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John Smith is a NZ medical registrar. Frederick Bloggs is an imaginary Australian dermatologist. The authors declare no conflict of interest.

**The best abstract ever written for the New Zealand Dermatological Society’s meeting**

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