



My hepatitis C is cured, but now my cholesterol is high. Did treatment cause this?

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People with hep C often have low or normal cholesterol levels, but notice these levels elevate after they are cured. Researchers believe that it isn't the treatment that causes high cholesterol, but the absence of hep C that does.

Cholesterol is mostly made in the liver, which is where hep C replicates. One theory is that the hep C virus uses the mechanism in the liver that makes cholesterol in order to replicate. Once a person is cured, there is no hep C to hold back cholesterol production.

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