

Stanford eCorner History of Balloon Angioplasty Catheter: Thomas Fogarty 22-01-2003

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Yock continues the story about a non-invasive cardiac technique and how it quickly had a Stanford connection. Thomas Fogarty, a surgeon at Stanford, worked with Charles Dotter and soon developed another technology – the Balloon Angioplasty Catheter.



Transcript

The story starts here and it rapidly develops a Stanford connection because there was a resident in surgery working with daughter who developed another procedure.. He had the insight that if you put a little balloon on the tip of a catheter, you could clean out clots from legs.. And daughter and this resident discussed the fact that maybe a balloon was a better way to treat arterial narrowing that you could blow up an arterial narrowing with a balloon.. And some of you guessed that doctor was Dr.. Fogarty who is a surgeon at Stanford here.. You may know his winery, the Fogarty winery but he really developed this balloon technology for taking clots out.. Recently, he was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame.. Really one of the major inventors in the history of medicine certainly...