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Dear :

Here's a recap of blog posts and other news from the past month.

We had a huge response on RxISK to my interview with the [Honest Apothecary](#), as well as to the Motherisk story in *Maclean's* magazine, [There's a pill for that](#), and the *Daily Mail's* article [Could your medicine give you a drink problem?](#)

It was nice see see my series of blog posts on randomized controlled trials followed so closely by [1BoringOldMan](#).

Thank you for your support.

Your feedback, as always, is greatly appreciated.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David".

David Healy, MD

In the news...

[The Honest Apothecary: An interview with Dr. Healy](#)

There are many roads one can travel on within the world of medicine. Some take their training down the pathway of clinical practice and patient care. Other will steer themselves toward the scholarly street of science and studies.



[Daily Mail: Could your medicine give you a drink problem?](#)

The disturbing side-effects even the manufacturers don't know about
Several years ago, Anne-Marie Cook, a 40-year-old health care assistant from Surrey, was prescribed the antidepressant Seroxat after she'd become anxious and withdrawn following the death of her father.

[Maclean's magazine: There's a pill for that](#)

A British Columbia class-action suit against the makers of Paxil is putting the spotlight on a controversial issue: the growing use of antidepressants during pregnancy. Yet a rising chorus of researchers is questioning Motherisk's stance on SSRI use in pregnancy. One of the most vocal is psychiatrist and psychopharmacologist David Healy, director of the North Wales department of psychological medicine at Cardiff University. Healy, who prescribes SSRIs selectively, says there's no good data suggesting untreated depression is more dangerous to mother and child than SSRIs.

[Global News 16x9 investigation: Drug reactions](#)

In a 16x9 investigation Sean O'Shea reveals what drug companies knew about the effectiveness and side effects of antidepressants and how the drugs got onto pharmacy shelves despite some glaring flaws. Dr. David Healy is one of the experts interviewed.

[Collegiate Times: Mental rehabilitation should focus on behavioural therapy](#)

Dr. David Healy, controversial British psychiatrist and founder of RxISK.org, has recently come out with a statistic that states "some 90 percent of school shootings over more than a decade have been linked to a widely prescribed type of antidepressant called selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors or SSRIs."

[BBC Radio: The Prozac Economy](#)

Prozac is 25 years old. It has been taken by over 40 million people around the world and made billions of dollars for Eli Lilly, the company that created it. But does it work? And what effect has the promise of a "happiness pill" had on society?

RxISK stories

[Dr. Healy's North American and European speaking schedule](#)

Internationally respected psychiatrist, psychopharmacologist, scientist, and author Dr. David Healy will be lecturing and touring both Europe and North America in the coming weeks on his mission to make prescription drugs safer.

Report to the President. In 1954 soon after his article with Beecher put the placebo on...



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