

## Combined Intracoronary Ergonovine and Acetylcholine Provocation Test for Assessment of Significant Coronary Artery Spasm

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**Background:** Ergonovine (Erg) and Acetylcholine (Ach) is a useful agent for assessing significant coronary artery spasm (CAS). However, clinical data regarding combined or simultaneous intracoronary provocation test using these two agents are largely unknown. **Methods:** A total 113 consecutive patients (pts) underwent Erg and/ or Ach provocation test were enrolled. Erg test was performed by incremental doses of 5, 10, 25ug. If Erg test is (-), subsequent Ach test was done by 20, 50, 100ug. Significant CAS was defined as focal or diffuse severe transient luminal narrowing (>70%) with/without chest pain or ST-T change on ECG. We investigated the overall results of simultaneous Erg and Ach provocation test. **Results:** Baseline clinical characteristics showed that mean age was  $53.18 \pm 9.8$  years old (male 69.3%), hypertension 48.7%, diabetes 6.1%, dyslipidemia 12.2% and smoking 34.6%. A total 49 pts (49/113, 43.4%) showed (+) provocation test by Erg. Sixteen % of the pts responded to E2 dose (10ug) and 83.6% to E3 (25ug). Multivessel spasm was in 32.7%, and diffuse spasm 16.3%. A total 64 pts who were (-) to Erg test underwent Ach provocation test. A total 60 pts (60/64, 93.8%) showed (+) provocation test by Ach. Eleven % of the pts responded to A1 dose (20ug) and 35.0% to A2 (50ug). Multivessel spasm was in 47.5%, and diffuse spasm 8.3%. Only 4 pts (4/113, 3.5%) were (-) response to both Erg and Ach test. **Conclusion:** Both Erg and Ach were safe but Ach was more sensitive and Erg seems to be more specific to show significant CAS.