Society for Endocrinology - Media Release

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Society for Endocrinology response to news that the libel case against the science writer Simon Singh has been dropped

Prof Julia Buckingham, Chairman of the Society for Endocrinology, said:

“The Society for Endocrinology welcomes the news that the libel case against the science writer Simon Singh has been dropped. In order for scientific debate to move forward, scientists and clinicians need to be able to openly discuss and debate findings without fear of being prosecuted for voicing an opinion. It is essential that England’s libel laws are reformed to allow this process of scientific peer review to take place. Debate amongst researchers helps to advance not only our understanding of scientific issues, but also leads to real improvements in public health and patient care.”

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Notes for editors:

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