









# Focus of research group (I)

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Current mission, vision and aims Improvement of diagnosis and treatment of coronary syndromes

**Current participating departments** 

Amsterdam UMC – location AMC AMC Heart Center Biomedical Engineering Pathology Nuclear Medicine / Radiology Vascular Medicine Amsterdam UMC – location VUMC Pathology Molecular Cell Biology and Immunology



Heart Failure & Arrhythmias



Pulmonary Hypertension & Thrombosis







# Focus of research group (II)

### **Current expertise**

Intracoronary hemodynamics

- Diagnosis during cardiac catheterization
- Evaluation effect of PCI
- Prognosis/Gender differences in coronary syndromes

### **Reperfusion injury AMI**

- Translational research on role of monocytes following myocardial infarction
- Exaggeration of
  - Ischemic injury
  - Loss of viable myocardium
  - Development of chronic heart failure

#### Coronary collateral circulation Quantification of a

Quantification of arteriogenesis using intracoronary hemodynamics and MRI

### Current funding

• NHS, NWO-Veni, EU FP7, CTMM, University of Texas, Philips/Volcano











## Future plans

## Short term (1-2 year) plan

Plan: Coronary hemodynamics: development of a new diagnostic wire (collaboration Philips/Volcano), effect PCI in discordant coronary lesions, diagnosis and treatment of coronary vasospasm. Reperfusion injury AMI: translational research T-helper cells

## Necessary infrastructure:

PET-imaging is mandatory for validation studies. Direct comparison with H2O-PET and novel tracers with longer half time is eagerly awaited. CT imaging for validation study.

## Long term (>2 year) plan

### Plan:

Conduction of multicenter studies using flow rather than pressure parameters for guidance of interventions. Modulation of the post-myocardial infarction (MI) inflammatory response to beneficially promote infarct healing Necessary infrastructure: PET, CT, MRI