

RESULTS

Patients demographics and characteristics:

The study population included 50 patients, 40 males (80%) and 10 females (20%). The mean age, 58.7 ± 10.46 years (range 37-80), 36 patients (72%) had anterior myocardial infarction and 14 patients (28%) had inferior myocardial infarction, 25 control subjects are matched with the patients as regards age and sex.

the QT interval was measurable in 11.38 ± 0.80 leads (range 10-12). The mean QT interval averaged over 12 leads for all patients was 377.16 ± 48.35 (range 292-510) versus in the normal control, the QT interval was measurable in 11.45 ± 0.73 leads (range 10-12). The mean QT interval averaged over 12 leads for all normal controls was 355.24 ± 22.23 (range 318-405).

Group (1) patients who received thrombolytic therapy:

Included 25 cases, 20 males (80%) and 5 females (20%). The mean age 54.76 ± 8.15 (range 37-67). Twenty patients (80%) had anterior myocardial infarction and 5 patients (20%) had inferior myocardial infarction.

The QT interval was measurable in 11.36 ± 0.75 (range 10 to 12). The mean QT averaged over 12 leads was 373.64 ± 46.91 (range 316-510) on admission.

Group (2) patients who did not receive streptokinase:

Included 25 patients, 20 males (80%) and 5 females (20%). The mean age 62.64 ± 11.16 (range 42 to 80). Sixteen (64%) had anterior myocardial infarction and 9 patients (36%) had inferior myocardial infarction).

The QT interval was measurable in 11.40 ± 0.86 (range 10 to 12). The mean QT interval averaged over 12 leads was 360.60 ± 44.52 (range 246 to 441) msec.

Comparison between the patients and normal controls:

The QTd values differed between the patients (133.04 ± 41.61 msec) and normal controls (46.00 ± 16.52 msec). The difference was statistically highly significant ($P < 0.001$).

There was a statistically highly significant difference ($P < 0.001$) in the QTcd values between patients (186.82 ± 106.37 msec) and normal controls (95.20 ± 20.37 msec).

The difference was statistically highly significant ($P < 0.001$) in the QTdR values between patients (17.82 ± 5.99 msec) and controls (7.64 ± 10.19 msec).

Table (3): Comparison between normal controls and patients

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|---------------|---------------------|-------|--------------|
| QTd patients | 133.04 \pm 41.61 | 10.04 | P<0.001 (HS) |
| QTd controls | 46.00 \pm 16.52 | | |
| QTcd patients | 186.82 \pm 106.37 | 4.25 | P<0.001 (HS) |
| QTcd controls | 95.20 \pm 20.37 | | |
| QTdR patients | 17.82 \pm 5.99 | 5.44 | P<0.001 (HS) |
| QTdR controls | 7.64 \pm 10.19 | | |

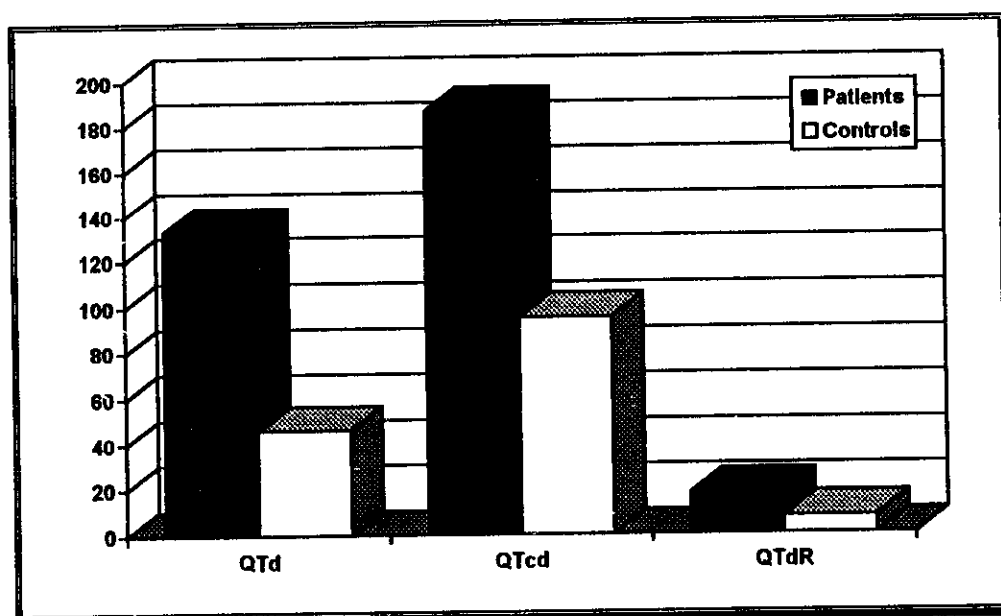


Fig. (2): Comparison between normal controls and patients

In group (1):

There was a statistically highly significant difference in the QTd values between admission (157.88 ± 42.50 msec) and 2 hours post-streptokinase (131.00 ± 37.47 msec) and between admission (157.88 ± 42.50 msec) and predischage (77.00 ± 22.91 msec).

There was a statistically highly significant difference in the QTcd between admission (223.08 ± 112.09 msec) and 2 hours post-streptokinase (169.92 ± 82.43 msec) ($P < 0.01$) and between admission (223.08 ± 112.09 msec) and predischage (94.20 ± 27.64 msec).

There was a statistically highly significant difference in the QTdR between admission (20.37 ± 6.54 msec) and two hours post-streptokinase (16.71 ± 5.64 msec) ($P < 0.01$) and between admission 20.37 ± 6.54 msec) and predischage (10.16 ± 3.77).

Table (4): Comparison between QTd, QTcd and QTdR on admission, 2 hours post-streptokinase and predischage

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------|-------------|
| QTd on admission | 157.88 \pm 42.50 | 5.13 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTd 2 h. post SK | 131.00 \pm 37.47 | | |
| QTd on admission | 157.88 \pm 42.50 | 13.12 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTd on predischage | 77.00 \pm 22.91 | | |
| QTcd on admission | 223.08 \pm 112.09 | 5.92 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTcd 2 h. post SK | 169.92 \pm 82.43 | | |
| QTcd on admission | 223.08 \pm 112.09 | 6.20 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTcd on predischage | 94.20 \pm 27.64 | | |
| QTdR on admission | 20.37 \pm 6.54 | 4.83 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTdR 2 h. post SK | 16.71 \pm 5.64 | | |
| QRdR on admission | 20.37 \pm 6.54 | 11.09 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTdR on predischage | 10.16 \pm 3.77 | | |

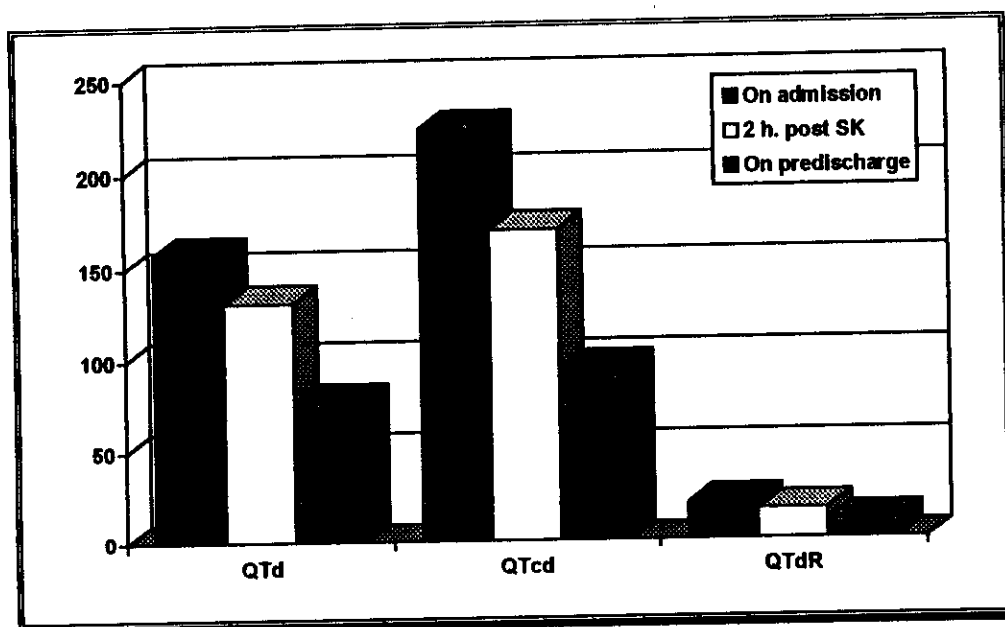


Fig. (3): Comparison between QTd, QTcd and QTdR on admission, 2 hours post-streptokinase and predischage

In group 2:

There was a statistically highly significant difference ($P < 0.01$) in the QTd values between admission (108.20 ± 21.05) and predischage (133.60 ± 22.70).

The difference was statistically highly significant ($P < 0.01$) in the QTcd values between admission (150.56 ± 88.31 msec) and predischage (182.64 ± 72.10 msec).

The difference was statistically highly significant ($P < 0.01$) in the QTdR values between admission (15.26 ± 4.11 msec) and predischage (18.13 ± 4.86).

Table (5): Comparison between QTd, QTcd, QTdR on admission and predischarge in patients not received streptokinase

| | Mean±SD | t | P |
|----------------------|--------------|------|-------------|
| QTd on admission | 108.20±21.05 | 7.66 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTd on predischarge | 133.60±22.70 | | |
| QTcd on admission | 150.56±88.31 | 5.73 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTcd on predischarge | 182.64±72.10 | | |
| QTdR on admission | 15.26±4.11 | 6.64 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTdR on predischarge | 18.13±4.86 | | |

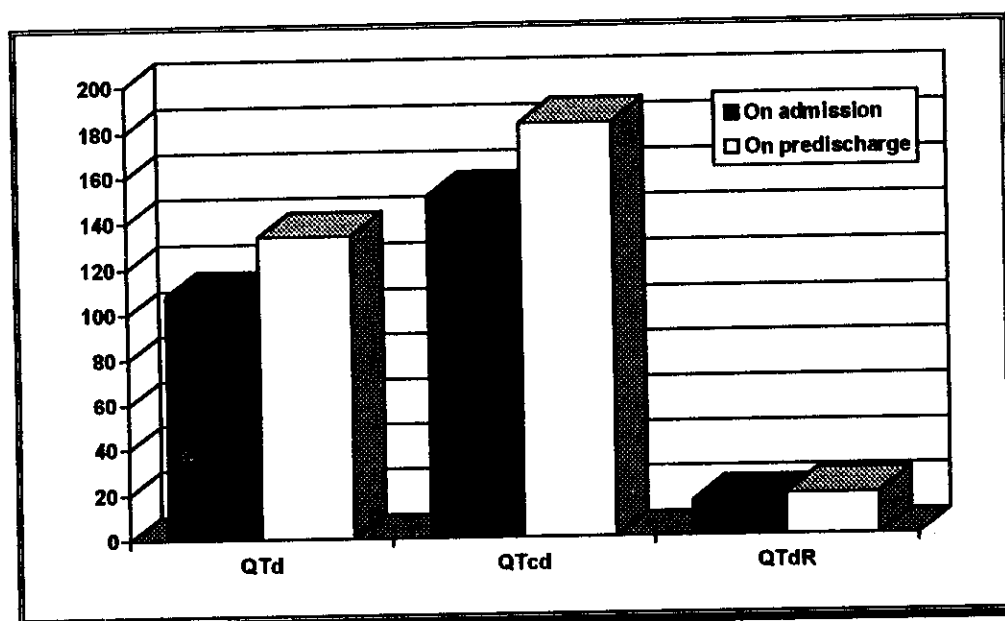


Fig (4): Comparison between QTd, QTcd, QTdR on admission and predischarge in patients not received streptokinase

Comparison between group 1 and group 2 on admission:

The difference was statistically highly significant ($P < 0.01$) in the QTd values between group 1 (157.88 ± 42.50 msec) and group 2 (108.20 ± 21.05 msec).

The QTcd values differed between group 1 (223.08 ± 112.09 msec) and group 2 (150.56 ± 88.31 msec). The difference was statistically highly significant ($P < 0.01$).

There was a statistically highly significant difference ($P < 0.001$) in the qQTdR values between group 1 (20.37 ± 6.54 msec) and group 2 (15.26 ± 4.11 msec).

Table (6): Comparison between group 1 and group 2 on admission

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|-----------------|---------------------|------|-------------|
| QTd without Sk | 108.20 \pm 21.05 | 5.23 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTd with SK | 157.88 \pm 42.50 | | |
| QTcd wiouth SK | 150.56 \pm 88.31 | 2.54 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTcd with SK | 223.08 \pm 112.09 | | |
| QRdR without SK | 15.26 \pm 4.11 | 3.30 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTdR with SK | 20.37 \pm 6.54 | | |

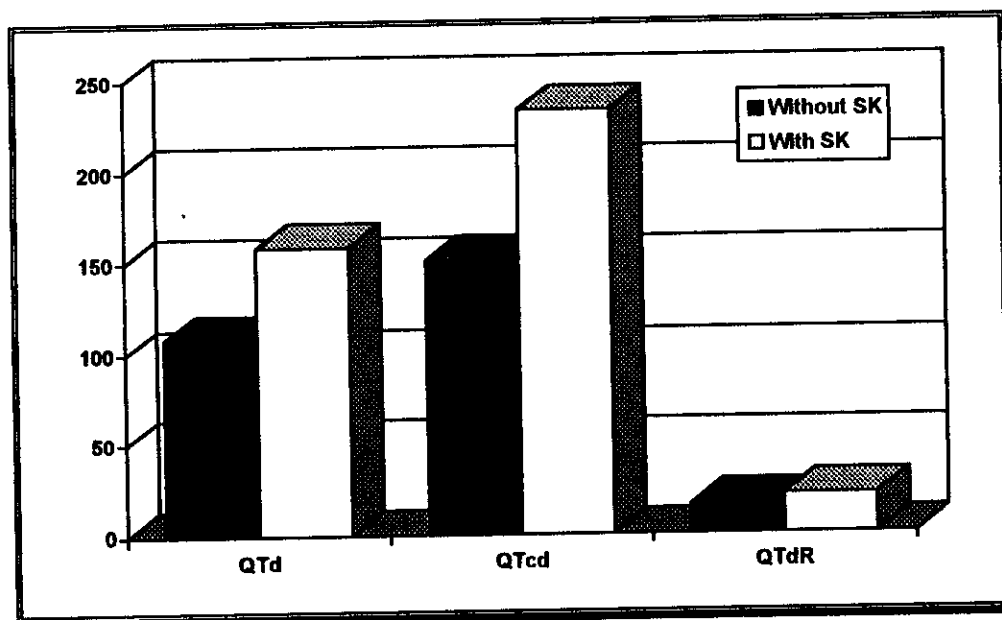


Fig. (5): Comparison between group 1 and group 2 on admission

The predischarge comparison between group 1 and group 2:

The difference was statistically highly significant ($P < 0.01$) in the QTd values between group 1 (77.00 ± 22.91 msec) and group 2 (133.60 ± 22.70 msec).

The QTcd values differed between group 1 (94.20 ± 27.64 msec.) and group 2 (182.64 ± 72.10 msec). The difference was statistically highly significant ($P < 0.01$).

There was a statistically highly significant difference ($P < 0.01$) in the QTdR values between group 1 (10.16 ± 3.77 msec) and group 2 (18.13 ± 4.86).

Table (7): Comparison between QTd, QTcd, QTdR in patients received streptokinase and those not received on predischarge

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|------------------------------|--------------------|------|-----------------|
| QTd predischarge without Sk | 133.60 \pm 22.70 | 9.57 | $P < 0.01$ (HS) |
| QTd predischarge with SK | 77.00 \pm 22.91 | | |
| QTcd predischarge without SK | 182.64 \pm 72.10 | 6.01 | $P < 0.01$ (HS) |
| QTcd with SK | 94.20 \pm 27.64 | | |
| QTdR predischarge without SK | 18.13 \pm 4.86 | 5.91 | $P < 0.01$ (HS) |
| QTdR predischarge with SK | 10.16 \pm 3.77 | | |

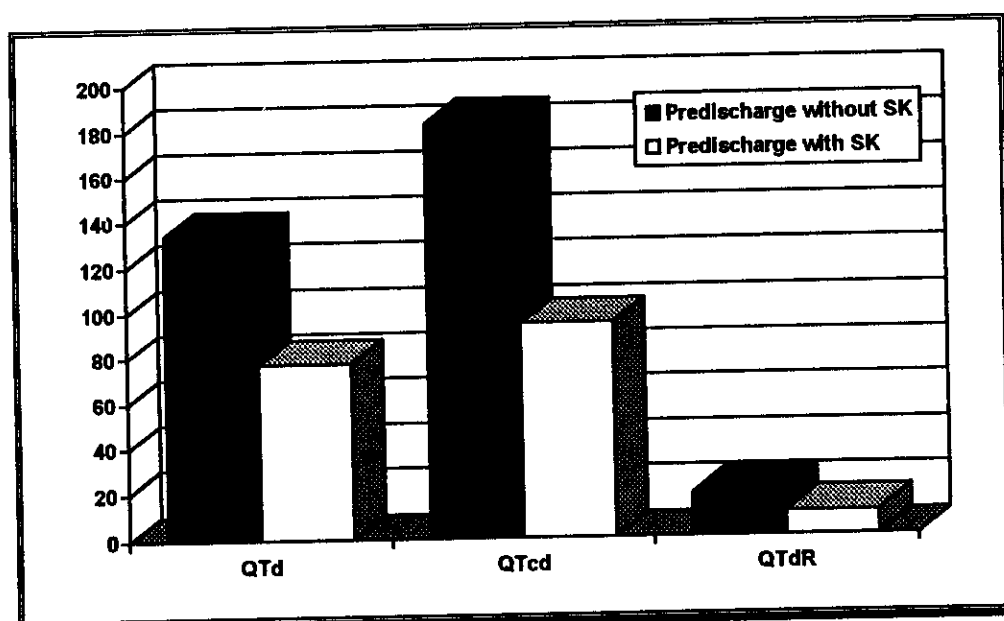


Fig. (6): Comparison between QTd, QTcd, QTdR in patients received streptokinase and those not received on predischarge

Comparison between patients less than 50 years and more than 50 years:

There was a statistically non-significant difference ($P>0.05$) in the QTd values between patients less than 50 years (131.25 ± 30.31 msec) and patients more than 50 years (133.60 ± 44.93 msec).

At the same time, QTcd values showed statistically significant difference ($P<0.05$) between patients less than 50 years (233.58 ± 157.69 msec) and patients more than 50 years (172.05 ± 81.60 msec).

Concerning the QTdR values, there was a statistically non-significant difference ($P>0.05$) between patients less than 50 years (17.99 ± 3.63 msec) and patients more than 50 years (17.76 ± 6.60 msec).

Table (8): Comparison between patients less than 50 years and patients more than 50 years

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|----------------------|---------------------|------|-------------|
| QTd (age <50 yeras) | 131.25 \pm 30.31 | 0.16 | P>0.05 (NS) |
| QTd (age >50 years) | 133.60 \pm 44.93 | | |
| QTcd (age <50 years) | 233.58 \pm 157.69 | 1.78 | P<0.05 (S) |
| QTcd (age >50 years) | 172.05 \pm 81.60 | | |
| QRdR (age <50 years) | 17.99 \pm 3.63 | 0.11 | P>0.05 (NS) |
| QTdR (age >50 years) | 17.76 \pm 6.60 | | |

Comparison between female patients and male patients:

The QTd values difference between females (142.00 ± 35.83 msec) and males (130.80 ± 43.05 msec) was statistically non-significant ($P > 0.05$).

Concerning the QTcd values, the difference was non-significant ($P > 0.05$) between females (163.40 ± 55.72 msec) and males (192.67 ± 115.43 msec).

Also, there was a statistically non-significant difference ($P > 0.05$) in the QTdR values between females (18.60 ± 4.77 msec) and males (17.62 ± 6.29 msec).

Table (9): Comparison between male and female patients

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|-------------|---------------------|------|-------------|
| QTd female | 142.00 \pm 35.83 | 0.75 | P>0.05 (NS) |
| QTd male | 130.80 \pm 43.05 | | |
| QTcd female | 163.40 \pm 55.72 | 0.77 | P>0.05 (NS) |
| QTcd male | 192.67 \pm 115.43 | | |
| QTdR female | 18.60 \pm 4.77 | 0.45 | P>0.05 (NS) |
| QTdR male | 17.62 \pm 6.29 | | |

Comparison between QTd, QTcd and QTdR in anterior myocardial infarction and inferior MI:

The QTd values differed non-significantly ($P>0.05$) between cases with anterior myocardial infarction (125.05 ± 55.13) and cases with inferior myocardial infarction (97.85 ± 42.86).

Also, QTcd values differed non-significantly ($P>0.05$) between cases with anterior MI (165.33 ± 91.54 msec) and cases with inferior MI (141.42 ± 132.56 msec).

The QTdR values differed non-significantly ($P>0.05$) between cases with anterior MI (16.40 ± 4.77 msec) and cases with inferior MI (17.47 ± 4.54 msec).

Table (10): Comparison between QTd, QTcd and QTdR in anterior myocardial infarction and inferior MI:

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|---------------|---------------------|------|-------------|
| QTd anterior | 125.05 \pm 55.13 | 1.65 | P>0.05 (NS) |
| QTd inferior | 97.85 \pm 42.86 | | |
| QTcd anterior | 165.33 \pm 91.54 | 0.72 | P>0.05 (NS) |
| QTcd inferior | 141.42 \pm 132.56 | | |
| QRdR anterior | 16.40 \pm 4.77 | 0.72 | P>0.05 (NS) |
| QTdR inferior | 17.47 \pm 4.54 | | |

Comparison between smokers and non-smokers:

The QTd and QTdR values differed between smokers (137.73 ± 46.65 and 18.57 ± 6.69) and non-smokers (126.00 ± 32.50 and 16.63 ± 4.73). The difference was statistically non-significant ($P > 0.05$).

There was a statistically significant difference ($P < 0.05$) in the QTcd values between smokers (207.96 ± 128.73) and non-smokers (155.10 ± 46.06).

Table (11): Comparison between smokers and non smokers

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|------------------|---------------------|------|-----------------|
| QTd smokers | 137.73 ± 46.65 | 0.97 | $P > 0.05$ (NS) |
| QTd non-smokers | 126.00 ± 32.50 | | |
| QTcd smokers | 207.96 ± 128.73 | 1.75 | $P > 0.05$ (NS) |
| QTcd non-smokers | 155.10 ± 46.06 | | |
| QRdR smokers | 18.57 ± 6.69 | 1.12 | $P > 0.05$ (NS) |
| QTdR non-smokers | 16.63 ± 4.73 | | |

Comparison between diabetic and non-diabetic:

The QTd, QTcd and QTdR values differed between diabetic patients (156.12 ± 45.44 , 225.12 ± 114.09 and 21.10 ± 6.26) and non-diabetic patients (111.73 ± 22.58 , 151.46 ± 86.57 and 14.76 ± 3.78). The difference was statistically highly significant ($P < 0.01$).

Table (12): Comparison between diabetic and non-diabetic

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|-------------------|---------------------|------|-------------|
| QTd diabetic | 156.12 \pm 45.44 | 4.42 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTd non-diabetic | 111.73 \pm 22.58 | | |
| QTcd diabetic | 225.12 \pm 114.09 | 2.58 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTcd non-diabetic | 151.46 \pm 86.57 | | |
| QRdR diabetic | 21.10 \pm 6.26 | 4.37 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTdR non-diabetic | 14.76 \pm 3.78 | | |

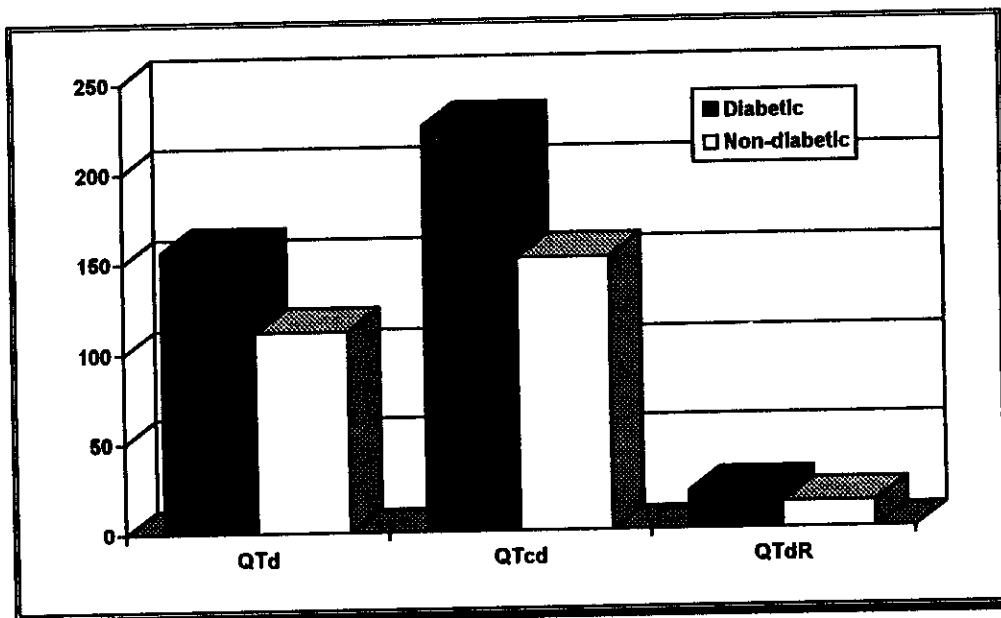


Fig. (7): Comparison between diabetic and non-diabetic

Comparison between hypertensive patients and non-hypertensive patients:

There was a statistically significant difference ($P < 0.05$) in the QTd values between hypertensive patients (141.40 ± 48.39) and non-hypertensive patients (120.50 ± 24.80).

The QTcd and QTdR values differed between hypertensive patients (194.90 ± 113.21 and 18.90 ± 6.63) and non-hypertensive patients (174.70 ± 96.75 and 16.14 ± 4.58). The difference was statistically non-significant ($P > 0.05$).

Table (13): Comparison between hypertensive and non-hypertensive patients

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|-----------------------|---------------------|------|-----------------|
| QTd hypertensive | 141.40 \pm 48.39 | 1.77 | $P < 0.05$ (S) |
| QTd non-hypertensive | 120.50 \pm 24.80 | | |
| QTcd hypertensive | 194.90 \pm 113.21 | 0.65 | $P > 0.05$ (NS) |
| QTcd non-hypertensive | 174.70 \pm 96.75 | | |
| QRdR hypertensive | 18.90 \pm 6.63 | 1.62 | $P > 0.05$ (NS) |
| QTdR non-hypertensive | 16.14 \pm 4.58 | | |

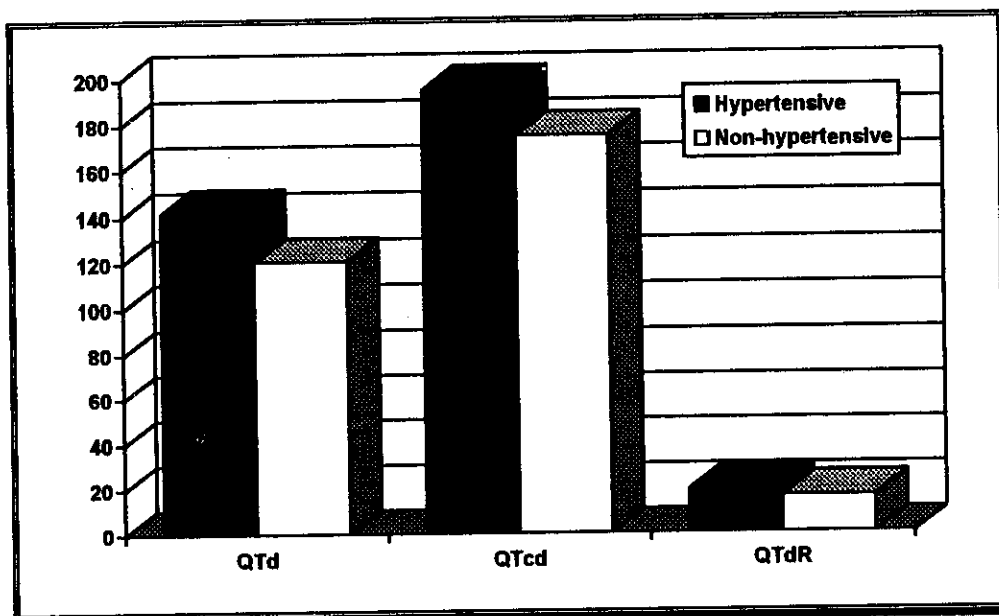


Fig. (8): Comparison between hypertensive and non-hypertensive patients

Comparison between patients with and without ventricular arrhythmias:

Ten patients (20%) are complicated with ventricular arrhythmia and 40 patients (80%) are not complicated. Eight patients (16%) had ventricular fibrillation and 2 patients (4%) had ventricular tachycardia.

There was a statistically highly significant difference in QTd ($P<0.01$) on admission between cases complicated by ventricular arrhythmias (168.20 ± 70.64 msec) and those without arrhythmias (104.75 ± 39.41).

The QTcd values on admission differed between cases complicated by ventricular arrhythmias (203.00 ± 57.12 msec) and those not complicated (147.55 ± 55.00 msec). The difference was statistically highly significant ($P<0.01$).

There was a statistically highly significant difference in QTdR ($P<0.01$) on admission between cases complicated by ventricular arrhythmias (22.72 ± 10.40 msec) and those not complicated (13.40 ± 5.07 msec).

Table (14): Comparison between QTd, QTcd, QTdR in non-complicated and complicated patients

| | Mean \pm SD | t | P |
|----------------------|--------------------|------|-------------|
| QTd non-complicated | 104.75 \pm 39.41 | 3.82 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTd complicated | 168.20 \pm 70.64 | | |
| QTcd non-complicated | 147.55 \pm 55.00 | 2.1 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTcd complicated | 203.00 \pm 57.12 | | |
| QRdR non-complicated | 13.40 \pm 5.07 | 4.10 | P<0.01 (HS) |
| QTdR complicated | 22.72 \pm 10.40 | | |

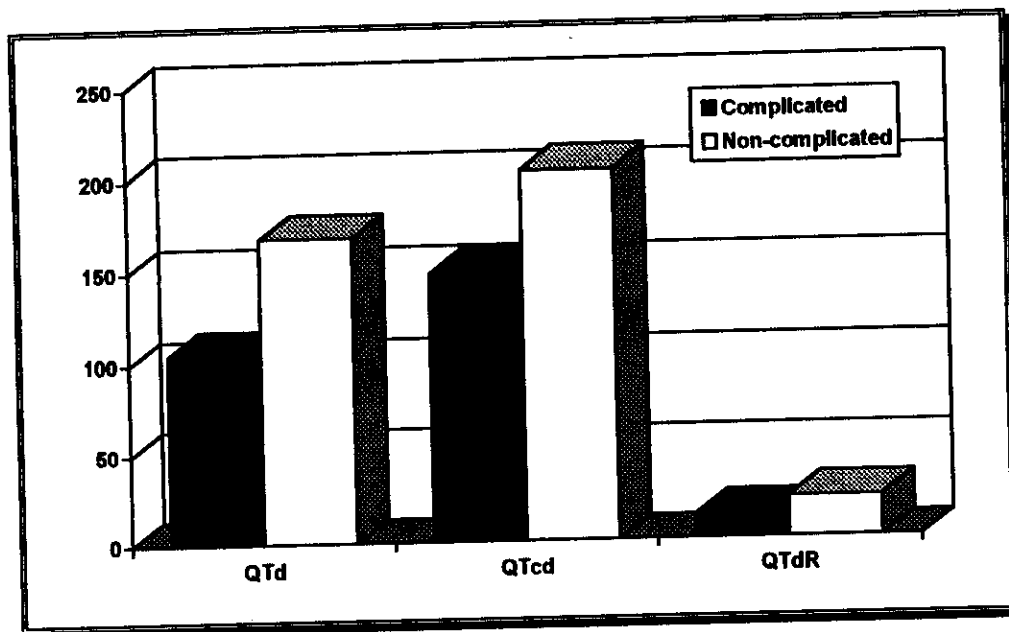


Fig. (9): Comparison between QTd, QTcd, QTdR in non-complicated and complicated patients