58.5%)	33(94.3%)	0.0006
AA diameter > 45 mm	22 (41.5%)	2 (5.7%)	
Root	2	1	
Tubular	19	1	
Root + Tubular AA	1	0	

Ko SM, et al. Int J Cardiovasc Imaging 2011, in press





Ko SM, et al. RSNA 2011, oral presentation

Rheumatic VHD



LA thrombus in patients with rheumatic MS



 LAA spontaneous echo by TEE - strong predictor of thromboembolic risk in patients with MS
 Two-phase 64-MDCT - 100% Sens and 98% Spe for the detection of thrombus in LAA Hur J, et al. Radiology 2009;251:683-90

Two-phase DSCT for the detection of LAA thrombus in patients with MS and AF

Negative





Early phase

Late phase

Spontaneous echo contrast



Thrombus



Early phase

Late phase



Quantitative analysis using LAA-AA attenuation ratio on late-phase CT images

Concordance between DSCT and intraoperative finding for detection of thrombus in LAA (n=106)

	Intraoperative Findings				
CT finding	Thrombus	No thrombus			
Thrombus	27	6			
No thrombus	0	73			

 Inter-rater agreement (k=0.86)
 Sensitivity 100%, Specificity 92.4%, Accuracy 94.3% Positive predictive value 81.8.2%, Negative predictive value 100%

> Ko SM, et al. RSNA 2011, scientific presentation Ko, SM, et al. ESCR 2011, poster presentation

71F



63/M, dyspnea,













MVP due to P1 chorda rupture



63/M, dyspnea

Infective endocarditis



Infective endocarditis F/45 CC : dyspnea , 15 days ago







Assessment of Prosthetic Valve and Valvuloplasty using MDCT



Aortic valvuloplasty









Phase %080 W/L:1001/288 Oblique 2.06mm Average

Phase %070 W/L:1001/228 Oblique 2.06mm Average

Eur Radiol. 2009 Apr;19(4):857-67. Epub 2008 Nov 27.

Correctness of multi-detector-row computed tomography for diagnosing mechanical prosthetic heart valve disorders using operative findings as a gold standard.

Tsai IC, Lin YK, Chang Y, Fu YC, Wang CC, Hsieh SR, Wei HJ, Tsai HW, Jan SL, Wang KY, Chen MC, Chen CC. Department of Radiology, Taichung Veterans General Hospital, Taichung, Taiwan, Republic of China. sillyduck.radiology@gmail.com

Abstract

The purpose was to compare the findings of multi-detector computed tomography (MDCT) in prosthetic valve disorders using the operative findings as a gold standard. In a 3year period, we prospectively enrolled 25 patients with 31 prosthetic heart valves. MDCT and transthoracic echocardiography (TTE) were done to evaluate pannus formation, prosthetic valve dysfunction, suture loosening (paravalvular leak) and pseudoaneurysm formation. Patients indicated for surgery received an operation within 1 week. The MDCT findings were compared with the operative findings. One patient with a Björk-Shiley valve could not be evaluated by MDCT due to a severe beam-hardening artifact; thus, the exclusion rate for MDCT was 3.2% (1/31). Prosthetic valve disorders were suspected in 12 patients by either MDCT or TTE. Six patients received an operation that included three redo aortic valve replacements, two redo mitral replacements and one Amplatzer ductal occluder occlusion of a mitral paravalvular leak. The concordance of MDCT for diagnosing and localizing prosthetic valve disorders and the surgical findings was 100%. Except for images impaired by severe beam-hardening artifacts, MDCT provides excellent delineation of prosthetic valve disorders.



Prosthetic heart valve dysfunction (thrombus formation)



Prosthetic heart valve dysfunction (Pannus formation)



Conclusion

- Integration of myocardial CT perfusion and delayed enhanced CT is capable of detecting myocardial ischemia and infarction.
- Cardiac CT is promising in selected VHD as adjunct to echocardiography, particularly AS and mechanical valve.
- CT measurements of global LV function using thresholdbase technique are highly reproducible and accurate.
- Cardiac CT has a potential for the "one-stop shop" for the evaluation of ischemic heart disease.










LEFT VENTRICULAR FUNCTION

Parameter	Measured Values
Ejection Fraction	63
End Diastolic Volume	158
End Systolic Volume	58
Stroke Volume	100
Cardiac Output	-
Myocardial Mass	151



