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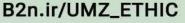


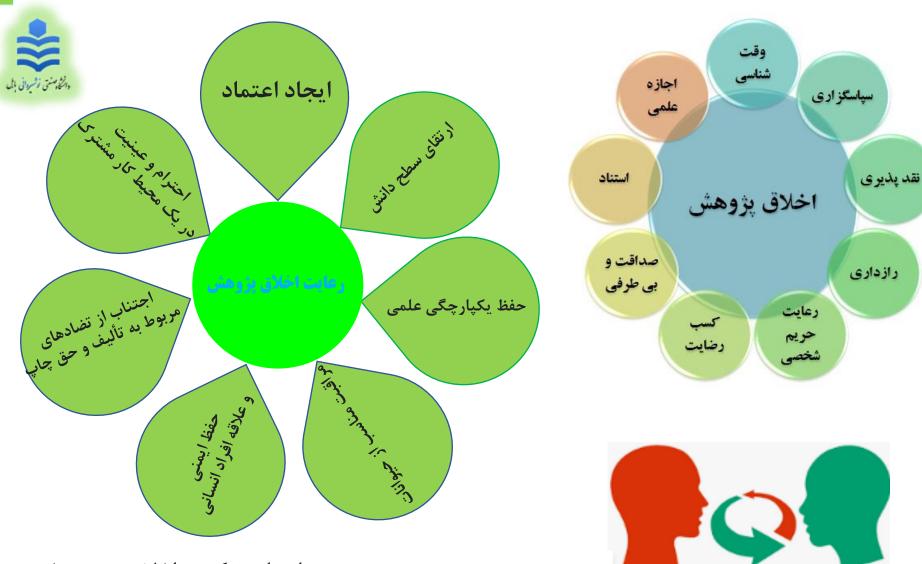
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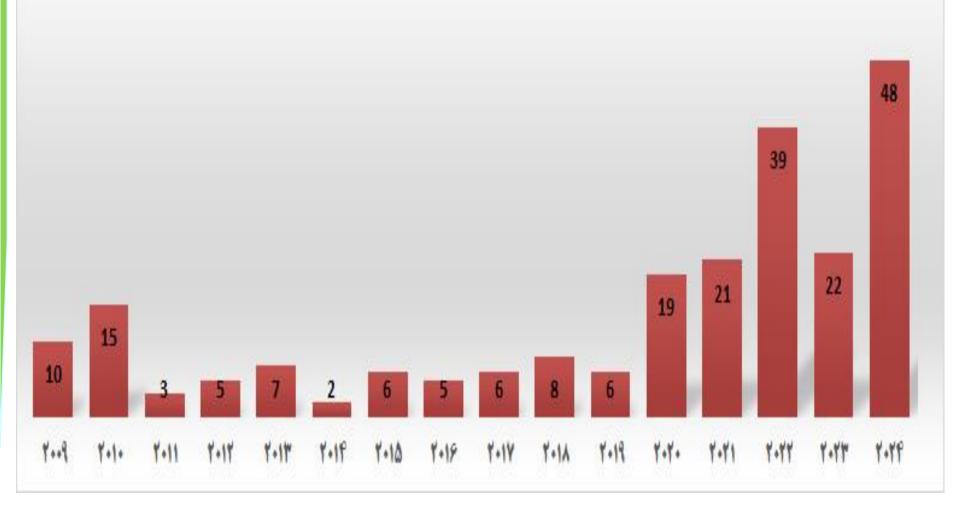
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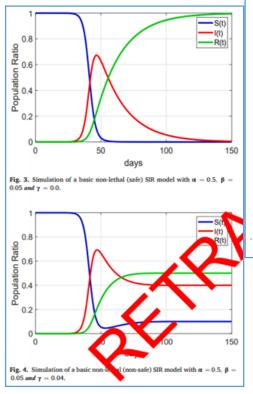
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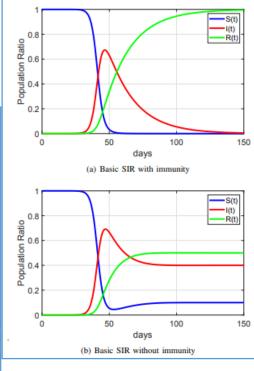
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appropriately cited.

The Editor of Operations Research Perspectives has retracted the publication based on evidence that the authors have plagiarized parts from another paper. The scientific community takes a very strong view on this matter and apologies are offered to readers of the journal

that this was not detected during the submission process.





The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article after concerns were raised about the data reported. Specifically, Figure 7 appears to have been duplicated from an online video published by Steffen Brier (Ref  $\underline{1}$ ).

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YouTube: https://www.youtube.com

It has come to our attention that there is substantial <u>duplication</u> of content between t<u>his article</u> and an earlier paper by t<u>he same authors</u>,

This amounts to an unacceptable level of self-plagiarism.

One of the conditions of submission of a paper for publication is that the authors declare explicitly that the paper has not previously been published and is not under consideration for publication elsewhere. Re-use of any data should be appropriately cited. As such this article represents a severe abuse of the scientific publishing system. The scientific community takes a very strong view on this matter and apologies are offered to readers of the journal that this was not detected during the submission process.

Since publication, significant concerns have been raised about the fact that this article has substantial overlap with the following article from the same authors.

The authors have not referenced or acknowledged this earlier work in the Mechanics of Advanced Materials and Structures article. Upon query, the author has not been able to provide a satisfactory explanation for this significant level of overlap. As this constitutes a serious breach of publishing ethics, we are retracting the article from the journal.

The authors have agreed to retract the article.

This article has been retracted: please see Elsevier Policy on Article Withdrawal (https://www.elsevier.com/locate/withdrawalpolicy ¬).

This article has been retracted at the request of Editor-in-Chief.

The journal was contacted by a concerned reader about an associated PubPeer post: PubPeer - Therapeutic effects of silver nanoparticle containing sulfas A...; reporting that the control and colitis graphs seems identical in the six articles published by the same group.

The author explained that they conducted the experiments of the 6 articles using the model of colitis, simultaneously and that they used the same control group for these experiments. The colitis model data were similar, but not identical.

After carefully reviewing the raw data provided by the author and all the experiments of the 6 articles, the editors believe that these experiments are very different and should not share the same control group. The explanation from the author did not solve their concerns. The editors have lost trust in the data and therefore decided to retract the article.

The Royal Society of Chemistry hereby wholly retracts this article due to unattributed text and data overlap with a article by different authors. 1

This carticle was cited as ref. 24 in the paper, however it was not made clear that the methods and the data in the supplementary information were taken from the previous publication.

When the authors were asked to provide the output files from the optimisations, the files provided were generated after publication and were not optimisations, instead were simple single point calculations of the energy, with the structures made by hand.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.
Following a complaint from a reader, an investigation determined that the article represents an instance of plagiarism of an earlier work:

The model used in the article is presented without appropriate attribution to the paper, which it clearly employs, and is instead put forward as being original.

Although the cooling strategies and cities selected to illustrate the model are different in the two papers, the paper very closely follows the format, content and methods of reporting data of the earlier paper; essentially repeating the previous study with different input data without appropriate attribution. This constitutes plagiarism.

The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article due to a <u>substantial overlap with an article by</u> two of the same authors that was <u>under submission at the same time</u> [1].

does not agree to this retraction.

did not respond to correspondence from the Editor about this retraction.

The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised regarding similarities between this article and the authors' other article [1] that was submitted and published within a similar time frame. Further checks by the Publisher have found a number of similarities between the articles, as well as within the figures presented in this article. Specifically:

The Editor in Chief has retracted this article because of substantial overlaps with a previously-published article by different authors [1] and an article by the corresponding author that was under submission at the same time [2]. Additionally, an investigation by the Publisher has found a number of articles, including this one, which share similar concerns, involving but not limited to, irregularities with respect to submission and authorship. I. M. R. Fattah and Karolos J. Kontoleon agree to this retraction.

did not respond to correspondence from the Editor about this retraction.

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This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.

Following concerns raised by an anonymous reader regarding possible overlap in Fig. 1 Control and Cuprizone + TGN020 GFAP panels, the journal conducted a thorough investigation. The corresponding author, submitted a corrected figure and requested a corrigendum. After careful examination and consultation with the board, the Editor-in-Chief determined that the revised figure did not satisfactorily address the concerns presented and a retraction is warranted.

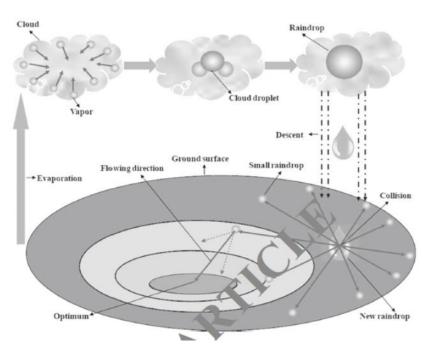
After publication of this Article, concerns were raised about overlap in text and data with a prior publication with no common authors. The Authors provided the raw data for the paper, but the subsequent analysis of this information identified discrepancies between the gel images provided and the data reported in the Article. The Editors therefore no longer have confidence in the reliability of the Article's findings or conclusions.

## □آیا می توان از تصاویر و داده ها استفاده مجدد کرد؟

The article duplicates significant parts of a paper e.g. Figs. 1 and 2 that had already appeared in J. Wat. Proc. Eng, appeared in J. Wat. Proc. Eng. One of the conditions of submission of a paper for publication is that authors declare explicitly that the paper has not been previously published and is not under consideration for publication elsewhere. Re-use of any data should be appropriately cited. As such this article represents a misuse of the scientific publishing system. The scientific community takes a very strong view on this matter and apologies are offered to readers of the journal that this was not detected during the submission process.

The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article because it contains material that <u>substantially</u> overlaps with previously published articles [1, 2]. None of the authors have responded to any correspondence from the editor/publisher about this retraction. The online version of this article contains the full text of the retracted article as Supplementary Information.

Fig. 2 The simplified diagram of the raindrop change process



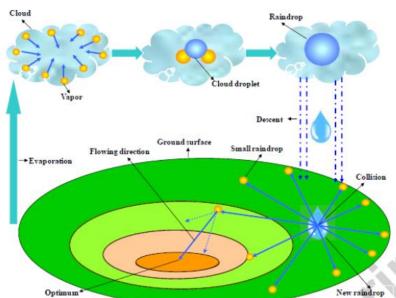


Figure 1: The scene graph of ARA [34].

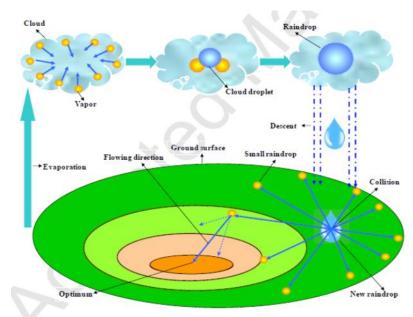


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The following article has been retracted from publication in the Taylor

Since the above article was published online, we have been made aware that an earlier version of this paper was published:

This action constitutes a breach of warranties made by the authors with respect to originality and of our policy on publishing ethics and integrity. We note that we received, peer-reviewed, accepted, and published the article in good faith based on these warranties, and censure this action.

The retracted article will remain online to maintain the scholarly record, but it will be digitally watermarked on each page as retracted.

(2004) (2002)

The Editor-in Chief has retracted this article because it has been published previously [1].

All authors agree with this retraction. 2023

(2020) (2020)

The Editors-in-Chief have retracted this article because it has been published previously

[1]. have not responded to

correspondence from the Publisher about this retraction. (2023)

This article [1] has been retracted by the Editor as it was published in error and has already been published elsewhere [2]. After the peer review process, the authors uploaded the wrong manuscript in error. Due to an oversight, the manuscript was subsequently accepted and published. The authors, Editor and Central apologise to all involved.

This article has been withdrawn due to a publisher error that caused the article to be duplicated. The definitive version of this article is published under DOI

The journal *Energies* retracts the article "Investigation and Evaluation of the Hybrid System of Energy Storage for Renewable Energies" [1] cited above. Following publication, concerns were brought to the attention of the publisher regarding overlap with a previously published manuscript [2] with a different authorship group and published in another language. Adhering to our complaint procedure, an investigation was conducted by the Editorial Office, members of the Editorial Board, and the Editor-in-Chief that confirmed a significant overlap. This article [1] is therefore retracted.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief and authors.

The results published in the article were translated from another work without permissions:

Design and Synthesis of the Cascant square radiation Pattern in Microstrip Array Antenna using Genetic Algorithm Optimization Method. Journal of Radar 2017 The authors apologise for these serious errors.

The Editors–in–Chief have retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised regarding the statistical results being based on low sample numbers. The authors have provided the raw data to address these concerns. The publisher has checked the raw data and found that, contrary to the statement in the Materials and methods, the majority of the results represent data from only two independent experiments. In addition, some of the statements in the Results section report "p < 0.05" without supporting statistical analysis in the data files. Finally, a number of the western blot bands presented in Fig. 5 are cropped closely in a manner that may misrepresent the actual sizes and shapes of these bands compared to the original full gel images.

The Editor has retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised regarding the images presented in Fig. 9. Specifically:

Fig. 9a and b appear to share some highly similar features (rotated 180 degrees);

Fig. 9a appears to contain duplicated features within the image.

The authors have stated that the images in Fig. 9a and b originated from the same sample before and after treatment; however, further checks by the publisher could not validate this statement.

The Royal Society of Chemistry hereby wholly retracts this RSC Advances article due to concerns with the reliability of the data. The Editor has been contacted by Linköping University, Sweden regarding an investigation by the National Board for Assessment of Research Misconduct (NPOF) which has concluded that this RSC Advances article contains fabricated XRD data in Fig 2 and 13b.

The Editors-in-Chief have retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised regarding highly similar areas in Fig. 2 MI/R + SIM. The authors have provided the underlying raw data to address these concerns; however, further checks by the Publisher have revealed that a number of areas in the published images in Fig. 2 are different from those in the original images. Additionally, the bar graphs in Figs. 1, 3 and 4 do not accurately represent the data.

This article has been retracted at the request of Editor-in-Chief.

The editors were alerted by anonymous readers to issues regarding image anomalies in the paper above that inspired discussions on Pubpeer:

. The editors contacted the corresponding authors to request raw data and explanation. The corresponding author replied that the similarities among the images are likely due to the dust on the screen or flash of the device, and copyand-paste error of the names (control of HT-29 and control on Day 3 of the SW480 cells). The editors have carefully examined images alleged to be manipulated (Figs. 2G and 3D) and determined that they no longer have confidence in the reliability of these data. Therefore, the editors decide to retract the article.

The Editor in Chief received a complaint from a reader who detailed potential figure manipulation in this paper. Specifically, the reader suggested that in Fig.12:

- i. "exactly the same tissue fragment is shown in panels **f**, **g**, **i**, **j**, **k**, **q**, **r**, and **w** (8 times) representing 4 different groups of animals";
- ii. "panels s and u contain the same fragment of the same hippocampus;
- iii. "panels  ${f e}$  and  ${f v}$  contain the same fragment of the same hippocampus;
- iv. panels **n** and **o** "contain the same fragment of the brain" and that "one of the pictures (**n**) is visible altered/distorted"

The Editor in Chief attempted several times during the course of more than one year to reach the authors regarding these allegations and other concerns about the manuscript content. Multiple emails to different email addresses either went unanswered or were undeliverable. Attempts were also made to contact the <a href="Director of the University concerned">Director of the University concerned</a>. without response. During this time period a second complaint was received.

When authors received the journal's notice of intent to retract from the Publisher, several of them replied and stated they had never received the earlier emails.

Authors suggested that errors had been introduced to their figures during the uploading process. They sent new images and asked that the paper be revised using those images. However this did not resolve the Editor in Chief's ongoing concerns regarding the images that underlie key findings, and in keeping with

There are repeating fragments in the XRD data in Fig. S4A and B, indicating that the data has been manipulated. There also appear to be gaps in the data in Fig. S4A, particularly in the 6–18 degrees  $2\theta$  range.

The authors are not able to provide their original data.

COPE guidelines, the Editor in Chief decided to retract the paper.

Given the significance of these concerns, the findings presented in this paper are no longer reliable.

The authors were informed about the retraction of the article but have not responded.

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The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised regarding irregularities in the data and p-values presented in the Tables.

The authors have stated that they made errors reporting the p-values in Tables 1 and 2 and provided the full raw data for validation. However, due to the number of errors in the data and p-value reporting, the Editor-in-Chief therefore no longer has confidence in the presented data.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.
Several data points reported in these papers appeared nearly identical, and the p-values appeared as likely incorrect.

The journal launched an investigation to verify the concerns. An expert statistician, who is familiar with human clinical trials, reanalyzed the reported data and raised serious concerns about the sample sizes, calculation of p-values, lack of confidence intervals, appropriateness of the methods used for statistical analyses, and randomization.

The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised regarding the reliability of the reported data, which the authors addressed by a Correction [1]. However, further issues were subsequently identified with the authors potentially reporting mean differences as standardized mean differences. Post-publication peer review has concluded that the authors' methodology contains technical and statistical errors, which undermine the conclusions of the article.

Since publication, an error was detected in the description of AME and its <u>calculation</u>. As this error directly impacts the reported results and conclusions, the Editor, authors and Publisher have all agreed to retract the article to ensure correction of the scholarly record.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.

After a thorough investigation, the Editor has concluded that the given results in this article are inaccurate due to mistakes in the simulation models. In addition, 3 co-authors were added to the paper during the review and revision process, in contravention of the journal policies on authorship changes.

The Editor in Chief has retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised regarding the unusual EDS pattern in Fig. 6. Post-publication review confirmed the concern. The authors were asked to present raw data but did not respond to the request. (Additionally, a concern was raised regarding the contributions of each co-author. The authors did not provide a detailed explanation of the role each co-author played in preparation of this paper). The Editor, therefore, has lost confidence in the integrity of the findings of this article. Authors have not responded to any correspondence from the editor about this retraction.

The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised around several issues with the paper. Specifically, the process which the authors name 'discharge' takes place outside the region of solution stability, under highly oxidative conditions. At the same time, 'discharge' is mistakenly presented as a cathodic (reductive) process, in contradiction with discharge definition for hydrogen storage materials. The reported capacity value is unrealistic for assignment to either H absorption, or H adsorption. The results of this paper are therefore unreliable. The authors agree with this retraction but not with the retraction wording.

The Editors-in-Chief have retracted this article because of several irregularities in the images presented in it. Specifically:

- · Fig. 4 does not accurately show the amount of transfection.
- · In Fig. 4, only the images of cells transfected with pCMV6/Melittin are seen.
- In Fig. 5, Part C, the concentration is incorrectly written as (%).
- In Fig. 7A and B, there are errors related to the irregularity of the flow cytometry images, the lack of clarity of the images, and the lack of clarity of the numbers in each of the flow cytometry quadrants.
- Fig. 4 B (9 h and 18 h of row 1) overlaps with Fig. 4 (a-SA 8 h and c) of (
- Fig. 5-G pectin and pCMV6/Melittin/pectin seem to be identical.

Therefore, the Editors-in-Chief no longer have confidence in the results presented in this article.

None of the authors have responded to any correspondence from the Editor about this retraction.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.

An investigation conducted on behalf of the journal by Elsevier's Research Integrity & Publishing Ethics team found phrases that make some passages in the article difficult to parse. The authors were requested to explain the use of these passages of text but were unable to do so. The Editor has lost confidence in the findings of the article and has determined that it should be retracted.

The authors have retracted this article because it incorrectly reports the results of several studies included in their review. This impacts the overall results of their meta-analysis. The authors have been offered the opportunity to re-analyse their findings and to submit an updated version to the journal, which will be subjected to robust peer review.

All authors agree with this retraction.

This article has been retracted at the request of the authors. The authors have raised a number of errors in the model and assumptions, which fundamentally undermine the reliability and validity of the presented results. The most critical problems identified are:

- The calculations presented for P2G Efficiency are flawed, undermining the validity of the results.
- The system model is based on an overestimated peak load, which makes the results unreliable.
- Omission of Continuity in P2G Hydrogen Gas Levels: this oversight is a significant gap in the analysis, rendering the conclusions incomplete.

The Editors were in agreement with the authors that such errors justify a retraction of the article.

The Editors-in-Chief have retracted the article due to significant concerns regarding the authors statistical analyses. Specifically, regarding the Exploratory Factor Analysis (EFA), the number of significant common factors appear to have been incorrectly identified, and the factor loadings and communalities appear to have been incorrectly estimated. Furthermore, the study uses metrics (CR, AVE, ASV, MSV) typically associated with Confirmatory Factor Analysis (CFA) to assess convergent validity, divergent validity, and construct reliability. However, the analysis method employed is solely Exploratory Factor Analysis (EFA). Although the authors claim these metrics stem from a CFA analysis, the study design only uses EFA. For this reason, the Editors-in-Chief have lost confidence in the validity of the reported results.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.

The manuscript has a concern raised on PubPeer > about the theoretical basis of the paper, since it is argued that by definition 1°C discharge rate means complete discharge in 3600s, 2°C in 1800s and so on, whereas the authors present results for up to 14,000s. The authors replied that the 14,000s were achieved by considering continuous charge/discharge until PCM is melted, which is not stated anywhere in the paper. Moreover, in these figures the case with more PCM stores less energy (since it takes shorter time to melt) than that with less PCM, which is not scientifically possible.

Moreover, the heat generation equation for the battery used in the paper is not taken from the cited reference 53 (which also refers to a different battery chemistry than that used in this paper). The equation the authors used is however correct and commonly used in the literature but requires the knowledge of the SOC-OCV curves of the battery, which are similarly not reported in the paper.

The authors failed to provide a satisfactory explanation to the points raised.

The Editor has also concluded that the acceptance of this article was based upon the positive advice of reviewer reports from reviewers who were closely linked to the Guest Editors and and both of whom also benefit from citations in the article.

### □به حداقل رساندن خطا در مقالات؟

The above article, published online on has been retracted by agreement between the journal Editor-in-Chief has been agreed upon following an investigation into concerns raised by a third party. The investigation revealed that Figure 1B, which shows the characterization of prepared HM-PULL-tetracycline, is described throughout the article as XRD data, even though the data presented is actually EDX spectra. Furthermore, the spectra in Figure 1B contains unexpected, repeated segments. The authors provided some raw data and an explanation; however, the data did not correspond to the figure in the published article and the explanation was not satisfactory. The editors consider the results and conclusions of this article to be compromised. The authors disagree with the reasons cited for the retraction.

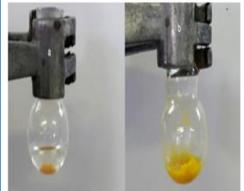


Figure 1: (a) Homogeneous mixture during the reaction, (b) at the end of the reaction; the product has precipitated.

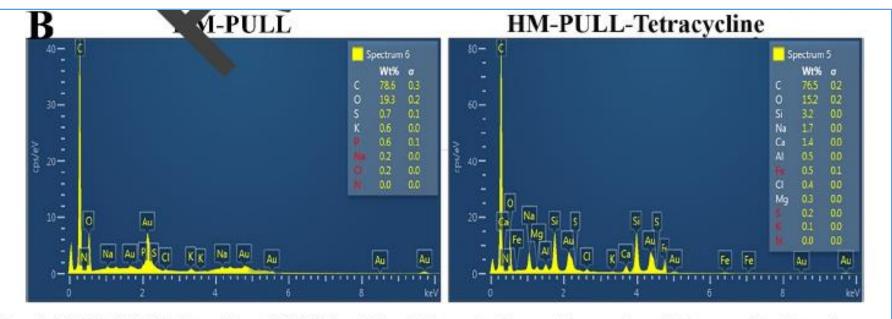


Figure 1. A) FeSEM of HM-PULL-Tetracycline and HM-PULL formulations. The larger size of nanoparticles was observed in the encapsulated tetracycline formulation. B) The XRD pattern of HM-PULL-Tetracycline formulations.

We, the Editor and Publisher of are retracting the following articles on the grounds of redundant publication:

We are now cognizant that the authors have reused and republished correct from the aforementioned

articles in without adequate acknowledgement.

We have also ascertained that the aforementioned manuscripts were self-reviewed by the authors.

These actions constitute a breach of warranties made by the actions prior to publication. We note we published these articles in good faith based on these warranties, and censure these actions. The retracted articles will remain online to maintain the scholarly record, but they will be digitally watermarked on each page as RETRACTED.

The Editors-in-Chief have retracted this article because it shows evidence of peer review manipulation and authorship manipulation. Additionally, the article shows significant overlap with [1, 2].

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This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief. Post publication, the editors discovered suspicious changes in authorship between the <u>original submission</u> and the <u>revised version</u> of this paper. The extreme authorship changes did not correspond with the changes between the original and the revised versions.

In addition, the changes were made without explanation and without the exceptional approval by the handling Editor, which is contrary to the journal policy on changes to authorship. The editor investigated further, and the explanation provided by the corresponding author was deemed unsatisfactory.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.

Post publication, the editors discovered suspicious changes in authorship between the original submission and the revised version, in which two (2) authors were removed from the paper and four (4) new authors (

new first author.

The editor investigated further and found that the explanation provided by the authors was deemed unsatisfactory. The editor therefore feels that the findings of the manuscript cannot be relied upon and that the article needs to be retracted.

The paper exhibits evidence of authorship manipulation. Seven co-authors were added to the paper during the review and revision process, in contravention of the journal policies on authorship changes. One of these has indicated to the Editor-in-Chief that they were entirely unaware of having been listed as a co-author [this author does not appear in the published version of the paper having indicated to the publisher that they were not a co-author in advance of publication].

تغییر در مقاله در فرایند بازنگری (به ویژه نویسندگان)

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief. In investigating concerns brought up regarding inappropriate citations within the article, the editor reached out to the authors for an explanation. Post-publication, the editor also discovered suspicious changes in authorship. between the original submission and the <u>revised version</u> of this paper. In summary, two authors were removed from the paper (including the original First Author). Subsequently, the author's names (New First Author) and Corresponding Author), and (New Corresponding Author) were all added to the revised paper without explanation and without the exceptional approval by the journal Editor, which is contrary to the journal policy on changes to authorship.

Authorship changes were made during the revision of this paper without validation or authorisation by the editor of the journal as stated in the journal policy. When it has, and the policy, and the original submission and were removed during the revision process. That has a great and the policies on authors during the revision process. This breached the journal's policies on authorship.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.

Post publication, the editors discovered suspicious changes in authorship between the original submission, which was single authored ( ), and the revised version, in which new author names ( ), were added. The editor investigated further, and found that the new authors' publications and training were not in the areas of the article.

The explanation provided by the authors was deemed unsatisfactory. The editor therefore feels that the findings of the manuscript cannot be relied upon and that the article needs to be retracted.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.

In investigating concerns brought up regarding the citations (and authorships within the article, the editor reached out to the authors for an explanation).

Journal records indicated that the paper was submitted to the Journal by the last author only, while the remained author names were added at the revision stage without the exceptional approval of the handling Editor. None of the Authors Have Responded to the Editor's Queries.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor.

Post-publication, an investigation conducted on behalf of the journal by Elsevier's Research Integrity & Publishing Ethics team discovered substantial changes in authorship during the submission process of this paper. During revision, and were added to the author list without adequate explanation. The Editor does not have confidence that all of the stated authors of the article qualify for authorship and has therefore lost confidence in the validity/integrity of the article and made the decision to retract.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.

Following an anonymous complaint, it was found post publication that 35 citations were included which have no substantial relevance to the article. Further inquiry revealed that these citations were not requested by the handling Editors and reviewers, and that most of these citations were added during the final part of the revision process without notifying the Editor and reviewers.

Apologies are offered to the readers of the journal that this was not detected before the publication of the article.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor in Chief.

After a thorough investigation, the Editor in Chief has concluded that this article must be retracted due to serious errors, such as including 24 inappropriate references, a duplication of Figure 13 from Figure 14 and changes of authorship without the approval of the Editor in Chief.

The Editor-in-Chief and the publisher have retracted this article. An investigation by the publisher found a number of articles, including this one, with a number of concerns, including but not limited to peer review concerns. Additionally, significant overlap was detected with [1, 2]. References 6–65 (out of 65) are self-citations.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor.

Post-publication, an investigation conducted by Elsevier's Research Integrity & Publishing Ethics team on behalf of the journal identified references that are irrelevant to the article. The authors were asked to comment upon the presence of these references in their work but did not respond. Additionally, the Ethics team found phrases that make some passages in the article difficult to parse. The authors were requested to explain the use of these passages of text but, again, did not respond. Consequently, the Editor no longer has confidence in the integrity and the findings of the article and has determined that it should be retracted.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor.

Post-publication, an investigation conducted by Elsevier's Research Integrity & Publishing Ethics team on behalf of the journal identified references that are irrelevant to the article. The authors were asked to comment upon the presence of these references in their work but were unable to satisfactorily address the reason for the references. Consequently, the Editor no longer has confidence in the integrity and the findings of the article and has decided to retract it. The scientific community takes a very strong view on this matter and apologies are offered to readers of the journal that this was not detected during the submission process.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor in Chief: please see Elsevier's policy on article withdrawal

The authors have plagiarized the unpublished thesis of the conditions of submission of a paper for publication is that authors declare explicitly that their work is original and has not appeared in a publication elsewhere. Re-use of any data should be appropriately cited. As such this article represents a severe abuse of the scientific publishing system. The scientific community takes a very strong view on this matter and apologies are offered to readers of the journal that this was not detected during the submission process.

This article has been retracted at the request of Editor in Chief.

An allegation of plagiarism of the subject paper was made by one co-author of the paper ( ; this allegation was brought to the attention of editors by Sage (publisher of editors).

Independent investigation of this allegation by both Elsevier editors and Sage identified the source of the study to be a 2015 MSc thesis authored by Amir Azizi and supervised by Saeid Hesami. Azizi and Hesami are co-authors of the paper. This is confirmed by the same photograph of the test set-up and use of the same – somewhat atypical – selection of graph axis limits appearing in both the Azizi thesis and the paper. The Elsevier investigation concluded that the paper, had in fact, plagiarised the 2015 MSc thesis and therefore must be retracted.

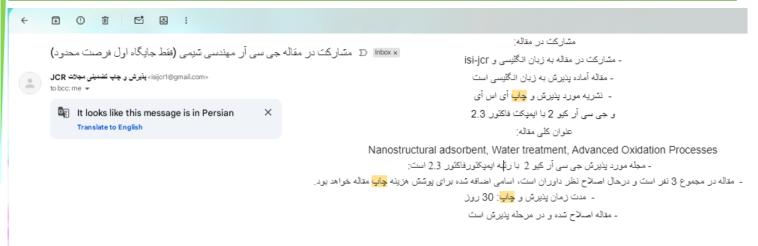
All authors of the paper have been contacted; while all responded, none produced credible evidence that the source of the data was not the Azizi thesis.

The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article. An investigation by the Publisher found evidence to suggest that authorship for this article was offered for sale before the article was submitted to the journal. The authors did not state explicitly whether they agree to this retraction.

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The Editors in Chief have retracted this article. An investigation by the publisher found evidence to suggest that authorship for this article was offered for sale before the article was submitted to the journal. Therefore the Editors-in-Chief have lost confidence in the integrity of this article. The has stated on behalf of all the authors that none of the authors agree to this retraction.

The Editors in Chief have retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised about an overlap with a previously-published article by different authors [1]. Additionally, an investigation by the publisher found evidence that authorship was offered for sale before the article was submitted to the journal. disagree to this retraction. did not respond to any correspondence from the Editor about this retraction.



The Editors-in-Chief have retracted this article because it shows evidence of peer review manipulation and authorship manipulation. The has stated that they were unaware of the submission and publication of this article.

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The editors and the publisher have decided to retract this article due to the following reasons:

Firstly, according to information received by some authors, the article contains incorrect information that has not been possible to correct by agreement of all authors. This raises questions regarding the integrity of the information included in the published paper. Secondly, it remains unclear who should have authorship on this work and whether all people involved are in agreement with the author names that appear on the paper.

And lastly, issues were reported to the journal regarding the accuracy of the ethical approval number that was included in the original submission.

A correction note regarding these issues was drafted but then again not approved by all authors. The major disagreements that remain among the authors about the information included in the paper as it was published raise questions about the accuracy of this critical information.

The Editor in Chief has retracted this article. After publication, concerns were raised regarding the unusual EDS pattern in Fig. 6. Post-publication review confirmed the concern. The authors were asked to present raw data but did not respond to the request. (Additionally, a concern was raised regarding the contributions of each co-author. The authors did not provide a detailed explanation of the role each co-author played in preparation of this paper). The Editor, therefore, has lost confidence in the integrity of the findings of this article. Authors have not responded to any correspondence from the editor about this retraction.

This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief.

In investigating concerns > brought up regarding the author contributions of the article, the editor reached out to the authors for an explanation.

The authors were unable to provide an explanation for any of the issues raised. The editor therefore feels that the findings of the manuscript cannot be relied upon and that the article needs to be retracted.

#### Author Contributions

A.S. conceived the research and performed experiments with input from G.A.M. A.S. wrote the manuscript with input from G.A.M.

The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article because the authors did not seek ethics approval for the use of human blood samples. Edit the disagree with this retraction. The publisher was not able to confirm current contact details for the remaining authors.

The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article. After publication concerns arose regarding the authorship of this article. Contrary to the data availability statement, the authors have not provided the underlying data on the editor's request. Additionally, the authors have not been able to provide documentation that ethical approval was obtained prior to commencing this study. The ethics approval number as stated in this article appears to be identical to an ethics approval number in a previously published article by some of the same authors [1]. The Editor-in-Chief therefore no longer has confidence in the reliability of the data reported in the article. The authors did not explicitly state whether they agree to this retraction.

A reader alerted the Editors that this paper was published without an adequate ethics statement. The authors have been unable to provide acceptable evidence of appropriate ethical approval and oversight at the time, and so the Editors-in-Chief have decided to retract the paper. The authors did not comment on the decision to retract this paper.

The journal apologises to readers that the lack of a statement on ethical approval or participant consent was not detected during the submission or review process.

The Editor in Chief has retracted this article after concerns were raised about noise patterns in Fig. 1 that appears to contain multiple partial overlaps. Additionally, the article mentions a blood sample collected from a human, but the authors did not provide an explanation of how this blood was collected and did not provide evidence that ethics approval had been obtained before the commencement of the study.

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Manuscript , published as research performed at another Institution and was published without the knowledge or consent of the research supervisor at that Institution. Therefore, the paper is being withdrawn.

<This article has been retracted at the request of the Persian Gulf University, Bushehr and approved by the Editors-in-Chief.

Concern has been raised by the land about the ownership and the reliability of the experimental data which were reportedly provided by the first author of the article. The author's explanation did not satisfactorily address the Editors' concerns. The Editors therefore feel that the findings of the manuscript cannot be relied upon and that the article needs to be retracted>

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The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article. Concerns were raised regarding figure 3A. Panels a and b appear to partially overlap despite representing two different materials. The authors have either not responded to queries about this concern or could not be contacted. The Editor-in-Chief therefore no longer has confidence in the results and conclusions of this article.

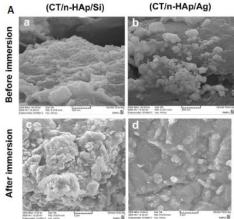
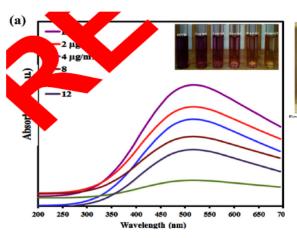


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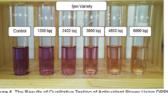
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This article has been retracted at the request of the Editor-in-Chief due to image and data integrity concerns.

Notably the inset photograph in Fig. 7a was found to come from and on requesting the original photograph another manipulated image was provided. Additionally, the top two curves in Fig. 5 do not correspond to the raw data provided by the authors. Our apologies are offered to readers that these issues were not detected during peer review.







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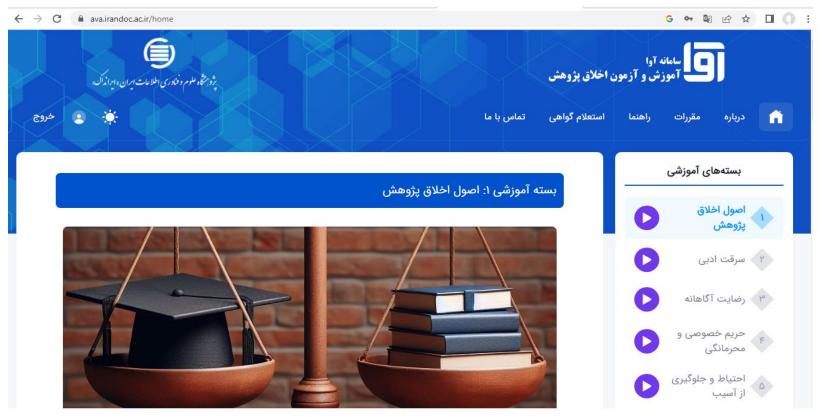
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