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- 'Glory is fleeting, but obscurity is forever.' Napoleon Bonaparte (1769-1821)

- 'Those who cannot remember the past are doomed to repeat it.' George Santayana. (1863-1952).

- 'The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good.' Samuel Johnson (1709-1784).

- 'Everyone is a genius at least once a year; a real genius has his ideas closer together.' George Lichtenberg (1742-1799).

- 'When ideas fail, words come in handy.' Goethe (1749-1832).

- 'If it can’t be measured in figures, it is not science; it is opinion'. Robert A. Heinlein (1907-1988).

- 'In science the credit goes to the man who convinces the world, not to the man to whom the idea first occurs.' Francis Darwin (1848-1925).

- 'So began the story of the radioactive stent. Eight years and several animal species later, we are becoming aware of the bright and dark sides of this treatment modality in the human model.' This thesis.

- 'Users of radiation need to be alerted to edge restenosis seen after higher activity radioactive stent implantation and positive remodeling behind the stent seen after catheter-based radiation and stenting.' This thesis.

- 'The observation that the radioactive stent may provide a substrate for atherosclerosis may well have been predicted by Carter et al’s porcine model.' This thesis.

- 'Neointimal hyperplasia is delayed rather than prevented by radioactive stent implantation. The combination of this phenomenon of rebound hyperplasia with the established phenomenon of edge restenosis calls into question the clinical applicability of radioactive stenting using current approaches.' This thesis.

- 'The true sweetness of the candy will only be appreciated once the pathophysiology of stent-edge restenosis is understood.' This thesis.

- 'Radiation, whether it be catheter or stent-based, has forced the interventional community to look closely not only at effective inhibition of intimal proliferation but also at the adverse response of the artery to the combination of injury and radiation.' This thesis.