The following articles are abstracted in the May/June 2000 issue of ACP Journal Club. The declarative title of each abstract as published in ACP Journal Club precedes the article citation.

**Therapeutics**

Primary angioplasty had lower long term mortality than streptokinase in acute myocardial infarction


Dalteparin reduced death and MI at 2 but not 3 months in unstable coronary artery disease managed non-invasively


An invasive strategy reduced the combined rate of death and myocardial infarction in unstable coronary artery disease


Transmyocardial revascularization was effective in refractory angina and left ventricular free-wall ischemia


Transmyocardial revascularization increased exercise duration and reduced angina symptoms


A semirecumbent body position had a lower rate of nosocomial pneumonia than a supine position in mechanically ventilated adults


Insulin lispro reduced nocturnal hypoglycaemic episodes in type 1 diabetes mellitus when used to achieve tight glycaemic control


**Diagnosis**

Review: routine follow-up tests do not improve survival and quality of life in women after treatment for early stage breast cancer


Virtual colonoscopy was sensitive and specific for detecting colorectal polyps and cancer


Review: transthoracic needle aspiration biopsy is accurate for diagnosing malignant and specific benign pulmonary lesions


Review: transthoracic echocardiography and transoesophageal echocardiography detect cardiac masses in patients with stroke


**Prognosis**

Long term survival decreased in young adults after stroke or transient ischaemic attack


**Aetiology**

Fruit and vegetable intake decreased risk for ischaemic stroke