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to the editor

Disclaimer and misnomer

The story on cytosine arabinoside (SN: 10/18, p. 349) was very well done with two exceptions. It states that "He used the Food and Drug Administration's approval of the Upjohn Company's application on the drug as a way to wave a research success in the face of the budget cutters." I did not say anything in my remarks to imply this and indeed at no time had this motive.

Secondly, it states that "In addition, grants for research were provided by the American Cancer Institute." As far as I know there is no such institution and I do not know what was meant.

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(We hold to our estimate of the double reason—clinical and budgetary—of the cytosine arabinoside symposium. And we apologize to The American Cancer Society. Ed.)

Credit corrected

In your Life Sciences article "Classical model corrected" (SN: 10/18, p. 352) you attribute the discovery of the Early Receptor Potential in the eye to Dr. Richard Cone. In point of fact, the ERP was first observed (and named) by Drs. Kenneth Brown and Motohiko Murakami (NATURE 201, 626-628, 1964). This of course does not diminish Dr. Cone's subsequent distinguished research on the properties of the ERP.

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