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**Cover Legend:** Frontispiece, *Hortus Cliffortianus*, Carolus Linnaeus and Georg Dionysius Ehret, Amsterdam, 1737. In 1735 George Clifford, governor of the Dutch East India Company, hired an up-and-coming botanist, Carolus Linnaeus (1707–1778) and an established botanical artist, Georg Ehret (1708–1770) to work on a project at his estate on the outskirts of Haarlem. The team was commissioned to classify and illustrate the vast collection of exotic plants in his garden and herbarium. The resulting treatise, *Hortus Cliffortianus*, was essentially a family album with extended implications. The publication put Linnaeus on the botanical map. It was a trial run for his binomial nomenclature system, long before the publication of *Species Plantarum* in 1753, which repeated verbatim many of the plant descriptions and labels. It also sealed a lifelong collaboration—Ehret produced the illustrations and charts for all Linnaean subsequent publications as well as his own independent scientific work. Both men were elected Fellows of the Royal Society, Linnaeus in 1755, Ehret in 1757. The allegorical frontispiece on our cover, by Dutch engraver Jan Wanderhaar (1690–1759), is a tribute to the spirit of the Enlightenment. The setting is Clifford’s garden: “Nature’s masterpiece, strengthened by Art,” wrote Linnaeus. At center stage, Mother Earth sits on a lion, a symbol of power. On her left is the god Apollo, with the face of Linnaeus, who casts the veil of darkness from her eyes, stamps on the dragon of ignorance and holds aloft the candle of Enlightenment. A bust of George Clifford (1685–1760) festooned with a garland of flowers brought by the goddess Ceres, is set on a pedestal inscribed *Hortus Cliffortianus*. Plants are brought as gifts by figures representing the Four Continents. On the right is a thriving banana tree (*Musa paradisiaca*), a mark of Linnaeus’ success in cultivating the first fruit-bearing specimen in Europe. Two putti in the foreground are deep in discussion as to the origin of the centigrade thermometer. Credit usually goes to Anders Celsius (1701–1744) but this was in dispute. In 1742 he proposed a scale from zero for boiling to 100 degrees for freezing while Linnaeus proposed the opposite and is the scale we use today. Conjecture has it that the letter “C” standing for centigrade was mistakenly attributed to Celsius. In this issue of *The FASEB Journal* the letter “C” is also well represented by the vitamin that restores healthy aging in a mouse model of progeria. Image courtesy MBL/WHOI Library, Woods Hole Massachusetts; text by Ann Weissmann, Exhibitions Curator.