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How I Manage Degenerative Aortic Stenosis in Patients at High Risk for Surgery

Martin Quinn qualified from University College Dublin in 1992. He started his training in Cardiology in St James’s hospital in 1995. He worked as a lecturer in Clinical Pharmacology in the Royal College of Surgeons from 1997 to 2000. During this time he was awarded a PhD for his thesis on the platelet fibrinogen receptor, glycoprotein IIb/IIIa. He moved to the Cleveland Clinic, Ohio, USA where he trained in Interventional Cardiology. He has co-authored a book on platelet biology and over 45 papers, review articles and book chapters. He was appointed as a Consultant Cardiologist to St Vincent’s University Hospital in 2003. He was secretary to the Irish Board for Training in Cardiovascular Medicine from 2004 to 2007. He is actively involved in research into percutaneous valve repair and has a number of patents filed in this area. He inserted the first percutaneous aortic valve in Ireland in 2008.

Dr Brendan McAdam
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How I Manage Acute Heart Failure: From A and E to Admission

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How I Manage Atrial Fibrillation from A and E to Admission

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Dr Blaithnead Murtagh
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How I Manage the Patient with Syncope

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The Management of Acute ST Segment Elevation MI in a Non-PCI Centre

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