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I am a 70 yr old HCV patient. My hepatologist treated me with interferon and ribivirin 4 yrs ago with no success. In fact, the treatment almost killed me and left me w/atrial fibrillation. and a damaged heart valve.

When he took me off the powerful drugs he had prescribed, he instructed me to advise him if and when I started to exhibit swelling around the ankles and waist, and if and when I started to feel mentally "drifty". These are the primary symptoms of liver failure, hardly a confidence building prognosis. Not ready to cash in my chips, I bought a computer and started researching HCV and alternative ways to combat it.

To make a long story short I now daily consume 40-50 GRAMS of vitamin C, 1200 units of vit E, selenium, milk thistle, alfa lipoic acid, n-acetyl cisteine, B complex tabs, and Ca-Mg-2n tabs.  $M\!\!Y$  ALT and AST numbers came down from 300-400 to normal or near normal totals. If I can't purchase these substances at these amounts then the FDA will in effect be killing me.

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