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SATTAR S, SOOMRO B. EFFICACY OF MEMANTINE AS A PREVENTIVE AND THERAPEUTIC INTERVENTION FOR MIGRAINE AND TENSION TYPE HEADACHE. PAK J NEUROL SCI. 2015;10(4):14-17

The Editorial Board of the Pakistan Journal of Neurological Sciences (PJNS) hereby retracts the above-mentioned article.

This action follows an internal inquiry initiated after a reader's concern and subsequent written correspondence with the authors. The investigation confirmed multiple serious breaches of publication ethics, including:

- 1. Duplicate publication:**
The dataset, demographic characteristics, outcome measures, and statistical results were identical to those previously published in PJNS, Vol. 10, Issue 2 (Apr–Jun 2015) under a different authorship.
- 2. Plagiarism:**
Significant portions of the abstract, methodology, results, and discussion were reproduced verbatim or with minimal changes from the earlier publication without citation or disclosure.
- 3. Authorship irregularities:**
Three authors from the original publication were omitted and a new author was added without justification, constituting inappropriate authorship attribution.
- 4. Misrepresentation of study setting:**
The study site description differed from that reported in the earlier publication despite the dataset being the same, indicating inaccurate reporting of research context.

These findings reflect substantial violations of the ethical principles outlined by the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE). After being notified, both authors agreed with the retraction.

In order to maintain the integrity of the scholarly record, the journal is formally retracting this article. The Editorial Board recognizes that this article should not have passed the editorial process and acknowledges this lapse in the editorial review process at that time.

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