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## Retraction

We write in relation to a paper recently published in your journal (Venugopal, J., Boyle, N. and Kelly, J. P., *Current Science*, 2003, **84**, 1227–1231) and wish to bring the following points to your attention. Neither of us were involved in the preparation of this work for publication. The only experimental work cited in this paper that relates to the Department of Pharmacology occurred under the auspices of a Millennium Grant from NUI, Galway which investigated whether PDE $\gamma$  was present in mouse brain, and was conducted by Venugopal and Boyle during June–August 2001. This work only represents a single paragraph of this paper and does not include any data. In our opinion, it is clear that the work conducted in the Department of Pharmacology, NUI, Galway during June–August 2001 only contributed in a minor way to this paper, and thus the inclusion of our names as the only co-authors is inappropriate, as is the use of the Department

of Pharmacology as the sole address at which the work was conducted. The same applies for the acknowledgement relating to the funding by the Millennium Grant from NUI, Galway. We wish to take this opportunity to publicly dissociate ourselves from this publication.

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Due to issues relating to the permission for the use of materials that belong to the laboratory of N. J. Pyne, Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, University of Strathclyde, I hereby withdraw the manuscript. I hereby state that all the results are genuine and reproducible.

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