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In 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Professor Ridker was asked by the U.S. government and the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute to lead the ACTIV-4B Outpatient COVID-19 Thrombosis Prevention Trial.