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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mark Loeb

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9	Participation on a Data Safety Monitoring Board or Advisory Board	Medicago, Pfizer, Sanofi	Vaccine advisory boards
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**Your Name:** John Conly

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### Instructions

The purpose of this form is to provide readers of your manuscript with information about your other interests that could influence how they receive and understand your work. The form is designed to be completed electronically and stored electronically. It contains programming that allows appropriate data display. Each author should submit a separate form and is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the submitted information. The form is in six parts.

#### 1. Identifying information.

#### 2. The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes".

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3. Date  
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I certify that I have answered every question and have not altered the wording of any of the questions on this form.