Record Nr. UNINA9910782274403321 Platelets in cardiovascular disease [[electronic resource] /] / editor, **Titolo** Deepak L. Bhatt Pubbl/distr/stampa London, : Imperial College Press, 2008 **ISBN** 1-281-86767-5 9786611867676 1-86094-852-9 Descrizione fisica xv, 218 p.: ill Altri autori (Persone) BhattDeepak L Disciplina 615/.71 Cardiovascular agents Soggetti Blood platelets Cardiovascular system - Diseases Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto 1. Platelet biology: the role of platelets in hemostasis, thrombosis and inflammation / Richard C. Becker -- 2. Thromboxane antagonists / Brian R. Dulin and Steven R. Steinhubl -- 3. Glycoprotein Ilb/IIIa inhibitors / Sam J. Lehman, Derek P. Chew and Harvey D. White -- 4. ADP receptor antagonists / Juhana Karha and Christopher P. Cannon --5. Monitoring antiplatelet therapy / Paul Harrison and Alan D. Michelson -- 6. Platelet genomics / Brian K. Jefferson, Kandice Kottke-Marchant and Eric J. Topol -- 7. Future strategies for the development of antiplatelet drugs / Robert A. Harrington. Sommario/riassunto Platelets in Cardiovascular Disease provides an in-depth and current coverage of relevant platelet biology and antiplatelet therapy that is in clinical use today and potentially for the future. The book provides a succinct overview of the critical role of platelets in cardiovascular medicine. Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of mortality worldwide, and recent research has found that the platelet is central to the genesis of heart attacks and stroke as well as many of the complications of angioplasty and bypass surgery. An explosion of knowledge of the biology of platelets has established their important role in the formation of blood clots and, perhaps more intriguingly.

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