

1-Year Outcomes of Perioperative Beta-blockade in Patients Undergoing Noncardiac Surgery



Purpose: To evaluate cardiovascular outcomes when using metoprolol perioperatively in at-risk patients having non-cardiac surgery.

Trial Design: Phase 3, multi-center (191 sites, 23 countries), randomized, controlled, blinded. Metoprolol controlled release vs. placebo in at-risk patients having non-cardiac surgery. (metoprolol CR 100 mg 2-4 hours before surgery, 100 mg first 6 hours after surgery, and then 12 hours after post-op dose, 200 mg daily X 30 days) N= 8351.

Primary Endpoints: CV Death, non-fatal MI, cardiac arrest 30 days after surgery

1 year	All-cause mortality		CV mortality		MI		Stroke		Revascularization	
	metoprolol	placebo	metoprolol	placebo	metoprolol	placebo	metoprolol	placebo	metoprolol	placebo
	10%	9%	4%	4%	5%	6%	2%	1%	1%	1%
	P=0.36 HR 1.16		P= 0.37 HR 1.10		P= 0.008 HR 0.78		P = 0.14 HR 1.52		P=0.004 HR 0.47	

At 1 year, patients who received perioperative beta-blockade for noncardiac surgery compared to placebo experienced more deaths and strokes, but there were fewer MI's and less need for cardiac revascularization.