CPSI and ACSH Join Hands, Figuratively

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The Center for Science in the Public Interest (CPSI) is threatening to sue Bayer Healthcare if they continue to advertise a multivitamin as a method of prevention against prostate cancer based on the fact that it contains selenium, a supplement whose prevention abilities have been thoroughly refuted.

This is a rare instance of harmony between ACSH scientists and CSPI lawyers - but after three decades they were bound to be right on a health issue one time.

We join CSPI in criticizing Bayer because they're right, though it undermines CSPI posturing that the pro-science community won't criticize industry if non-profits receive unrestricted grants from the private sector.

This is a case of bad science used to deceive consumers, and we condemn it just as we do in every other situation.