

## Ben Goldacre

Ben Goldacre is an award-winning writer, broadcaster, and medical doctor who specialises in unpicking scientific claims made by scaremongering journalists, government reports, pharmaceutical corporations, PR companies and quacks. He was trained in Medicine at Oxford and London, and currently works as an academic in epidemiology. Ben wrote the weekly Bad Science column in the Guardian from 2003-2011. *Bad Science* the book (4th Estate) has sold over half a million copies worldwide, reached #1 in the paperback non-fiction charts, and is being published in 31 languages.



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## Publications

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Publication Details	Notes
<b>I THINK YOU'LL FIND IT'S A BIT MORE COMPLICATED THAN THAT</b> 2014 4th Estate	The very best journalism from one of Britain's most admired and outspoken science writers, author of the bestselling <i>Bad Science</i> and <i>Bad Pharma</i> . In <i>Bad Science</i> , Ben Goldacre hilariously exposed the tricks that quacks and journalists use to distort science. In <i>Bad Pharma</i> , he put the \$600 billion global pharmaceutical industry under the microscope. Now the pick of the journalism by one of our wittiest, most indignant and most fearless commentators on the worlds of medicine and science is collected in one volume.

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<b>BAD PHARMA</b> 2012 4th Estate	<p>Ben Goldacre puts the \$600bn global pharmaceutical industry under the microscope. What he reveals is a fascinating, terrifying mess. ***Now updated with the latest government responses to the book***</p> <p>Doctors and patients need good scientific evidence to make informed decisions. But instead, companies run bad trials on their own drugs, which distort and exaggerate the benefits by design. When these trials produce unflattering results, the data is simply buried. All of this is perfectly legal. In fact, even government regulators withhold vitally important data from the people who need it most. Doctors and patient groups have stood by too, and failed to protect us. Instead, they take money and favours, in a world so fractured that medics and nurses are now educated by the drugs industry.</p> <p>The result: patients are harmed in huge numbers.</p> <p>Ben Goldacre is Britain's finest writer on the science behind medicine, and 'Bad Pharma' is the book that finally prompted Parliament to ask why all trial results aren't made publicly available – this edition has been updated with the latest news from the select committee hearings. Let the witty and indefatigable Goldacre show you how medicine went wrong, and what you can do to mend it.</p>
<b>BAD SCIENCE</b> 2008 4th Estate	<p>Ben Goldacre's wise and witty bestseller, shortlisted for the Samuel Johnson Prize, lifts the lid on quack doctors, flaky statistics, scaremongering journalists and evil pharmaceutical corporations.</p> <p>Since 2003 Dr Ben Goldacre has been exposing dodgy medical data in his popular Guardian column. In this eye-opening book he takes on the MMR hoax and misleading cosmetics ads, acupuncture and homeopathy, vitamins and mankind's vexed relationship with all manner of 'toxins'.</p> <p>Along the way, the self-confessed 'Johnny Ball cum Witchfinder General' performs a successful detox on a Barbie doll, sees his dead cat become a certified nutritionist and probes the supposed medical qualifications of 'Dr' Gillian McKeith.</p>