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It's Lunacy for Physicians To Comment on Moon's Role

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Whether the full moon has a direct impact on hospital admissions has been hotly debated by scholars, medical professionals, research astrologers, astronomers and skeptics for many decades (“Doctors Really Do Believe in the Bad Moon Rising,” page one, Oct. 18).

Readers of this article could infer that the case is settled, but scholarly research on the lunar effect is divided. Without relevant training and experience, professionals in other disciplines cannot be experts in astrology, regardless of their standing. Just as fund managers aren't consulted on the building architecture of stock exchanges, doctors and astronomers aren't the source of wisdom on astrology.

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