中文題目:必賴克婁對修格連氏症病人之心臟保護效果

英文題目: Cardiovascular protection of hydroxychloroquine in patients with Sjögren's syndrome 作 者:楊登和^{1,2},魏正宗³

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Background: Sjögren's syndrome (SS) is a chronic systemic inflammation disease with clinical presentation of dry eye, dry mouth, and polyarthralgia. Active inflammation is associated with increasing risk of associated arterial stiffness or subclinical atherosclerosis-related cardiovascular events.

Methods: We used the longitudinal health insurance database of Taiwan, which included one million participants, to evaluate the relationship between the clinical medication of hydroxychloroquine (HCQ) and the development of coronary artery disease (CAD).

Results: In total, 1,674 patients with SS receiving HCQ medication were included after exclusion for previous CAD. Altogether, 1,142 SS patients were included for evaluation after follow-up for more than one year. After adjusting for age, gender, medications, and chronic comorbidities, a significantly decreased hazard ratio (HR) for developing CAD was found among SS patients with higher medication possession ratio (MPR) of HCQ (HR = 0.49, 95% confidence interval, CI: 0.26-0.94) when compared with low MPR of HCQ. A low HR for CAD was observed in SS patients with a high cumulative dose of at least 100,267 mg of HCQ (HR = 0.25, 95% CI: 0.09-0.66).

Conclusion: Long-term HCQ therapy may decrease the HR of CAD in SS patients. Significant cardiovascular protective effect of HCQ therapy was observed in our study.