

La troponine en pratique, mais au fait à quoi ça sert ?
Du bon usage clinique et biologique



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troponine = Une protéine de structure, pas une enzyme !

= Marqueur d'atteinte du cardiomyocyte

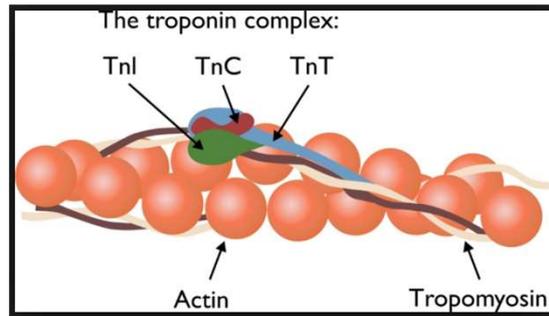
90-95% forme complexée

5-10% forme libre cytoplasme

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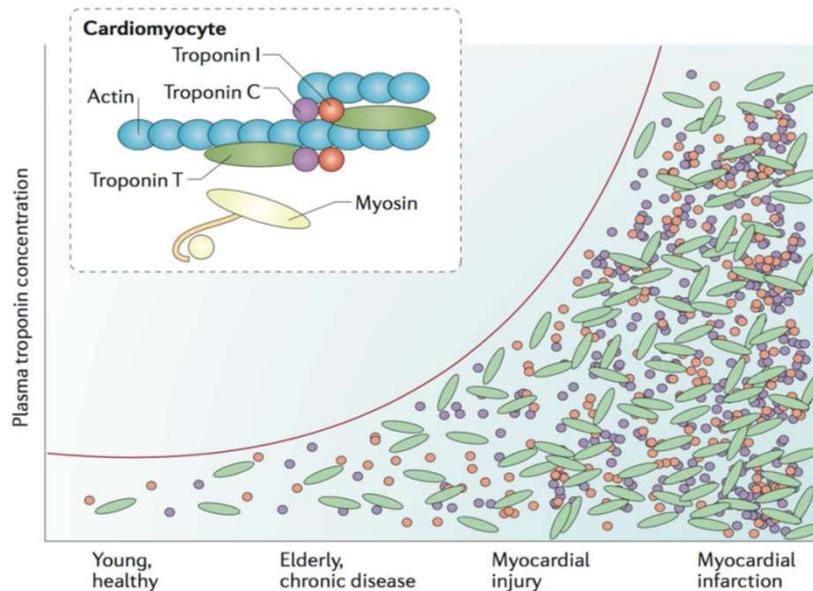
Le complexe Troponine : complexe hétérotrimérique

- Troponine **C** : fixation du **Calcium**
- Troponine **I** : **Inhibition** de la liaison actine-myosine – 3 isoformes :
 - Isoforme spécifique du muscle squelettique à contraction rapide
 - Isoforme spécifique du muscle squelettique à contraction lente
 - Isoforme spécifique du cœur : cTnI ou TnIc
- Troponine **T** : liaison avec la **Tropomyosine** – nombreuses isoformes :
 - Isoformes squelettiques
 - Isoformes spécifiques du cœur : cTnT ou TnTc



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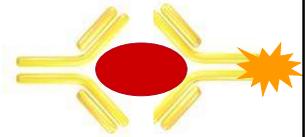
Les formes circulantes de Troponine



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Dosages HS cTn en 2024

« Designated by manufacturers endorsed by IFCC »



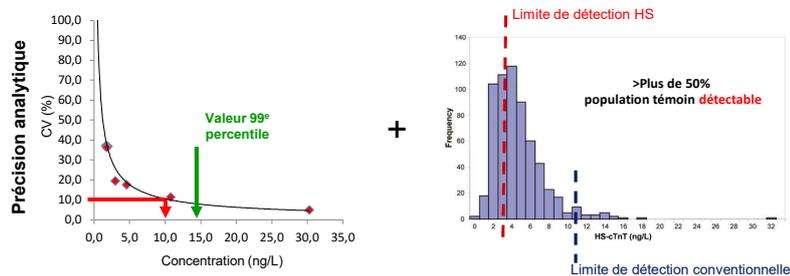
- 30 dosages hypersensibles listés par IFCC
 - [Biomarkers Reference Tables – IFCC](#)
 - 4 dosages validés sur sang total
- **Hétérogénéité** des techniques sandwich (TnI)
- **Absence de standardisation**
 - => pas de « transfert » des résultats inter-technique

<https://ifcc.org/ifcc-education-division/emd-committees/committee-on-clinical-applications-of-cardiac-bio-markers-cb/biomarkers-reference-tables/>

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méthode de dosage **hyper-sensible** :



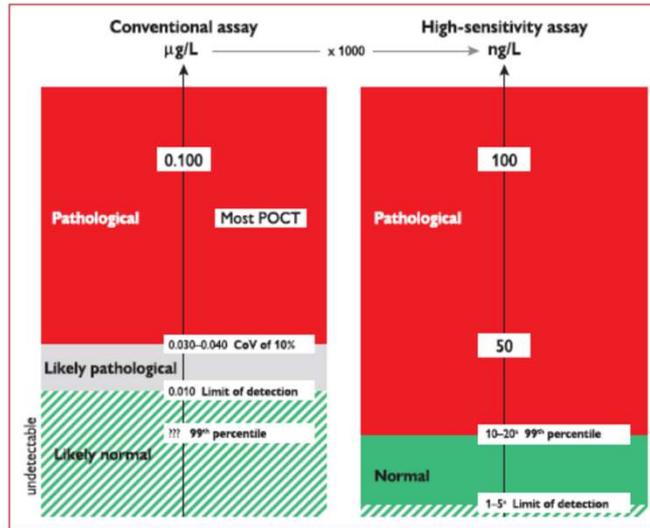
Deux critères ont été retenus par Apple et Collinson pour définir « l'hypersensibilité » d'un dosage de cTn (Apple et al., 2012) :

- sa précision au seuil du 99^e percentile d'une population de référence, qui doit être **≤ 10%**
- la proportion de sujets sains détectables (sujets dont la concentration de cTn est supérieure à la limite de détection de la méthode), qui doit être **d'au moins 50 %** des sujets sains analysés

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The Task Force for the management of acute coronary syndromes in patients presenting without persistent ST-segment elevation of the European Society of Cardiology



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Cardiospécificité
+
Hyper-sensibilité analytique
=
Augmentation du nombre des circonstances où une atteinte myocardique existe comme une entité à part entière, en l'absence de pathologie cardiaque ischémique aiguë.

Table S3 Conditions other than acute Type 1 myocardial infarction associated with cardiomyocyte injury (i.e. cardiac troponin elevation)

Myocardial injury related to acute myocardial ischaemia because of oxygen supply/demand imbalance (Type 2 MI)

Reduced myocardial perfusion, e.g.:

- Coronary artery spasm, microvascular dysfunction
- Coronary embolism
- Non-atherosclerotic coronary artery dissection
- Sustained bradyarrhythmia
- Hypotension or shock
- Respiratory failure
- Severe anaemia

Increased myocardial oxygen demand, e.g.:

- Sustained tachyarrhythmia
- Severe hypertension with or without left ventricular hypertrophy

Other causes of myocardial injury

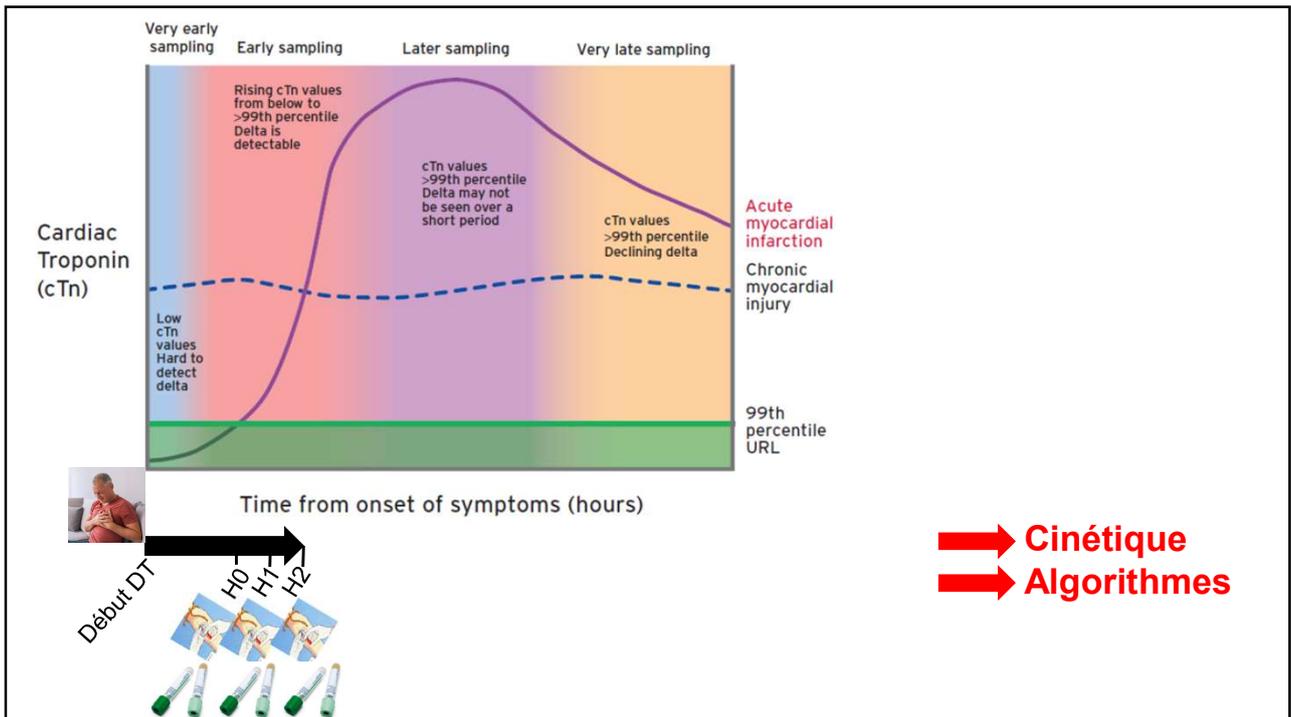
Cardiac conditions:

- Heart failure
- Myocarditis^a
- Cardiomyopathy (any type)
- Takotsubo syndrome
- Cardiac contusion or cardiac procedures (CABG, PCI, valvular interventions, ablation, pacing, cardioversion, or endomyocardial biopsy)

Systemic conditions:

- Sepsis, infectious disease
- Chronic kidney disease
- Stroke, subarachnoid haemorrhage
- Pulmonary embolism, pulmonary hypertension
- Infiltrative diseases (e.g. amyloidosis, sarcoidosis, haemochromatosis, scleroderma)
- Myocardial drug toxicity or poisoning (e.g. doxorubicin, 5-fluorouracil, trastuzumab, snake venoms)
- Critically ill patients
- Hypo- and hyper-thyroidism
- Strenuous exercise
- Rhabdomyolysis

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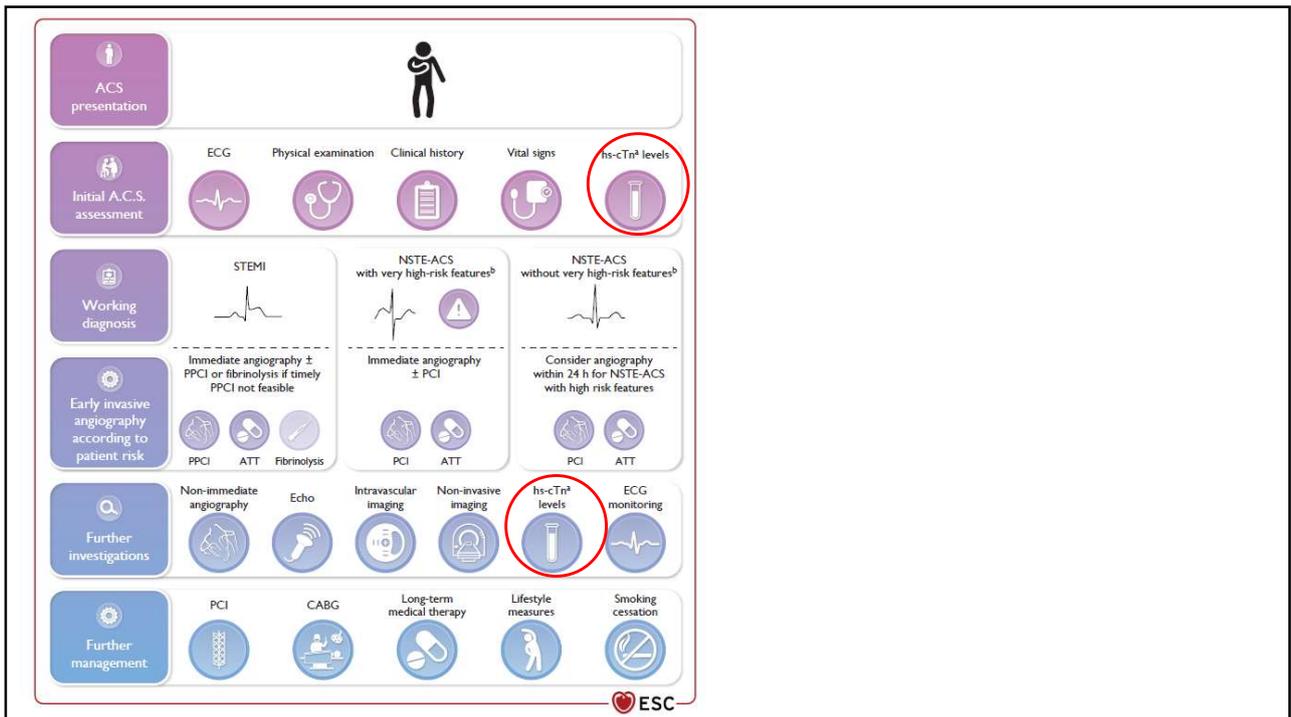
Measurement of a biomarker of cardiomyocyte injury, preferably high-sensitivity cardiac troponin (hs-cTn), is recommended in all patients with suspected ACS.^{15,17,25–27,53,54} If the clinical presentation is compatible with myocardial ischaemia, then a rise and/or fall in cTn above the 99th percentile of healthy individuals points to a diagnosis of MI as per the criteria in the fourth universal definition of MI.¹ In patients

The ACS spectrum

Clinical presentation	Oligo/asymptomatic	Increasing chest pain/symptoms	Persistent chest pain/symptoms	Cardiogenic shock/acute heart failure	Cardiac arrest
ECG findings	Normal	ST segment depression	ST segment elevation	Malignant arrhythmia	
Working diagnosis	NSTE-ACS			STEMI	
hs-cTn levels	Non-elevated			Rise and fall	
Final diagnosis	Unstable angina	NSTEMI		STEMI	

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3.3.4. Rapid 'rule-in' and 'rule-out' algorithms

Due to their higher sensitivity and diagnostic accuracy for the detection of MI at presentation, the time interval to the second cTn assessment can be shortened with the use of hs-cTn assays. This substantially reduces the delay to diagnosis, translating into shorter stays in the ED, lower costs, and less diagnostic uncertainty for patients.^{15,83–88} It is recommended to use the 0 h/1 h algorithm (best option) or the 0 h/2 h algorithm (second-best option) (Figure 6). These algorithms have been derived and validated in large multicentre diagnostic studies using central adjudication of the final diagnosis for all currently available hs-cTn assays.^{27–39,62,70,73,82,89–93} Optimal thresholds for rule-out were selected to allow a sensitivity and NPV of at least 99%. Optimal thresholds for rule-in were selected to allow a positive predictive value (PPV) of at least 70%. These algorithms were developed from large derivation cohorts and then validated in large independent validation cohorts. The previous ESC 0 h/3 h algorithm was considered as an alternative,^{40,56} but three recent large diagnostic studies suggested that the ESC 0 h/3 h algorithm appears to balance efficacy and safety less well than more rapid protocols using lower rule-out concentrations, including the ESC 0 h/1 h algorithm.^{41–43} The very high safety and high efficacy of applying the ESC 0 h/1 h algorithm was recently confirmed in three real-life implementation studies, including one randomized controlled trial (RCT).^{44,94,95} Therefore, the ESC 0 h/3 h algorithm is an alternative for cases where the ESC 0 h/1 h or 0 h/2 h algorithms are not available. Of note, patients assigned to the 'rule-out' pathway using the ESC 0 h/1 h or 0 h/2 h algorithms have a very low rate of clinical events through to 30 days.^{95,96}

The flowchart details the algorithm for patients with suspected NSTEMI and no indication for immediate invasive angiography:

- Step 1:** Take hs-cTn at 0 h and 1 h/2 h.
- Step 2:** Patients are classified into three pathways based on hs-cTn results:
 - Very low initial hs-cTn^h OR Low initial hs-cTn and no increase in 1 h/2 h hs-cTn:** Leads to the Rule-out pathway.
 - Patients who do not meet the criteria for either of the other two pathways:** Leads to the Observe pathway.
 - High initial hs-cTn OR Increase in 1 h/2 h hs-cTn:** Leads to the Rule-in pathway.
- Step 3:** Appropriate management can be determined based on the hs-cTn levels and clinical situation.

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Figure 6 The 0 h/1 h or 0 h/2 h rule-out and rule-in algorithms using high-sensitivity cardiac troponin assays in patients presenting to the emergency department with suspected NSTEMI and without an indication for immediate invasive angiography. hs-cTn, high-sensitivity cardiac troponin; NSTEMI, non-ST-elevation myocardial infarction. Patients are classified into one of three pathways as per the results of their hs-cTn values at 0 h (time of initial blood test) and 1 h or 2 h later. Patients with a very low initial hs-cTn value or patients with a low initial value and no 1 h/2 h change in hs-cTn are assigned to the rule-out pathway. Patients with a high initial hs-cTn value or a 1 h/2 h change in hs-cTn are assigned to the rule-in pathway. Patients who do not meet the criteria for the rule-out or rule-in strategies are assigned to the 'observe' pathway, and these patients should have hs-cTn levels checked at 3 h to undergo angiography in order to decide on further management. Cut-offs are assay specific (see Supplementary material online, Table S5) and derived to meet pre-defined criteria for sensitivity and specificity for NSTEMI. **Potential management and testing options for each of the three strategies are provided in the relevant sections of the main text.**^{15,27–39,62,70,73,82,89–93,95,96} ^aOnly applicable if the chest pain onset was >2 h prior to the 0 h hs-cTn measurement.

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hs-cTnT (Elecsys; Roche)	<5	<12	<3	\geq 52	\geq 5
hs-cTnI (Architect; Abbott)	<4	<5	<2	\geq 64	\geq 6
hs-cTnI (Centaur; Siemens)	<3	<6	<3	\geq 120	\geq 12
hs-cTnI (Access; Beckman Coulter)	<4	<5	<4	\geq 50	\geq 15
hs-cTnI (Clarity; Singulex)	<1	<2	<1	\geq 30	\geq 6
hs-cTnI (Vitros; Clinical Diagnostics)	<1	<2	<1	\geq 40	\geq 4
hs-cTnI (Pathfast; LSI Medience)	<3	<4	<3	\geq 90	\geq 20
hs-cTnI (TriageTrue; Quidel)	<4	<5	<3	\geq 60	\geq 8
hs-cTnI (Dimension EXL; Siemens)	<9	<9	<5	\geq 160	\geq 100
0 h/2 h algorithm	Very low	Low	No 2 h Δ	High	2 h Δ
hs-cTnT (Elecsys; Roche)	<5	<14	<4	\geq 52	\geq 10
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The cut-offs apply irrespective of age, sex, and renal function. Optimized cut-offs for patients above 75 years of age and patients with renal dysfunction have been evaluated, but not consistently shown to provide better balance between safety and efficacy as compared with these universal cut-offs.^{20,31} The algorithms for additional assays are in development: hs-cTnT on Elecsys (Roche), hs-cTnI on Architect (Abbott), hs-cTnI on Centaur (Siemens), hs-cTnI on Access (Beckman Coulter), hs-cTnI on Clarity (Singulex), hs-cTnI on Vitros (Clinical Diagnostics), hs-cTnI on Pathfast (LSI Medience), and hs-cTnI on TriageTrue (Quidel).
 hs-cTn, high-sensitivity cardiac troponin; TBD, to be determined.^{30,31,67–69}

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Faire des cinétiques H0- H1/2 : challenges

Time to decision = time of blood draw + turnaround time. The use of the ESC 0 h/1 h algorithms is irrespective of the local turnaround time (time from blood draw to blood results): 0 h and 1 h refer to the time points at which blood is taken. The second blood draw may need to be taken before the result from the first one is available (although the results should be available in most cases within 60 min of blood sampling), but this does not affect the interpretation of the algorithms. The clinical and economic benefit of the ESC 0 h/1 h algorithm compared with other algorithms where the second blood draw is later than 1 h is therefore independent of the local turnaround time.⁹⁸

- Méthode de dosage HS pour la Troponine
- Demander systématiquement la datation de la DT ?
- Contractualiser avec le service prescripteur
- Recours à la biologie délocalisée ?
- Faire H1 sans avoir le résultat de H0 ??

Du bon usage clinique

- Le bon usage clinique des cTn reposera sur plusieurs éléments :
 - Une prescription justifiée
 - Une prescription documentée :
 - datation de la douleur thoracique,
 - seuils d'interprétation
- + connaître les causes d'élévation hors SCA
- + connaître la valeur ajoutée de la cTn dans la prise en charge du patient.

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Du bon usage clinique des dosages de troponine

- Mieux encadrer l'usage du dosage de troponine ?
 - Ex du sujet âgé :

La problématique du patient âgé

Atypie clinique de la maladie coronaire aiguë

L'essentiel de la dynamique de recherche des biomarqueurs est tournée vers l'exclusion du SCA: pas « la » problématique des patients âgés

Comprendre l'augmentation de troponine avec la multiplication des étiologies

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Chez qui ne pas doser la troponine :

SCA ST+ (STEMI) ++++++++

Pathologie n'ayant rien à voir avec un problème coronarien

Patient chez qui le résultat ne modifiera pas le traitement (ex: traitement médical maximal et n'aura pas de coronarographie)

Chez qui doser la troponine :

- SCA non ST+ (non STEMI)
- Troubles de la repolarisation mal expliqués
- Patient chez qui on veut préciser le pronostic

Du bon usage biologique

- Le bon usage biologique sera assuré par :
 - une maîtrise de la qualité analytique des dosages :
 - suivi de l'imprécision dans les faibles valeurs du domaine de mesure
 - une maîtrise des délais de rendus compatibles avec la prise en charge du patient
 - l'exploration des éventuels faux positifs analytiques.



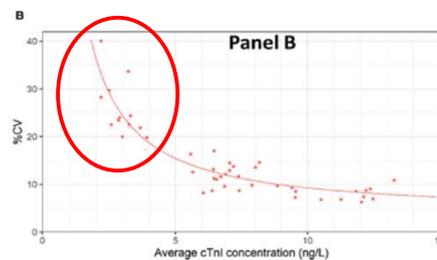
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Pourquoi maîtriser l'imprécision de la méthode de dosage dans les faibles valeurs du domaine de mesure ?

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Impact of high-sensitivity cardiac troponin I assay imprecision on the safety of a single-sample rule-out approach for myocardial infarction

Table 1: Estimated proportion of patients with suspected acute coronary syndrome misclassified due to hs-cTnI assay imprecision (coefficient of variation (CV) from 10 to 50 %) at the rule-out threshold of <5 ng/L and the proportion of all patients evaluated (n=47,357) with missed MI or myocardial injury due to imprecision.

CV	Measured hs-cTnI concentration, ng/L	Proportion misclassified as low risk by imprecision % (95 %CI)	Likelihood of MI in those reclassified % (95 %CI)	Proportion of all patients with missed MI due to imprecision % (95 %CI)	Likelihood of myocardial injury in those reclassified % (95 %CI)	Proportion of all patients with missed myocardial injury due to imprecision % (95 %CI)
10 %	5	15.9 (14.4–17.5)	0.3 (0.1–0.5)	0.01 (0.01–0.03)	0.5 (0.2–0.8)	0.02 (0.01–0.04)
	6	0.1 (0–0.4)	0 (0–0.2)		0 (0–0.2)	
20 %	5	31.1 (29.2–33.1)	0.5 (0.3–0.9)	0.03 (0.02–0.05)	0.9 (0.6–1.4)	0.05 (0.03–0.07)
	6	6.7 (5.5–8)	0.2 (0–0.5)		0.3 (0.1–0.6)	
	7	0.6 (0.3–1.2)	0 (0–0.2)		0 (0–0.3)	
30 %	5	36.9 (34.9–39)	0.7 (0.4–1.1)	0.05 (0.03–0.07)	1.1 (0.8–1.7)	0.08 (0.06–0.11)
	6	15.9 (14.2–17.7)	0.4 (0.2–0.8)		0.7 (0.3–1.2)	
	7	4.7 (3.6–5.9)	0.1 (0–0.5)		0.3 (0.1–0.7)	
	8	1 (0.5–1.7)	0 (0–0.3)		0.1 (0–0.4)	
40 %	5	40.1 (38–42.2)	0.7 (0.4–1.1)	0.06 (0.04–0.09)	1.2 (0.8–1.8)	0.11 (0.08–0.14)
	6	22.6 (20.6–24.7)	0.6 (0.3–1.1)		0.9 (0.5–1.5)	
	7	10.6 (9–12.5)	0.3 (0.1–0.7)		0.7 (0.3–1.2)	
	8	4 (3–5.3)	0.1 (0–0.4)		0.2 (0.1–0.7)	
	9	1.2 (0.6–2.1)	0 (0–0.4)		0.1 (0–0.5)	
	10	0.3 (0.1–0.9)	0 (0–0.4)		0 (0–0.4)	
50 %	5	42.1 (40–44.3)	0.7 (0.4–1.1)	0.08 (0.05–0.1)	1.3 (0.9–1.8)	0.14 (0.11–0.18)
	6	27.3 (25.1–29.5)	0.7 (0.4–1.2)		1.2 (0.7–1.8)	
	7	15.8 (13.9–17.9)	0.4 (0.2–0.9)		1 (0.5–1.7)	
	8	8.1 (6.6–9.8)	0.2 (0.1–0.6)		0.5 (0.2–1)	
	9	3.4 (2.4–4.8)	0.2 (0–0.6)		0.3 (0.1–0.9)	
	10	1.4 (0.7–2.5)	0.1 (0–0.5)		0.1 (0–0.7)	
	11	0.4 (0.1–1.1)	0 (0–0.4)		0 (0–0.5)	
	12	0.2 (0–0.8)	0 (0–0.5)		0 (0–0.5)	

- 48,282 consecutive patients with suspected acute coronary syndrome
- hs-cTnI assay (ARCHITECTSTAT, Abbott Laboratories)
- HighSTEACS trial,
- simulated the effect of imprecision for a range of CVs at the rule-out threshold

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Special Report

Clinical Laboratory Practice Recommendations for the Use of Cardiac Troponin in Acute Coronary Syndrome: Expert Opinion from the Academy of the American Association for Clinical Chemistry and the Task Force on Clinical Applications of Cardiac Bio-Markers of the International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine

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Recommendation :

- **3 niveaux de concentrations** différentes en QC avec **passage quotidien [..]**.
- Chaque niveau validé avec les **limites d'imprécision indiquées par le fournisseur**
- Résultats des CQ en ng/L exprimés avec 1 décimale

(1) **Concentration 1** : concentration entre la **LoD** et le **99^{ème} percentile ♀**.

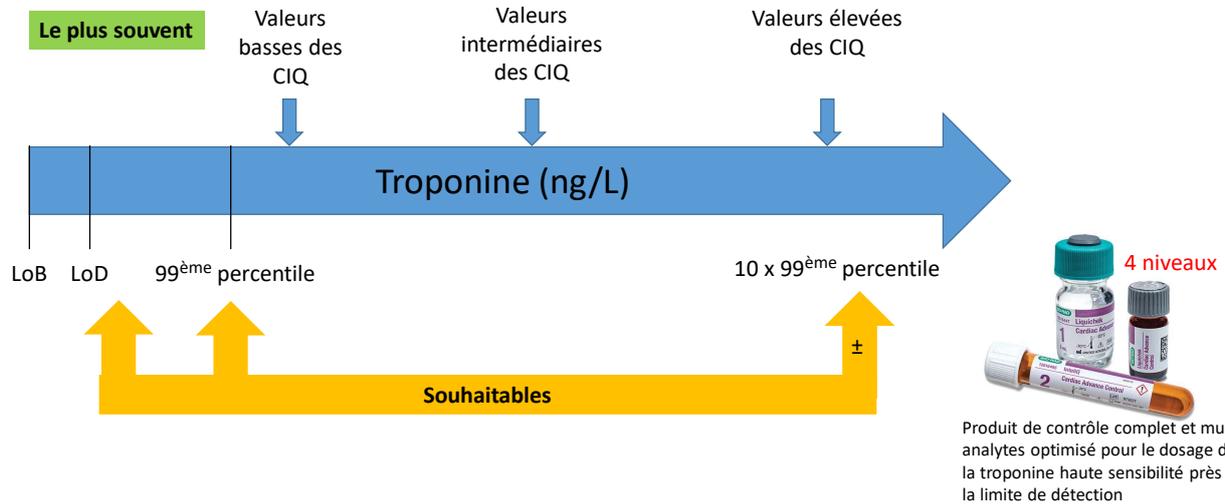
(2) **Concentration 2** : concentration supérieure mais proche (**limite + 20%**) du **99^{ème} percentile ♂**.

(3) **Concentration 3** : concentration très élevée (évaluation de la limite de linéarité) des Tn

Ex: 10 x 99^{ème} percentile si patients avec intervention cardiaque .

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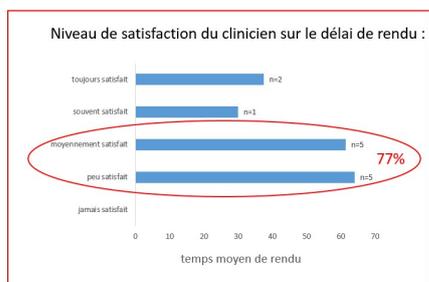
Contrôles de qualité et dosage de Troponine



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Combien de temps pour le résultat de troponine ?

Enquête « Entropise » SFBC SFMU
28 centres participants



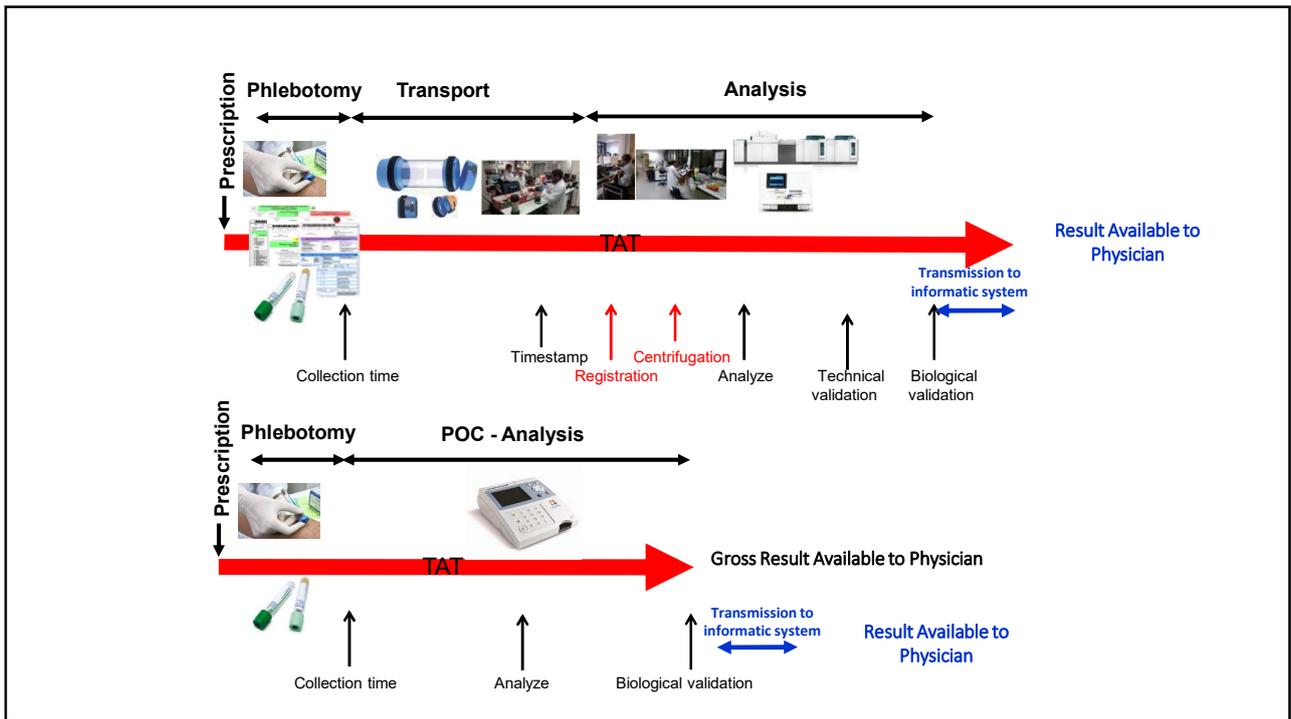
87 410 dossiers demandes de troponine étudiées :

Délai médian de rendu global
= 81 minutes

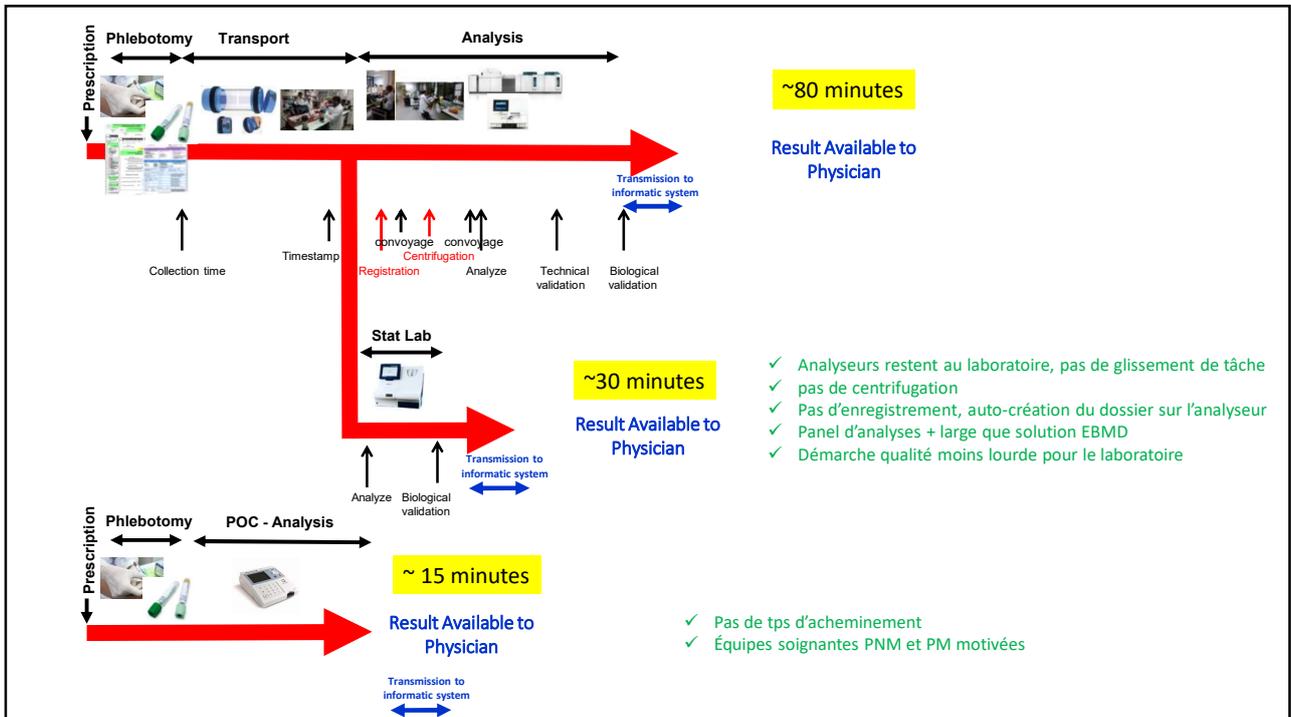


Résultat rendu

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Dosage de troponine : faux négatifs, faux positifs ?

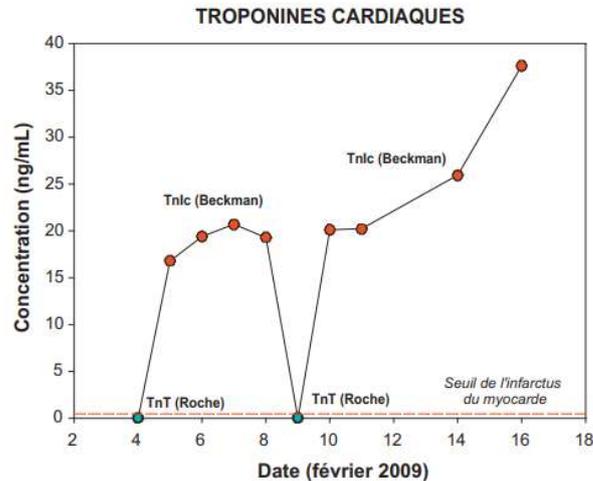


Figure 1 Évolution des résultats du dosage de la troponine chez le patient.

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Substances interférentes

While the overall prevalence of false positive cTnT and cTnI is unknown, false positive troponin I elevations of up to 3.1% have been reported in reference populations.^{w44 w45} Antibodies with varying epitope specificities used in different cTnI assays have been suggested as an important cause of discrepant test results. Post-translational modifications such as proteolytic degradation and phosphorylation of cTnI may lead to changed cTnI epitopes.^{w46 w47} Such modifications are less likely

Box 2 Possible causes of false positive troponin results

- ▶ Heterophile antibodies
- ▶ Human anti-mouse antibodies
- ▶ Autoantibodies
- ▶ Rheumatoid factor
- ▶ Haemolysis
- ▶ Fibrin clots
- ▶ Microparticles in specimen
- ▶ Interference by endogenous components in blood (bilirubin, haemoglobin, lipaemia)
- ▶ High concentration of alkaline phosphatase
- ▶ Immunocomplex formation
- ▶ Analyser malfunction

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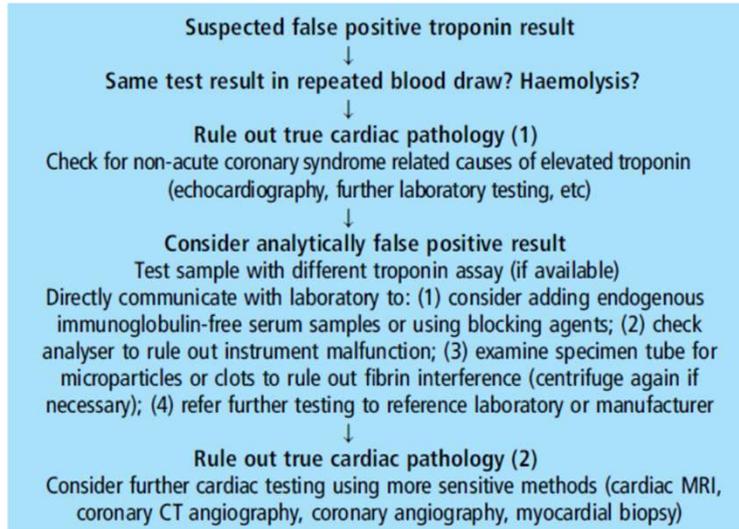
Excess fibrin has also been described as a cause of false positive cTnI results due to non-specific antibody binding, or to trapped indicator enzyme in the separation matrix in incompletely clotted serum samples.^{w31}

Positive interference may also occur due to high concentrations of alkaline phosphatase in some cTnI assays using alkaline phosphatase as a substrate, or to the presence of a macro immunocomplex involving cTnI and IgG.^{w32 w33}

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Box 3 Algorithm for assumed false positive troponin result due to discrepancy between clinical presentation and laboratory value



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Retenir l'essentiel

- La troponine cardiaque (cTn) : I ou T, c'est un **marqueur d'atteinte du tissu myocardique**
- Nombreuses méthodes de dosage de troponine, non standardisées. Méthodes hypersensibles (HS) = permettent de **mesurer avec précision de faibles concentrations circulantes de cTn**, y compris dans les populations de référence
- Une variation de concentration circulante de cTn au-dessus des valeurs usuelles (soit >99^e percentile d'une population de référence) signe une **atteinte du tissu myocardique**
- La cTnHS un excellent biomarqueur d'atteinte du tissu myocardique, et permet de détecter de **nombreuses circonstances où une atteinte myocardique existe** comme une entité à part entière, y compris en l'absence de pathologie cardiaque ischémique aiguë.
- **Dosages répétés** sur des prélèvements différents => caractère aigu ou chronique de l'élévation
- Douleur thoracique suspecte du SCA : les sociétés savantes proposent des **algorithmes** d'interprétation sur des prélèvements séquentiels dont les délais sont raccourcis à **1 ou 2 heures**, permettant d'optimiser la prise en charge des patients.
- **Le bon usage clinique =**
 - prescription justifiée,
 - Prescription documentée (datation de la douleur thoracique, seuils d'interprétation)
- **Le bon usage biologique =**
 - maîtrise de la qualité analytique des dosages aux seuils décisionnels,
 - maîtrise des délais de rendus compatibles avec la prise en charge du patient,
 - exploration des éventuels faux positifs analytiques.

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