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1. Given Name (First Name) Hadi	2. Surname (Last Name) Kharrazi	3. Date 19-January-2018
4. Are you the corresponding author?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Corresponding Author's Name Wendy Bennett
5. Manuscript Title Methods for Evaluating Natural Experiments in Obesity: A Systematic Review		
6. Manuscript Identifying Number (if you know it)		

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1. Given Name (First Name)
Renee

2. Surname (Last Name)
Wilson

3. Date
08-March-2018

4. Are you the corresponding author? Yes No
Corresponding Author's Name
Wendy Bennett

5. Manuscript Title
Methods for Evaluating Natural Experiments in Obesity: A Systematic Review

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If yes, please fill out the appropriate information below. If you have more than one entity press the "ADD" button to add a row. Excess rows can be removed by pressing the "X" button.

Name of Institution/Company	Grant?	Personal Fees?	Non-Financial Support?	Other?	Comments
AHRQ	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Contract#: 290-2012-000071

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Ms. Wilson reports grants from AHRQ, during the conduct of the study; .

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Wendy

2. Surname (Last Name)
Bennett

3. Date
18-January-2018

4. Are you the corresponding author? Yes No

5. Manuscript Title
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Cheskin

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19-November-2015

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Corresponding Author's Name
Bander Alhamdan

5. Manuscript Title
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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
						ADD
5. Payment for writing or reviewing the manuscript	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
						ADD
6. Provision of writing assistance, medicines, equipment, or administrative support	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X

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7. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medifast, Inc.	Scientific Advisory Board	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pressed Juicery, Inc.	Scientific Advisory Board	<input type="checkbox"/>
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* This means money that your institution received for your efforts on this study.

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1. Board membership	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
ADD						
2. Consultancy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
ADD						
3. Employment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
ADD						
4. Expert testimony	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
ADD						
5. Grants/grants pending	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
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						ADD
7. Payment for manuscript preparation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			×
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8. Patents (planned, pending or issued)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			×
						ADD
9. Royalties	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			×
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10. Payment for development of educational presentations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			×
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11. Stock/stock options	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			×
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12. Travel/accommodations/meeting expenses unrelated to activities listed**	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			×
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