I was appointed as a consultant with TetraLogic Pharmaceuticals in December 2005 before these publications. I was appointed to the SAB in late 2010. Since December 2005 I have endeavoured to declare a potential conflict of interest in all my publications and presentations where relevant.

I can address comments related to two of the papers, but I did not perform the experiments in one of the figures cited. I will try and contact the author who generated this figure to obtain the original.

For the first paper, lane 5 in Figure 2 (PMID: 14570909) I have supplied scans of my lab notebook and scans of the relevant blots. There is no doubt that I have made a mistake in assembling the figure. I have indicated what the corrected figure should look like in the attached image. It is clear from my lab book that the lysate Western blot and the IP Western blot were loaded slightly different with regard to the control lane (a useful technique to ensure that similar gels could not be confused). Nowadays I would indicate the splicing of this control lane in the lysate samples but at the time, splicing of Western blots was not such a concern. However it worth noting that if I had indicated splicing then it would probably have prevented me making the error and is an excellent argument for why everyone should clearly indicate any manipulation. As close inspection will show however this mistake in assembly makes no different whatsoever to the results, there is a blank lane in the lane that should have been used.

For the second Figure 5C (PMID: 11406588), the resolution appears too low to determine any background anomaly. Unfortunately, the program that I used to generate this figure (FreeHand 11) cannot be opened with current Mac OSX operating systems, so I cannot readily access the original scan/figure. However I have rescanned the original autorad which is remarkably clean and reveals no reason why anything should have been modified by me.

Anyone is welcome to the full resolution scans if they contact me directly.

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The purple and red box should have been taken, with the purple for the control lane however the green box was used.