

What is already known on this topic

Evidence from randomised controlled trials of angiotensin receptor blockers has shown variable effects on cardiovascular events

A recent editorial implied that angiotensin receptor blockers increase the risk of myocardial infarction

What this study adds

Our systematic review of all available data on angiotensin receptor blockers shows a neutral (not increased) impact of these agents on myocardial infarction

Although ACE inhibitors remain the agents of choice to reduce myocardial infarction, patients and healthcare providers need not worry about angiotensin receptor blockers increasing patients' risk for myocardial infarction

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Corrections and clarifications

Screening for abdominal aortic aneurysms: single centre randomised controlled trial

A couple of errors crept into this paper by Jes S Lindholt and colleagues (*BMJ* 2005;330:750-2). Firstly, the number of participants in the intervention group who were screened was 4852 (not 4860, as stated in the abstract and the results section). Secondly, the Y axis in figure 2 (figure 3 in the full version of the article on bmj.com) should be 0, 50, 100, 150, and 200 (not 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4).

Midlife obesity increases risk of future dementia

The final letter of the first author's name somehow "dropped off" during the editing of this letter by George Razay and Anthea Vreugdenhil (*BMJ* 2005;331:455, 20-27 Aug). The error has been corrected on bmj.com.

Comparison of amount of biomedical research originating from the European Union and the United States

The authors of this paper, Elpidoforos S Soteriades and Matthew E Falagas, have alerted us to errors in two columns of their table (*BMJ* 2005;331:192-4, 23 Jul). For the columns headed "Papers per \$bn" and "Citations per \$bn" the authors should have supplied values a 10th lower; therefore the given values should all have a decimal point before the final digit (although for Malta the given value 0.2 is correct). In addition, during editing we mangled the average population of France: it should be 58.6 (not 5.6) million.