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The Aspirin Wars has 37 ratings and 2 reviews. Danielle said: I'm reading The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks now, and really enjoying it; this is anoth.

Medical use[edit] Aspirin is used in the treatment of a number of conditions, including fever, pain, rheumatic fever , and inflammatory diseases, such as rheumatoid arthritis , pericarditis , and Kawasaki disease. Secondary headaches, meaning those caused by another disorder or trauma, should be promptly treated by a medical provider. Among primary headaches, the International Classification of Headache Disorders distinguishes between tension headache the most common , migraine, and cluster headache. Aspirin or other over-the-counter analgesics are widely recognized as effective for the treatment of tension headache. It is most effective at stopping migraines when they are first beginning. However, the study population were at relatively higher risk than those who had never had a heart attack or stroke. Some studies recommend aspirin on a case-by-case basis, [45] [46] while others have suggested the risks of other events, such as gastrointestinal bleeding, were enough to outweigh any potential benefit, and recommended against using aspirin for primary prevention entirely. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality guideline recommends that aspirin be taken indefinitely. This is called dual antiplatelet therapy DAPT. United States and European Union guidelines disagree somewhat about how long, and for what indications this combined therapy should be continued after surgery. Cancer prevention[edit] Aspirin is thought to reduce the overall risk of both getting cancer and dying from cancer. The therapy often lasts for one to two weeks, and is rarely indicated for longer periods. After fever and pain have subsided, the aspirin is no longer necessary, since it does not decrease the incidence of heart complications and residual rheumatic heart disease. Smaller doses are based on these standards, e. Owing to its effect on the stomach lining, manufacturers recommend people with peptic ulcers , mild diabetes , or gastritis seek medical advice before using aspirin. In addition to enteric coating, "buffering" is the other main method companies have used to try to mitigate the problem of gastrointestinal bleeding. Buffering agents are intended to work by preventing the aspirin from concentrating in the walls of the stomach, although the benefits of buffered aspirin are disputed. Almost any buffering agent used in antacids can be used; Bufferin, for example, uses magnesium oxide. Other preparations use calcium carbonate. Taking equal doses of vitamin C and aspirin may decrease the amount of stomach damage that occurs compared to taking aspirin alone. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Salicylates were detectable in Food and Drug Administration now recommends aspirin or aspirin-containing products should not be given to anyone under the age of 12 who has a fever, [93] and the UK National Health Service recommends children who are under 16 years of age should not take aspirin, unless it is on the advice of a doctor. The reaction is caused by salicylate intolerance and is not a true allergy , but rather an inability to metabolize even small amounts of aspirin, resulting in an overdose. In one study, angioedema appeared one to six hours after ingesting aspirin in some of the people. However, when the aspirin was taken alone, it did not cause angioedema in these people; the aspirin had been taken in combination with another NSAID-induced drug when angioedema appeared. In one study, 30 of people having elective surgery required reoperations to control bleeding. Twenty had diffuse bleeding and 10 had bleeding from a site. Diffuse, but not discrete, bleeding was associated with the preoperative use of aspirin alone or in combination with other NSAIDS in 19 of the 20 diffuse bleeding people. Aspirin poisoning Aspirin overdose can be acute or chronic. In acute poisoning, a single large dose is taken; in chronic poisoning, higher than normal doses are taken over a period of time. Salicylate is also produced as a result of exposure to bismuth subsalicylate , methyl salicylate , and sodium salicylate. For example, acetazolamide and ammonium chloride are known to enhance the intoxicating effect of salicylates, and alcohol also increases the gastrointestinal bleeding associated with these types of drugs. Corticosteroids may also reduce the concentration of aspirin. Ibuprofen can negate the antiplatelet effect of aspirin used for cardioprotection and stroke prevention. It is stable in dry air, but gradually hydrolyses in contact with moisture to acetic and salicylic acids. In solution with alkalis, the hydrolysis proceeds rapidly and the clear solutions formed may consist entirely of acetate and salicylate. This process yields aspirin and acetic acid , which is considered a

byproduct of this reaction. Small amounts of sulfuric acid and occasionally phosphoric acid are almost always used as a catalyst. This method is commonly employed in undergraduate teaching labs.

Chapter 2 : The Aspirin Wars: Money, Medicine & Years of Rampant Competition by Charles C. Mann

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Diclofenac and ibuprofen seem to pose about as much risk as the COX-2 inhibitor rofecoxib, the study authors say. Rofecoxib Vioxx was withdrawn from the pharmaceutical market at the end of September after use of the drug was tied to adverse cardiac effects. They report their findings in the June 11th issue of the British Medical Journal. Their study included cases of a first MI in people between the ages of 25 and during study period from to , and 86, controls matched by age, calendar time, gender and practice. The Dangers of Acetaminophen Although aspirin and acetaminophen work in slightly different ways, it is important to include some information about the dangers of acetaminophen. Acetaminophen Tylenol causes more than half the acute liver failure in the United States. According to the FDA, acetaminophen toxicity annually causes 56, ER visits, 26, hospitalizations, and deaths in the United States. Adults should not take more than 4 grams daily that is equal to 8 extra strength tablets. If you have impaired liver function or drink alcohol regularly, you should not take more than 2 grams daily that is 4 extra strength tablets. Anyone who drinks more than three alcoholic drinks a day should avoid acetaminophen entirely. Aspirin and Heart Attacks What does platelet stickiness have to do with preventing heart attacks? The subject of heart attacks and coronary artery disease is too vast to be completely covered in this article. The focus, then, will be the basic scenarios of heart attacks and how the belief came to be that aspirin could help prevent them. There are three basic scenarios about how heart attacks can occur. One, which is the most common, is due to a partial or complete blockage of a coronary artery arteries that supply the heart with oxygen and nutrients. This most often occurs due to a blood clot. Another scenario is that arrhythmias can prevent the heart from pumping enough blood to ensure its own supply of oxygen and nutrients. The belief that a daily aspirin regimen can prevent heart attacks ties in with the first scenario, partial or complete blockage of a coronary artery. Typically, coronary arteries can be narrowed by years of a disease process which causes narrowing of the lumen the space inside the artery where blood flows by plaque build up, a process called atherosclerosis. This plaque can be composed of cholesterol deposits, proteins, calcium, and excess smooth muscle cells. In this scenario, the artery walls thicken over time, decreasing the available blood that nourishes the heart muscle. Once the lumen become narrowed, it can be blocked by many situations, such as a spasm of the artery or a blood clot that has traveled from a distant site and has become lodged in the narrow lumen. When one of these narrowed arteries becomes completely blocked, the result is a heart attack. Remember that the subject of heart attacks is extremely vast and we are trying to stay with the basic ideas of them, but it is important to understand a few processes that lead to this blockage situation. How does this arterial disease come about? There are many misconceptions and misunderstanding when it comes to atherosclerosis. The following will be a basic explanation, grossly over simplified, but will give the reader a common sense understanding. This is completely wrong. Each of these two forms of cholesterol serves a purpose in the body. HDL takes cholesterol from different areas of the body and brings it to the liver so that the liver may use it for constructing hormones cortisol, estrogens, testosterone, aldosterone, etc. LDL takes cholesterol from the liver and transports it to tissues throughout the body. The cholesterol transported by LDLs is then used, by cells, for cell membrane repair, making hormones, etc. It is when LDL becomes oxidized that it poses problems. If it is not oxidized, it is simply functioning as it should. When the lining of an artery becomes damaged, it must be repaired. How is it repaired? By LDL and other constituents coming in and attempting to repair the leak or damaged area. The cholesterol that LDL brings to the site will be used to manufacture new cell membranes, and so on. In this process of repair, platelets attach to the leaky vessel in order to stop blood from flowing out of the system. This process of plugging a leak and then repairing the cells of the vessel are what is supposed to happen, or we would die. Sometimes the repair process can malfunction and build layer upon layer, causing the arterial lumen to narrow too much. If the LDL becomes oxidized, it will essentially become brittle. If brittle, it will need to be repaired again and again. Platelets come in to plug the leak, LDL comes in for membrane repair, and so on in an endless cycle. The key

is to understand why the process is not repairing correctly. The mistake is to try to stop a necessary function by focusing on the wrong physiology. Ask yourself, why do vessels get damaged? Blood is part fluid and part cells. One can imagine that if you reduce the fluid level flowing through a vessel, the contents would become very abrasive to the inside lining of that vessel, causing greater wear and tear than the vessel could handle. In essence, requiring constant repair from these shearing forces. These brittle vessels will then need constant repair as well. So, given the two scenarios of dehydration and lack of vitamin C, one could rehydrate the body and supply it with the proper nutrients, preventing the need for excessive repair, preventing the build up of repair products, preventing narrowing of the lumen, preventing a source of heart attacks. This is oversimplified, but the idea is made clear. Now take the aspirin scenario. If you take aspirin to prevent platelet stickiness, to prevent a heart attack, you are creating a monster. Of all the things that can go wrong with taking aspirin on a daily basis, this reason is one that will cause great harm to the body. The inhibition of platelet stickiness does not only affect the vessels of the heart, it affects every vessel in the body. Think of what the body must do for repairs when one of its key defenses is shut down. It is a disaster waiting to happen. As stated many times, this is a very simplified example. Taking daily doses of aspirin will prevent platelets from sticking and clumping together, but in the long run, is this a function of the body that you really want to inhibit? In theory, you could actually bleed to death internally if you stop the necessary clotting process. Taking daily doses of aspirin is a decision that needs to be examined closely. Better choices need to be observed. Better understanding of the physiology of the body needs to be observed. Hopefully this will help the reader to begin to understand the flawed thinking behind a daily aspirin regimen. A concerned patient should always question treatments. A concerned patient should ask questions until they completely understand how they are being treated. A concerned patient should always know the risks and benefits of every mode of treatment prescribed to them. Never blindly follow a treatment. It will, if effective, make platelets more slippery. Vitamin E is an antioxidant and will prevent the oxidation of LDLs as discussed above. Vitamin E is more protective than aspirin in the prevention of heart attacks. Beware of studies that say the opposite. Some studies claim that there is no benefit, or that there is actually harm caused by taking vitamin E. These studies did not use the natural form, they used the synthetic form which is called DL-alpha-tocopherol. Natural Alternatives to Aspirin Gamma-Linolenic Acid GLA - is the active ingredient in borage oil, black currant seed oil, flaxseed oil, and primrose oil. It is an omega-6 fatty acid. It suppresses the production of certain prostaglandins similar to the way that aspirin does. It is a safer, natural substance. Beta Carotene - Beta carotene has mild blood clotting retarding effects. Several studies show an inverse relationship of the consumption of fruits and vegetables high in beta carotene and subsequent death from coronary artery disease. Carrots and carrot juice are also alkaline forming foods. Always use caution with Beta carotene and vitamin A when pregnant. Bioflavonoids - Bioflavonoids can lower LDL-cholesterol levels and inhibit platelet stickiness much like what aspirin is used for. They are special antioxidant compounds found in many fruits, especially berries and citrus. Sources of bioflavonoids include: Some better known bioflavonoids include catechin, hesperidin, rutin, quercetin, pycnogenol, pronogenol, and polyphenols. Vitamin B6 - prevents accumulation of high levels of the amino acid homocysteine implicated as one of the tissue injuring substances initiating atherosclerosis. Vitamin B6 has blood clot retarding effects. Vitamin B6 deficiency has been associated with a greater risk of coronary artery disease, elevated serum cholesterol and atherosclerosis. Vitamin E - is otherwise known as alpha-tocopherol. High doses have been shown to retard blood clotting. Caution should be exercised if one is using both aspirin and vitamin E because the combination has a synergistic effect. Studies indicate that supplementation of as little as 1. The natural forms of vitamin E are d-alpha-tocopherol, d-alpha-tocopheryl acetate, d-alpha-tocopheryl succinate and mixed tocopherols. The synthetic forms are dl-alpha-tocopherol, dl-alpha-tocopheryl acetate or dl-alpha-tocopheryl succinate. All the synthetic forms contain an "L" after the "D". It prevents platelet stickiness and has natural anti-bacterial, anti-fungal and anti-parasitic properties.

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Bug Wars and also the Duncan and Mallory Illustrated stories, Bob is best known for his series fantasy, such as the Myth Adventures of Aahz and Skeeve, the Phule's Company novels and.

Chapter 4 : Robert Asprin - Wikipedia

Robert Lynn Asprin (June 28, - May 22,) was an American science fiction and fantasy author and active fan, best known for his humorous MythAdventures and Phule's Company series.

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