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We will consider how the geometry of a Riemannian manifold M effects the existence, or more importantly the nonexistence, of the stable submanifolds in M . In particular, we will give conditions on the second fundamental form of an immersed manifold M of a Euclidean space which implies that M supports no stable submanifolds. First, we talk about the above problem in a general manifold. Second, we restrict it to an ellipsoid. (Received September 06, 2005)