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of course. hope you feel better soon

On Tue, Oct 20, 2015 at 3:49 AM, John Brockman <[REDACTED]> > wrote:

Much better physically, and no longer our of sync in terms of arrhythmia. But chance are very high that absent an "ablation" procedure, it will go back into aFib within a year, and I will have to keep taking a nasty drug and even with than there's a 40% chance of going out of rhythm. So, next Thursday and Friday I am back at Weill-Cornell for the procedure and tests preparing for it. And dreading it.

Sorry not to be in touch. I am finding communicating to be a chore. Chalk it up to the cocktail of beta-blockers etc they are giving me every day. Otherwise, on the medical front, my eye doctor died last week and my dentist sent me a bill of \$92,000 (total for '15: \$104k)! In terms of biz, one reason to have children: I didn't go to Frankfurt of course (haven't for several years) and we had one of the best weeks ever as, the day before the Book Fair, Max signed Hans Rosling, the biggest star over the years at TED, who has never written a book. Hans's book became "the book of the Fair and it's all anyone talked about for a week. The deals are rolling in. And I didn't even know about it a week ago and have never met or been in touch with Rosling.

Thanks for staying in touch.

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