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#### **REGULATORY NEWS**

- WHO APPROVED FIRST EXPRESS-TEST ON EBOLA VIRUS
- MEASLES, MUMPS, RUBELLA, VARICELLA (MMRV) VACCINE
- BROMOCRIPTINE. Restricted use in preventing or stopping lactation

## **DRUGS SAFETY**

- ABIRATERONE: THROMBOCYTOPENIA. Several dozen reports worldwide
- COLCHICINE: MORE DEATHS. Advanced age and renal failure are risk factors
- TESTOSTERONE: MIOCARDIAL INFARCTION AND STROKE. Testosterone replacement therapy for male hypogonadism can provoke fatal cardiovascular events
- DRUG-INDUCED HEARING LOSS

### **THE INTERESTING FACTS**

- AMERICAN SCIENTISTS ANNOUNCE THE NEW VACCINE AGAINST HIV
- THE CONVINCING RESULTS OF THE NEW THERAPY OF THE HIV-INFECTION ARE OBTAINED
- A VACCINE FOR EBOLA FIRST TIME IN 6 YEARS SUCCESSFULLY TESTED AT MAN
- FASTING AND LESS-TOXIC CANCER DRUG MAY WORK AS WELL AS CHEMOTHERAPY
- GENETIC INFLUENCES ON AUTISM REACH 98 PER CENT
- BIODELIVERY SCIENCES ANNOUNCED FAILURE OF CLINICAL TRIALS OF DRUG FOR DIABETIC NEUROPATHY TREATMENT

#### **♣ PRACTICAL RECOMENDATIONS**

- WHO CALLS TO REDUCE SUGARS INTAKE TO 5-10%
- MIGRAINE AND PREGNANCY. Choice of treatment

### **LEVIDENCE BASED MEDICINES**

- TOWARDS BETTER PATIENT CARE: DRUGS TO AVOID IN 2015
- SORE THROAT IN YOUNG ADULTS MAY INDICATE SERIOUS ILLNESS
- NITROFURANTOIN. Caution in renal dysfunction
- COPD EXACERBATIONS: 5 DAYS OF CORTICOSTEROID THERAPY