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## **Acute Myocardial Infarction Treatment**

### **From Prehospital Care to Secondary Prevention**

1. The use of a pre-hospital ECG is associated with a greater use of reperfusion therapy, faster reperfusion times, and a suggested trend for a lower risk of mortality. (Diercks DB, J Am Coll of Cardiol 2009, Volume 53, Issue 2, 13 January 2009, Pages 161-166)
2. A comprehensive assessment of CAD should include both information on coronary artery anatomy and functional information about the haemodynamic relevance of coronary artery lesions in order to guide revascularization procedures. (Gaemperli O, European Heart Journal 2009, 30, 2921–2929)
3. If you want to justify placing a stent, use IVUS to assess the lesion, and if you prefer medical therapy, use FFR to assess the lesion. (Hodgson JM, J. Am. Coll. Cardiol. Intv. 2010 3: 818-820)
4. Until the natural history of presumed ‘vulnerable plaques’ is known one can never truly identify what constitutes a ‘vulnerable plaque’. (Ambrose JA, J Am Coll Cardiol 2008, 51:1539–1542)
5. Aggressive treatment of AMI patients and close monitoring after the index event according to a standardized protocol may help to maintain prophylactic ICD implantation rates within manageable proportions. (dit proefschrift)
6. Close collaboration between general practitioner, emergency services and hospital is essential for an improved adherence to evidence-based medicine in prevention, acute care and rehabilitation of (potential) AMI patients. (dit proefschrift)
7. The maximum benefit of sirolimus-eluting stents over bare-metal stents, in terms of repeat revascularizations after AMI, is reached within the first year after index intervention. (dit proefschrift)
8. Part of the reason for the significantly longer time-to-treatment delays observed in the elderly (>75years) AMI patient population is the much larger proportion of female patients in this group. (dit proefschrift)
9. Inspiratie: De wetenschap dat jij op een bepaalde datum een artikel of boek moet inleveren. (C. Buddingh')

10. De computer kan meer werk doen in minder tijd dan de mens omdat hij niet aan de telefoon hoeft te komen.(Joey Adams, Amerikaanse columnist en humorist)
11. Post-MI patiënten die moeite hebben met regelmatig sporten, zouden een groot deel van de gewenste gezondheidseffecten al bereiken door het vinden van een hobby. (Sutton A, Health Behaviours News Service, 2009. More Leisure Time Improves Health and Boosts Mood [Online]. Siegenthaler, K.L., 1997. Health benefits of leisure. Parks & Recreation [Online])
12. Een gemeenschappelijk probleem van sommige mannen en veel wetenschappelijk onderzoek is gebrek aan follow-up. (<http://www.liefdestips.be/artikels/3353/er-bloeit-iets/Waarom-bellen-mannen-niet-terug?.htm>)

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