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**A** Acute  
**M** Myocardial  
**I** Infarction in  
**S** Switzerland

### AMIS Plus Newsletter Nr. 19 – October 2006

Dear Current & Potential AMIS Plus Participants, & Sponsors

#### AMIS Plus at the World Congress of Cardiology 2006

As many as six abstracts from AMIS Plus were presented at the World Congress of Cardiology from September 2-6 in Barcelona, Spain.

One of the main topics discussed at the Congress was that of elderly patients. AMIS Plus registry provided important information on clinical presentation, treatment and outcome regarding patients above the age of 80. Elderly patients are less likely to present with classic chest pain, but more often show dyspnea and other symptoms of heart failure. Furthermore, they are contemporary less likely to receive reperfusion therapy, which probably contributes to a worse outcome in this growing population. Considering the favourable outcome, treatment decisions regarding elderly patients with acute coronary syndrome should be individualized and directed by comorbidities rather than by age alone.



#### AMIS Plus Homepage ([www.amis-plus.ch](http://www.amis-plus.ch))

Did you know that our homepage is actualized weekly? You can read News from the Data Center and download AMIS Plus abstracts, publications and other worthwhile documents. You may also find the Steering Committee's and the Data Center's contact details. Particularly, watch out for the Logos of our Sponsors and Donators –by placing their Logo on the AMIS Plus webpage, we thank them for making our Project possible!

For speeding up the data process, we always encourage AMIS Plus **participants** to enter their data online. However, for participants who are not yet able to do this, we recommend you download the AMIS Plus Questionnaire from our homepage (see Documents/AMIS Documents/Paper Questionnaire) and use exclusively this most recent paper copy.

Your feedback is always very welcome! If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact us here at the Data Center by telephone, email or fax.

Sincerely yours

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