Supplemental Material

Multi-Modality Imaging in Survivors of COVID-19

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Supplemental Methods:

Exclusion criteria:

High degree atrioventricular block, torsades de pointes, prolonged QTc interval, liver failure, calcium-channel blockers or digoxin, renal failure, New York Heart Association class IV heart failure, and pregnancy.

Quick COVID-19 Severity Index:

The Quick COVID-19 Severity Index (qCSI) has been validated to risk-stratify patients with COVID-19 during the first 24 hours of hospital admission and assess their risk of critical illness.¹ The formula is based on 3 variables: respiratory rate (breaths/min), pulse oximetry (lowest value recorded, %) and O2 flow rate (L/min).

The score and its associated risk of critical illness is shown below:

qCSI	Risk Level	Risk of Critical Illness at 24 hours (%)
<3	Low	4
4-6	Low-intermediate	30
7-9	High-intermediate	44
10-12	High	57

Late gadolinium-enhancement

Haematocrit was measured on the day of scanning and was used to calculate global extracellular volume fraction. Endocardial and epicardial borders were manually defined on all the conventional short-axis images for volumetric and wall motion measurements and were then copied to all corresponding LGE and T1 map sequences for analysis with minimal manual adjustments. After contouring, an additional epicardial and endocardial offset of 20% was applied automatically to minimise tissue interface for all T1 map analyses and artefact was excluded manually for a minority of cases. Regions of interest (ROIs) were determined using the standard 16-segment cardiac model with septal native T1 values. For patients with previous

myocardial infarction or a new diagnosis of infarction, region of interest (ROIs) was defined in the remote myocardium. For those with a non-ischaemic pattern of late-enhancement native T1 was defined in the septal wall.

Manganese-enhanced magnetic resonance imaging

For patients with COVID-19, a single short-axis slice was then identified to represent pathological myocardium, guided by the late gadolinium enhancement, native T1 maps and cine images. For all participants with no obvious abnormality, a single mid-ventricular short-axis slice was selected. A single short-axis T1 mapping was then performed at this slice location every 2.5 min for 30 min after starting manganese contrast infusion, at which point a full short-axis shortened modified Look-Locker inversion recovery stack was repeated post-contrast (**Supplemental Figure 1**).^{2,3}

Coronary Computed Tomography Angiography

Patients with a heart rate over 60 /min received intravenous metoprolol and all patients received sublingual glyceryl trinitrate prior to imaging. CCTA imaging was reviewed on a dedicated post processing workstation (Vitrea Advanced, v6.9.68.1, Vital Images, US) by experienced observers (MCW, EJRB). Obstructive coronary artery disease was defined as a luminal cross-sectional area stenosis of >70% in a major epicardial vessel or >50% in the left main stem. Prognostically significant coronary artery disease was defined as left main stem stenosis >50%, three-vessel disease or two-vessel disease including stenosis of the proximal left anterior descending coronary artery. Lung windows were reviewed for pulmonary COVID-19 involvement or persistent parenchymal lung abnormalities (atelectasis/scarring or ground glass opacification).⁴

Power Calculation:

We have a number of exploratory end-points and our initial sample size calculation was based on our manganese-enhanced magnetic resonance imaging. To calculate the initial sample size, we have used the gradient of T1 values as a measure of calcium uptake and utilisation.² We have found that the mean gradient of change in T1 over 30 minutes in healthy volunteer myocardium was -3.749 ± 1.015 , compared to -2.540 ± 0.583 in non-ischaemic cardiomyopathy. For detecting a conservative difference in rate of change of 5%, we required at least 15 subjects at 90% power and two-sided P<0.05.

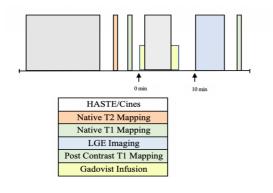
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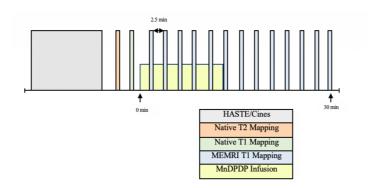
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Supplemental Figure 1: MR protocol

Gadolinium-Enhanced MR protocol:



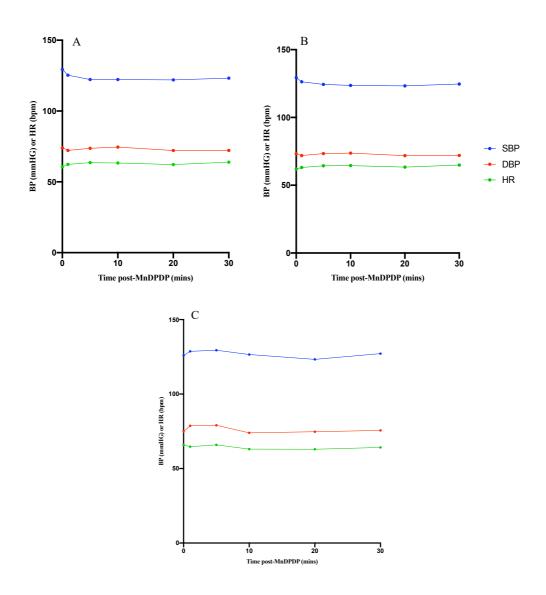
Manganese-Enhanced MR protocol:



MnDPDP, manganese dipyridoxyl diphosphate, LGE, Late gadolinium enhancement, MR, Magnetic Resonance

Supplemental Figure 2 Haemodynamic and Electrocardiography monitoring with MEMRI

Blood pressure and heart rate after administration of MnDPDP in healthy volunteers, (A) matched volunteers (B) and patients (C).



MEMRI, Manganese-enhanced magnetic resonance imaging, MnDPDP, manganese dipyridoxyl diphosphate, SBP, systolic blood pressure, DBP, diastolic blood pressure, HR, heart rate.

Supplemental Table 1: Laboratory biomarkers

Laboratory Findings	Recovered COVID-19 (n=52)
Peak white-cell count $(x10^9/L)$	11.6 (4 - 11)
Peak neutrophil count $(x10^{9}/L)$	7.9 (2 - 7.5)
Lowest lymphocyte count $(x10^{9}/L)$	0.94 (1.5 - 4.5)
Peak C-reactive protein (mg/L)	150 (0 - 5)
Peak D-dimer (ng/L)	1563 (0 - 230)
Peak ferritin (ug/L)	1058 (20- 300)
Peak procalcitonin (ug/L)	0.22 (>0.15)
Elevated troponin (>99 th percentile)	17
Peak high-sensitivity troponin I (ng/L)	1068
	(female<16, male:<34)

n (reference range)

Supplemental Table 2: Electrocardiographic and Echocardiographic Findings

	Recovered COVID-19
	(n=52)
ECG changes	16(31)
Rhythm disturbance	4 (25)
ST segment deviation	4 (25)
T wave deviation	10(50)
Echocardiogram	10 (19)
Right ventricle dilatation	6 (60)
Right ventricle dysfunction	1 (10)
Left ventricle dilatation	2 (20)
Left ventricle dysfunction	3 (30)
Regional wall motion abnormalities	3 (30)

n (%)

Supplemental Table 3: RV insertion point late-gadolinium enhancement.

	Patients with COVID-19	Matched Co-Morbidity-Matched Volunteers	Healthy Volunteers	
	(n=52)	(n=26)	(n=10)	
Presence of right ventricular insertion point LGE	18 (35)	10 (38)	1 (10)	

LGE, Late gadolinium enhancement

n (%)

	Matched Volunteer (n=26)	Recovered COVID-19 (n=52)					
		Severe COVID-19 (n=27)	P value	Myocardial Injury (n=17)	P value	Ongoing Symptoms (n=20)	P value
LV Ejection Fraction, mean ± SD (95% CI) (%)	61.6 ±9.9 (56.1-65.2)	58.3±10.1 (54.3-62.3)	0.35	57.5±13.1 (52.5-64.6)	0.08	57.9±9.2 (53.5-62.3)	0.35
RV Ejection Fraction, mean ± SD (95% CI) (%)	59.3±4.9 (51.0-66.5)	$52.2 \pm 10.2 (48.1-56.2)$	0.0012	51.4 ±2.1 (47.4-55.4)	0.0017	49.0±6.5 (45.9-52.2)	<0.0001
Late Gadolinium Enhancement pattern	9 (35)	9 (33)		9 (53)		7 (35)	
Ischaemic	5 (56)	5 (56)		6 (67)		5 (71)	
Non-Ischaemic	4 (44)	4 (44)		3 (33)		2 (29)	
Native T1- Septum, mean ± SD (95% CI) (ms)	1227±51** (1208-1246)	1223±46* (1202-1243)	0.99	1221±24* (1190-1251)	0.88	1230±23* (1202-1276)	0.96
Global T1- midventricular, mean ± SD (95% CI) (ms)	1208 ±33** (1191-1228)	1210±37* (1198-1232)	0.81	1208±42* (1190-1225)	0.91	1228±28* (1200-1274)	0.89
Extracellular Volume, mean ± SD (95% CI) (%)	31±4 (29.6-32.1)	30±2 (27.7-30.5)	0.99	32±2 (27.0-34.3)	0.66	30±5 (27.7-33.1)	0.74
T2, mean \pm SD (95% CI) (ms)	37.3±4.6 (35.9-38.6)	38.4±1.9 (37.6-39.2)	0.94	38.9±3.1 (37.1-40.1)	0.51	38.7±2.0 (37.8-39.7)	0.85
Manganese Influx constant, mean ± SD (95% CI) (Ki/mL/100 g/min)	6.9±0.9* (6.5-7.3)	6.7±1.1 (6.1-7.3)	0.46	6.2±0.5* (5.9-6.5)	0.22	6.3±0.8* (5.6-6.8)	0.62

Supplemental Table 4: Subgroup analysis of magnetic resonance imaging findings

n (%) or mean±standard deviation (95% CI)

*n= 23 **n= 20