

**Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc., Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd.,
Cephalon, Inc., and Actavis Generic Defendants'**

Direct Examination of Pradeep Chintagunta, Ph.D.

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Education

- Ph.D., Marketing, Northwestern University (1990)
- Post Graduate Diploma in Management, Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, India (1986)
- Bachelor of Technology in Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Banaras Hindu University, India (1984)

Professional Highlights

- Professor of Marketing, Booth School of Business, University of Chicago, 1995 – present
- Member, Editorial Board: International Journal of Research in Marketing, Journal of Business-to-Business Marketing, Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science, present
- Director, Ph.D. program, Booth School of Business, University of Chicago, 2004 – 2013
- Gilbert A. Churchill, Jr. Award for Lifetime Achievement awarded by the AMA's Marketing Research SIG

Courses Taught

- Foundations of Advanced Quantitative Marketing
- Marketing Management
- Marketing Strategy Simulation
- Global Senior Management Program - Chicago and Madrid (Executive Education)
- The Accelerated Development Program (Executive Education)

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Research and Publications

- Empirical analysis of the causal impact of firms' marketing efforts on various outcomes of interest (e.g., prescriptions)
- Research on pharmaceutical markets, with a focus on the impact of marketing on physician prescribing behavior.
- Relevant Examples:
 - "Responsiveness of Physician Prescription Behavior to Salesforce Effort: An Individual Level Analysis," *Marketing Letters*, 2004
 - "Response Modeling with Nonrandom Marketing-Mix Variables," *Journal of Marketing Research*, 2004
 - "Information, Learning, and Drug Diffusion: The Case of Cox-2 Inhibitors," *Quantitative Marketing and Economics*, 2009
 - "New Drug Diffusion When Forward-Looking Physicians Learn from Patient Feedback and Detailing," *Journal of Marketing Research*, 2012

Summary of Opinions

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Types of Pharmaceutical Marketing

Branded Marketing

Promotion of brand-name medicines for which the manufacturer has patent rights

Content: Typically discusses efficacy, safety, and dosing of the branded drug

Audience: Prescribers, via detailing to physicians, journal advertising and other programs.

Time: Early- to mid- product life cycle

FDA Standard: Fair balance

Unbranded "Disease-Awareness" Marketing

**Not specific to a brand
Exempt from FDA regulation**

Content: Typically focuses on disease state awareness and providing information about the medicine category and other available treatments

Audience: Consumer or prescribers

Time: Early- to mid- product life cycle

FDA Standard:
Unregulated/Exempt

Generics "Marketing"

Promotion begins once generic is approved after the expiration of the brand's patent rights.

Content: Does not discuss drug's safety or efficacy, instead focuses on product availability and pricing

Audience: Pharmacies and wholesalers, typically not physicians

Time: Late product life cycle

FDA Standard: Fair Balance
Not Required

Opinion # 2: Dr. Perri's "Standards" Are Subjective

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The People's Witness: "Heightened Standard" for Marketing



Dr. Matthew Perri

The People's Expert
Marketing/Causation
(May 25, 2022 Trial
Tr. 1640:9-23)

9 Q. Okay. Is there a heightened standard for pharmaceutical
10 marketing versus other types of marketing?

11 A. I mean, let's not forget what we're talking about here.
12 We're -- you know, pharmaceutical drugs are not widgets and
13 opioids are not aspirin; so there's definitely a heightened
14 standard.

15 And when we look at it, the Schedule II narcotics,
16 opioids, they have very serious side effects, potentials for
17 abuse; and that leads to what I would refer to, and I have
18 referred to over time, as a distortion in the demand. And what
19 I mean by that is when you take opioids because of tolerance
20 and dependence and addiction, you -- in the future down the
21 road, you may need or will likely need more opioids; so the
22 demand for opioids perpetuates itself. And that's a distortion
23 in the demand. It goes beyond what would normally be used.

The People's Witness: "Aggressive" Marketing



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(May 25, 2022 Trial
Tr. 1641:17-
1642:12)

17 Q. And let's drill down on that. First of all, what do you
18 mean when you say "aggressive marketing"?

19 A. Well, I've been asked that a lot of times; and I've
20 consistently said that aggressive marketing, from a marketer's
21 perspective, is just marketing that is very fervently designed,
22 vigorously executed. It's marketing that is sophisticated.
23 It's -- it's persistent, pervasive. It's got the
24 characteristics of something that's been very carefully
25 integrated and well-developed, and that's a marketer's view of
1 it.

2 You know, aggressive marketing also has other
3 implications. Certainly some of the word "aggressive" has the
4 negative connotation to it, but defendants' marketing plans and
5 other opioid marketers commonly referred to their marketing
6 materials as aggressive or that they were going to pursue these
7 things aggressively. So it wasn't just, you know, my
8 definition. It was also the defendants' own terminology.

9 And in addition to that, I would say that, you know,
10 because case study allow us to look at things in the context of
11 the real world, if you looked at the lay media, lay media
12 frequently referred to opioid marketing as aggressive.

Opinion # 3: Requirements To Assess Causal Impact

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Tenets of Causal Analysis (Quantitative AND Qualitative)

1. Causal analysis needs to precisely **define the intervention and outcome**
2. Causal analysis needs to **define a causal model**
 - Must account for other influencing factors
 - Must allow and empirically test alternative hypotheses
3. Using its causal model, causal analysis needs to **isolate the impact** of the intervention on the outcome
4. Causal analysis needs to use **data that are representative** of the population of interest
5. Reliable causal analyses needs to be **reproducible**

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3. Distinguishing medically inappropriate prescribing from medically appropriate prescribing.
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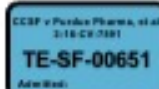
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SPECIAL ARTICLE

A Randomized Study of How Physicians Interpret Research Funding Disclosures

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ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND: The effects of disclosural funding on the interpretation of trial results are poorly understood. We examined how such support affects physicians' reactions to trials with a high, medium, or low level of methodologic rigor.

METHODS: We presented 308 board-certified internists with abstracts that we designed describing clinical trials of three hypothetical drugs. The trials had high, medium, or low methodologic rigor, and each report included one of three support disclosures: funding from a pharmaceutical company, NIH funding, or none. For both factors studied (rigor and funding), one of the three possible variations was randomly selected for inclusion in the abstracts. Follow-up questions assessed the physicians' impressions of the trial's rigor, their confidence in the results, and their willingness to prescribe the drugs.

RESULTS: The 287 respondents (93.2% response rate) perceived the level of study rigor accurately. Physicians reported that they would be less willing to prescribe drugs tested in low-rigor trials than those tested in medium-rigor trials (odds ratio, 0.64; 95% confidence interval [CI], 0.46 to 0.89; $P=0.008$) and would be more willing to prescribe drugs tested in high-rigor trials than those tested in medium-rigor trials (odds ratio, 1.07; 95% CI, 2.18 to 4.32; $P<0.001$). Disclosure of industry funding, as compared with no disclosure of funding, led physicians to downgrade the rigor of a trial (odds ratio, 0.63; 95% CI, 0.44 to 0.87; $P=0.006$), their confidence in the results (odds ratio, 0.71; 95% CI, 0.51 to 0.98; $P=0.04$), and their willingness to prescribe the hypothetical drugs (odds ratio, 0.68; 95% CI, 0.49 to 0.94; $P=0.02$). Physicians were half as willing to prescribe drugs studied in NIH-funded trials as they were to prescribe drugs studied in NIH-funded trials (odds ratio, 0.52; 95% CI, 0.37 to 0.73; $P<0.0001$). These effects were consistent across all levels of methodologic rigor.

CONCLUSIONS: Physicians discriminate among trials of varying degrees of rigor, but industry sponsorship negatively influences their perception of methodologic quality and reduces their willingness to believe and act on trial findings, independently of the trials' quality. These effects may influence the translation of clinical research into practice.

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(Fig. 2A). Similarly, in comparisons with trials for which no funding was listed and regardless of the study design, physicians were less likely to have confidence in the results of trials funded by industry (odds ratio, 0.71; 95% CI, 0.51 to 0.98; $P=0.04$) (Fig. 2B) and were less willing to prescribe drugs described in such trials (odds ratio, 0.68; 95% CI, 0.49 to 0.94; $P=0.02$) (Fig. 2C). These effects were even greater when industry-funded trials were compared with trials described as having NIH support.

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