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Radiation ↓

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Dr. D.R. Patterson
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Dear Dr. Patterson:

I take note of your article

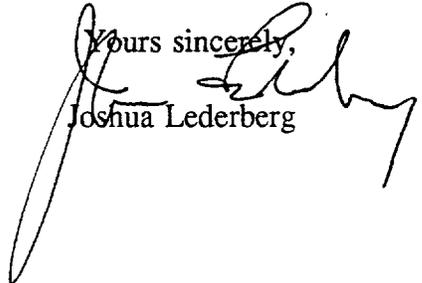
*may I ask for
a report?*

Quinolone toxicity: methods of assessment. [Review]
American Journal of Medicine. 91(6A):35S-37S, 1991 Dec 30.

as abstracted in medline.

I would be grateful if you could provide me with information, or direct me to studies, on the source of differential toxicity. Are human topoisomerases not vulnerable to antibacterial quinolones; or is it a matter of penetration or quantitative pharmacodynamics?

In particular, I wonder if anyone has studied the interaction of ciprofloxacin or other antibacterial quinolones with effects of radiation on mammalian cells in culture, or in intact animals.

Yours sincerely,

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