

ARTICLE WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURE

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1. Unreliable conclusions based on clear evidence of misconduct (e.g., fraudulent use of data) or “honest” error (e.g., miscalculation or experimental error).
2. Redundancy, e.g., conclusions that have previously been published elsewhere without appropriate cross-references, permission, or justification.
3. Plagiarism or other unethical research misconduct.

Retraction Procedure

A retraction should occur after the journal’s editorial board has carefully considered the appeals received from the editor(s), author(s), or reader(s). (For more details on the procedure for considering appeals, see the item “Procedure for considering complaints about violations of ethical norms” (item in the Editorial Policy section).

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- the conclusions are unreliable or made on the basis of a significant error (for example, a miscalculation or experimental error), or as a result of falsification (for example, image manipulation);
- the text contains plagiarism;
- the conclusions were previously published elsewhere without proper reference to previous sources or disclosure of information to the editor, permission for re-publication or justification (i.e., there is a case of duplication of publications);
- the text contains materials or data without obtaining proper permission for use;
- copyright has been violated or another significant violation of rights has been identified (for example, defamation, violation of confidentiality, etc.);
- the research is unethical;
- the publication took place solely on the basis of a compromised or manipulated review process;
- the author(s) did not provide the editorial office with information about a significant conflict of interest that, in the opinion of the editor-in-chief, could have significantly influenced the evaluation of the work or the recommendations of the editors and reviewers.

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- misconduct by the authors during research or publication;
- unreliability of the authors' conclusions, but the institution or organization with which the authors are affiliated does not plan to investigate the matter or does not have an appropriate, properly established procedure for doing so;
- consideration of a complaint about a violation of academic integrity is ongoing, but there are reasonable grounds to believe that a decision will not be made for a long time.