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Randomized trials of antidepressants for patients with acute coronary syndrome and depression have demonstrated improvement in depressive symptoms but not in long-term cardiac outcomes. In a long-term follow-up study by Kim and colleagues of 300 patients with acute coronary syndrome and depression, treatment with escitalopram reduced the risk of major adverse cardiac events (MACE).

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