

**July 2014**

Dear :

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

Our new [RxISK eCONSULT online clinic](#) has helped patients around the world who contact us asking for help figure out if their meds are causing problems. This provides a more formal framework to review an individual's situation, answer questions, and provide a comprehensive report to help determine answers to the following questions:

- Could it be my meds that are causing \_\_\_\_\_?
- How do I optimize my medications?
- How do I reduce or eliminate one or more of my medications?

Patient countries have included Sweden, Switzerland, Australia, Canada, Ireland, England, Scotland and the USA.

[RxISK.org](#) also continues to receive reports of suspected adverse drug events from around the world. We thought you might be interested in the top 10 countries for reporting based on reports per 100-thousand population:

1. New Zealand
2. Ireland
3. Canada
4. United Kingdom
5. Australia
6. Luxembourg
7. United States
8. Denmark
9. Switzerland
10. Slovenia.

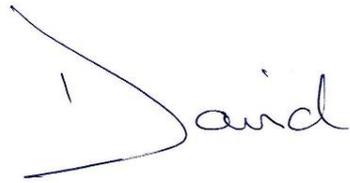
The average RxISK Score on reports has been just over 9. This score suggests a strong possibility of a link between the suspect medication

and the reported side effect.

Please help your country rise to the top by reporting and encouraging others to report.

Thank you for your support.

Your feedback, as always, is greatly appreciated.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David". The letter 'D' is large and stylized, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

David Healy, MD

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## RxISK stories

### [RxISK Research on PSSD](#)

This post is written by James Bennett, who is co-ordinating the RxISK PSSD research effort. Over the last two years, RxISK has engaged in a number of activities to raise awareness of Post SSRI Sexual Dysfunction (PSSD) and ... [\[Read More...\]](#)...»

### [A PSSD Story](#)

This is the fourth of five PSSD posts running over two weeks. The first was Wikipedia Editor inserts Foot in Mouth, followed by 120 cases of PSSD, and Recovering from PSSD. I first took citalopram in November 2007, ... [\[Read More...\]](#)...»

### [Recovering from PSSD](#)

Some weeks ago, a number of people linked to Paxil Progress got in touch. They were concerned that RxISK was putting out a message that there was no recovery from PSSD and that if people got this message they might ... [\[Read More...\]](#)...»

### [PSSD - One Hundred and Twenty Cases](#)

Delete - Delete No sooner was the original Wikipedia PSSD page restored that it attracted an extermination notice from the Wikipedia Daleks. The original page may or may not still be here - Wikipedia PSSD. In Wikipedia Editor puts ... [\[Read More...\]](#)...»

### [Wikipedia editor inserts foot in mouth](#)

This is the first of several PSSD posts over the next two weeks on RxISK. This post coincides with the restoration of the Wikipedia PSSD

Page. This was taken down earlier this year. We reposted the page on ... [Read More...][...](#)»

### [We Are the Ninety-Nine Percent](#)

This is a Coda to the four posts on davidhealy.org about Sense about Science and AllTrials - Follow the Rhetoric, First Admit no Harm, Follow the Lawsuit & Follow the Patient. Its running here because it attempts to lay out some of the ... [Read More...][...](#)»

### [Is Your Mom on Drugs? Ours was and here's what we did about it.](#)

This story illustrates the issues described in Polypharmacy: when is enough, enough? It also illustrates how important the voice of the patients and, when they cant advocate for themselves, their family. The experience of this family has motivated Johanna Trimble ... [Read More...][...](#)»



## From David's blog...

### [Doctor Munchausen, I Presume!](#)

As Britain descends into an orgy of handwringing about the abuse of vulnerable people, this is the first of several posts to tackle the issue In 2000 when I gave a lecture on Psychopharmacology and the Government of the Self at the invitation of the University of Toronto, I ran into a

problem. [...][...](#)»

### [Please Don't Empower Me Anymore](#)

This is the second part of a Motivational Interviewing series crafted by Johanna Ryan and Ken Spriggs. Do you know the locations of all the best bathrooms? Do you often take a seat near the exit, just in case? Do you excuse yourself often to use the bathroom? Do you ever skip meals, [...][...](#)»

### [We are the Ninety Nine Percent](#)

This is a Coda to the four posts about Sense about Science and AllTrials - Follow the Rhetoric, First Admit no Harm, Follow the Lawsuit & Follow the Patient. The last post ended on this note: Over 18 months ago, RxISK attempted to open up a debate on the ambiguities and conflicts at [...][...](#)»

### [Sense about Science: Follow the Patient](#)

This is the fourth of four posts about the links between Sense about

Science and AllTrials. The first was Follow the Rhetoric. The Second was First Admit no Harm. The third was Follow the Lawsuit. The simple act of defining doctors or patients concerned about adverse events as "critics" is a rhetorical stroke [...]...»

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