Overcoming the Cult of Validation

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Characteristics of Cults

The group displays excessively zealous and unquestioning commitment to its leader and regards his belief system, ideology, and practices as the Truth.

True believers feel there is no other way to be, and often fear reprisals to themselves or others if they change their behaviors (“If you’re not with us, you’re against us”).

Members are expected to devote inordinate amounts of time to the group and group-related activities.

The group is elitist, claiming a special, exalted status for itself, its leader(s) and members.
ICCVAM Validation of a ER Trans Activation (reporter gene) assay for Endocrine Disruptor Testing (BG1 ER TA)

- **Nomination**
- **2004**
- **Protocol Development**
- **2005**
- **2006**
- **2007**
- **Testing**
- **2008**
- **2009**
- **2010**
- **2011**
- **Peer Review**
- **2012**

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It’s NOT just about the science!
Method Development → Validation → Regulatory Acceptance → Industry Adoption
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Start Here

Context of Use!
Thank you!

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