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Expression of concern: Controlled synthesis of pentachlorophenol-imprinted polymers on the surface of magnetic graphene oxide for highly selective adsorption

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Expression of concern for 'Controlled synthesis of pentachlorophenol-imprinted polymers on the surface of magnetic graphene oxide for highly selective adsorption' by Sheng-Dong Pan *et al.*, *J. Mater. Chem. A*, 2014, 2, 15345–15356.

The following article 'Controlled synthesis of pentachlorophenol-imprinted polymers on the surface of magnetic graphene oxide for highly selective adsorption' by Sheng-Dong Pan^{ab}, Hao-Yu Shen^c, Li-Xin Zhou^d, Xiao-Hong Chen^{ab}, Yong-Gang Zhao^{ab}, Mei-Qiang Cai^e and Mi-Cong Jin^{*ab} has been published in *Journal of Materials Chemistry A*. The article reports the synthesis of a magnetic graphene oxide sheet embedded with core–shell molecularly imprinted polymer microspheres *via* a reflux-precipitation polymerization and surface imprinting technique.

Journal of Materials Chemistry A is publishing this expression of concern in order to alert our readers that we are presently unable to confirm the accuracy of the image presented in Fig. 1f of this *Journal of Materials Chemistry A* paper.

We have contacted the Ningbo Municipal Center for Disease Control and Prevention to request an investigation into the validity of the published figures and this notice will be updated when a conclusive outcome is reached.

An expression of concern will continue to be associated with the article until a conclusive outcome is reached.

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