

Table I. Comparison of BNP and NT-proBNP

Activity	BNP	NT-proBNP
Normal concentration (pg/mL)	5-50	7-160
Half-life (min)	5-10	25-120
Time to reflect meaningful change in hemodynamics (hr)	2	12
Short-term variability	High	Moderate
Approved cutoff to define abnormal range (pg/ml)	100	125 (<75 years old) 450 (≥75 years old)
Confounded by nesiritide therapy	Yes	No
Confounded by valsartan/sacubitril therapy	Yes	No