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Research Interests

Cardiovascular Disease, Hypertension, Cardiovascular Surgery
Recent Publications


Cardiovascular Diseases

- Cerebrovascular and heart disease are the second, third of the leading causes of death.
- Years of life lost are much more than other disease.
- Age-specific mortality of cardiovascular disease shows that most victims are over the age of 65.
Examples of Cardiovascular Diseases

- Coronary artery disease
- Hypertension and Stroke
- Congestive heart failure
- Peripheral vascular disease
- Valvular, rheumatic and congenital heart disease
Risk Factors are Continuous Variables

Exposure levels

Hypertension
Hypercholesterolaemia
Obesity

Modified from A. Rogers
Prevalence of Heart Disease

Data from National Health Interview Survey in Taiwan, 2001
Age-adjusted death rates for circulatory diseases, females, 1907-2003

Note: Ischaemic heart diseases not separately identified before 1940

Source: AIHW GRIM books
Five Dimensions Control Plan

→ Establishing a comprehensive prevention and control system

→ Strengthening educational activities

→ Implementing screening and care management

→ Providing affordable medical care

→ Conducting relevant research and surveys
A framework for strategies

Prevent Modifiable Risk Variables

Modifiable Risk

Acute Care

Prevent Recurrent Events

General population

At-risk individuals and groups

CVD patients

End-stage

Societal Context

- Diabetes
- Chronic Kidney Disease
- Indigenous People

Modified from A Tonkin, Atherosclerosis and Heart Disease, 2003
Drugs More Important than Interventions after Heart Attack?

S Setoguchi et al. JACC 2008; 51: 1247-1254
Factors Contributing to Decline in Deaths

- Better and earlier diagnosis
- Better emergency and medical care
- Improved drugs for specific treatment
- Improved public awareness
- Increased use of preventive measures, including lifestyle changes
Complementary Approaches to Prevention

Healthy eating
Healthy activity
Healthy weight

Individual Behaviour Change

Environmental Change

Adapted from Puska P, 2004
Journal of General Practice

- Journal of Primary Health Care: Open Access
- Journal of Health Care: Current Reviews
- Journal of General Medicine: Open Access
- Journal of Family Medicine & Medical Science Research
Journal of General Practice
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- 3rd International Conference on Surgery and Anesthesia
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