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Dr. David Taggart to Address CABG vs. PCI at American College of Cardiology 56th Annual Scientific Session & i2 Summit

PRESS RELEASE -- March 21, 2007 -- David Taggart, MD, a cardiac surgeon and a professor at John Radcliff Hospital in Oxford, England, will speak at the upcoming American College of Cardiology 56th Annual Scientific Session and i2 Summit and address concerns that a large number of patients, to their possible detriment, may not be presented with a surgical consult when diagnosed with significant heart disease. Dr. Taggart is scheduled to speak Sunday, March 25, on "Multi-vessel Revascularization Surgical Viewpoint in 2007," and on Tuesday, March 27, at a Meet the Experts session on "Percutaneous or Surgical Therapy for Left Main Disease."

In speaking on this important topic, which Dr. Taggart also addressed at the STS/AATS Tech-Con 2007 in January, he will present consistently strong evidence that shows a significant survival benefit with CABG. Plan on attending Dr. Taggart's presentation during the ACC Conference. **Below is a collection of resources on the topic**, including: Dr. Taggart's January 2006 Thomas B. Ferguson Lecture at the STS 42nd Annual Meeting; Dr. Taggart's slide presentation in January 2007 at AATS/STS Tech-Con; and a press release from Dec. 2006 when STS members testified before the FDA regarding CABG vs. stents. You will also find each testifying STS member's slide presentation and a list of supporting research published on the topic. If you need further information or are interested in comment from local cardiothoracic surgeons, please contact the Communications Department at The Society of Thoracic Surgeons at (312) 202-5800.

CABG vs. Stents: Media Resources

Press Releases

[Are Heart Disease Patients Fully Informed About Treatment Options?](#) (3/21/07)

[STS Leaders Testify Before FDA Circulatory System Device Panel Regarding Stents and CABG](#)
(12/8/06)

Dr. David Taggart Presentations

[2006 STS 42nd Annual Meeting Keynote Address](#) (*Available as Webcast only. Must have RealPlayer to view.*)

[2007 STS/AATS Tech-Con Keynote Address](#): "What Every Surgeon Should be Able to Tell Their Cardiologists about Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting vs. Stents for Coronary Artery Disease"

STS Representative Presentations (12/8/06)

Frederick L. Grover, MD, STS Immediate Past President

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Supporting Research

"Selection of Surgical or Percutaneous Coronary Intervention Provides Differential Longevity Benefit"

The Annals of Thoracic Surgery 2006;82:1420-1429

<http://ats.ctsnetjournals.org>

"Comparing Long-Term Survival of Patients With Multivessel Coronary Disease After CABG or PCI: Analysis of BARI-Like Patients in Northern New England"

Circulation 2005;112:371-376

<http://circ.ahajournals.org>

"Propensity Analysis of Long-Term Survival After Surgical or Percutaneous Revascularization in Patients With Multivessel Coronary Artery Disease and High-Risk Features"

Circulation 2004;109:2290-2295

<http://circ.ahajournals.org>

"Long-Term Outcomes of Coronary-Artery Bypass Grafting versus Stent Implantation"

New England Journal of Medicine 2005;352:2174-83

<http://www.nejm.org>