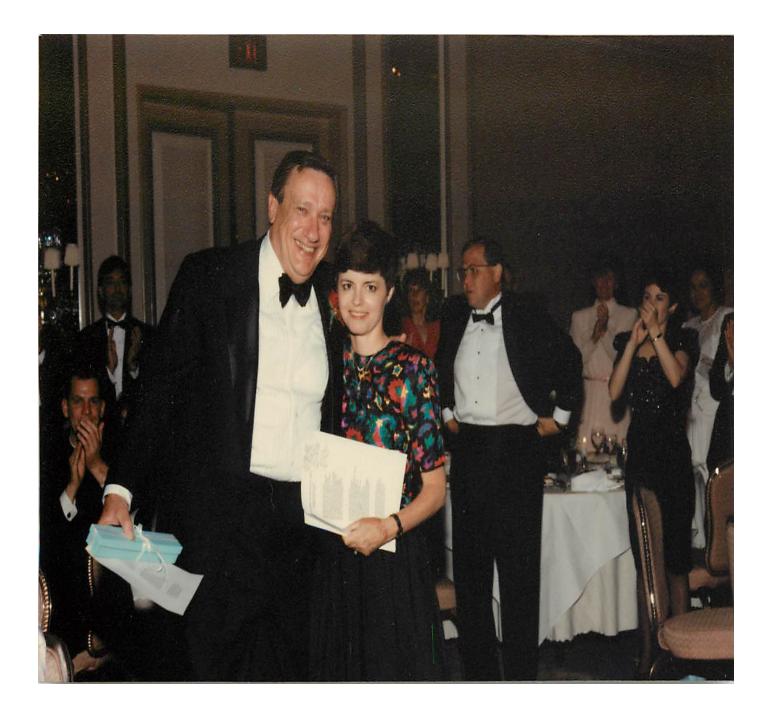
#### SILENT ADVOCACY: PRACTICAL POINTS FOR THE TRIAL ATTORNEY

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## THE LAVIN METHOD

"The method will not be suitable for those lawyers

- (a) whose knowledge of the subject matter of the litigation is less than comprehensive;
- (b) whose mastery of the technical aspects of the case is shallow;
- (c) Whose willingness to work very hard and prepare meticulously has any limits; or

(d) Whose confidence in their ability to deal authoritatively with *whatever* the witness may offer is not profound.
 In all respects, the Lavin system is the precise opposite of the much more prevalent shoot from the hip style of trial lawyering."
 Litvin & McHugh, §24.9

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- □ Helpfulness

A jury consists of twelve persons chosen to decide who has the better lawyer.

## JURORS' QUESTIONS

- □ Do we trust these people before us?
- □ Do we even like these people?
- Are these people prepared, so they don't waste our time?
- □ Are these people knowledgeable?
- □ Are these people helping us do our jobs?
- Are these people trying to see that justice is done?

*Optimus est enim orator qui dicendo animos audientum et docet et delectate et permovet.* 

-Cicero

## CICERO'S THREE GOALS

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- □ Use signal phases to help jurors move from one subject to another.

# SIGNAL CHANGES FROM ONE TOPIC TO ANOTHER

- □ We will hear
- □ You will learn
- □ I expect you will find
- You will come to know
- □ You will soon realize
- □ The evidence will show
- □ You will not hear
- □ Make sure you pay careful attention
- □ Now don't miss this

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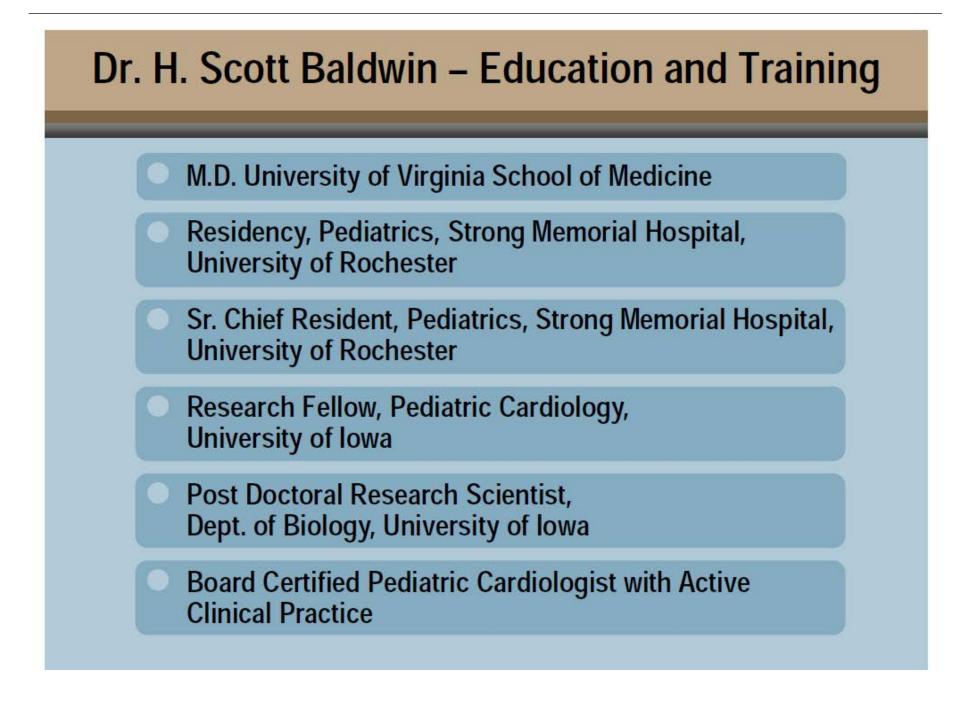
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2006-present	Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Development, Yale School of Management
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2005-2006	Adam Smith Visiting Fellow in Economics, University of Edinburgh, Scotland
2000-2002	James L. Frank '32 Associate Professor of Private Enterprise and Management, Yale School of Management
1999-2000	Associate Professor of Economics and Strategy, Yale School of Management
1997-1999	Assistant Professor of Strategic Management Graduate School of Business, University of Chicago
1994-1997	Assistant Professor of Strategic Management Graduate School of Business, Stanford University
1991-1992	Instructor for Economics 10, Prof. Martin Feldstein, Harvard University
Education:	
1994	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, PhD. Economics
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### Dr. Fiona Scott Morton Awards

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	1998-2002	National Science Foundation Research Grant 9810178 "Studies of Competition"
	1995	Distinguished Teaching Commendation by Stanford MBA students for excellence in teaching during the academic year 1994-1995
	1993-1994	Program on the Pharmaceutical Industry, MIT, grant for full tuition and stipend



## Dr. H. Scott Baldwin – Organizations

American College of Cardiology

American Heart Association

Council on Cardiovascular Disease in the Young

President of the Board of Directors, Nashville Affiliate, 2004-2005

Currently a Member of the National Research Committee

Member, Scientific Board of the Stanley Sarnoff Foundation for Cardiovascular Research, 2004-present

Society for Pediatric Research

## **Expertise in Cardiac Development**

- Published 56 Peer Reviewed Articles and 28 Book Chapters or Editorial Reviews on the Cardiac Development
- Director of Research Laboratory NIH/AHA/March of Dimes Funding on Cardiac Development Research (20+ years)
  - Invited Presentations Both Nationally and Internationally
- Peer-Reviewer for Over 18 Journals (New England Journal of Medicine, Cell, Science, Nature)
- Editorial Board of the Journal, Developmental Dynamics
- Organized National and International Meetings on Cardiac Development

## Dr. Anthony Scialli

**Obstetrician / Gynecologist** 

- Reproductive Toxicologist
- Teratologist
- Professor / Teacher
- Health & Environmental Consultant
- Senior Scientific Advisor
- Advisor to Government Agencies
- Member of Professional Organizations
- Editor of Medical Literature
- Author of Medical Publications
- Consultant & Lecturer to FDA

## **Overview of Assignment**

• Describe how prescription drugs are priced and distributed.

 Examine the way Alabama Medicaid pays pharmacies for prescription drugs, including what information Alabama Medicaid had about prices and when.

# KEYS TO A SUCCESSFUL CROSS-EXAMINATION

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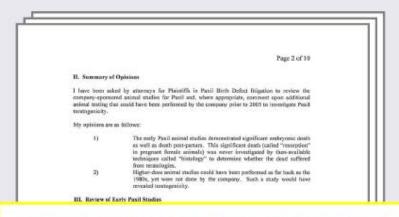
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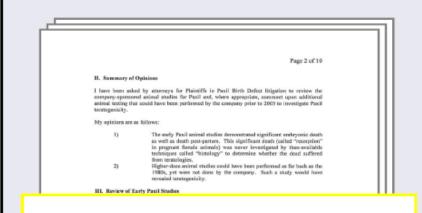
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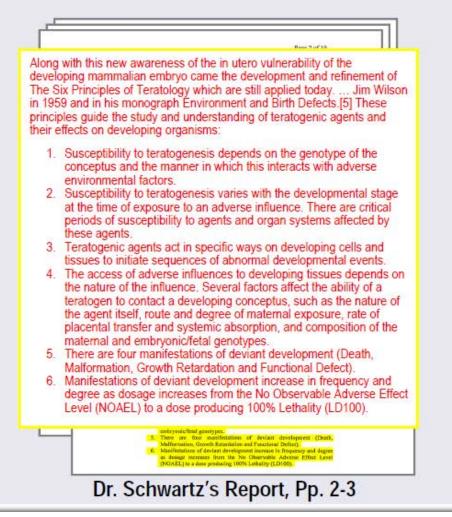


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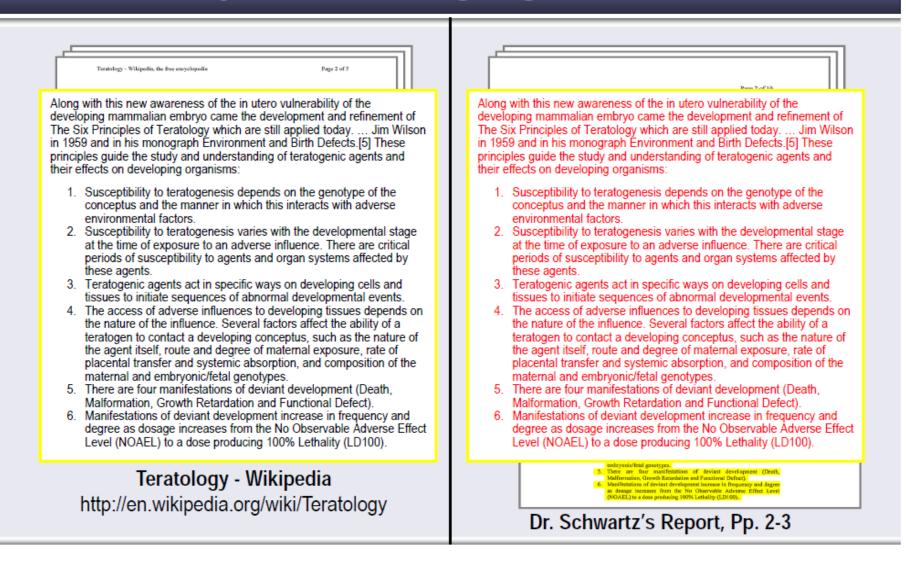
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#### Answers.com http://www.answers.com/topic/teratogen

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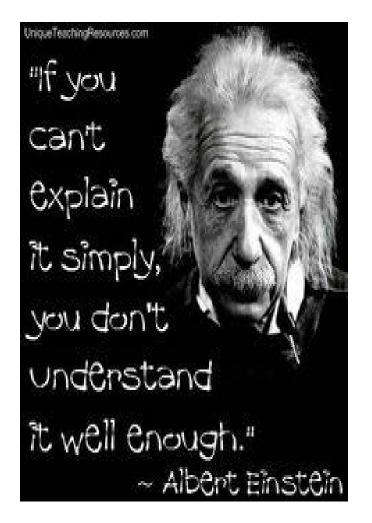
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- 5. Home Run

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- 1. True or false?
- 2. This is one of those simple questions.
- 3. Then your answer to my question is [yes] [no]?
- 4. Is that another way of saying yes?
- 5. Does that answer mean yes?
- 6. Are you having trouble understanding my questions?
- 7. Didn't that question call for a 'yes' or 'no'?
- 8. [TO THE COURT REPORTER]: Would you kindly read that question to the witness; maybe he doesn't understand me.
- 9. I didn't ask why you didn't do it; I asked you whether you did it.
- 10. Do you understand the difference between 'why' and 'whether'?
- 11. Are you refusing to answer my question?

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- 12. That does not answer my question. Let me try it again.
- 13. "Your Honor, I move to strike everything after [yes] [no] as non-responsive." [Again, you must have full and repeated permission before saying this.]
- 14. That's a long way of saying 'yes'?
- 15. I understand what you're saying, but I would prefer that you answer my question.
- 16. With all due respect, you have not answered my question. Will you please answer my question.
- 17. I appreciate your [opinion] [answer], but that was not my question.
- 18. I understand that, [sir], but all I was asking you was [....]
- 19. I understand all that, but can you answer my question?
- 20. Here. I'll write YES and NO on this board. [Do so]. Now, which one should I circle? [Remember that you will need the jury's permission for this one.]

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