

Supplemental Material

For “The impact of prior cancer diagnosis on quality of care and survival after acute myocardial infarction: retrospective population-based cohort study”

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Supplementary Methods

European Society of Cardiology Quality Indicators

Features of hospital treatment during admission for AMI were taken from the European Society of Cardiology Acute Cardiovascular Care Association quality indicators (QIs) for the evaluation of care¹¹. The original guidelines contain twenty QIs (twelve main and eight secondary) across seven domains related to (1) centre organization; (2) reperfusion or invasive strategy; (3) in-hospital risk assessment; (4) antithrombotic treatment during hospitalisation; (5) secondary prevention discharge treatments; (6) patient satisfaction, and (7) composite QIs that compound information across the other domains. MINAP was used to assess attainment for thirteen of the QIs based on previous research that has mapped components of the QIs to relevant MINAP data items^{12,14}, listed in Supplementary Table S2. The remaining QI's either could not be assessed using the available data, including documentation of GRACE¹ and CRUSADE³⁵ risk scores in medical notes, patient satisfaction, and mortality rate adjusted for GRACE score, or reported centre organisation QIs, which achieved 100% attainment.

Estimating differences in QI attainment using a potential outcomes framework

We utilised the potential outcomes framework specifically, via standardisation methods³⁶, to estimate the attainment of the QIs in those with cancer, and understand how this would have differed had the same population not had cancer diagnoses in the previous 15 years. In order to assess differences in attainment of each AMI QI between cancer cases and controls, a series of multivariable regression models with confounder adjustment for each QI were fitted with robust standard errors. Logistic regression models were used for all QIs measured on a binary scale, except for QIs 2·4 and 7·1 which were continuous measures and therefore assessed using linear regression. QI attainment was initially adjusted for the non-linear

effects of age at AMI admission using restricted cubic splines estimated with four degrees of freedom with knots placed at equally spaced centiles of the distribution. A second, fully adjusted model additionally included sex, AMI phenotype (STEMI/NSTEMI), comorbidities (previous AMI, angina, hypertension, hypercholesterolaemia, cerebrovascular disease, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic renal failure, heart failure, diabetes), smoking status, and previous cardiovascular disease procedures (PCI, coronary artery bypass graft (CABG)). Using standardisation, we calculated the average difference in QI attainment due to cancer, standardizing over patient characteristics of the cancer cases (i.e. calculating the average exposure effect in the exposed group. We used the *teffects ra* command in Stata³⁷ to calculate the average difference in QI attainment due to cancer, standardising over patient characteristics of the cancer cases (i.e. calculating the average exposure effect in the exposed group). This provides a marginal estimate of the average treatment effect in the treated (ATET). Effect modification was investigated with differences in QI attainment estimated by time since cancer diagnosis, and by cancer stage. These analyses were additionally adjusted for cancer site due to confounding between site and time since diagnosis and stage. Further analyses were conducted stratified by four common tumour sites: breast, prostate, lung, and colorectal. We conducted a sensitivity analysis to determine whether heteroskedascity across hospital sites altered QI attainment results. Patients were clustered by hospital, results obtained with cluster robust standard errors were compared to those with robust standard errors. To assess the robustness of the average treatment effect estimates obtained from the multivariable regression approach, we conducted a sensitivity analysis using three alternative potential-outcomes approaches for the composite QIs including inverse-probability weighting, augmented inverse-probability weighting, and inverse-probability weighting regression adjustment.

Estimates of effect modification

Effect modification by time since cancer diagnosis was investigated by incorporating time since diagnosis into the models as a continuous measure using restricted cubic splines with 4 degrees of freedom to allow for non-linearity. We allowed an interaction between each of the confounders and each of the basis functions of the cubic spline. We additionally adjusted for the main effects of cancer site. A similar approach was taken to investigate effect modification by cancer stage, with stage entered as a four level categorical variable. Stratified analyses were then conducted within four common tumour sites: (1) breast (women only), (2) prostate (men only), (3) lung, and (4) colorectal. Control groups for breast and prostate cancer were restricted to women and men, respectively. A further analysis investigating effect modification by time since diagnosis stratified by tumour site was conducted in those sites with a significant modifying effect.

Post-discharge survival analysis

Flexible parametric survival models were used to examine survival up to one year post-hospital discharge²¹. A restricted cubic spline was used to model the baseline cumulative hazard of mortality, with four degrees of freedom (selected using AIC criteria from models with 2-6 degrees of freedom). Cancer was interacted with analysis time using a further restricted cubic spline to allow a non-proportional effect of cancer over follow-up. Adjusted analyses included age, sex, and AMI phenotype as covariates, with a non-linear effect of age modelled using a restricted cubic spline. Two way interactions between cancer and age, sex and AMI phenotype were included. Standardised post-discharge curves were obtained for cancer and counterfactual controls, standardising across the covariate distribution of cancer patients. Non-cancer related cause-specific mortality was investigated assuming no cancer deaths in the control group and using underlying cause of death information in cancer cases (censoring deaths from cancer; ICD-10 Chapter II, Neoplasms (C00-C96)) in order to obtain net survival estimates.

Effect of suboptimal care on post-discharge survival

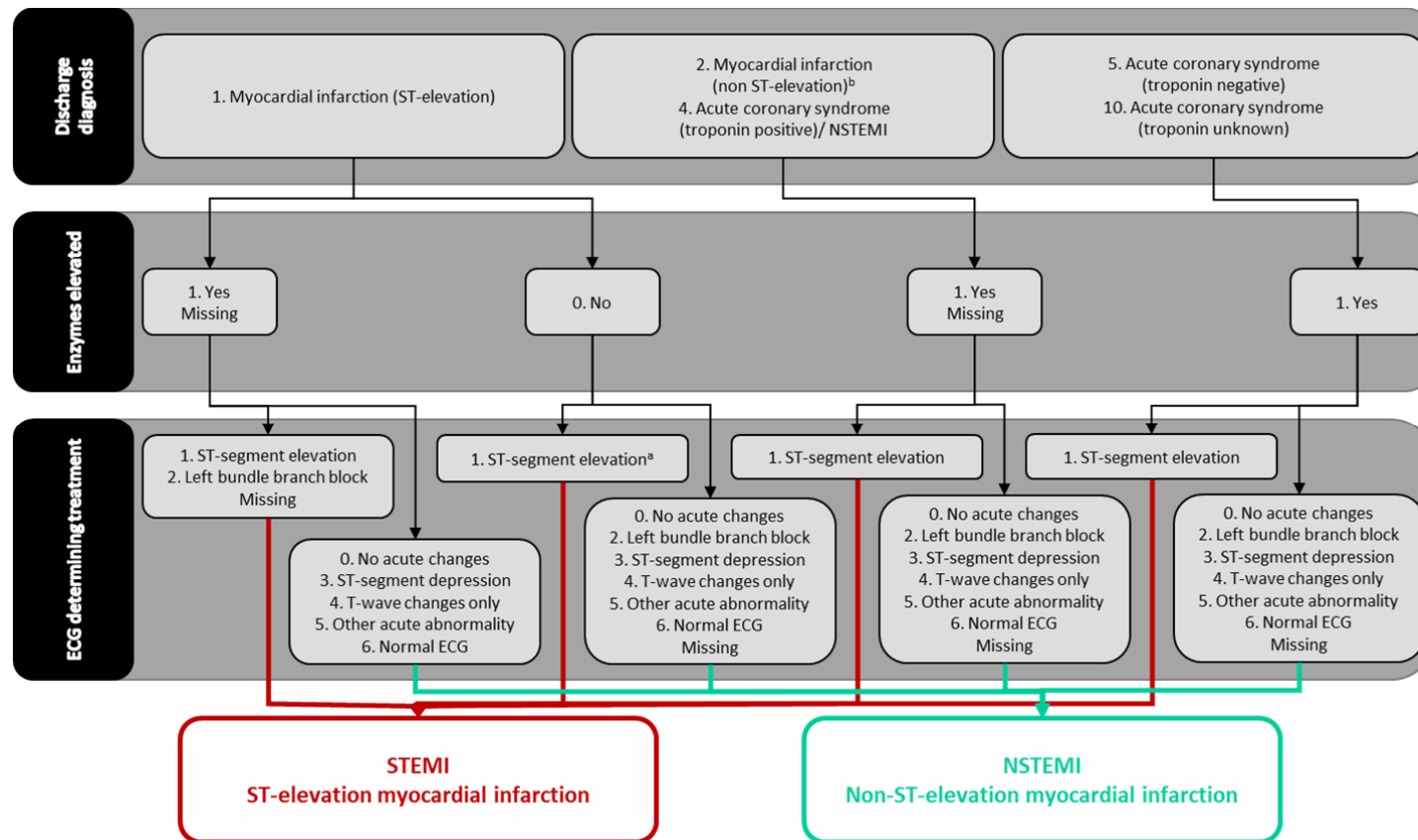
The effect of suboptimal quality indicator attainment on survival following AMI-discharge was investigated in cancer patients. A mediation approach was taken with a Royston-Parmar multivariable flexible parametric survival model fitted to the outcome (post-discharge survival) for cancer cases only, adjusting for the quality indicator under investigation, age, sex, and AMI phenotype, and time since cancer. Continuous variables (age and time since cancer) were modelled using restricted cubic splines to allow for non-linearity. A logistic regression model was fitted to the mediator (quality indicator). The natural indirect effect of cancer on survival that acts through suboptimal QI attainment was estimated using standardisation, weighted by the mediation distribution in cancer cases and controls. This provides an estimate of survival in a cancer population had they received the same level of AMI care as an equivalent non-cancer population. The analyses were then repeated with in-hospital mortality as the outcome, modelled using logistic regression. Further details of this approach are described in Syriopoulou³⁸. Only attainment of pre-discharge QIs were used in the analysis of in-hospital mortality (QI domains 2, 3 and 4.2).

Missing data analysis

Missing data was accounted for using multiple imputation with chained equations. A separate imputation model was used for each QI outcome since the number of individuals contributing to each outcome differed (Table 3 in manuscript). The imputation models included the following covariates: QI attainment, case/control status, smoking status, diabetes, comorbidities, previous CVD procedures, previous CVD medications, cancer diagnosis date, time since cancer, cancer stage, cancer site, age, sex, AMI phenotype. Conditional imputation was used to impute cancer-specific variables only for cancer cases. Thirty imputed datasets were generated per QI. Regression models were fitted to each imputed dataset with estimates

pooled using Rubin's rules. It was decided not to impute cancer stage as a large number of records were missing stage information (mainly reflecting lack of recording of cancer stage in earlier registration years; 15% missing in stage 2015 rising to >80% missing stage in diagnosis years before 2005). Therefore effect modification analyses by cancer stage were performed on complete cases only.

Figure S1. Criteria for identifying ST-segment elevation and non-ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction hospitalisations using Myocardial Ischaemia National Audit Project (MINAP) data



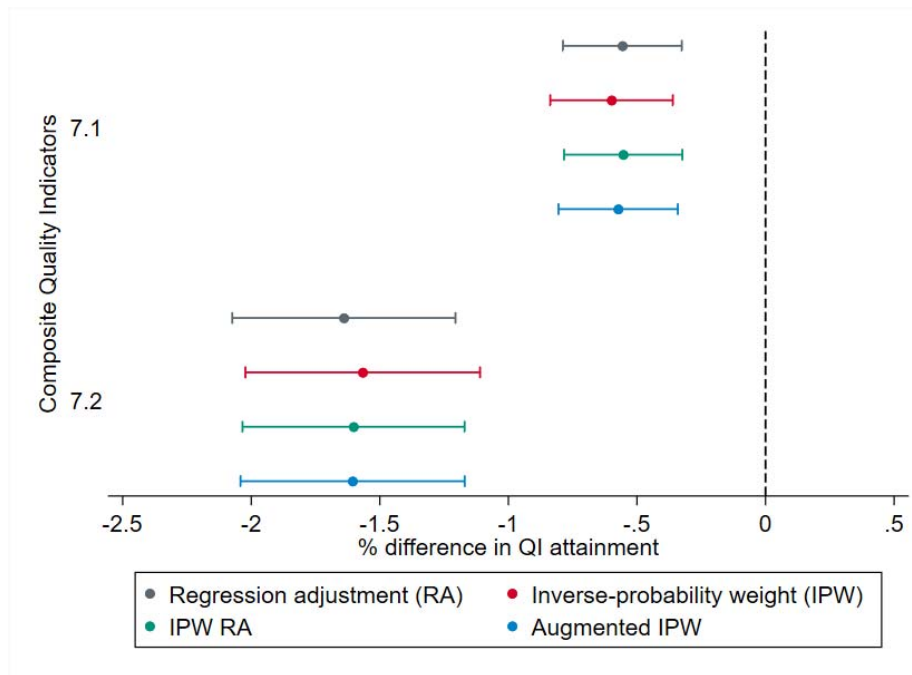
Modified from criteria used in the Cardiovascular disease research using linked bespoke studies and electronic health records (CALIBER) programme³⁹

^aThis combination is coded as “Not Acute MI” in CALIBER.

^bThis discharge diagnosis code was not present in MINAP for the CALIBER study.

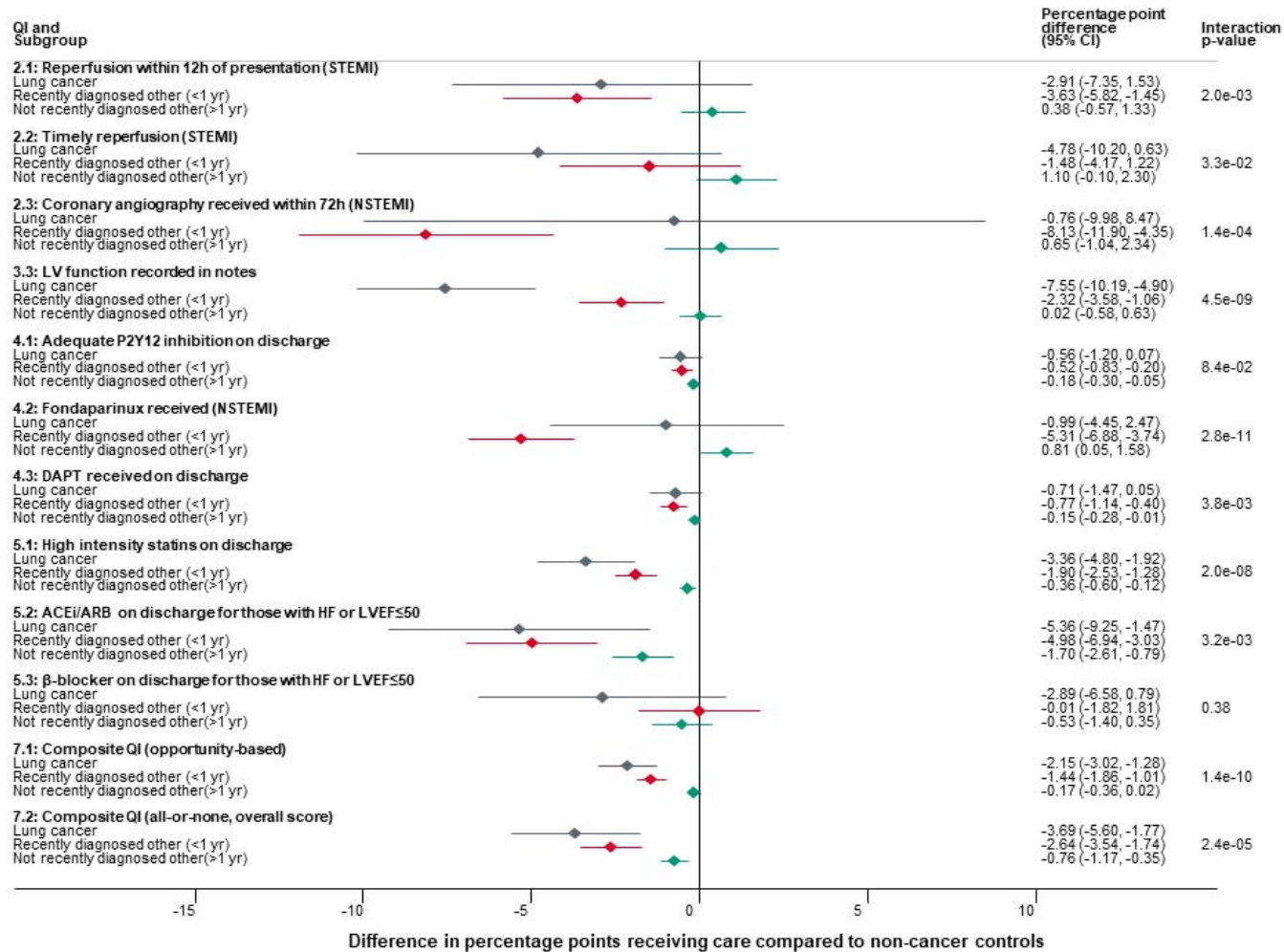
Abbreviations: AMI, acute myocardial infarction; ECG, electrocardiogram; STEMI, ST-elevation myocardial infarction; NSTEMI, non-ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction.

Figure S2. Comparison of different modelling techniques for assessing differences in quality indicator attainment



Difference in attainment calculated for composite QIs using various potential-outcomes approaches, including regression adjustment (RA, inverse-probability weighting (IPW), IPW regression adjustment (IPWRA), and augmented IPW (AIPW), adjusted for age (non-linear), sex, AMI phenotype, comorbidities, smoking status, and previous CVD procedures. The error bars represent 95% confidence intervals.

Figure S3. Difference in quality indicator attainment for lung cancers, other site cancers diagnosed recently (< 1 year) and other site cancers diagnosed not recently (>1 year), compared to non-cancer controls

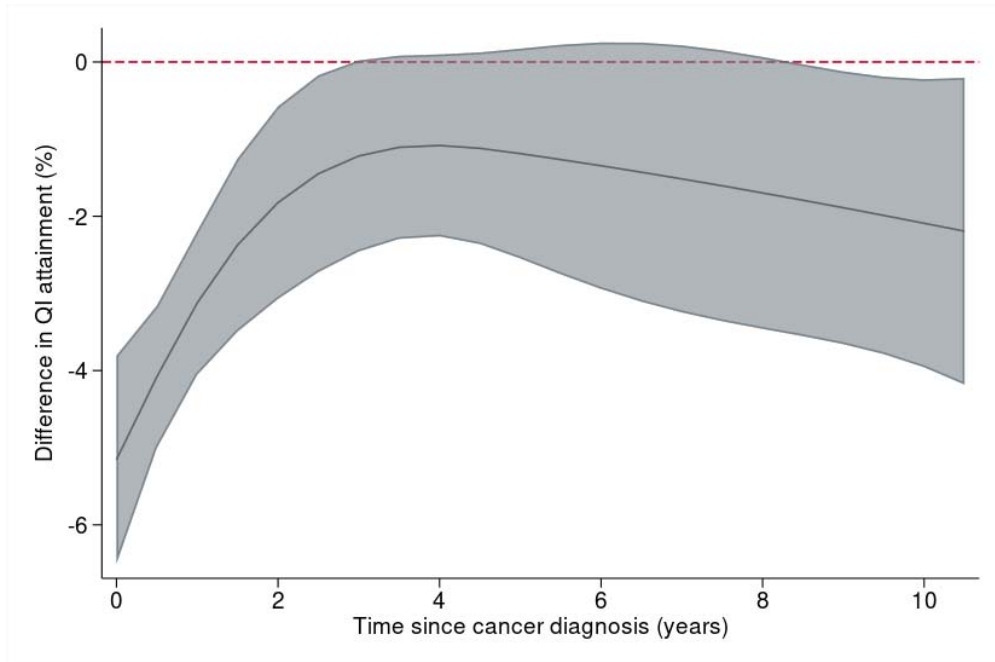


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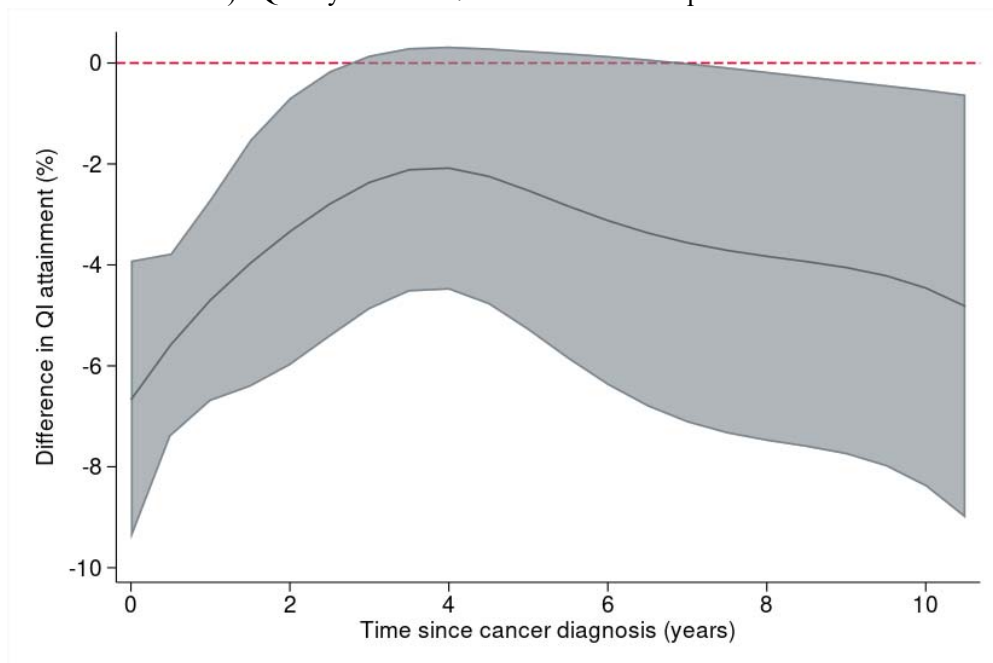
Abbreviations: QI, quality indicator; CI, confidence interval; STEMI, ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; NSTEMI, non-ST elevation myocardial infarction; LV, left ventricular; DAPT, dual antiplatelet therapy; ACEi, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors; ARB, angiotensin receptor blockers; HF, heart failure; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction.

Figure S4. Difference in composite quality indicator attainment in lung cancer cases by time since cancer diagnosis, with non-cancer controls as the reference group

a) Quality indicator 7.1: Opportunity based composite

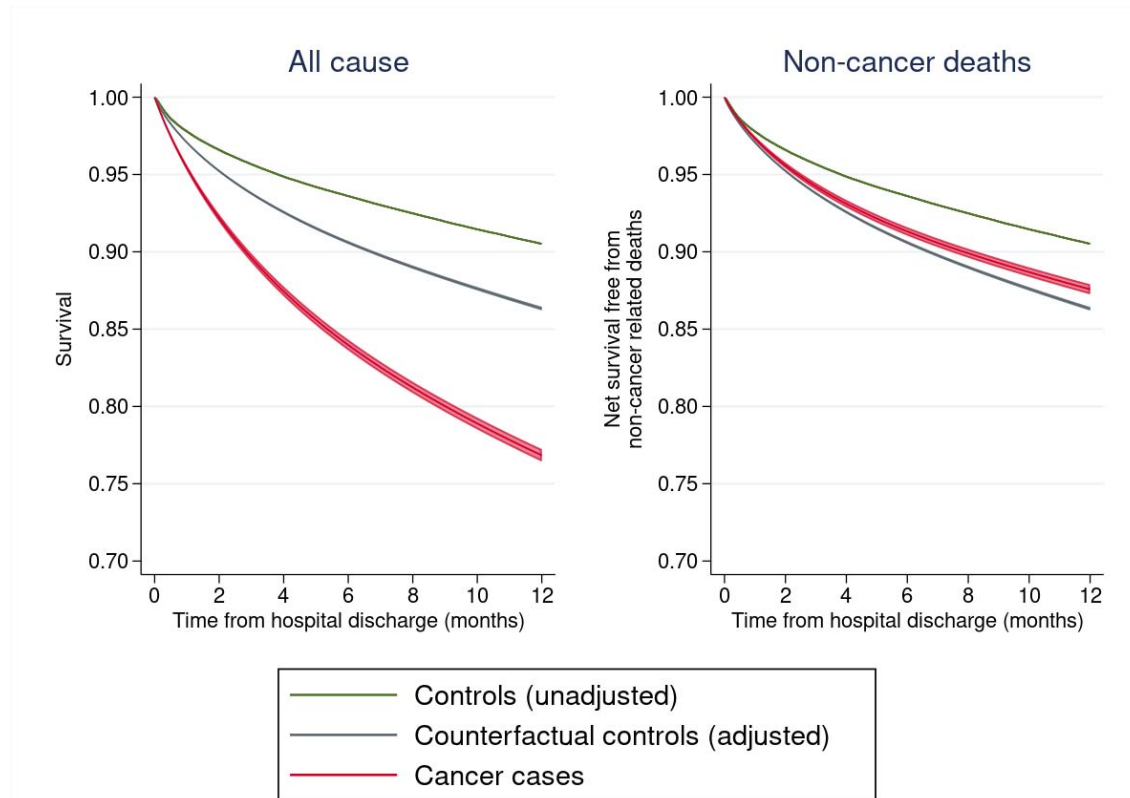


b) Quality indicator 7.2: All-or-none composite



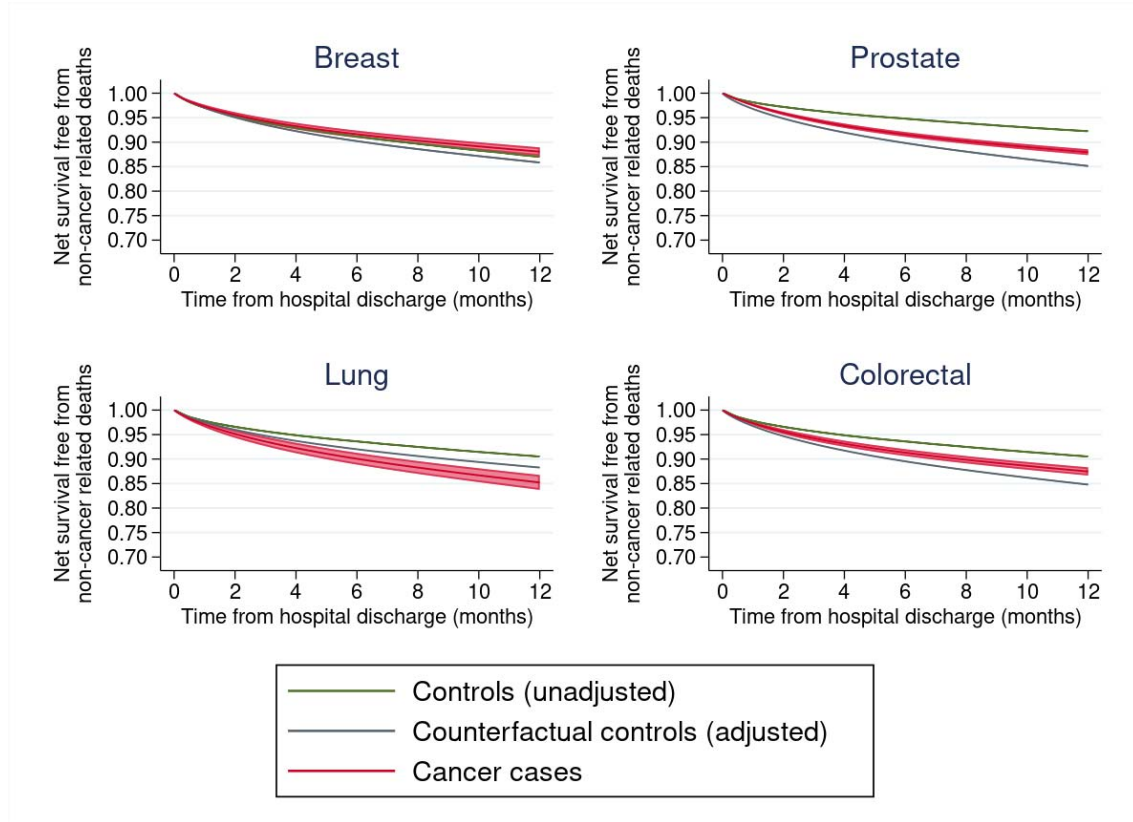
The shaded area represents 95% confidence intervals.
Abbreviations: QI, quality indicator.

Figure S5. All cause and non-cancer related survival for cancer cases, controls and counterfactual controls (adjusted)



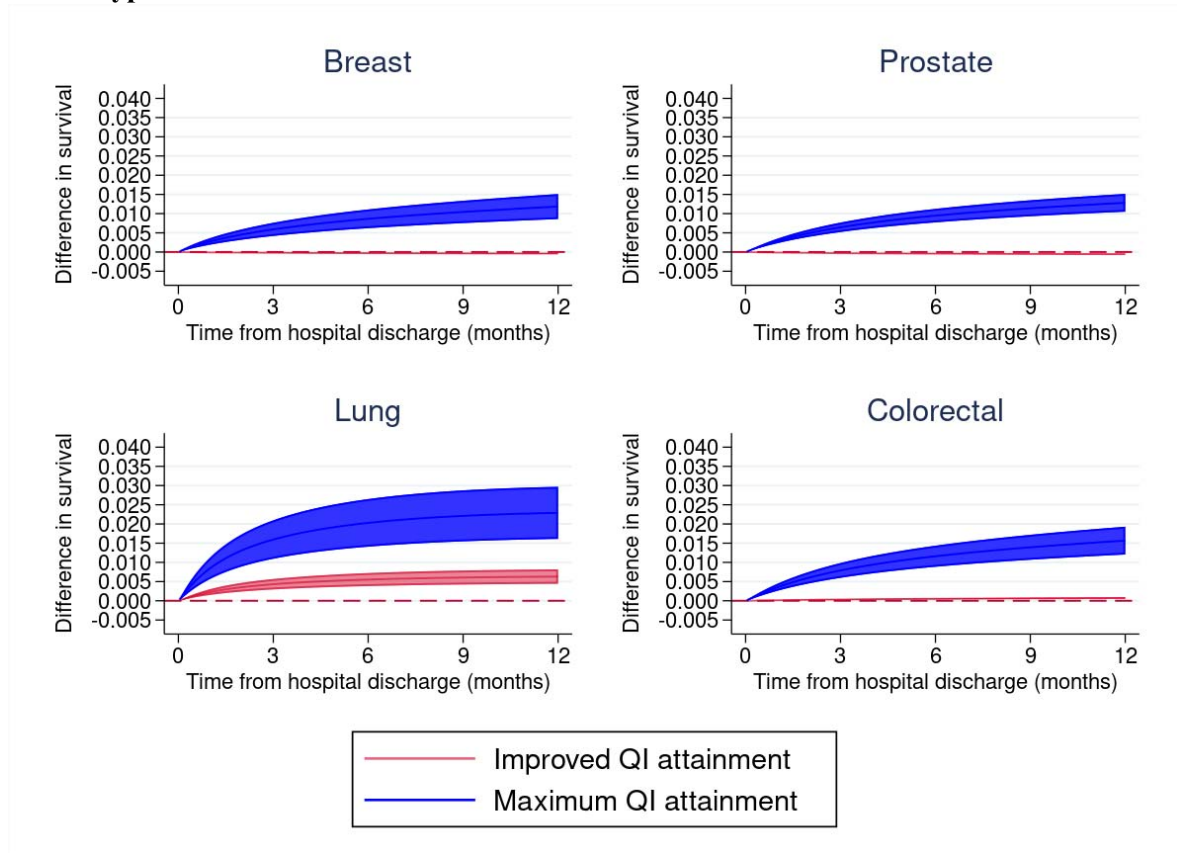
Counterfactual controls (adjusted) shows the survival in controls standardised to the baseline characteristics of the cancer population. The shaded area represents 95% confidence intervals.

Figure S6. Non-cancer related net survival by cancer type compared to controls and counterfactual controls (adjusted)



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Figure S7. Impact of improved composite quality indicator attainment (7.2) on differences in all-cause survival compared to current quality indicator attainment, by cancer type

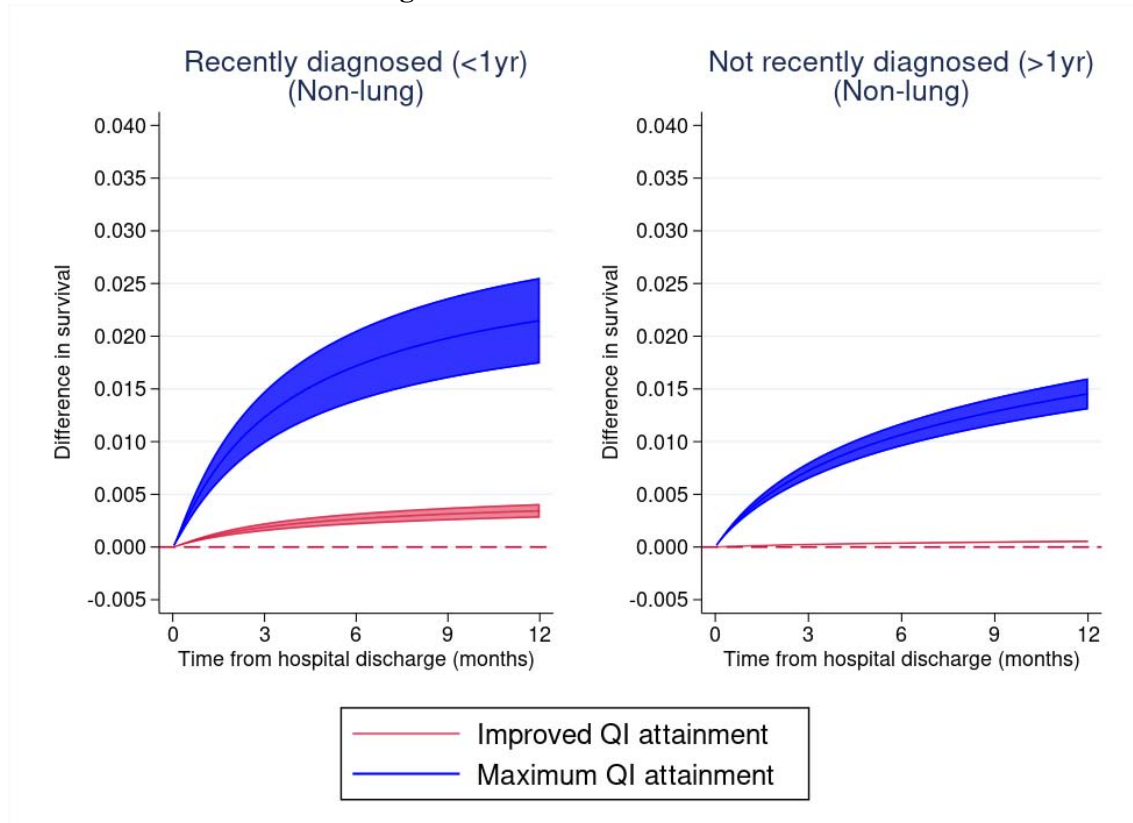


Improved QI attainment: Survival in cancer patients if there was an increase in quality indicator attainment to levels seen in non-cancer patients.

Maximum QI attainment: Survival in cancer patients if all patients attained maximum level of care as defined by the composite quality indicator.

The shaded area represents 95% confidence intervals.

Figure S8. Impact of improved composite quality indicator attainment (7.2) on differences in all-cause survival compared to current quality indicator attainment, by recent and non-recent non-lung cancer

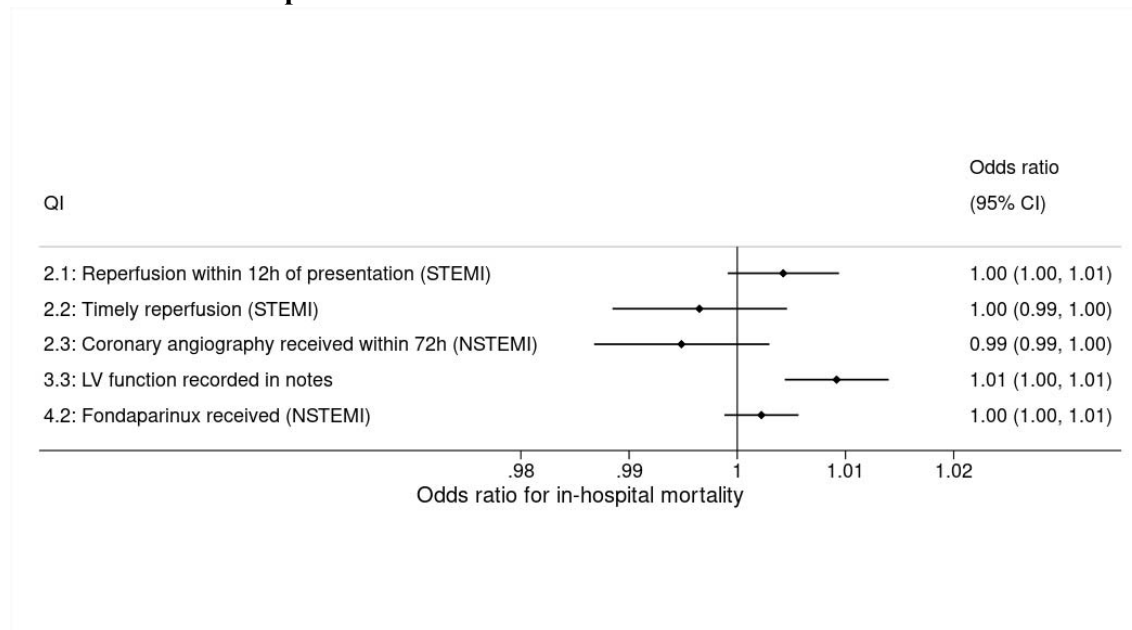


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Figure S9. Impact on in-hospital mortality of improved versus current quality indicator attainment in cancer patients



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Abbreviations: STEMI, ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; NSTEMI, non-ST elevation myocardial infarction; LV, left ventricular.

Table S1. Summary of quality indicators (QIs) assessed

Quality Indicator	Eligibility
2: Reperfusion/invasive strategy	
2.1: Reperfusion within 12h of presentation (STEMI)	All STEMI patients eligible for reperfusion (onset of symptoms to diagnosis <12 h, without contraindication or patient refusal)
2.2: Timely reperfusion (STEMI)	All STEMI patients eligible for reperfusion by primary PCI (onset of symptoms to diagnosis <12 h, without contraindication or patient refusal).
2.3: Coronary angiography received within 72h (NSTEMI)	All NSTEMI patients at high-intermediate ischaemic risk without contraindications or patient refusal
2.4: Time from diagnosis to wire passage (STEMI): mins, med [IQR]	All STEMI patients who receive reperfusion
3: In Hospital risk assessment	
3.3: LV function recorded in notes	All AMI patients
4: Anti-thrombotics during hospitalisation	
4.1: Adequate P2Y ₁₂ inhibition on discharge	STEMI and NSTEMI patients alive at discharge and without contraindications to P2Y ₁₂ inhibitors
4.2: Fondaparinux received (NSTEMI)	All NSTEMI patients with eGFR ≥ 20 ml/min, not candidates for urgent invasive strategy.
4.3: DAPT received on discharge	All STEMI and NSTEMI patients, without contra indications to dual antiplatelet therapy
5: Secondary prevention	
5.1: High intensity statins on discharge	STEMI and NSTEMI patients alive at discharge and without contraindications, refusal, side effects, allergy, or history of intolerance to high-intensity statin therapy
5.2: ACEi/ARB on discharge for those with HF or LVEF ≤ 50	All AMI patients who have heart failure or a LVEF ≤ 0.40, and who are eligible for ACEi/ARBs (no hypotension, acute renal failure, hyperkalaemia, contraindications, refusal, side effects or allergy).
5.3: β-blocker on discharge for those with HF or LVEF ≤ 50	All AMI patients who have heart failure or a LVEF ≤ 0.40, and are eligible for beta-blockers (no evidence of a low output state, increased risk for cardiogenic shock, PR interval >0.24 s, second- or third-degree heart block, active asthma, or reactive airways disease).
7: Composite QI for AMI patients discharged alive	
7.1: Composite QI (opportunity-based): Mean (SD)	All AMI patients discharged: sum of points (one point for each applicable indicator, according to patient and centre characteristics).
7.2: Composite QI (all-or-none, overall score)	<p>Calculated on 3 individual QIs in patients without heart failure and with LVEF > 0.40.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low-dose aspirin. • P2Y₁₂ inhibitor (unless documented contraindication). • High-intensity statins. <p>Calculated on 5 individual QIs in patients with heart failure or with LVEF ≤ 0.40.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low-dose aspirin. • P2Y₁₂ inhibitor (unless documented contraindication). • High-intensity statins. • ACEI (or ARB if intolerant to ACEI) in patients with clinical evidence of heart failure or LVEF ≤ 0.40. • Beta-blockers (unless clear contraindication) in patients with clinical evidence of heart failure or LVEF ≤ 0.40.

Abbreviations QI, quality indicator; STEMI, ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; PCI, percutaneous coronary intervention; NSTEMI, non-ST elevation myocardial infarction; IQR, interquartile range; LV, left ventricular; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; DAPT, dual antiplatelet therapy; ACEi, angiotensin-

converting enzyme inhibitors; ARB, angiotensin receptor blockers; HF, heart failure; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; AMI, acute myocardial infarction; SD, standard deviation, AMI, acute myocardial infarction.

Table S2. Tumour characteristics of patients with a cancer diagnosis in the 15 years preceding AMI hospitalisation (most recent diagnosis).

	Bladder N=2,283	Breast N=5,236	Colorectal N=6,043	Kidney N=1,757	Lung N=2,870	Prostate N=11,498	Other N=12,500
Stage at diagnosis							
I	442 (19.4%)	1,393 (26.6%)	521 (8.6%)	335 (19.1%)	621 (21.6%)	1,100 (9.6%)	1,745 (14.0%)
II	228 (10.0%)	1,287 (24.6%)	839 (13.9%)	80 (4.6%)	241 (8.4%)	1,431 (12.4%)	792 (6.3%)
III	34 (1.5%)	194 (3.7%)	753 (12.5%)	132 (7.5%)	552 (19.2%)	834 (7.3%)	653 (5.2%)
IV	46 (2.0%)	61 (1.2%)	323 (5.3%)	119 (6.8%)	598 (20.8%)	762 (6.6%)	873 (7.0%)
Missing	1,533 (67.1%)	2,301 (43.9%)	3,607 (59.7%)	1,091 (62.1%)	858 (29.9%)	7,371 (64.1%)	8,437 (67.5%)
Time between tumour diagnosis and AMI admission							
Mean (SD)	5.3 (4.5)	6.4 (4.3)	5.2 (4.3)	4.6 (3.9)	2.4 (3.2)	5.4 (3.9)	4.7 (4.2)
Median (IQR)	4.2 (1.3- 8.7)	6.0 (2.6- 10.0)	4.4 (1.3- 8.4)	3.5 (1.2- 7.2)	1.0 (0.2- 3.4)	4.6 (2.0- 8.2)	3.6 (1.0- 7.7)
Laterality							
Left	-	2,668 (51.0%)	-	756 (43.0%)	1,195 (41.6%)	-	-
Right	-	2,476 (47.3%)	-	850 (48.4%)	1,476 (51.4%)	-	-
Missing	-	92 (1.8%)	-	151 (8.6%)	199 (6.9%)	-	-
Received Chemotherapy	163 (39.2%)	117 (16.6%)	341 (29.7%)	34 (8.0%)	338 (31.1%)	52 (2.5%)	1,083 (38.3%)
Received Radiotherapy	104 (25.0%)	338 (47.9%)	161 (14.0%)	25 (5.9%)	299 (27.5%)	620 (29.6%)	588 (20.8%)
Received Surgery	240 (57.7%)	496 (70.3%)	863 (75.2%)	236 (55.3%)	270 (24.8%)	231 (11.0%)	533 (18.9%)
Death following AMI admission							
	N=1,411	N=2,542	N=3,282	N=911	N=2,255	N=5,588	N=6,981
Cancer	475 (33.7%)	610 (24.0%)	1,127 (34.3%)	370 (40.6%)	1,405 (62.3%)	1,712 (30.6%)	3,095 (44.3%)
CVD	556 (39.4%)	1,044 (41.1%)	1,222 (37.2%)	306 (33.6%)	480 (21.3%)	2,342 (41.9%)	2,350 (33.7%)
Other	271 (19.2%)	665 (26.2%)	678 (20.7%)	161 (17.7%)	306 (13.6%)	1,149 (20.6%)	1,164 (16.7%)
Missing	109 (7.7%)	223 (8.8%)	255 (7.8%)	74 (8.1%)	64 (2.8%)	385 (6.9%)	372 (5.3%)

Abbreviations: AMI, acute myocardial infarction; SD, standard deviation; IQR, interquartile range; CVD, cardiovascular disease.

Table S3. Missing data, n (%), in baseline characteristics of patients hospitalised with acute myocardial infarction, according to cancer history

	Cancer cases N=42,187	Controls N=470,201
Age at AMI admission*	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Sex*	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
AMI phenotype†	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Ethnicity	9,856 (30.5%)	116,406 (32.9%)
Previous AMI	3,551 (9.2%)	42,209 (9.9%)
Previous angina	3,889 (10.2%)	45,878 (10.8%)
Hypertension	3,437 (8.9%)	40,761 (9.5%)
High cholesterol	4,258 (11.2%)	48,146 (11.4%)
Cerebrovascular disease	3,894 (10.2%)	45,979 (10.8%)
Asthma/COPD	3,807 (9.9%)	45,200 (10.6%)
Chronic renal failure	3,996 (10.5%)	47,036 (11.1%)
Heart failure	3,897 (10.2%)	46,206 (10.9%)
Diabetes	1,304 (3.2%)	16,373 (3.6%)
Smoking status	3,479 (9.0%)	33,730 (7.7%)
Previous PCI	3,972 (10.4%)	45,993 (10.8%)
Previous CABG	3,865 (10.1%)	45,569 (10.7%)
Systolic blood pressure	4,138 (10.9%)	47,608 (11.3%)
Heart rate	4,148 (10.9%)	47,884 (11.3%)
Glucose	8,542 (25.4%)	89,664 (23.6%)
Creatinine	3,211 (8.2%)	37,680 (8.7%)
Haemoglobin	4,444 (11.8%)	52,284 (12.5%)
Beta blocker	5,929 (16.4%)	69,352 (17.3%)
ACE inhibitors or ARBs	5,925 (16.3%)	69,171 (17.2%)
Statins	3,238 (8.3%)	38,669 (9.0%)
Family history of CHD	11,072 (35.6%)	108,778 (30.1%)

*There is no missing information for patient age and sex as these variables were required for linkage between MINAP and NCRAS databases, patients with missing information were not included in the analysis.

†There is no missing information for AMI phenotype as this was required to identify AMI patients within the MINAP database, Non-AMI patients and those with missing phenotype information were not included in the analysis.

Abbreviations: AMI, acute myocardial infarction; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; PCI, percutaneous coronary intervention; CABG, coronary artery bypass grafting; ACE, angiotensin-converting enzyme; ARB, angiotensin II receptor blockers; CHD, coronary heart disease.

Table S4. Baseline characteristics of patients hospitalised with acute myocardial infarction for cancer cases versus age-matched controls

	Cancer cases N=42,187	Age-matched Controls N=210,935	Absolute standardised difference
Age at AMI admission			
Mean (SD)	76.2 (10.2)	76.2 (10.2)	0.00016
Median (IQR)	77.3 (69.8-83.6)	77.2 (69.8-83.6)	
Sex			
Male	28,213 (66.9%)	126,796 (60.1%)	0.14085
Female	13,974 (33.1%)	84,139 (39.9%)	
AMI phenotype			
NSTEMI	28,779 (68.2%)	140,496 (66.6%)	0.03439
STEMI	13,408 (31.8%)	70,439 (33.4%)	
Ethnicity			
White	30,741 (95.1%)	146,270 (92.3%)	
Black	298 (0.9%)	1,408 (0.9%)	0.12946
Asian	885 (2.7%)	8,080 (5.1%)	
Mixed	55 (0.2%)	274 (0.2%)	
Other	352 (1.1%)	2,458 (1.6%)	
Comorbidities			
Previous AMI	8,470 (21.9%)	41,655 (21.6%)	0.00806
Previous angina	10,096 (26.4%)	49,749 (26.0%)	0.00815
Hypertension	20,995 (54.2%)	109,500 (56.5%)	0.04754
High cholesterol	11,341 (29.9%)	63,081 (33.2%)	0.07083
Cerebrovascular disease	3,895 (10.2%)	20,621 (10.8%)	0.01991
Asthma/COPD	6,972 (18.2%)	33,296 (17.4%)	0.02079
Chronic renal failure	3,822 (10.0%)	16,091 (8.4%)	0.05431
Heart failure	2,780 (7.3%)	13,515 (7.1%)	0.00724
Diabetes	9,864 (24.1%)	49,463 (24.2%)	0.00195
Smoking status			
Never smoked	10,878 (28.1%)	60,398 (31.1%)	
Ex-smoker	16,375 (42.3%)	72,635 (37.4%)	0.11108
Current smoker	5,922 (15.3%)	34,147 (17.6%)	
Non-smoker/unknown	5,533 (14.3%)	27,167 (14.0%)	
Previous CVD procedures			
Previous PCI	3,610 (9.4%)	18,102 (9.5%)	0.00081
Previous CABG	3,095 (8.1%)	15,128 (7.9%)	0.00647
Systolic blood pressure			
Mean (SD)	136.2 (28.3)	138.4 (28.8)	0.07457
Median (IQR)	135.0 (117.0-154.0)	137.0 (119.0-156.0)	
Heart rate			
Mean (SD)	82.2 (22.1)	81.2 (22.0)	0.04611
Median (IQR)	79.0 (67.0-94.0)	78.0 (66.0-92.0)	
Glucose			
Mean (SD)	8.4 (4.0)	8.4 (4.1)	0.00727
Median (IQR)	7.2 (6.0-9.4)	7.2 (6.0-9.4)	
Creatinine			
Mean (SD)	111.0 (74.6)	106.0 (65.8)	0.07101
Median (IQR)	93.0 (75.0-121.0)	91.0 (74.0-115.0)	
Haemoglobin			
Mean (SD)	125.3 (21.4)	130.5 (20.0)	0.25231
Median (IQR)	127.0 (111.0-140.0)	132.0 (118.0-144.0)	
Medication prior to admission			
Beta blocker	11,265 (31.1%)	54,812 (30.2%)	0.01787
ACE inhibitors or ARBs	13,952 (38.5%)	72,226 (39.9%)	0.02834
Statins	17,210 (44.2%)	87,109 (44.8%)	0.01148
Family history of CHD	6,318 (20.3%)	36,562 (23.1%)	0.06833

Abbreviations: AMI, acute myocardial infarction; SD, standard deviation; IQR, inter-quartile range; NSTEMI, non-ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; STEMI, ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; CVD, cardiovascular disease; PCI, percutaneous coronary intervention; CABG, coronary artery bypass grafting; ACE, angiotensin-converting enzyme; ARB, angiotensin II receptor blockers; CHD, coronary heart disease.

Table S5. Early management and in-hospital treatment of patients admitted for AMI for cancer cases versus age-matched controls

STEMI: early management	Cancer cases N=13,408	Age-Matched Controls N=70,439	Absolute standardised difference
Place ECG performed			
Ambulance	9,215 (74.2%)	49,746 (76.4%)	0.06240
In hospital	2,593 (20.9%)	11,981 (18.4%)	
Other healthcare facility	610 (4.9%)	3,357 (5.2%)	
First given aspirin/antiplatelet drug			
Already on aspirin	1,902 (15.4%)	9,428 (14.5%)	0.09258
Given out of hospital	6,765 (54.7%)	37,998 (58.3%)	
Given after arrival in hospital	3,306 (26.7%)	16,345 (25.1%)	
Contraindicated	206 (1.7%)	683 (1.0%)	
Not given	186 (1.5%)	667 (1.0%)	
Anticoagulant			
Fondaparinux	1,732 (16.8%)	9,065 (16.8%)	0.00196
Unfractionated heparin	4,557 (44.2%)	25,009 (46.3%)	0.04095
Low molecular weight heparin	4,654 (44.8%)	23,748 (43.6%)	0.02543
Thrombolytic treatment	406 (3.0%)	2,709 (3.9%)	0.04497
Angiogram	10,956 (81.7%)	60,346 (85.7%)	0.08641
Percutaneous Coronary Intervention	9,634 (71.9%)	53,566 (76.1%)	0.09609
CABG	86 (0.9%)	813 (1.6%)	0.06232
NSTEMI: early management	Cancer cases N=28,779	Age-Matched Controls N=140,496	Absolute standardised difference
Place ECG performed			
Ambulance	13,416 (51.6%)	66,437 (52.3%)	0.03533
In hospital	11,878 (45.7%)	56,581 (44.5%)	
Other healthcare facility	692 (2.7%)	4,018 (3.2%)	
First given aspirin/antiplatelet drug			
Already on aspirin	7,919 (29.6%)	39,513 (30.1%)	0.05274
Given out of hospital	5,698 (21.3%)	29,546 (22.5%)	
Given after arrival in hospital	11,858 (44.3%)	56,878 (43.3%)	
Contraindicated	879 (3.3%)	3,426 (2.6%)	
Not given	440 (1.6%)	1,897 (1.4%)	
Anticoagulant			
Fondaparinux	11,746 (48.5%)	58,619 (49.3%)	0.01446
Unfractionated heparin	3,178 (13.3%)	15,674 (13.3%)	0.00186
Low molecular weight heparin	12,314 (51.1%)	60,735 (51.3%)	0.00280
Thrombolytic treatment	45 (0.2%)	187 (0.1%)	0.00620
Angiogram	15,629 (54.5%)	83,639 (59.8%)	0.10584
Percutaneous Coronary Intervention	7,466 (26.1%)	39,278 (28.1%)	0.04545
CABG	637 (3.0%)	4,206 (4.0%)	0.05308

Abbreviations: AMI, acute myocardial infarction; STEMI, ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; ECG, electrocardiogram; CABG, coronary artery bypass graft; NSTEMI, non-ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction.

Table S6. Eligible for quality indicator assessment

Quality Indicator	Cancer cases		Age-matched Controls
	STEMI patients	N=13,408	N=70,439
2.1: Reperfusion within 12h of presentation	Not eligible	1,472 (11.0%)	7,098 (10.1%)
	Eligible	8,782 (65.5%)	48,674 (69.1%)
	Cannot be assessed	3,154 (23.5%)	14,667 (20.8%)
2.2: Timely reperfusion	Not eligible	2,784 (20.8%)	13,840 (19.6%)
	Eligible	7,261 (54.2%)	40,812 (57.9%)
	Cannot be assessed	3,363 (25.1%)	15,787 (22.4%)
2.4: Time from diagnosis to wire passage	Not eligible	2,772 (20.7%)	13,999 (19.9%)
	Eligible	7,460 (55.6%)	41,664 (59.1%)
	Cannot be assessed	3,176 (23.7%)	14,776 (21.0%)
	NSTEMI patients	N=28,779	N=140,496
2.3: Coronary angiography received within 72h	Not eligible	8,329 (28.9%)	43,237 (30.8%)
	Eligible	10,479 (36.4%)	54,303 (38.7%)
	Cannot be assessed	9,971 (34.6%)	42,956 (30.6%)
4.2: Fondaparinux received	Not eligible	970 (3.4%)	3,940 (2.8%)
	Eligible	27,809 (96.6%)	136,556 (97.2%)
	All patients	N=42,187	N=210,935
3.3: LV function recorded in notes	Eligible	42,187 (100.0%)	210,935 (100.0%)
4.1: Adequate P2Y ₁₂ inhibition on discharge	Not eligible	8,392 (19.9%)	37,069 (17.6%)
	Eligible	32,232 (76.4%)	166,939 (79.1%)
	Cannot be assessed	1,563 (3.7%)	6,927 (3.3%)
4.3: DAPT received on discharge	Not eligible	6,649 (15.8%)	30,499 (14.5%)
	Eligible	30,460 (72.2%)	159,132 (75.4%)
	Cannot be assessed	5,078 (12.0%)	21,304 (10.1%)
5.1: High intensity statins on discharge	Not eligible	12,525 (29.7%)	58,283 (27.6%)
	Eligible	29,539 (70.0%)	152,110 (72.1%)
	Cannot be assessed	123 (0.3%)	542 (0.3%)
5.2: ACEi/ARB on discharge for those with HF or LVEF≤50	Not eligible	26,241 (62.2%)	129,962 (61.6%)
	Eligible	13,022 (30.9%)	66,034 (31.3%)
	Cannot be assessed	2,924 (6.9%)	14,939 (7.1%)
5.3: β-blocker on discharge for those with HF or LVEF≤50	Not eligible	26,195 (62.1%)	129,626 (61.5%)
	Eligible	13,146 (31.2%)	66,678 (31.6%)
	Cannot be assessed	2,846 (6.7%)	14,631 (6.9%)
7.1: Composite QI (opportunity-based)	Not eligible	3,685 (8.7%)	15,713 (7.4%)
	Eligible	36,857 (87.4%)	187,516 (88.9%)
	Cannot be assessed	1,645 (3.9%)	7,706 (3.7%)
7.2: Composite QI (all-or-none, overall score)	Eligible	39,615 (93.9%)	198,770 (94.2%)
	Cannot be assessed	2,572 (6.1%)	12,165 (5.8%)

Abbreviations: STEMI, ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; NSTEMI, non-ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; LV, left ventricular; DAPT, dual antiplatelet therapy; ACEi, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors; ARB, angiotensin receptor blockers; HF, heart failure; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; QI, quality indicator.

Table S7. Comparison of different standard error selection when assessing differences in quality indicator attainment

Quality Indicator	Difference PP receiving care, with robust standard errors, (95% CI)*			Difference PP receiving care, with hospital clustered standard errors, (95% CI)*		
	Unadjusted	Adjusted†	p-value	Unadjusted	Adjusted†	p-value
2.1: Reperfusion within 12h of presentation (STEMI)	-2.7% (-3.5, -1.8)	-0.5% (-1.3, 0.4)	0.26	-2.7% (-3.6, -1.8)	-0.5% (-1.4, 0.4)	0.26
2.2: Timely reperfusion (STEMI)	-0.7% (-1.8, 0.4)	0.6% (-0.5, 1.6)	0.32	-0.7% (-1.8, 0.5)	0.6% (-0.5, 1.6)	0.31
2.3: Coronary angiography received within 72h (NSTEMI)	-5.2% (-6.7, -3.6)	-0.9% (-2.4, 0.6)	0.25	-5.2% (-6.8, -3.6)	-0.9% (-2.5, 0.7)	0.26
2.4: Time from diagnosis to wire passage (STEMI): mins, med [IQR]‡	1.6 (-1.0, 4.2)	0.3 (-2.4, 2.9)	0.83	1.6 (-0.8, 4.0)	0.3 (-1.9, 2.4)	0.80
3.3: LV function recorded in notes	-2.2% (-2.8, -1.7)	-0.9% (-1.5, -0.4)	8.0e ⁻⁴	-2.2% (-3.2, -1.3)	-0.9% (-1.5, -0.3)	3.5e ⁻³
4.1: Adequate P2Y ₁₂ inhibition on discharge	-0.4% (-0.5, -0.3)	-0.3% (-0.4, -0.1)	1.0e ⁻⁵	-0.4% (-0.5, -0.3)	-0.3% (-0.4, -0.1)	1.95e ⁻⁵
4.2: Fondaparinux received (NSTEMI)	-2.1% (-2.8, -1.5)	-0.4% (-1.1, 0.2)	0.21	-2.1% (-3.1, -1.1)	-0.4% (-1.3, 0.4)	0.30
4.3: DAPT received on discharge	-0.5% (-0.6, -0.3)	-0.3% (-0.4, -0.1)	4.0e ⁻⁵	-0.5% (-0.6, -0.3)	-0.3% (-0.4, -0.2)	1.09e ⁻⁵
5.1: High intensity statins on discharge	-1.3% (-1.6, -1.1)	-0.8% (-1.0, -0.6)	9.4e ⁻¹²	-1.3% (-1.6, -1.1)	-0.8% (-1.0, -0.5)	1.71e ⁻⁹
5.2: ACEi/ARB on discharge for those with HF or LVEF≤50	-6.3% (-7.1, -5.5)	-2.6% (-3.4, -1.8)	2.9e ⁻¹⁰	-6.3% (-7.3, -5.3)	-2.6% (-3.5, -1.7)	6.51e ⁻⁹
5.3: β-blocker on discharge for those with HF or LVEF≤50	-3.4% (-4.2, -2.6)	-0.6% (-1.4, 0.2)	0.14	-3.4% (-4.4, -2.3)	-0.6% (-1.5, 0.3)	0.20
7.1: Composite QI (opportunity-based): Mean (SD)#	-1.6% (-1.8, -1.4)	-0.5% (-0.7, -0.4)	5.1e ⁻¹⁰	-1.6% (-1.9, -1.3)	-0.5% (-0.7, -0.3)	3.09e ⁻⁷
7.2: Composite QI (all-or-none, overall score)#	-4.1% (-4.5, -3.7)	-1.2% (-1.6, -0.9)	2.5e ⁻¹¹	-4.1% (-4.6, -3.6)	-1.2% (-1.6, -0.8)	1.12e ⁻⁹

*The reported difference is the difference between the observed proportion of cancer patients who received care and the counterfactual proportion of cancer patients who would have received care had they not had a previous cancer diagnosis, i.e. the average effect of cancer on quality indicator attainment in the cancer population (average treatment effect of the treated).

†Adjusted for age (non-linear), sex, AMI phenotype, comorbidities (previous AMI, angina, hypertension, hypercholesterolaemia, cerebrovascular, asthma, COPD, chronic renal failure, heart failure, diabetes), smoking status, and previous CVD procedures (percutaneous coronary intervention, coronary artery bypass graft)

‡Difference in mean time from diagnosis to wire passage is reported for quality indicator 2.4, rather than difference in proportion.

| | Can only assess if LVEF category recorded, not numerical value

#Composite quality indicators summarize information from different domains into a single measure. The opportunity-based score assesses the following QIs where the patient is eligible; 2.1, 2.3, 3.3, 4.1, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, and is calculated as total receiving care out of total eligible. The all-or-none score assesses 3 components in patients without heart failure and LVEF>0.50 (low dose aspirin and QIs 4.1, 5.1) and 5 in patients with heart failure or LVEF≤50 (low dose aspirin and QIs 4.1, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3), calculated as the proportion of patients who achieve all of components.

Abbreviations: PP, percentage points; CI, confidence interval; STEMI, ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; NSTEMI, non-ST elevation myocardial infarction; IQR, interquartile range; LV, left ventricular; DAPT, dual antiplatelet therapy; ACEi, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors; ARB, angiotensin receptor blockers; HF, heart failure; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; QI, quality indicator; SD, standard deviation.

Table S8. In-hospital mortality following AMI admission in cancer cases, controls and counterfactual (adjusted) controls

Cancer cases % (95% CI)	Controls % (95% CI)	Counterfactual Controls (adjusted)	Difference in percentage who die in-hospital	
			Unadjusted	Adjusted
7.9% (7.6, 8.1)	4.8% (4.8, 4.9)	6.5% (6.4, 6.6)	3.0% (2.7, 3.3)	1.4% (1.1, 1.7)

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval

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