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Retraction: An efficient one pot three-component synthesis of 2,4,6-triarylpyridines using triflimide as a metal-free catalyst under solvent-free conditions

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Retraction of 'An efficient one pot three-component synthesis of 2,4,6-triarylpyridines using triflimide as a metal-free catalyst under solvent-free conditions' by Hongshe Wang *et al.*, *RSC Adv.*, 2019, **9**, 5158–5163, DOI: 10.1039/C9RA00653B.

The Royal Society of Chemistry hereby wholly retracts this *RSC Advances* article. The NMR spectra for compounds **3a–3k** and **3s–3u** in the ESI have been reproduced without permission from a *Tetrahedron Letters* paper by Fei Ling *et al.*¹ The authors stated that as their 2,4,6-triarylpyridines products are known, they only characterised three of their compounds using ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR, which were identical to those reported in the literature. Therefore, the authors do not have full characterisation data for their published paper.

Hongshe Wang opposes the retraction. Weixing Zhao, Juan Du, Fenyen Wei, Qi Chen and Xiaomei Wang were contacted but did not respond.

Signed: Laura Fisher, Executive Editor, *RSC Advances*

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