

Therapeutic Enthusiasm

Therapeutic **enthusiasm** refers to the premature or exaggerated **optimism** about the clinical potential of a treatment or molecular target, often based on limited, early-stage, or preclinical evidence.

□ In research contexts: It usually manifests when authors or scientists:

Overstate the translational relevance of a molecular finding

Propose therapeutic applications without sufficient validation in humans

Ignore biological complexity, safety, or feasibility

△ Why it's problematic: Therapeutic enthusiasm can:

Mislead readers, funders, or clinicians

Fuel hype cycles that later collapse

Undermine **scientific credibility** when results fail to translate

In short: Therapeutic enthusiasm turns a petri dish into a miracle cure—on paper.

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