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## Retraction: One-pot synthesis of glycidol from glycerol and dimethyl carbonate over a highly efficient and easily available solid catalyst $\text{NaAlO}_2$

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We, the named authors, hereby wholly retract this *Green Chemistry* article. In this article, we report the development of a one-pot synthesis of glycidol from glycerol and dimethyl carbonate using a sodium aluminate catalyst. Further investigation by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR has revealed that upon analysis of the product by gas chromatography, glycidol was formed due to decomposition of glycerol carbonate at high temperature. As such the catalyst converts glycerol selectively to glycerol carbonate, and not glycidol.

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