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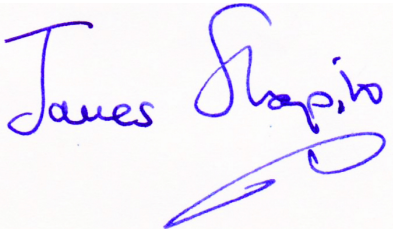
Boris L Gala-Lopez has no conflicts to declare.

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AM James Shapiro serves as a consultant and collaborator with ViaCyte Inc., San Diego, and with Sernova Corp., London Ontario. There are no other relevant conflicts to declare.

Signed

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James Shapiro". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

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