Figure 1

Reperfusion Therapy in Community Hospitals

Conclusions

Duration of symptoms

≤90-120 min
Lytics (full dose)
Rescue PCI
Routine angio

≥120 min
Facilitation
Lytics
Platelet inhibitors
PPCI

Figure 2

Shifts in Potential Outcomes
With Different Treatment Strategies

A to B  No Benefit
A to C  Benefit
B to C  Benefit
D to B  Harm
D to C  Harm
Trials of Early Angiography after Thrombolysis

Results of trials

1987-1991
TAMI I
ECSG
TIMI IIa
Barbash
SWIFT
Generally unfavorable

Recent pilot studies
GRACIA-1
SIAM III
CAPITAL-AMI
Safe and feasible
Trend towards efficacy

Figure 4