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Structures of three proteins encoded by VP40, a structural gene of the Ebola virus. Top, a butterfly-shaped dimer structure critical for membrane trafficking. Middle, a rearranged hexameric structure essential for building and releasing nascent virions. Bottom, an RNA-binding octameric ring that controls transcription in infected cells. The transformational changes of VP40 update the nearly 60-year-old “central dogma of biology,” which implies that a given gene typically makes a single protein with a single 3-D shape. (Bornholdt *et al.*, *Cell* 154, 763, 2013).

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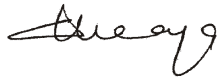
I would like to register my sincere appreciation to the Editorial Board of the ‘Bioscientist’. We have successfully published two issues of Volume 1 and Volume 2 is very much under way. This is all thanks to the doggedness of the Editorial Board and the extraordinary commitment of the Managing Editor.

We also owe a very special gratitude to the Dean of Faculty of Biosciences, the initiator of the journal. Many thanks to our contributors who have furnished us with quality research materials.

We are working very hard to improve on the quality of our journal and the review process in order to meet our original target of four issues per year to maintain the desired visibility.

We are planning a launch of the first volume. You shall be duly informed of the date and the plans and we enjoin you to identify with this noble venture. The ‘Bioscientist’ has made its debut on a platform of qualitative research papers.

Thank you once again.



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