# **Journal of Taiwan Society of Cardiovascular Interventions**

# INFORMATION FOR AUTHORS

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# **Journals**

- 1. Xu J, Cui G, Esmailian F, et al. Atrial extracellular matrix remodeling and the maintenance of atrial fibrillation. *Circulation* 2004;109:363-8.
- 2. Boos CJ, Lip GY. Targeting the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system in atrial fibrillation: from pathophysiology to clinical trials. *J Hum Hypertens* 2005;19:855-9.

# Books

- 1. Gotto AJ, Farmer JA. Risk factors for coronary artery disease. In: Braunwald E, Ed. *Heart Disease: A Textbook of Cardiovascular Medicine*. 3rd ed. Philadelphia: Saunders, 1988:1153-90.
- 2. Levinsky NG. Fluid and electrolytes. In: Thorn GW, Adams RD, Braunwald E, et al, Eds. *Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine*. 8th ed. New York: McGraw-Hill, 1977:364-75.

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