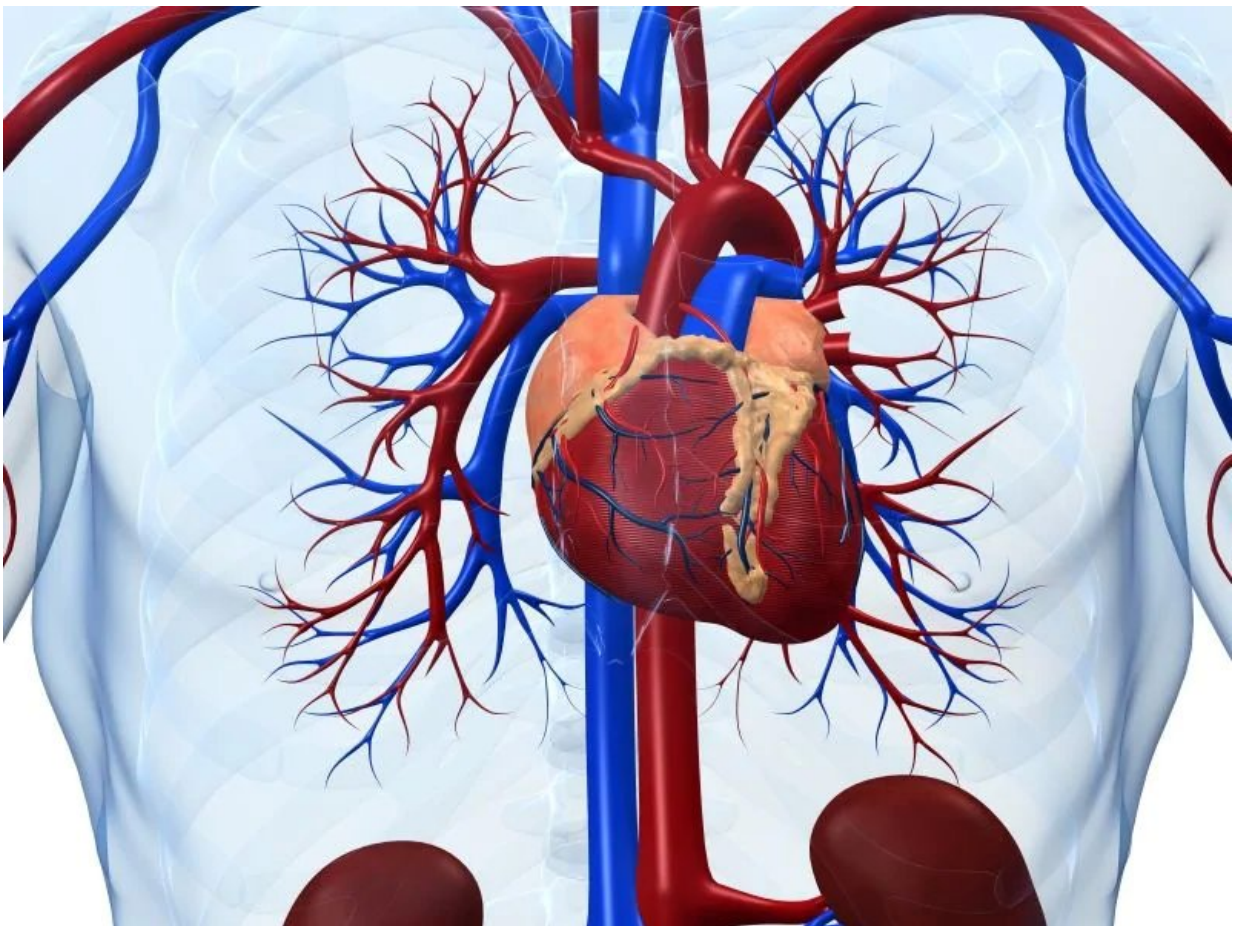


HEART pathway can safely identify low-risk ER patients

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(HealthDay)—Implementation of the HEART Pathway is associated

with decreased hospitalizations, increased identification of myocardial infarction (MI) at the index visit, and a very low death and MI rate among low-risk emergency department patients with chest pain, according to a study published online Sept. 28 in *Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes*.

Simon A. Mahler, M.D., from the Wake Forest School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and colleagues studied outcomes 12 months before and after implementation to assess whether implementation of the HEART Pathway is safe (30-day death and MI rate

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