

## Re: "Statins caused my kidney failure"

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On 11 Jul 2004 14:49:06 -0500, Herman Rubin <[h Rubin@odds.stat.purdue.edu](mailto:h Rubin@odds.stat.purdue.edu)> wrote:

> *In article <10f0ibdlkqejtc7@corp.supernews.com>,*

> *Robert <Robert@hotmail.com> wrote:*

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>> *"George Conklin" <nilknoc@earthlink.net> wrote in message >> What do you  
>> mean no one noticed? How do you know about now?*

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>>> *We know now because 40-50 years after treatment began, the proper  
>>> research was done. I am surprised how gloriously ignorant you are.*

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>> *How did they know then about doing the proper research about that specific  
>> problem that we know now?*

>> *That information was gained ONLY after 40-50 years of treatment experience*

>> *AND our current understanding of cancer physiology. They didn't even have*

>> *tumor markers then so how in the hell would they have done the proper*

>> *research then? You totally don't have a clue. You are mixing up 50 years ago*

>> *and today. Fifty years ago there was no HIV so why didn't they do the*

>> *research concerning the bad side effects in HIV infected women as far as*

>> *cervical and uterine cancer back then? Dahhh!!!!!!*

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> *You are quite correct; we cannot wait until the "correct*

> *research" is being done. In fact, in too many cases, the*

> *FDA waits too long, and it is acting under pressure. The*

> *probabilistic analysis needed cannot be done except*

> *approximately, but those indoctrinated in the classical*

> *statistical religion are unable to understand this. Giving*

> *me the information that something was significant at a*

> *certain level, or the p-value, gives me some information,*

> *but not the relevant information.*

Would you favor a Bayesian estimate of likely hazard ratios under the treatment?

Can you elaborate on your preferred way for quantitative inference?

(this is not a rhetorical question, I am honestly interested in the answer)

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