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*Separating sense from nonsense  
Séparer le logique de l'illogique*

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**David N. Harpp will represent the Office of Science and Society at the CCUBC annual meeting in November to accept the CCUBC 2015 Science Promotion prize.**

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