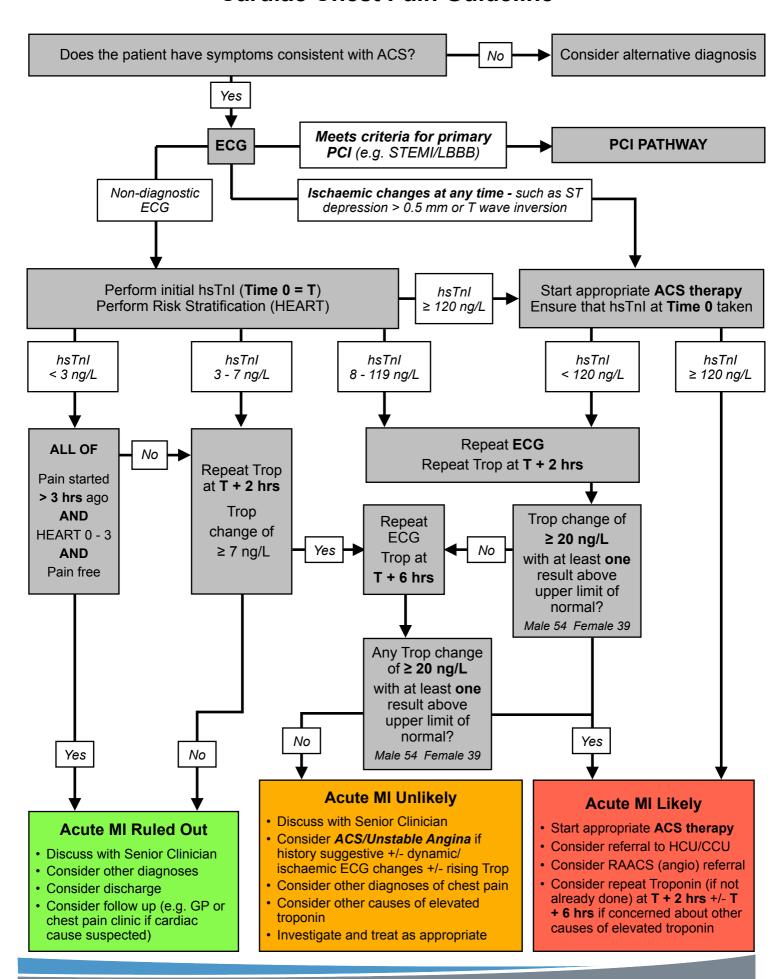


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## **Cardiac Chest Pain Guideline**





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HEART SCORE	Criteria	Points
History Typical Symptoms - central/left chest pain	Highly suspicious (Typical symptoms only)	2
<ul><li>radiation to arms/throat</li><li>sweating/clamminess</li><li>Atypical Symptoms</li></ul>	Moderately Suspicious (Both typical and atypical symptoms)	1
<ul><li>no chest pain, right chest pain</li><li>radiation to back</li><li>worse on inspiration/palpation</li></ul>	Slightly Suspicious (Atypical symptoms only)	0
ECG	New ST segment deviation	2
	Old changes/ bundle branch block/ paced rhythm	1
	Normal/ non-specific T wave changes	0
Age	> 64 years old	2
	45 - 64 years old	1
	<45 years old	0
Risk Factors - Diabetes	> 2 Risk Factors OR previous AMI/ CVA/ PVD	2
- Smoker within last 90 days	1-2 Risk Factors	1
<ul><li>Hypertension</li><li>Hypercholestraemia</li><li>FH coronary artery disease</li></ul>	No Risk Factors	0
Troponin	Male > 102/ Female > 48	2
	Male 34 -102/ Female 16 - 48	1
	Male < 34/ Female < 16	0
TOTAL		

0-3 points - 1.7% chance of MACE in next 6 weeks 4-6 points - 16.6% chance of MACE in next 6 weeks 7-10 points - 43.1 - 50.1% chance of MACE in next 6 weeks

MACE = Major Adverse Cardiac Event (Death, AMI, CABG, PCI, coronary stenosis)\*

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	Dose	Route	Notes
Aspirin	300mg stat (then 75mg OD)	PO (chewed or dissolved in water)	Avoid if: - significant contra-indication (anaphylaxis, recent GI bleed) - if given prehospital (check ambulance sheets)
Ticagrelor	180mg stat (then 90mg BD)	PO	Avoid if: - significant contra-indication - see <i>CPDI229 5.2.1</i> - Any recent head trauma. Perform head CT first.
Fondaparinux	2.5mg OD	sc	If eGFR <20ml/min then use <i>Enoxaparin 1mg/kg SC daily</i> Avoid if: - Significant contra-indication Already anticoagulated Any recent head trauma. Perform head CT first.