CSRC: The Academic/Practice Perspective

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New symbol of our profession
Drugs Used in My Clinic Developed by Federal Agencies, Academic Institutions, Hospitals/Non-Profits

Maybe warfarin
Devices Used in My Clinic
Developed by Those Same Entities
Maybe the original “AID”
The Reality

The engine of modern medicine is the clinical trial and the fuel to run that engine is expensive

- Progress in therapeutics is dependent on industrial resources
- Capitalism is a good system if appropriate safeguards are put into place
Successes

• Primary prevention ICDs/CRT
• Cardiac repolarization evaluations
• SVT ablation
• PCI for STEMI
Problems

- COX-2
- TZD
- DES
- HRT
Challenges

- New anticoagulants
- Genetic testing
- Percutaneous valves
- Cardiac imaging
The Key to Better CV Therapeutics

A highly principled, well-defined, transparent partnership among clinician-scientists, industry, regulators and payers.