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All Doctors Are Jackasses

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WHAT DO I MEAN ?
What?
Me..
A Jackass?
The dual process model
Reason? Probability? WTF?!
Captain Kirk is in charge? That's illogical!
Loin pain + haematuria = RENAL COLIC

Don't forget AAA!
That's not a good idea Jim...

Set phasers on STUN!
Off to work we go..
Not too tight...
OUCH!

MEET THE PATIENT

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I'm starving!
Could it be acute coronary syndrome?

Perhaps if the D-dimer is negative...
I said “NO CHEESE”!
I'm NOT laughing... My chest HURTS!
CABG then OFF WE GO TO THE ICU
What were they thinking?
cognitive bias
Over-attachment to a particular diagnosis
Anchoring confirmation bias
Failure to consider alternative diagnoses
SEARCH SATISFYING SUTTON’s slip

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Inheriting someone else’s thinking

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prevalence perception
or estimation
AVAILABLE
ABILITY
BIAS
patient characteristics or presentation context
physician affect, personality or decision style
UNDERCONFIDENCE
VISCERAL BIAS

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A PERFECT STORM
HOW we CAN think better
Metacognition

Image from: http://www.usask.ca/education/coursework/802papers/Adkins/SEC1.HTM
USE cognitive checkpoints
REDUCE Cognitive load
Turn experience into expertise
OPTIMISE work conditions
look after yourself

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FINALLY...

What you need to do now
Think
Learn
Talk
Do

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The End!
UNUSUAL DEMANDS

Only a JACKASS would do that job!
Being a Jackass ain't so bad... At least I'm not a doctor!
Can we think better?
How they interact
From: Croskerry P. Healthc Q. 2009 PMID: 19667765.
Is the Well's Score 0 or +3?

ENTER THE COGNITIVE MINEFIELD

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think critically