

*Principles of Clinical Pharmacology*

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**COURSE MODULES**

MODULE 1: Pharmacokinetics  
 MODULE 2: Drug metabolism and Transport  
 MODULE 3: Assessment of Drug Effects  
 MODULE 4: Optimizing and Evaluating Therapy  
 MODULE 5: Drug Discovery and Development

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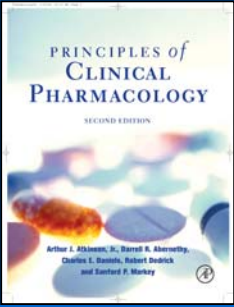
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**RECOMMENDED TEXT**




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PRESENTS THIS CERTIFICATE TO

*John B. Smith, M.D.*

IN RECOGNITION OF PARTICIPATION IN THE

NIH CLINICAL CENTER COURSE IN  
**Principles of Clinical Pharmacology**

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## PHARMACOLOGY

The study of *drugs* (chemicals, “small molecules”) and *biologics* (peptides, antibodies, “large molecules”) and their actions in *living organisms* (intact animals, isolated organs, tissue cultures).

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## CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

*THE STUDY OF DRUGS IN HUMANS*

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## COURSE FOCUS

- Scientific basis of drug use, development and evaluation
- *Not* Therapeutics
- Emphasis is on *General Principles* for both “old” and “new” drugs

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CAREER GOALS OF CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGISTS

- Optimize understanding and use of existing medicines
- Develop and evaluate new medicines

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“Introduction” Lecture Outline

- Historical overview
- The problem of adverse drug reactions (ADRs)
- Drug discovery and development
- Introduction to pharmacokinetics
- The concept of clearance

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Historical Overview

The establishment of *experimental pharmacology* as a discipline in Europe and the USA in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

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**JOHN JACOB ABEL**  
1857 - 1938



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**OSWALD SCHMIEDEBERG**  
1838 - 1921



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**RUDOLPH BUCHEIM**  
1820 - 1879



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LACK OF IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO DRUG THERAPY

“Fortunately a surgeon who uses the wrong side of the scalpel cuts his own fingers and not the patient; if the same applied to drugs they would have been investigated very carefully a long time ago.”

Placing emphasis on therapeutic technique and rational prescribing

Rudolph Bucheim
Beitrage zur Arzneimittellehre, 1849

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FOUNDERS OF AMERICAN CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY



HARRY GOLD



WALTER MODELL

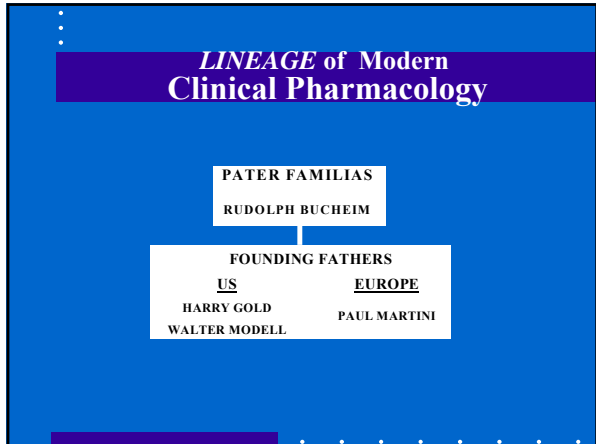
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Partial List of GOLD and MODELL Accomplishments

- 1937 – Introduced Double-Blind Clinical Trial Design \*
1939 – Initiated Cornell Conference on Therapy
1953 – Analyzed Digoxin Effect Kinetics to Estimate Absolute Bioavailability as well as Time-Course of Chronotropic Effects†
1960 - Founded Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics

\* Gold H, Kwit NT, Otto H. JAMA 1937;108:2173-2179.
† Gold H, Cattell McK, Greiner T, Hanlon LW, Kwit NT, Modell W, Cotlove E, Benton J, Otto HL. J Pharmacol Exp Ther 1953;109:45-57.

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**Drug Toxicity**  
**Adverse Drug Reactions**

- We need to develop drugs that are both *effective* and *safe* for use in patients.
- While some toxicities can be managed and *may* be acceptable (*risk/benefit ratio*) others are by their nature and severity *unacceptable*.
- Covered in *Modules 2 and 4* in our course.

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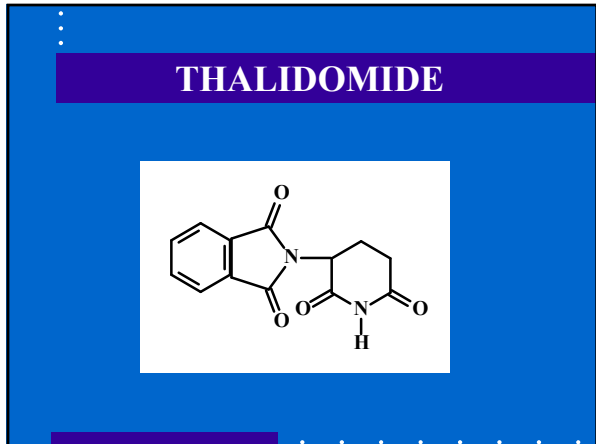
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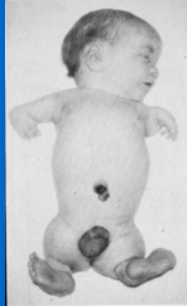
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## PHOCOMELIA



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## Drug Exposure “in utero”

- The problem of “Drug Therapy in Pregnant and Nursing Women” Covered in *Module 4* in our course.

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## Thalidomide: Therapeutic Uses

- *Erythema Nodosum Leprosum*
- Multiple Myeloma

These are *FDA-approved* indications (immunomodulatory agent)

Marketing done under a special restricted distribution program:

*System for Thalidomide Education and Prescribing Safety (S.T.E.P.S.)*

Used with *extreme caution* in females of childbearing potential. Contraceptive measures are mandatory.

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**SERIOUS ADR**

A *SERIOUS ADVERSE DRUG REACTION* is an adverse drug reaction (ADR) that *requires or prolongs hospitalization, is permanently disabling or results in death.*

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**CONSEQUENCES OF THALIDOMIDE CRISIS**

- New FDA Regulations (*KEFAUVER-HARRIS 1962 AMENDMENTS*)
- Institute of Medicine-National Academy of Sciences *review of Therapeutic Claims*
- More Research on *Causes of ADRs*
- NIGMS created *Clinical Pharmacology Centers in the USA*

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**LINEAGE OF Modern Clinical Pharmacology**

PATER FAMILIAS  
RUDOLPH BUCHEIM

FOUNDING FATHERS  

<u>US</u>	<u>EUROPE</u>
HARRY GOLD	PAUL MARTINI
WALTER MODELL	

RENAISSANCE LEADERS  

<u>US</u>	<u>EUROPE</u>
KEN MELMON	JOHN OATES
LEON GOLDBERG	DAN AZARNOFF
JAN KOCH-WESER	LOU LASAGNA
	FOLKE SJÓQVIST
	COLLIN DOLLERY

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FACTORS CONTRIBUTING TO ADR'S

1. Inappropriate *polypharmacy* resulting in adverse *drug interactions*
2. *Lack of clear therapeutic goals*
3. *Failure to attribute* new symptoms or abnormal laboratory test results *to drugs prescribed*
4. *Low priority* given to studying ADR's
5. *Insufficient knowledge* of pharmacology

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ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS

WHO:  
*Any untoward reaction to a drug*

CONTEMPORARY VIEW:  
*Unpredictable Adverse Drug Events*

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A recent example – Cytokine Storm

"Six healthy young male volunteers at a contract research organization were enrolled in the *first phase I clinical trial* of TGN1412, a novel superagonist anti-CD28 monoclonal antibody that directly stimulates T cells.

*Within 90 minutes after receiving a single intravenous dose...all six volunteers had a systemic inflammatory response...rapid induction of proinflammatory cytokines...headache, myalgias, nausea, diarrhea, erythema, vasodilatation, and hypotension. Within 12 to 16 hours they became critically ill...*

All six patients survived."

*N Engl J Med* 2006;355:1018-1028

**Preclinical models did not predict the risk of this reaction!**

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THE NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

BRIEF REPORT

**Cytokine Storm in a Phase 1 Trial of the Anti-CD28 Monoclonal Antibody TGN1412**

Ganesh Suntharalingam, F.R.C.A., Meghan R. Perry, M.R.C.P., Stephen Ward, F.R.C.A., Stephen J. Brett, M.D., Andrew Castello-Cortes, F.R.C.A., Michael D. Brunner, F.R.C.A., and Nicki Panoskaltis, M.D., Ph.D.

*N Engl J Med 2006;355:1018-28*

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**ADVERSE DRUG EVENTS\***

Medication Errors

Adverse Drug Events (ME & ADR)

- MEDICATION ERROR: preventable ADE plus near misses
- ADVERSE DRUG EVENT: preventable & unpredictable events with harm to the patient
- ADVERSE DRUG REACTION: generally unpredictable ADE

\* From Bates DW, et al. J Gen Intern Med 1995;10:199-205.

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**CHARACTERISTICS OF MOST ADRs\***

- MOST NOT CAUSED BY NEW DRUGS
- MOST NOT IDIOSYNCRATIC REACTIONS
- ~ 80% ARE RELATED TO DRUG DOSE

\* Melmon KL. N Engl J Med 1971;284:1361-8.

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## “Target concentration” strategy

- Based on observed *individual variation in drug exposure (AUC)* when “standard” doses are prescribed.
- Attempts to “*individualize*” therapy when therapeutic and toxic ranges of drug concentrations in plasma have been established.

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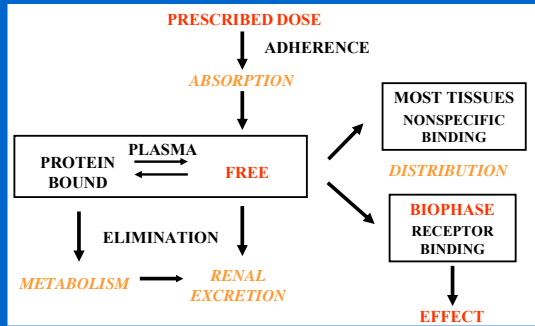
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## RATIONALE FOR PLASMA LEVEL MONITORING




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## NONCANCER DRUGS CAUSING ADR'S\*

PHENYTOIN**	CARBAMAZEPINE**
PREDNISONE	CODEINE
DIGOXIN**	LITHIUM**
AMIODARONE	THEOPHYLLINE**
ASPIRIN**	DESIPRAMINE**
CO-TRIMOXAZOLE	DEXAMETHASONE
PENTAMIDINE	GENTAMICIN**

\* 1988 NMH Data (*Clin Pharmacol Ther* 1996;60:363-7)

\*\* DRUGS FOR WHICH PLASMA LEVELS ARE AVAILABLE

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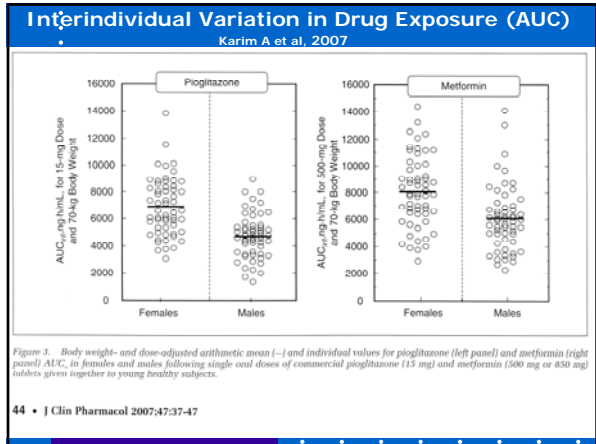
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**INCIDENCE OF ADRs\***

**IN HOSPITALIZED PATIENTS**

All severities	10.9 %
Serious	2.1 %
Fatal	0.2 %

**AS CAUSE OF HOSPITAL ADMISSION**

Serious	4.7 %
Fatal	0.13 %

\* Lazarou J, et al. JAMA 1998;279:1200-05.

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**ATTENTION FOCUSED ON MEDICAL ERRORS**

*“TO ERR IS HUMAN:  
 BUILDING A SAFER HEALTH SYSTEM”*

Committee on Quality of Health Care in America  
 Institute of Medicine

[www.nap.edu/reading\\_room](http://www.nap.edu/reading_room) (2000).

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## Development and Evaluation of New Drugs

- Drug discovery
- Pre-clinical and clinical evaluation
- Subjects of *Module 5* in our course

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## MEDICINES "DISCOVERED" BY CLINICAL INVESTIGATORS

### NEW INDICATION:

ALLOPURINOL (Gout) - *RW Rundles*

### ENDOGENOUS COMPOUND:

DOPAMINE (Shock) - *LI Goldberg*

### DRUG METABOLITE:

FEXOFENADINE (Antihistamine) -  
*RL Woosley et al.*

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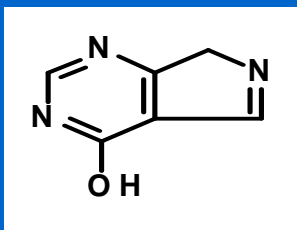
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## ALLOPURINOL\*



\* Rundles RW, Metz EN, Silberman HR. Ann Intern Med 1966;64:229-57.

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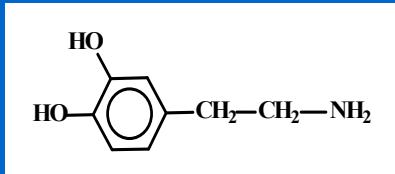
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**DOPAMINE\***



\*Goldberg LI. *Pharmacol Rev* 1972;24:1-29.

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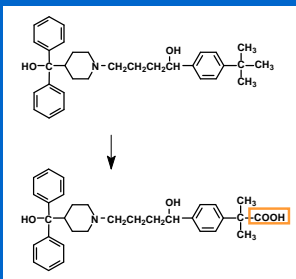
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## TERFENADINE METABOLISM\*



TERFENADINE  
(SELDANE)

TERFENADINE  
CARBOXYLATE  
(ALLEGRA)

\* From Woosley RL, et al. JAMA 1993;269:1532-6.

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## DRUG DEVELOPMENT COST PER APPROVED DRUG\*

	COST (\$ x 10 <sup>6</sup> ) <sup>†</sup>	
	OUT-OF-POCKET	CAPITALIZED
TOTAL COSTS	403	802
CLINICAL COSTS (% TOTAL)	274 (68%)	453 (56%)

<sup>†</sup> BASED ON 21.5% SUCCESS RATE

\* DiMasi JA, et al. J Health Econ 2003;22:151-85.

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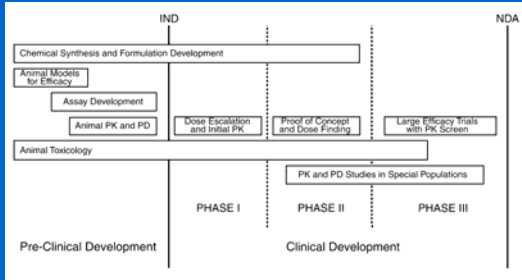
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## PHASES OF PRE-MARKETING DRUG DEVELOPMENT



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## Introduction to Pharmacokinetics

- This will be the subject of *Module 1* in our course.
- *Essential* for integration of material in subsequent course modules.

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## PHARMACOKINETICS

The *QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS* of the *TIME COURSE* of DRUG

**A**BSORPTION,  
**D**ISTRIBUTION,  
**M**ETABOLISM, and  
**E**XCRETION

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## PHARMACOKINETICS

Because it is *quantitative*,  
pharmacokinetics is of necessity  
*mathematical*

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## DRUG DOSE SELECTION

### TRADITIONAL:

Look up “usual” dose in PDR  
Memorize “usual” dose

### IMPROVED:

*Individualize dosing*  
  
Apply pharmacokinetics and the “*target concentration strategy*”

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## Introduction to Clearance

- **Clearance** is a “primary” parameter in the pharmacokinetic analysis of drug distribution and elimination.
- Understanding the concept of clearance is *essential* for drug evaluation and use in clinical medicine.

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### CREATININE CLEARANCE EQUATION

$$CL_{Cr} = \frac{U \times V}{P}$$

U = URINE CONCENTRATION

V = URINE VOLUME / TIME

P = PLASMA CONCENTRATION

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### CREATININE CLEARANCE REVISITED

RATE OF APPEARANCE OF Cr IN URINE (dE/dt):

$$dE/dt = CL_{Cr} \times P$$

RATE OF CHANGE OF Cr IN BODY (dX/dt):

$$dX/dt = I - CL_{Cr} \times P$$

AT STEADY STATE :

$$P = I / CL_{Cr}$$

I = RATE OF CREATININE SYNTHESIS

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### STEADY STATE CONCENTRATION

CONTINUOUS CREATININE SYNTHESIS:

$$C_{ss} = \frac{I}{CL_{Cr}}$$

CONTINUOUS DRUG INFUSION:

$$C_{ss} = \frac{I}{CL_E}$$

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**COCKCROFT & GAULT EQUATION\***

$$CL_{Cr} = \frac{(140 - \text{age})(\text{weight in kg})}{72 (\text{serum Cr in mg/dL})}$$

[reduce estimate by 15% for women]

\* Cockcroft DW, Gault MH: Nephron 1976;16:31-41.

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**COCKCROFT & GAULT EQUATION**

$$CL_{Cr} = \frac{I}{P}$$

$$CL_{Cr} = \frac{(140 - \text{age}) (\text{weight in kg})}{72 (\text{serum Cr in mg/dL})}$$

[reduce estimate by 15% for women]

Terms in red estimate creatinine synthesis rate.

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**RENAL FUNCTION IN PATIENTS  
TOXIC FROM DIGOXIN\***

SERUM Cr (mg %)	Cl <sub>Cr</sub> (mL/min)		
	≥ 50	< 50	
≤ 1.7	4	19	52%
> 1.7	0	21	48%

\* From Piergies AA, et al. Clin Pharmacol Ther 1994;55:353-8.

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## ESTIMATED $Cl_{Cr}$

- **ESSENTIAL** for safe and effective use of *renally* eliminated drugs
- Important **PREREQUISITE** for application of pharmacokinetic principles
- Need to automate - **BUT**:
  - Laboratory system often does not “talk” with patient database
  - Patients often not weighed

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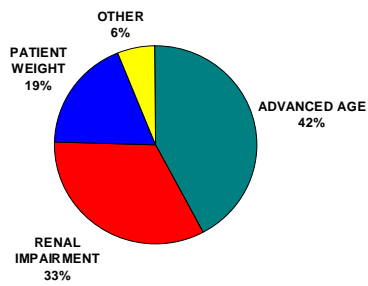
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## PATHOPHYSIOLOGIC FACTORS NOT ACCOUNTED FOR IN DRUG DOSING\*



\* Lesar TS, Briceland L, Stein DS. JAMA 1997;277:312-7.

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