

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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With previous evidence of incomplete revascularization in BHS patients (1), and the negative impact of incomplete revascularization on both early and late mortality rates and freedom from recurrent cardiac events (2,3), the finding by Dr Ivanov and colleagues is not surprising, but it is a very important contribution to the literature and provides a more complete picture of off-pump coronary artery bypass grafting and where it should fit in our surgical armamentarium.

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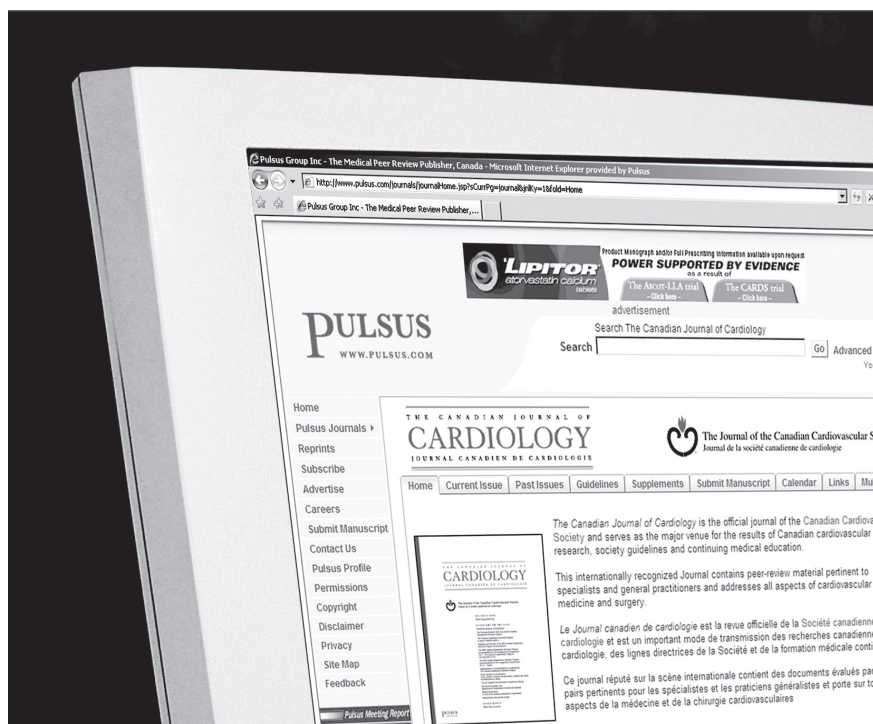
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