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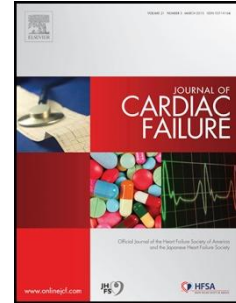
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Observation of Patients Transitioned to an Oral Loop Diuretic Prior to Discharge and Risk of Readmission for Acute Decompensated Heart Failure

Short Title: Oral Loop Diuretics and Risk of Readmission for Acute Decompensated Heart Failure

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#### Highlights

- For patients admitted with ADHF, observation on an oral loop diuretic for < 24 hours was associated with significantly higher 30-day HF readmission.
- Observation on an oral loop diuretic for ≥ 24 hours prior to discharge in patients presenting with ADHF should be strongly considered.
- Prospective studies are warranted to confirm these results and determine the optimal duration of observation on an oral loop diuretic prior to discharge.

#### Abstract

Background: Heart failure (HF) is associated with high 30-day readmission rates and places significant financial burden on the health care system. The aim of this study was to determine if

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