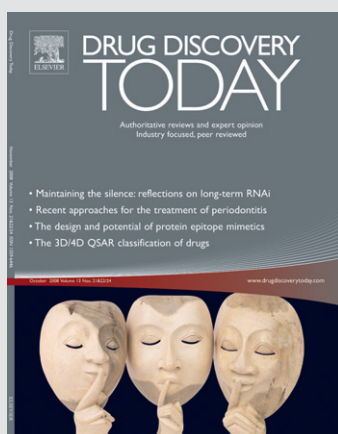




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The featured review in this issue of *Drug Discovery Today*, by Koen Raemdonck, Roosmarijn E. Vandenbroucke, Joseph Demeester and Niek N. Sanders and Stefaan C. De Smedt, discusses how, in the years since the demonstration of RNA interference (RNAi) in mammalian cells, a huge effort has been devoted to developing RNAi as a viable therapeutic platform. Since many of the targets that can be addressed with RNAi will of necessity require chronic administration, it is generally agreed that emphasis on the safe, long term application of drugs based around this approach will be necessary to achieve a return on a large inventive and financial investment.

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