

# Predicting development of postoperative acute kidney injury after coronary artery bypass grafting

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Summary Graph of SHAP for Each Feature. The higher the SHAP value of a feature, the higher the likelihood of postoperative acute kidney injury. A dot is created for each feature attribute value of the model for each patient, and a dot for each patient is shown on the line for each feature. Dots are colored according to the respective patient's feature values, and their vertical accumulation indicates the density. Red indicates higher feature values, and blue indicates

lower feature values. Credit: *Cardiovascular Innovations and Applications* (2023). DOI: 10.15212/CVIA.2023.0006

Cardiac surgery-associated acute kidney injury (CSA-AKI) is a major complication that increases morbidity and mortality after cardiac surgery. Most established predictive models are limited to the analysis of nonlinear relationships and do not adequately consider intraoperative variables and early postoperative variables.

Non-extracorporeal circulation [coronary artery bypass](#) grafting (off-pump CABG) remains the procedure of choice for most coronary surgeries, and refined CSA-AKI [predictive models](#) for off-pump CABG are notably lacking. Therefore, this study used an artificial intelligence-based machine learning approach to predict CSA-AKI from comprehensive perioperative data.

In total, 293 variables were analyzed in the clinical data of patients undergoing off-pump CABG in the Department of Cardiac Surgery at the First Affiliated Hospital of Guangxi Medical University between 2012 and 2021. According to the KDIGO criteria, postoperative AKI was defined by an elevation of at least 50% within seven days, or 0.3 mg/dL within 48 hours, with respect to the reference serum creatinine level.

Five machine learning algorithms—a simple decision tree, random forest, support vector machine, extreme gradient boosting and gradient boosting decision tree (GBDT)—were used to construct the CSA-AKI predictive model. The performance of these models was evaluated with the area under the receiver operating characteristic curve (AUC). Shapley additive explanation (SHAP) values were used to explain the predictive model.

The three most influential features in the importance matrix plot were 1-day postoperative serum potassium concentration, 1-day postoperative serum magnesium ion concentration, and 1-day postoperative serum creatine phosphokinase concentration.

GBDT exhibited the largest AUC (0.87) and can be used to predict the risk of AKI development after [surgery](#), thus enabling clinicians to optimize treatment strategies and minimize postoperative complications.

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