

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Table S1. Median (interquartile range) of PVC frequency according to status of 5-year beta-blocker usage among individuals *using/not using* beta-blockers at baseline.

Using beta-blockers at baseline (n=117)			
	Continued beta-blockers (n=82)	Beta-blockers discontinued (n=35)	p
PVCs per hour at baseline	1.0 (0.1 to 7.6)	0.9 (0.1 to 15.6)	0.95
PVCs per hour in five years	0.8 (0.1 to 8.5)	4.6 (0.1 to 45.5)	0.09
Not using beta-blockers at baseline (n=728)			
	Continued without beta-blockers (n=691)	Beta-blockers started (n=37)	p
PVCs per hour at the baseline	0.4 (0.1 to 4.4)	0.5 (0.1 to 5.6)	1.00
PVCs per hour in five years	1.3 (0.1 to 12.0)	1.0 (0.1 to 20.6)	0.74

p values are based on Mann-Whitney U test

Ordinal regression analyses regarding changing beta-blocker use and change in PVC frequency among individuals *using* (n=117)/ *not using* (n=691) beta-blockers at baseline.

Using beta-blockers at baseline			
	Odds ratio	95% CI	p
unadjusted risk of cessation vs. continuing beta-blockers	1.79	0.87 to 3.68	0.11
sex and age adjusted risk of cessation vs. continuing beta-blockers	1.8	0.87 to 3.70	0.11
Not using beta-blockers at baseline			
unadjusted risk of commencement vs. never use of beta-blockers	1.18	0.66 to 2.13	0.57
age and sex adjusted risk of commencement vs. never use of beta-blockers	1.22	0.67 to 2.20	0.51

The odds ratio for a one-quintile increase in 5-year change in PVCs per hour. All analyses additionally adjusted for baseline PVC frequency