

# Safety of Radial Approach in Yemeni Patients, Local Experience of Nabdh Al -Hayat Cardiac Centre, Mukalla

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## ABSTRACT

### BACKGROUND

The use of radial access in coronary angiography reduced vascular complications. However, it had long learning curve and may increase fluoroscopy time and amount of dye used.

### OBJECTIVE

This study aimed to evaluate the fluoroscopy time as surrogate marker of radiation exposure during diagnostic coronary angiography and amount of dye used and compare with studies done

### METHODS

Retrospective observational study including patients who underwent diagnostic coronary angiography from 23/10/2017 to 31/7/2018 through radial approach. Patients with coronary intervention (PCI), coronary artery bypass surgery (CABG), or procedure involving right heart catheterization were

excluded from the study

### RESULTS

This study included 4202 patients, 1794 were male (74.6%), while 608 patients were female (24.4%) with age of patients range from 45-70 years. Fluro time was  $3.6 \pm 3.8$  min, and amount of dye used was  $60 \pm 30$  ml. Only few cases reported vascular complications limited to local hematoma

### CONCLUSION

Use of trans-radial approach for diagnostic coronary angiography is safe procedure without increase the radiation exposure of patient and staff with low incidence of vascular complications

### KEYWORDS

coronary angiography, Radial, Yemen.

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