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OVERDIAGNOSIS IS HARMING PATIENTS

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It's the downside of always improved diagnostic procedures. With science progress and more information available, many information pieces are unvalidated and have a duobtful prognostic and therapeutic value. They even harm patients, possibly by further and unnnecessary (dangerous) procedures but also increased insurance rates. The problem has been excellently described 2 years ago by Ray Moynihan, Jenny Doust, and David Henry in a BMJ.

MONDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2014

| 08:00-10:00 | REGISTRATION | | | |
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| 10:00-11:30 | KEYNOTE SESSION 1 – Lecture Theatre 1 | | | |
| | CHAIR: Carl Heneghan | | | |
| 10:00 | K1 | | | |
| A STATE OF THE STA | Iona Heath - Details TBC | | | |
| 10:30 | K2 | | | |
| 11:00 | Sir John Burn - The highs and lows of genetic prediction K3 | | | |
| | Jack Wennberg - Details TBC | | | |
| 11:30-11:45 | TEA AND COFFEE BREAK | | | |
| 11:45-13:15 | PARALLEL SESSIONS | | | |
| | Session 1A | Session 1B | Session 1C | |
| | Screening and Overdiagnosis 1 | Case Studies in Overdiagnosis | Mental Health | |
| | L1 | L2 | L3 | |
| | Session Chair: John Brodersen | Session Chair: Iona Heath | Session Chair: Allen Frances | |
| 11:45 – 12:00 | Abstract #147 | Abstract #38 | Abstract #35 | |
| | Attitudes and preferences towards | Overdiagnosis and dangerous | Selling Depression and | |
| | screening for dementia: a | overtreatment of irritable infants | Antidepressants: The Mental | |
| | systematic review of the literature | with "reflux." A rapidly emerging | Health Foundation of Australia's | |
| | - Louise LaFortune | non illness with a case study of an | National Depression Awareness | |
| | | effective multi modal educational | Campaign - Melissa Raven | |
| | | solution - Les Toop | 201 187 | |
| 12:00 - 12:15 | Abstract #6 | Abstract #70 | Abstract #21 | |
| 12.00 | Overdiagnosis of Familial | Difficulties in | Medicalizing children's behaviour | |
| | Mediterranean Fever by Genetic | Estimating Overdiagnosis: The | as Attention Deficit Hyperactive | |
| | Screening in Adults - Cem Sungur | Special Case of Melanoma - | Disorder (ADHD): a study | |
| | our coming my manus | Barbara Dunn | highlighting the social processes a | |
| | | | work in mis-diagnosis - Gloria | |
| | | | Wright | |

Only recently I learned that there is now even a <u>conference series</u> how top stop harming the healthy. An own pubmed analysis showed zero interest in 1970, then gradually increasing until 2010 up to about 100 papers/year while now doubling in the last 3 years.

| https://www.wjst.de/blog/sciencesurf/2014/07/overdiagnosis-is-harming-patients/ Page | | |
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