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You must be joking. Twenty people die over a long period of time from abusing the advice on the label and you want to ban the product?

Well over 20 people die **each week** from overconsumption of animal flesh, **which carries no warning label at all**, and I don't see you mumbling about banning it.

You call yourselves science-based? Then look at the evidence, as scientists would: if apricot kernels didn't seem to work against cancer, their popularity wouldn't have spread. Even if it's psychosomatic, they **are** working.

You're not science-based. You are emotion- and profit-based. Otherwise, you would have regulated animal meat as soon as the F.S.A.N.Z. was formed. You would know, from clinical studies in *Prevention*, *The Journal of the American Medical Association*, *The New England Journal of Medicine*, et al, that it causes heart disease, cancer of the stomach and colon, kidney disease, gout, hypertension and a half dozen other diseases.

Leave the apricot kernels alone and do your job. Consumer abuse of product advice is not your concern.

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