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## **REGULATORY NEWS**

FDA approves Jakafi to treat patients with a chronic type of bone marrow disease

## **DRUGS SAFETY**

- Capecitabine: toxic epidermal necrolysis and Stevens-Johnson syndrome
- Antibiotics in children increase risk for juvenile arthritis
- Interferon alfa: retinal detachment. Informing patients on interferon.
- Interferon alfa: hyperpigmentation. Direct sunlight should be avoided.
- Drug-induced corneal damage
- Gabapentin and pregabalin: hepatic and haematological toxicity

#### **THE INTERESTING FACTS**

- Drugs for spasticity
- Delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol + cannabidiol. A reasonable option for some patients with multiple sclerosis.
- Blood test will tell about leucosis risk
- Complete amnesty: scientists demonstrate that diet fats limitation is not necessary for loss weight
- Clinical trials of vaccine against Ebola will start in November

#### PRACTICAL RECOMENDATIONS

European code against cancer: 12 ways to reduce your cancer risk

# **EVIDENCE BASED MEDICINES**

 Antibiotic therapy for acute appendicitis in adults. Fewer immediate complications than with surgery, but more subsequent failure