Myocardial infraction and depression in patients admitted at All India Institute of Medical Science and Satya Sai Institute of Higher Medicine

The total numbers of patients taken up were 100 who were admitted with MI. To find out the prevalence of depression, we used DSM-IV criteria. 26 patients were found to have major depressive disorder. Among them 10 were severe, 13 were moderate and three were mild according to HDRS score. Another 26 patients showed evidence of depressive symptoms which may be due to extreme subjective distress. There was no significant difference of demographic variables between patients with major depressive disorder. Mean frequency of life events was significantly higher in major depressive disorder group. Except type a behavior, depression was not associated with duration, types, risk factors, treatments and complications of myocardial infarction. Past and family histories of depression were identified as risk factors for major depressive disorder after infarction. The patients with myocardial infarction, sub-syndromal depression is suggestive of self-limited reaction while treatment of major depressive disorder may reduce overall distress of the patients. The type of result which was observed in AIIMS and SSIHM were found to have no difference at all.

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