

CONVERSATIONS UNLIMITED Feb. 24, 1986

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Dr. Barbara Weiser is a research professor in the School of Medicine at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. While conducting research at Stanford University in California, Dr. Weiser and her colleagues ran into the case of a woman whom the press described as "recovered." Is that a safe way to describe this case, Dr. Weiser?

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- Review this case (husband died in fall 1984)
- Review the study (numbers and types of couples)
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- Reaction of peer researchers internationally
- What hope does this hold for future?

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Is that recovery still holding after nearly two years, Dr. Weiser?

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