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3. Date  
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4. Are you the corresponding author?  Yes  No  
Corresponding Author's Name  
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Name of Institution/Company	Grant?	Personal Fees?	Non-Financial Support?	Other?	Comments
Swiss National Science Foundation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNF grant PBPLAB3-145780

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1. Grant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
						ADD
2. Consulting fee or honorarium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
						ADD
3. Support for travel to meetings for the study or other purposes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
						ADD
4. Fees for participation in review activities such as data monitoring boards, statistical analysis, end point committees, and the like	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bern University Hospital	Fees paid by Bern University Hospital with grant from Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) to CTU Bern for statistical analysis fees	X
						ADD
5. Payment for writing or reviewing the manuscript	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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6. Provision of writing assistance, medicines, equipment, or administrative support	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
						ADD
7. Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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1. Board membership	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
						ADD
2. Consultancy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
						ADD
3. Employment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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4. Expert testimony	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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5. Grants/grants pending	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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8. Patents (planned, pending or issued)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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9. Royalties	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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10. Payment for development of educational presentations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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11. Stock/stock options	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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12. Travel/accommodations/meeting expenses unrelated to activities listed**	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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