

# The end of a cancer? The hopes vested in vaccination against papillomavirus

## What is papillomavirus or HPV?

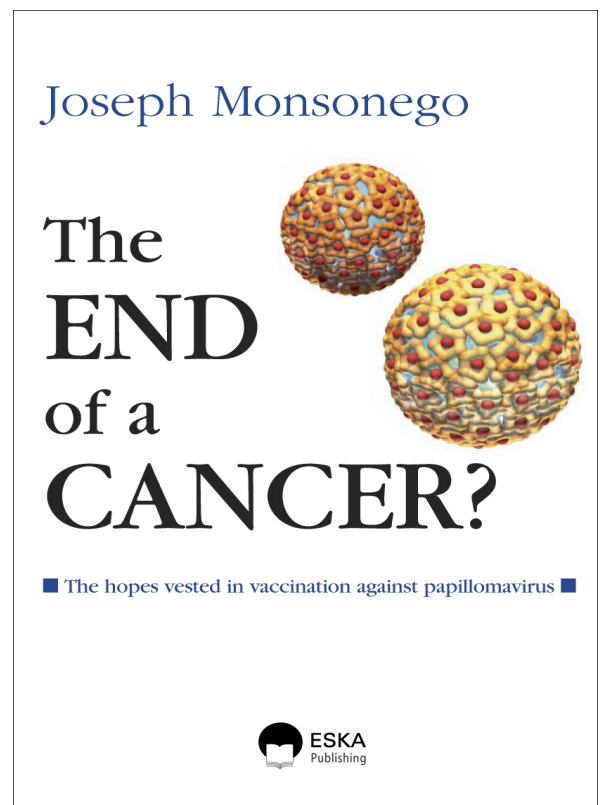
This virus, which affects the mucous membranes of the cervix and the genital organs, sometimes causes lesions which can degenerate into cancer. The infection generally occurs during early sexual activity and the majority of women develop antibodies to the virus naturally. Thanks to screening, this fatal disease has been transformed into a rare pathology.

In this book, Dr Joseph Monsonégo reviews current knowledge about and the future prospects for papillomavirus infection and its consequences. He demystifies the new issues and new practices arising in the era of vaccination, answering the questions women are asking themselves: the importance of screening, treatments, the place of vaccination in the prevention process. In presenting this major scientific progress, Dr Monsonégo delivers an amazing message of hope in the fight against cervical cancer and, in addition, places society squarely face their responsibilities.



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