Comparison of Total Heart Volume and Laboratory Results in COVID-19 Infection

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Abstract

Introduction: In this study, we aimed to investigate cardiac involvement in patients diagnosed with the new Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Materials and Methods: Patients diagnosed with COVID-19 pneumonia in the emergency department were included in this retrospective study. Patients diagnosed with COVID-19 pneumonia were included in Group 1 and healthy individuals (as control group) were included in Group 2.CCT images were transferred to the Intrasense Myrian® software. Total cardiac volume (TCV) was measured in three-dimensional images. Obtained parameters were compared between groups Results: Total cardiac volume was 525.35 ± 29.96 cm3 (min:244cm3 - max:1545cm3) in Group 1 and 369.64 ± 10.41 cm3 (min:229cm3 - max:522cm3) in Group 2 (P=0.000). In Group 1 patients, levels of D-dimer, C-reactive protein (CRP) and high sensitivity troponin I (hs-TnI) were $391.00~(6.00-6450)~\mu\text{g/L}$, 3.50~(0.10-30.40)~mg/dL and 4.41~(1.00-3627.00)~ng/mL, respectively, whereas those in Group 2 were $112.50~(3.00-767.00)~\mu\text{g/L}$, 0.20~(0.10-19.30)~mg/dL and 0.250~(0.20-36.02)~ng/mL, respectively (P<0.05). Conclusion: Total cardiac volume increases in patients that develop pneumonia due to COVID-19 infection. D-dimer, CRP and hs-TnI levels also increase with TCV. Keywords: COVID-19, chest computed tomography, total cardiac volume, C-reactive protein, D-dimer, high sensitive troponin I

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