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correction

Airborne signalling by methyl salicylate in plant pathogen resistance

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The abbreviations used for methyl salicylate (MeSA) and salicylic acid (SA) led to confusion over nomenclature: MeSA is the methyl ester of salicylic acid and not a methylated derivative of salicylic acid (otherwise known as creosotic acid). □

Evidence for life on Earth before 3,800 million years ago

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The model calculation presented in this Letter is corrected by Eiler *et al.* in Scientific Correspondence elsewhere in this issue¹. □

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erratum

Cloning of a disintegrin metalloproteinase that processes precursor tumour-necrosis factor- α

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The fourth author's name (D.M.B.) was accidentally omitted; he is in the Department of Molecular Biochemistry at Glaxo Wellcome Research and Development.

Also, reference 8 was not included in the list. This was by G. M. McGeehan *et al.*, "Regulation of tumour-necrosis factor- α processing by a metalloproteinase inhibitor", published in *Nature* **370**, 558–561 (1994). □

Stochastic resonance in non-dynamical systems without response thresholds

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A typographical error was introduced into equation (8) which is correct as shown here

$$\text{SNR} = \frac{V_S^2 r(0) \exp\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)}{2 + \frac{r(0)}{f_c} \sigma^2 \exp\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{\sigma^{2n-2}}{n! n}}$$