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Retraction: Sonochemical synthesis of poly(methyl methacrylate) core–surfactin shell nanoparticles for recyclable removal of heavy metal ions and its cytotoxicity

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Retraction of 'Sonochemical synthesis of poly(methyl methacrylate) core–surfactin shell nanoparticles for recyclable removal of heavy metal ions and its cytotoxicity' by Debasree Kundu *et al.*, *RSC Adv.*, 2014, 4, 24991–25004.

We, the named authors, hereby wholly retract this *RSC Advances* article (*RSC Adv.*, 2014, 4, 24991–25004) in order to maintain the accuracy of the scientific record. Upon repetition of the synthesis procedure, characterisation and subsequent heavy metal absorption studies, we found that the material used in the original study was not reproducible. We, the authors, apologise for any inconvenience caused due to this inadvertent error.

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