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Antibody test - what it does and when to use Menstruation, the pill and recurrences Complementary remedies and other self-help ideas Other conditions Drugs Pain Helpline – tales from the phone lines Perception and psychology – see also hype and stigma Herpes viruses and how they work Pregnancy & childbirth Questionnaire - what members say Hype – why it is seen as a problem – see also psychology and stigma Research Review of books Legal status Talking to partners; what people think of our 'days' Life insurance, mortgage applications Media – our response to some stories Transmission Media - the HVA in the news Vaccine

Article are marked 'S' for short - less than a page; 'M' medium, about one page; 'L' which is more than one page in length - it may be an article 6 pages long!

When you order an article, you will get the whole magazine that it comes in – usually 16 pages long. For instance, if you order 15/3 to get the Evening Primrose article, by doing a search for 15/3 you can see that you will also get "Infection rates - how many have it?", "Has 'herpes hype' hampered drug sales? by a salesman", "A report from the International Herpes Management Forum – 3 days in Malta". Plus, almost all magazines include a Personal Story, information from the office, letters from members, Conferences we attend, reader's suggestions for self-help tips and other advice.

Bigger journals - see below - are several issues edited down and made into one:

Code:	Size:	Contains:	
1 to 3	28 pages	the best of the first 16 jou	ırnals, titles below.
4 & 5	20 pages	8 journals, edited down:	'Face it', 'Forgotten Plague', diet, stress and lots more See below.
6	12 pages	4 journals, edited down:	survey of our members' herpes: how often, how long; 'Life after Love'; latency; workshops work
7	20 pages	4 journals, edited down:	GPs' attitudes, aciclovir, media reports, alternative therapies, more
8/1&2	16 pages	2 journals, edited down:	Pregnancy, menstruation, 'aciclovir is no help', Conditioned Response
8/3	28 pages	the facts about herpes sin	nplex primaries, recurrences; a talk by top-doc Dr Barlow; how the hype was created (with at least 4 examples),
9	20 pages	4 journals, edited down:	update on antiviral pills; how to get your head around it – and more
10	24 pages	4 journals, edited down:	members on TV shows; dealing with negative thoughts – and more
11	28 pages	4 journals, edited down:	Stopping symptoms the alternative way; Sex and morality – and more
17	20 pages	4 journals, edited down:	Destigmatize by Dr Phil Hammond; six pages of Dr Kinghorn's talk;

You can also buy:

BOOKLET: HERPES SIMPLEX – THE GUIDE; 6,000 words, 16 pages, on all aspects of the subject. This edition 14 has been written in accordance with the Information Standard. Guides are distributed by clinics to patients as they know how helpful the booklet is: £5 by email or posted... See https://herpes.org.uk/shop

Antibody type test	Journ	al:
Dr George Kinghorn: when it could be used	26/3	L
Dr Jen Gunter: what use is testing?	28/3	L
Dr de Vries: 1 in 3 antibody tests wrong	31/1	S
USA guidelines say don't do antibody tests	31/2	L

Complementary thera	pies, se	lf-	Journ	al:
help ideas (in alphabet	ical or	der)		
Acupuncture and Chinese medicine			18/2	L
Aloe vera			11/1-3	S
Aspirin			19/3	S
Bergamot			20/4	S
Charcoal tablets - might help aciclovi	r work bett	er?	36/3	S
Coconut oil	26/1, 30/2		re:	M
Condom – FREE offer of one in your	size		28/2	M
Dietary Advice		21/2, 27	7/3	L
- see also 'Tired all the time' see '	Reviews'		7/2, 37/3	S
Echinacea	7, 13/4 l	oth are		S
EBDT - a Swiss powder trialled by H	VA membe	ers	36/1	L
What is Elagen? - also FREE leafle			17	L
Evening primrose oil:	15/3 15/4	16/1 all	are	S
Geranium oil			10	S
Herbs, probiotics and mushrooms			13/1	L
Homeopathy – medicine fit (only?) for	or a king		20/3	L
			20/4	S
Hypnotherapy	1 to 3			L
	14/1, 21/1	l, 24/4 all	are	M
Ice prevents outbreaks:			13/1	M
Liquorice			23/1	L
Lysine: what the fuss is about, no evi-			25/1	M
there is a FREE leaflet on the lysine/a		ance	26/4	L
Many different alternative remedies	7, 14/1		th are	M
	8/4, 14/2	bot	th are	S
Melissa stops outbreaks, study report			12	L
And major rep			19/1	L
Minerals – can selenium and zinc hel	p?		12	L
Members' suggestions	11			S
	9, 15/4, 1	16/1, 27/4	4 all are:	M
	31/2			L
Shaving down there – why you shoul	d not		27/1	M
Sleep really matters			34/1	L
Stop periods and you may stop outbre		_	16/4	S
Stop outbreaks – are you doing the ob			22/1	M
Talks on acupuncture, homeopathy, reflexology, etc.			14/1	L
Tea-bags – soothe and heal			11	S
Vitamin E oil stops scars and heals			16/4	M
Taking vitamin E stops outbreaks			19/2	S
Target produces new melissa ointmer			32/2	S
6 ways exercise endorphins improve			33/3	M
Vimuneco – results of first trial with	EBDT pow	ders	37/1	L

Drugs see also all the doctors' talks, under 'Her	pes'	Jouri	nal:
Aciclovir (brand name Zovirax): 7			L
8/1&2, 31/3	both	are	M
Antiviral tablets – which to choose and how to take		20/4	L
them		21/4	M
		26/4	S
Famciclovir (brand name Famvir):		8/4	M
Valaciclovir (brand name Valtrex):		32/2	S
Vectavir (new antiviral cream from penciclovir):		11	M
-		21/4	S
Women using aciclovir part of the month for period	ic	19/1	M
outbreaks, or when trying for a baby			
Bounce back outbreak, when you end suppression	12,	19/3	S
Trial of ASP2151 – as good as current drugs	26/4	1, 28/4	M
Are you getting the treatment you need? Let us kno	w	28/4	S

Helpline	Journal:			
Being a volunteer	1-3, 4&5 are both M			

Tales from the helpline – what people ask	16/4, 17, 37/2	L
Ten points that we use on the helpline	37/3	M

Herpes viruses; how viruses	s w	ork	Journa	al:
Herpes simplex: latency explained			6	M
An STD or not an STD? That is the question			10	S
Viruses – all viruses - what they are and how they			10	L
work			36/2	L
Herpes evade immune system: 'Turning off t			11	S
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Donate blood – no problem			12	M
Herpes viruses 1 & 2 (herpes simplex)			12	L
Varicella-zoster virus: chickenpox and shingl	les	20/1		L
8		21/2,	36/4	M
Justin Bieber and shingles causing paralysis		37/1		M
Herpes viruses 6, 7 & 8 - and other condition			13/1	M
Herpes viruses 4 and 5 (glandular fever, not s			14/3	M
Asymptomatic shedding – what it means to you	15/	1&2,1	8/1 both:	M
Why it can recur on your bum: explaining	15/	1&2 18	3/3, 18/4	М
your dermatomes			are all:	1,1
Infection rates - how many have it?	15/			S
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Dr Simon Barton's talk – the text, 6 pages			16/2	L S
and the follow up question and answer ses Pain - see separate heading, next page	ssion		16/3	3
Dr David Brown's talk – the text, 4 pages			16/3	
Dr George Kinghorn's talk (6 ½ pages):			17	L
another talk years later: (5 pages)			26/2	L
Dr Raj Patel's talk: Research update			18/2	
Duration of symptoms and viral shedding			18/3	M
Viral shedding - the facts			20/2	M
Why women have more outbreaks			18/4	M
Transmission facts		1, 22/4		S
Update by Dr Raj Patel	29/			M
Update by Dr Anatole Menon-Johannson	33/		20/2	L
Why do some people get recurrences and oth			20/2 20/4	M S
Control switch for the immune system – how	the	/Irus	20/4	3
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'Hype'- why herpes simplex is	Journal:
seen as a problem. To see what you can do to	
correct it, see under 'Perception'	

Hype of the eighties, hoax of the century?	8/3	L
Why believe the hype?	9	M
Lies, damn lies & statistics	11	M
A lie will be halfway round the world before truth	12	M
Bad news, good news / Can doctors bite the hand that	13/1	L
feeds them?		
Has 'herpes hype' hampered drug sales? by a salesman	15/3	M
Ruth's evening Standard article	15/4	M
Disease-mongering: create a 'hype' + plus nurse's letter	17	L
Sex is here to stay – get used to it	20/4	M
'Ug & Bug'	20/4	M
Creating a stigma 12, 22/2 both ar	e:	M
Dr Phil Hammond: getting the best from doctors (such a	25/1	L
long article it is spread over two magazines)	25/2	L
Law (also see 'Legal status' section below for more)		L
Rihanna, the lipstick		S
History tells us – stigma can go		S
Divide and rule – creating stigma		L
Dr Des Maitland explains 'creating the hype' with slides		L
Dr David Pao talks about 'shame and blame', and news		L
Dr Andrew de Burgh-Thomas 'What I tell my patients'	31/4	l
No stigma in Norway - Marian/ Syphilis lost its stigma	32/2	L
Plausible deniability – why talk about it?	32/4	L
How to sell a drug very few need to a lot of people	33/3	L
Dr Charlotte Hopkins - 'Herpes for my patients'	34/2	L
Prof Simon Barton invites Marian to talk to doctors	35/2	L
Dr Lewis Lau - "How I manage my patients"	36/3	L

Legal status		Journ	nal:
Dr Green comments		21/4	M
Not a legal issue - Is disclosure legally	21/3, 33/3 bo	th are	S
required? No!	29/4		M
-	21/2, 34/2 bo		
Guidelines from the CPS			M
How it all went wrong: Cara got David jailed		26/2	L
Private Eye comments on David's case		26/2	M
Court of appeal upholds conviction – many comments			L
including background, the bad medical report, etc		35/4	L
Law commission considers review of law re STIs			L
Doctors debate: should they tell patients to	'disclose'?	32/2	L

Life insurance, mortgage	22/2	S
applications and STIs		

Media - what we think of stories:			al:
Editing by omission		1-3	L
Good and bad reports: the forgotten 'plague'		4&5	L
Sunday Times articles: our replies and comments	8/3,	12 both	L
DH's 'Sex Lottery' ads – our campaign to stop it		18/3	L
Holby City: Fiona complained and got results		19/4	M
The Sun – "I thought nice people didn't get"		27/4	M
Times article – our comments		28/1	M
BBC and ITV respond differently to our complaints			M
			L
Daily Mail is hopeless, again 31/2, 31/4 both	are	•	S

Media - the HVA gets its say	. Jour	nal
Press briefing (with Dr David Barlow)	8/3	L
Our representative is on TV	10	L
Ruth's article in Evening Standard	15/4	M
Marian on BBC TV, radio	16/4	L
6 runners wear www.herpes.org.uk T-shirts in London,		L
they tell us why they are doing it		
Our article in SHINE and letter in the Independent	t: 24/3	L
The Sun –'Dear Deirdre' letters and our replies 26/4, 2		M
Woman's Hour - three members speak out	33/4	M
YouTube: Come Curious - a really good herpes ta	lk 34/2	S

Menstruation, HRT, contraceptive pill and outbreaks		8/1+2	L
Stop periods and you may stop outbreaks	16/4, 24/3 t 24/2	ooth are:	S L
Dr Peter Greenhouse on HRT and herpes	36/1, 37/1		L

Other conditions		Journ	nal:
Candida – leaflet by email, free			
Behcet's syndrome		20/1	M
Balanitis – and a personal experience		20/2	M
Bacterial Vaginosis		20/3	M
Genital warts		8/3	M
		22/4	\mathbf{S}
Why genital warts heal lowly		13/4	M
Aldara cream for genital warts		13/3	M
Chlamydia		11	M
Gonorrhoea –and super-gonorrhoea in 2018	13/2. 33/	1	L
Normal lumps in men and women		13/2	S
		33/4	L
Pemphigus vulgaris and vestibulitis		13/2	S
Lichen sclerosus and lichen planus		15/4	M
3 other conditions inc. erythema multiforme (E	M)	18/1	L
Respiratory simplex virus is not herpes simplex		18/4	M
Treating vestibulitis		19/1	S
Vulvodynia (pain in vulva)		21/1	L
		23/3	M
Stevens-Johnson syndrome – a rare complication	on of hsv	28/2	L
Molluscum contagiosum		28/4	L
Bulloid pemphigus		30/2	M
Meralgia paraesthetica / itching / total mystery	all are:	31/1	S
Treating your vulva kindly		33/2	L
•		33/4	S
Mycoplasma Genitalium (MGen)		33/4	L
Monkeypox	<u> </u>	37/1	M

Pain – why we get it with herpes		M
• •	18/4	M
simplex, what else could it be?	26/3	L
Treatments for the aches and tingles caused by the virus	21/4	M
Pain all over - gets better with antiviral drugs	23/3	S

Perception & psychology: tackle		Journ	al:
anxiety, improve immunity			
Stress, illness and herpes simplex	1 to 3		L
	15/1+2, 17, 18/	1 all are:	M
		both are:	L
	29/4		M
Let's get herpes into perspective	1 to 3; 27/4		M
Face it and it vanishes		4&5	M
The good, the bad and the ugly		7	M
Head over heart		8/4	L
Loneliness: a self-imposed exile? Your	choice	9	M
Grief, depression and coping strategies		10	L
Local contacts do help		11	M
Mind your language		11	L
Paul McKenna on 'thoughts control feelings'		12	S
Beyond trauma: can counselling help?		15/4	L
Always look on the bright side / Bad news, good news:		13/1	L
The name in Spain is clearly not a pain		13/2	S
Herpes – synonym for fear?		13/3	M
More sex, less herpes simplex		13/4	M
'Pot belly' didn't stop me: how to be po	sitive, have fun	14/2	L
Soothe problems / Fight or flight: cortise	ol & symptoms	14/4	S
Face value: stigma and herpes simplex		15/1+2	L
What to do about depression 16/1, 22/4 bo		th are	M
How not to worry		32/1	M
Stigma is addressed by US team		18/4	M
Dr Phil Hammond on 'stigma'		17	M
and on STIs		18/1	M

	40/4	20/2 7		
Break the cycle	18/1,	23/2 botl		M
Write it out by Dr Phil Hammond			18/3	M
Fear – how to control it			19/1	L
Get talking, fight the stigma in your head			19/3	M
36.2			20/1	S
Meeting up			19/3	L
It's how you say it			20/2	L
Why me - well, why not? / Anthony and the	America	n way	20/3	M
CSF – all in the mind?			20/4	M
Get out more	21/2	20/4 1	21/3	S
Destignatising herpes simplex	21/2,	30/4 bo		L
Laugh yourself better			21/2	L
Dr J Green: Get your head around it - 2 pa			21/3	L L
Blimey, I'm cured	and 4 pa	iges	21/4 22/3	M
Just call it "Susan"			23/4	S
NLP and EFT – two techniques to improve yo	outle	ok	23/1	L
A personal recipe for dealing with misfortune	our outio	OK	24/3	L
Destignatise HSV from USA / Claire Ray	ner's sr	neech	25/3	L
Diamonds are like Herpes	ner s sp	occen	25/2	L
How the stigma began			25/4	M
Sex after herpes – by Dr Nugent and Dr A	vling		25/4	L
Stuck, can't discard wrong ideas? Confirm		nias!	26/3	L
"Incurable" not really, that's not the right		71 a 5.	27/1	L
Facebook page – E-petition – Twittering	word		27/1	M
Fake Fiancée			27/2	M
Dr J Green: STIs are normal - 2 parts: 4 pa	ages		27/2	L
and 2 p	-		27/3	$\overline{\mathbf{M}}$
Seven steps to a happier you		36/1 both	n are	M
10 ways to choose happiness / Grow a happier	r brain	30/2, 30	0/3 both	L
What "When will there be a cure?" really		28/1, 32	2/3 both	M
means				
Assertiveness is good			28/1	L
Shag a foreigner			28/1	M
Self-esteem? No? Try self-compassion	28/3			M
Self-esteem - do you need more?		35/4, 37/		L
Ella Dawson – young US woman goes tota			30/2	L
Mindfulness and how it can help – Sarah (11	33/1	L
State of mind affects state of body – do	30/4	21/4 25	1 2	M
something!	31/3,	31/4, 36/		L
Hillary Clinton on destignatising herpes			31/2	S
Seduce with confidence!	1		32/1	M
A plea for sanity - break the stigma - by Sa	arah		32/2	L
Guilt			33/2	L
Detox your brain	N 1: -1	L -11:	33/3	L
How to take control of 'it' and your life, by Do	ena iviici	nem	34/2 34/3	L
Trauma - you can recover Sex education - it could break the stigma			35/1	L
Evaluating what you read about science and n	adiaina		35/1	M L
Dating - for women (but men will learn from t				L
Dr Colm O'Mahony - no need to disclose		35/4 both	35/2	L
Medicine Hesitant? / 'The best of times' (par	,	<i>)</i> 5/4 DUUI	35/3	L
Why think you have to be perfect?	ι 1)		36/4	L
Darn McCasslin – dating and perception			37/2	M
Watch your language – the words you cho	ose mat	ter	37/2	L
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Pregnancy and Childbirth		Journa	Journal:	
Letters from new parents on their experien	nces 4&	5, 13/3	S	
Major articles on C-sections & neonatal h	erpes statistics	8/1&2	L	
NICE rules: no C-section even when there	e is a recurrence	27/4	M	
Pregnancy	14/4, 16/1 both	are:	L	
An up-date	23/2		L	
Expert doctors' report	29/2, 30/1 both a	re:	S	
'My story'	20/1, 27/4 both	are:	L	
Scaremongering baby deaths: from str	angers' cold sores	33/2	L	

Questionnaires - the analyses of how you	Journal:	
experience the virus and feel about it		
How did you catch it? How you treat?	1 to 3, 13/3	L
Members' opinion on clinics	1 to 3	L

Membership survey	6		L
Psychological implications of herpes simplex	7		L
Acyclovir use and doctors' attitudes	7		L
What members said about our possibly funding research	14/4	4	M
Your questions, some answered, some will be answered		15/4	L
Do you tell a partner? Have you had sex since?	19/3	3, 31/1	L
People's personal comments in the survey reported above		19/4	M

Research (see also Drugs, see also	Vaccines)	Journa	al:
Gene therapy		8/4	L
And CRISPR		33/4	L
£7 million on research		13/2	L
The Int. Herpes Management Forum (IHM	F) – in Malta	15/3	L
Major scientific research	22/1		M
	15/4, 22/3, 25/2	all are:	L
Report from the IHMF in Paris		17	L
'Mystery callers' - our research into other h	nelplines	19/1	L
How herpes simplex hides	21/1, 30/1 both	are	M
Why are they researching?		27/3	L
From the IHMF 2005 and 2006: the virus	can vanish, etc	21/3	M
£££ millions on how the virus works	23/3, 29/4, 30/1	all are:	M
(and how to stop it?) 24/2,	24/3, 26/4, 27/3	all are:	L
Research into a new drug 25/3, 31/	1, 33/3, 34/3, 36/1	·	S

Reviews of books, with excerpts		Journal:	
Herpes – what it is and how to cope	6	L	
How to recover from a broken heart & love again	6	L	
SEXplained – uncensored sexual health guide	11	M	
Feeling good - the new mood therapy	11	M	
Herpes simplex by T. Natasha Posner	12	L	
Embarrassing problems - by Helen Knox	13/3	M	
Approved self-help therapy books: worrying, anxiety, OCD.	21/1	M	

Talking to a new partner		Journ	al:
Talking – your experiences		1 to 3	L
Members reports		4&5	L
Open letter to anyone in our situation		4 & 5	M
Talk, talk, talk: you'd be surprised		10	S
Two views: why should I, it's a cold sore/	informed consent	12	L
Silver lining		12	M
Four out of five had it		13/2	M
How his patients tell new partners – Dr J. Green		18/1	S
Neuro-linguistic work		19/2	L
He or she's just not into you!		21/1	S
Letter to a "Wary Dater" from Cary Tennis		21/4	L
Advice from Roy and Phil		22/1	S
What I got from the Study Day		27/2	L
Workshops on talking to partner – what 9, 15/1&2, 18/1		1 all are	L
happens, what people say about them 18/2, 27/4, 32/3		all are:	M
Why there's no one answer to "When shall I tell?"		28/1	S
L Crouch: What to think about before 't	he conversation'	31/2	M

Vaccine: protect your partner and/or treat you Journal:					
The vaccines under trial	21/2, 30/1	both ar	e:		L
New ideas (note that no	22/1, 23/1, 23/2, 23/3 all are:				
vaccine has reached	24/2, 24/3, 24/4 all are:				L
the market yet – so	25/2, 25/3 both are:				M
far, every trial has	25/4, 26/2, 28/2, 29/4, 30/3, 31/3,				L
stopped for one reason	32/1, 34/3,	,	, ,	37/2,	L
or another) 32/2, 32/3. 33/2, all are:					
Chickenpox vaccine works on HSV 27/2, 33/3.37/1					S
HSV529; and current vaccines under way; will they work? 35/4					L
Admedus – Frazer in Brisbane; Agenus; 29/1, 30/3 bo			3 both	are:	L
HerpV; Genocea; Sanofi Pasteur 29/3					M
Dr Halford's vaccine "a bit like	33/1, 36/3	3		L	
chickenpox one"	35/4			M	
Book review: diary of a man who had Halford's vaccine 36/1					L