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**Letter to University of Sydney's Academic Board regarding its scientists' academic fraud that is scheduled to misinform Australia's biggest diabetes conference (in Perth on Thursday)**

Dear Chair and members of the University of Sydney's Academic Board (and observers including journalists),  
<http://sydney.edu.au/secretariat/academic-board-committees/academic-board/membership.shtml>

I hope you all are well.

I wrote last week regarding recent research misconduct in the infamous *Australian Paradox* matter that is documented in a July 2017 Australian National University PhD thesis: <http://www.australianparadox.com/pdf/Letter-USyd-Misconduct-ANU-PhD.pdf>

Apart from the ridiculous new allegation that the University's 2014 research-integrity Inquiry went ahead because Vice-Chancellor Michael Spence was bribed (by me!) - "Jennie Brand-Miller felt let down by her university as they [sic] bent to money and influence from an outsider" - there remains the ongoing dishonesty of Professor Brand-Miller and Dr Barclay pretending their research involves merely "a couple of misprints" when in fact their *Australian Paradox* "finding" relies on fake data and a misinterpretation of up versus down, in their own published charts: <http://www.australianparadox.com/pdf/USyd-Misconduct-in-ANU-PhD.pdf>

I am writing today because over the weekend I became aware of that, on Thursday of this week, the Charles Perkins Centre's infamous *Australian Paradox* fraud is set to feature at a national diabetes conference in Perth. The conference is the Australian Diabetes Society and the Australian Diabetes Educators Association Annual Scientific Meeting 2017: <http://ads-adea-2017.p.asnevents.com.au/days/2017-08-31/abstract/43981> ; <http://www.ads-adea.org.au/2017-program/>

So, Australia's largest network of diabetes educators - involving thousands of health-care workers - is set to hear (based on fake data and misinterpreted statistics) that added sugar is not an important driver of either obesity or type 2 diabetes.

Members, my claim that the *Australian Paradox* scandal is "maybe the best-documented case of serious research fraud in Australian history" is not made lightly: <http://www.australianparadox.com/pdf/Big-5-year-update-Feb-2017.pdf>

I am currently in discussions with Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) managers about **the publication of a secret 15-page ABC investigation report** that further documents the seriousness of Professor Brand-Miller and Dr Barclay's research misconduct: <http://www.australianparadox.com/pdf/ABC-management-suppressing-proof-USyd-sci-fraud.pdf>

(Did I mention that this whole mess began with the lead author operating as the Guest Editor of the publishing journal? Credible quality control? [http://www.mdpi.com/journal/nutrients/special\\_issues/carbohydrates](http://www.mdpi.com/journal/nutrients/special_issues/carbohydrates) )

**In conclusion, the University of Sydney's infamous *Australian Paradox* paper is both an academic disgrace and a menace to public health.**

Formal retraction is the standard scientific approach to such papers: <http://retractionwatch.com/2016/12/05/retractions-holding-steady-650-fy2016/>

I again urge the Academic Board to oversee the formal retraction of the *Australian Paradox* paper.

Regards,  
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Here's me, Emma Alberici and ABC TV's *Lateline* on the University of Sydney's *Australian Paradox*: <http://www.abc.net.au/lateline/content/2015/s4442720.htm>

During National Diabetes Week, I wrote to the Department of Health about "The scandalous mistreatment of Australians with type 2 diabetes (T2D)": <http://www.australianparadox.com/pdf/Expanded-Letter-HealthDept-type2diabetes.pdf>

Want to stop trends in your family and friends towards obesity, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and various cancers? Stop eating and drinking sugar: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xDaYa0AB8TQ&feature=youtu.be>

Here's the diet advised by Dr Peter Brukner, recently the Australian cricket team's doctor: <http://www.peterbrukner.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/All-you-need-to-know-about-LCHF1.pdf> ; <http://www.abc.net.au/catalyst/lowcarb/>

A life in our times: Vale Alexander "Sandy" Robertson (1933-2015): <http://www.australianparadox.com/pdf/AlecRobertson-born2oct33.pdf>

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