

## ADDITIONAL ARTICLES ABSTRACTED IN ACP JOURNAL CLUB

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### Therapeutics

Low-molecular-weight heparin prevented new cardiac events in unstable angina

**Fragmin during Instability in Coronary Artery Disease (FRISC) Study Group.** Low-molecular-weight heparin during instability in coronary artery disease. *Lancet*. 1996 Mar 2;347:561-8.

Enoxaparin prevented more DVT than did warfarin after knee arthroplasty

**Leclerc JR, Geerts WH, Desjardins L, et al.** Prevention of venous thromboembolism after knee arthroplasty. A randomized, double-blind trial comparing enoxaparin with warfarin. *Ann Intern Med*. 1996 Apr 1;124:619-26.

Enteral feeding by endoscopic gastrostomy reduced 6-week mortality after dysphagic stroke

**Norton B, Homer-Ward M, Donnelly MT, Long RG, Holmes GK.** A randomised prospective comparison of percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy and nasogastric tube feeding after acute dysphagic stroke. *BMJ*. 1996 Jan 6; 312:13-6.

Laser angioplasty added no benefit to balloon angioplasty in coronary artery disease

**Appelman YE, Piek JJ, Strikwerda S, et al.** Randomised trial of excimer laser angioplasty versus balloon angioplasty for treatment of obstructive coronary artery disease. *Lancet*. 1996 Jan 13;347:79-84.

Meta-analysis: Low-dose sulfamethoxazole-trimethoprim is an effective regimen for *P. carinii* prophylaxis in HIV infection

**Ioannidis JP, Cappelleri JC, Skolnik PR, Lau J, Sacks HS.** A meta-analysis of the relative efficacy and toxicity of *Pneumocystis carinii* prophylactic regimens. *Arch Intern Med*. 1996 Jan 22;156:177-88.

Vitamin E was associated with a decreased risk for angina pectoris

**Rapola JM, Virtamo J, Haukka JK, et al.** Effect of vitamin E and beta carotene on the incidence of angina pectoris. A randomized, double-blind, controlled trial. *JAMA*. 1996 Mar 6;275:693-8.

Vitamin E reduced the risk for cardiovascular events in coronary atherosclerosis

**Stephens NG, Parsons A, Schofield PM, et al.** Randomised controlled trial of vitamin E in patients with coronary disease: Cambridge Heart Antioxidant Study (CHAOS). *Lancet*. 1996 Mar 23;347:781-6.

Vitamin D supplementation did not reduce fractures in the elderly

**Lips P, Graafmans WC, Ooms ME, Bezemer PD, Bouter LM.** Vitamin D supplementation and fracture incidence in elderly persons. A randomized, placebo-controlled clinical trial. *Ann Intern Med*. 1996 Feb 15;124:400-6.

Horse-chestnut seed extract reduced edema in chronic venous insufficiency

**Diehm C, Trampisch HJ, Lange S, Schmidt C.** Comparison of leg compression stocking and oral horse-chestnut seed extract therapy in patients with chronic venous insufficiency. *Lancet*. 1996 Feb 3;347:292-4.

### Etiology

Review: Insufficient information exists about the overall health risk associated with silicone gel breast implants

**Silverman BG, Brown SL, Bright RA, et al.** Reported complications of silicone gel breast implants: an epidemiologic review. *Ann Intern Med*. 1996 Apr 15;124:744-56.

High dietary intake of flavonoids was associated with decreased mortality

**Knekt P, Järvinen R, Reunanen A, Maatela J.** Flavonoid intake and coronary mortality in Finland: a cohort study. *BMJ*. 1996 Feb 24;312:478-81.

Increased fiber intake in men was associated with reduced MI  
**Rimm EB, Ascherio A, Giovannucci E, et al.** Vegetable, fruit, and cereal fiber intake and risk of coronary heart disease among men. *JAMA*. 1996 Feb 14;275:447-51.

Breastfeeding was not protective against breast cancer  
**Michels KB, Willett WC, Rosner BA, et al.** Prospective assessment of breastfeeding and breast cancer incidence among 89 887 women. *Lancet*. 1996 Feb 17;347:431-6.

### Quality Improvement

Letter from a licensing body and group education reduced prescribing of regulated analgesics

**Anderson JF, McEwan KL, Hrudehy WP.** Effectiveness of notification and group education in modifying prescribing of regulated analgesics. *Can Med Assoc J*. 1996 Jan 1;154:31-9.