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Dear readers,

Dear colleagues from the scientific community,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Through this letter I address all members of the academic community to inform on the fact of establishing gross non-compliance with the ethical standards for publication of research articles by finding plagiarism on the part of Ms. Sarah Cha (registered on the website of our journal as a PhD student from University of Leeds, UK, with email: sarlize1498@hotmail.com).

She was accused of openly plagiarizing two manuscripts sent for discussion to the international journal Food Science and Applied Biotechnology. They reproduce foreign works in full (word for word) without the expressed permission of the authors.

These manuscripts are:

"AN IN VITRO APPROACH INVESTIGATING THE GUT MICROBIAL METABOLITE DIFFERENCES AFTER USING PROBIOTICS AND PREBIOTICS" and

"NEUROCOGNITIVE EFFECTS OF CURCUMIN IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE".

It was found that research articles with the same title and complete content matching, including the results presented in the tables and figures, had been published in the Annals of Biological Research, 2021, Volume 12, Book 2, pp. 7 - 13 and 14 - 21 by other authors - Mr. PARKER and Mr. MILLER from the Department of Biomedical Sciences, Nutrition and Food Science at the University of Reading, United Kingdom.

We strongly condemn this categorically unacceptable act of plagiarism and copyright infringement!

Naturally, these two manuscripts were rejected but we considered it our duty, with a letter of July 9, 2021, to inform the Dean's Office of the Faculty of Medicine and Health at the University of Leeds as well as the general scientific community about this unacceptable breach of the ethical standards in the publication process.

Ms. Sarah Cha has been blacklisted and in the future her manuscripts will not be allowed to be discussed and published in the journal Food Science and Applied Biotechnology.

Regards,

Prof. Stefan Dragoev, DSc,

Editor-in-Chief of the International Journal Food Science and Applied Biotechnology

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