

Re: What about VYTORIN?

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"outrider" <outrider@despammed.com> wrote in message
news:1101810258.525220.175120@z14g2000cwz.googlegroups.com...
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> *Steve Marcus wrote:*
>> *"outrider" <outrider@despammed.com> wrote in message*
>> *news:1101797223.733657.183750@c13g2000cwb.googlegroups.com...*
>> >
>>> *Janis wrote:*
>>>> *Ok, we see a lot about Crestor and other cholesterol lowering*
>>>> *medications but*
>>>> *what about VYTORIN? Is this one just too new and they don't know*
> *as*
>>> *much about*
>>>> *bad side effects? I have been taking Crestor and my doctor is*
> *about*
>>> *to switch*
>>>> *me to VYTORIN. I'm just curious if anyone here has taken it or*
> *has*
>>> *any input*
>>>> *about it. I need to do more research for sure.*
>>> >
>>>> *Read "beachhouse" and "rind" on Vytorin.*
>>>> *<http://tinyurl.com/6njgm>*
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>>> >
>>> *You should indeed read the above as recommended. But, when you do,*
> *read it*
>>> *with care. Here's a quote from "David Rind":*
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>>>> *Actually, I think you could go further than that. There's no*
> *published*
>>>> *evidence that ezitimibe, one part of the combination being discussed,*
> *has*
>>>> *any clinical benefits either alone or in combination with other drugs*
> *for*
>>>> *cholesterol. It has been shown to reduce LDL levels, but that is not*
> *the*

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>> *same as showing that it has a favorable effect on clinical outcomes.*
> *(There*
>> *are no trials showing it doesn't have clinical benefits either. No*
> *clinical*
>> *endpoint trials have been published.)"*
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>> *That's about as disingenuous a post as one is likely to read on*
> *Usenet.*
>> *First, Zetia, (ezetimibe) _has_ been shown to block absorption of*
>> *cholesterol in the digestive tract. Second, reduction of LDL levels*
> *_has_*
>> *been shown, *in general*, to produce favorable effects on clinical*
> *outcomes;*
>> *there's no need to show that reduction of LDL _by ezetimibe_ produces*
>
>> *favorable effects on clinical outcomes.*
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>> *While it's easy to recommend that you study up on medicines, which*
> *everyone*
>> *should do, one has to be very careful about doing so by reading*
> *Usenet.*
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>> *<balance snipped.>*
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> *balance replaced:*
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> *And read here for information on Crestor and other statins:*
> http://www.medicationsense.com/articles/july_sept_04/crestor_truth.html
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> *You do need to research any med a physician suggests you take. I say*
> *suggests, because physicians are only your consultants. They are not*
> *responsible for your health; you are.*
>
> *Research here:*
> www.pubmed.org
> www.ti.ubc.ca
> www.medicalconsumers.org
>
> *Zee*

For the record, the balance was snipped because the poster (Janis) to whom Zee responded asked about Vytorin, and not about "Crestor and other statins."

The lack of any comment by Zee regarding the quality of the information about Vytorin *which Zee recommended to Janis" is duly noted.

Steve

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