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Ms. Stella Dorothy Sr. Publication Manager Lifescience Global Canada, Inc.

Dear Stella Dorothy

Subject: Retraction of the article

Research misconduct was suspected in an article authored by Dr. Toshihiro Horiguchi, Chief of the Department of Public Mental Health Research, National Institute of Mental Health, National Center of Neurology and Psychiatry (NCNP), and submitted to your journal, Horiguchi T and Uchiyama T, et al., Opinions on Qualifications of Surveyors of Care for Children with Disabilities in Japan, 2021, 9:82-89. The Research Code Committee of NCNP investigated under Regulations for the Prevention of Research Misconduct.

As a result, the following research irregularities were confirmed.

- The research conducted by another researcher was described without obtaining permission or proper citation. (Specific Research Misconduct)
- He did not provide appropriate citations and used content he had written himself. (Self-plagiarism)
- People who did not write the article were registered as co-authors without permission. (Inappropriate Authorship)

We have determined that the article should be retracted based on the above. We request that you proceed with the article retraction process.

We apologize that a researcher affiliated with NCNP committed research misconduct, which resulted in the need to withdraw the article you published in your journal.

Sincerely

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