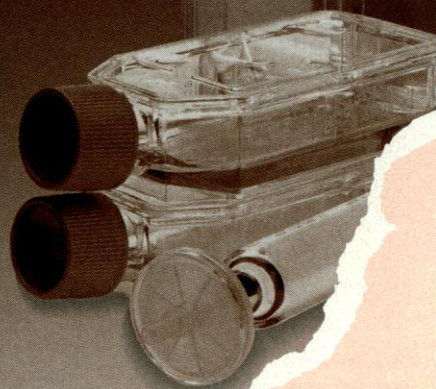


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**Inhibition of Rev-Mediated
HIV-1 Expression: Retraction**

We regret to report that some experiments performed by the author P. Constantoulakis related to the activity of the protein encoded by the interferon inducible 9-27 gene [P. Constantoulakis, M. Campbell, B. K. Felber, G. Nasioulas, E. Afonina, G. N. Pavlakis, "Inhibition of Rev-mediated HIV-1 expression by an RNA binding protein encoded by the interferon-inducible 9-27 gene," Reports, 26 Feb. 1993, vol. 259, p. 1314] have not been reproducible. These experiments include, but may not be limited to, the filter binding assays presented in figure 2 and the co-transfection assays shown in figure 3C. This calls into question our results and conclusions.

Experiments are in progress to reevaluate the inhibition of human immunodeficiency virus gene expression by the 9-27 protein and the degree to which this inhibition is specific to Rev-dependent expression. However, at this point we prefer to retract the paper until its conclusions are subjected to further experimental tests. We deeply regret any inconvenience that has been caused to the scientific community.

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Corrections and Clarifications

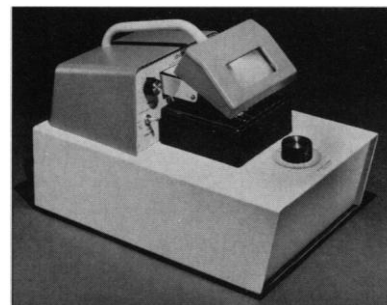
In the Research News article by John Travis "Cosmic structures fill southern sky" (25 Mar., p. 1684), the third sentence in the third paragraph should have read, "The voids, for example, tend to run 150 million light-years in diameter."

In Christopher Anderson's News & Comment article "The aftermath of the Gallo case" (7 Jan., p. 20), the name of David Goodstein, Caltech vice provost, was spelled incorrectly. Brackets were also inadvertently omitted around three words in his statement about the impact on scientific misconduct investigations of recent rulings by a federal appeals board. The quotation should have read, "The panel did exactly what should be done by holding a high standard. [High legal standards] chill investigative zealotry." Goodstein was commenting generally on misconduct investigations, not on the Gallo case.

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