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**SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN**
*(Blog post published on May 22, 2013)*

“When new medical treatments are implemented, when new drugs are introduced into the populace, there is always some hesitation. There are (hopefully) some clinical trials to back up the new intervention, but the long-term implications are often unclear. Water fluoridation doesn’t have this problem. For over 65 years, it has been rigorously tested as a public health measure, and considered one of the most successful measures of the last 100 years ...

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**The NATION’S HEALTH**
*(News article published in July 2011)*

“... water fluoridation is under fire from some who claim its health benefits are overblown and that fluoridation creates a higher risk for heart disease and cancer. There is no valid science supporting these claims ... and yet they persist, kept afloat by Internet rumors and misinformation.”

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**PolitiFact.com**
*(News analysis published on April 19, 2011)*

“(A Texas) resident says fluoride compound added to local water supply is ‘toxic waste’ ... We rate the statement False.”

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**ScienceBlogs**
*(Commentary article published on May 23, 2013)*

“... the anti-fluoride forces (in Oregon) were playing on the public’s fear of chemicals and misunderstanding of chemistry to make fluoridation seem a lot more scary than it is. Actually, it’s not scary at all. As always, the dose makes the poison, and the levels used in municipal water supplies have a long history of safety.”
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JOURNAL SENTINEL

(Editorial published on May 31, 2012)

“... their arguments, no doubt sincere, aren’t based on much more than anecdote, conjecture and studies that aren’t particular relevant to the U.S. practice of community water fluoridation.”

Tampa Bay Times
tampabay.com

(Editorial published on March 17, 2012)

“The fluoride fight raises larger questions about our values: Are we going to let scare tactics trump established science? ... The opponents are small in number but vocal, determined and ready with distortions, half-truths and misstatements.”

Anchorage Press

(News article published on August 8, 2013)

“The objectors (to water fluoridation) are often accused of exploiting quack science and they’ve been known to promote conspiracy theories that often get them ridiculed.”

Santa Cruz Sentinel

(News story published on November 27, 2011)

“Many studies against fluoridation or proving negative health effects have reportedly been papers published at low-tier journals or studies withdrawn after being published.”