

# The Ethics of Image-Making in Science

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If you have access to the magazine called Nature, you might find the following article worth reading:

Helen Pearson, CSI: cell biology, Nature Vol 434, p. 952-953 (2005).

The abstract of this paper:

"Digital photography and image-manipulation SW allow biologists to tweak their data as never before. But there's a fine line between acceptable enhancements and scientific misconduct."

I think it is time that also the people in charge of the Nikon Small World Competition employ some of the measures mentioned in this article. The danger of using Photoshop to extensively "tweak" an image is all around us.

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