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Dear :

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

The focus of recent posts - *Fragile Doctors*, *The Right Stuff, Trading our Sex Lives for Clear Skin*, and *Keeping an Eye on the Ball* has been on the difficulties that people have taking an adverse event to their doctor - how hostile doctors can be.

But people who persevere regularly turn out to be correct and their perseverance is a key source of medical breakthroughs and increases in medical understanding.

RxISK reports are at the center of RxISK. And they are designed to help someone who is taking an issue to their doctor engage with their doctor.

In early 2014 we will have a new streamlined RxISK 2.0 which will make reporting easier. We also hope to get you engaged in quality marking prescribers - picking out those who listened to you from those who didn't. Between us we can make medicines safer.

Thank you for your support.

Your feedback, as always, is greatly appreciated.

David Healy, MD

In the news

The Right Stuff - The RxISK Stuff

The RxISK Report function on RxISK has been streamlined. We want you and everyone who can to fill reports, take them to your doctor pharmacist or nurse prescriber and report back to us. There are two reasons to ... [Read More...]...»



RxISK stories

Accutane: 30 Years of Trading our Sex lives for clear Skin

There are an ever-increasing and disturbing number of young people claiming their sex lives have been permanently ruined from taking the acne drug, isotretinoin, commonly referred to by its former brand-name, Accutane. Often these ... [Read More...]...»

Keeping an Eye on the Ball: Visual Problems on SSRIs

The author of this report wants to remain anonymous for important reasons not contained in this report. He comes from the Newcastle area, where if you are a fan of sports and think of someone who was good at keeping ... [Read More...]...»



From David's blog...

<u>Medystopia</u>

Crusoe has not been lying low since The Shipwreck of the Singular and The Girl who Wasn't Heard When She Cried Wolf. Check these out for previous Crusoe posts. The AbbVie story calls for a decent myth. Here is a start. Sink all Vaccines to the Bottom of the Sea? Crusoe was listening to [...]...» Three months ago we launched an AbbVie campaign and followed it up with a petition calling on AbbVie ad InterMune to drop their action against EMA. The hope was to raise awareness of this critically important issue that had been sailing beneath the radar. Over 6000 of you from more than 120 countries [...]...»

The Church of GSKology 2

A century ago Freud and Jung made us aware of the biases underpinning what patients say. Not everything should be accepted at face value. In particular claims of abuse may not be based on reality. We needed experts - analysts - they claimed to tease out what is real from what is not. The Catholic Church [...]...»

Lives Touched by GSK

Anonymous Notes of a Paxil Guinea Pig What does GSK owe to the youngsters in its infamous Study 329 who became suicidal while taking the company's paroxetine (Paxil/Seroxat)? As someone who was briefly a GSK Guinea Pig, I'd say the most important thing they're owed is the truth. It's a highly delinquent debt - but it's [...]...»





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