New anti-clotting drug discovered, ACC 2013 awards & more CVI news!

**TOP STORY**

Novel anti-clotting drug more effective than Plavix in coronary procedures, according to study. Robert Harrington, MD, the study’s senior author, has found that cangrelor, an experimental drug, is more effective at preventing blood clots during coronary stenting procedures as well as heart attacks and strokes than currently used drugs. 

**CLINICAL NEWS**

Using patient-specific iPS cells to predict heart risk of common medicines.

- Vascular surgeon Matthew Mell, MD, on abdominal aortic aneurysms. [Watch video](#)
- Why regular monitoring for blood pressure is important for patients

**RESEARCH**

William Fearon, MD, answers top questions on heart health and cardiovascular disease.

- Stem cells entering heart can be tracked with nano-“hitchhikers”, [according to study](#)
- Stanford researchers awarded $1.97 million for heart disorders and autism [research](#)

**ABOUT CVI**

Francois Haddad, MD, to lead CVI Biomarker and Phenotype Core Laboratory [for research](#)

- Congratulations to Rajesh Dash, MD, for winning “Best Poster” [at ACC 2013](#)
- Nick Leeper, MD, featured in Silicon Valley Business Journal’s “People on the Move”