

## CORONARY VULNERABILITY

1. Structurally elevated Troponin and NT-proBNP levels together with incident Troponin and CRP peaks are associated with adverse outcome during one-year follow-up of post-ACS patients. (This thesis)
2. In patients with stable coronary artery disease, the amount of intravascular ultrasound (IVUS)-derived plaque volume in angiographically not significantly obstructed coronary segments is associated with higher circulating Troponin concentrations. (This thesis)
3. The lipid core burden index, as assessed by intracoronary near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS), is a predictor of major adverse cardiovascular events. (This thesis)
4. Of all IVUS plaque characteristics, plaque burden is the most robust long-term predictor. (This thesis)
5. Vulnerable plaque and vulnerable blood should not be regarded as entirely separate entities. (This thesis)
6. In non-statin-naïve patients, one year of high-intensity statin therapy results in a stabilization, but not in regression, of coronary plaques when evaluated with IVUS and NIRS. (This thesis)
7. In the setting of secondary prevention, antiplatelet drugs were prescribed in 62.0% in high-income countries and decreased, in line with reduction of country economic status, to 8.8% in low-income countries.

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8. If a solution is not affordable, it is not a solution. Therefore, the cost of healthcare has to come down. In India, high quality cardiac surgery should, and can, be done for USD 800.  
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9. Een held is "iemand die straffeloos onvoorzichtig is geweest" en alleen daarom al kan een interventiecardioloog nooit een held zijn.

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10. Aerodynamics are for people who can't build engines. *Enzo A. Ferrari*

11. बड़ा सोचो, जल्दी सोचो, आगे सोचो. विचारों पर किसी का एकाधिकार नहीं है.  
(Think big, think fast, think ahead. Ideas are no one's monopoly.)

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