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astounding that the go-ahead for this project was given without more broad-based consultation and that such a highly dubious endeavor is supported by NASA in this time of appalling federal debt.

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Sequence Correction

In our report "Ablation of transplanted HTLV-I tax-transformed tumors in mice by antisense inhibition of NF- κ B" (11 Dec., p. 1792) (1), note 11 (p. 1795), in which the sequence of the oligodeoxynucleotides (ODNs) selected for antisense inhibition of NF- κ B was described, was incorrect. We accidentally listed human NF- κ B target sequences [S. M. Ruben *et al.*, *Science* 251, 1490 (1991)] rather than mouse-specific sequences [for p65, G. P. Nolan *et al.*, *Cell* 64, 961 (1991); for p50, S. Gosh *et al.*, *ibid.* 62, 1019 (1990)]. The note should have read, "The ODNs [oligodeoxy nucleotides] for p50 NF- κ B were antisense 5'-TCGTC-TGCCATGGTGAAGAT-3' and sense 5'-ATCTTCACCATGGCAGACGA-3'. The corresponding ODNs for p65 were antisense 5'-AAACAGATCGTCCATG-GTCA-3' and sense 5'-TGACCATG-GACGATCTGTTT-3'." The ODNs used for tax inhibition of mouse cells were correctly stated in the text. We regret any confusion this error may have caused.

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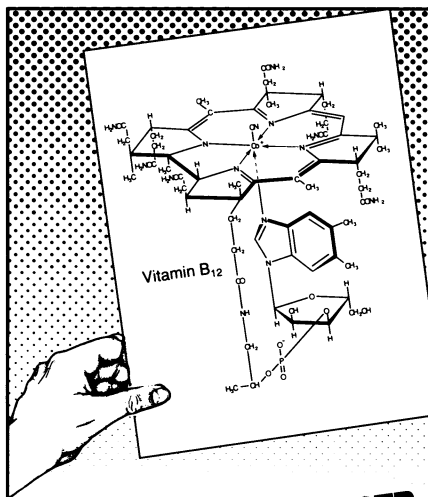
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Corrections and Clarifications

In the Random Samples item "President Clinton gets his science adviser" (5 Feb., p. 758), the senator who asked a "hardball" question about animal research during confirmation hearings for director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy was misidentified. That senator was Conrad Burns (R-MT).



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