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To: [Dunbar, Gary](#)
Subject: RE: Update on retractions and corrections?
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Thank you Gary—

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David:

We have contacted three of journals thus far but have not heard back yet. Two of these three are should involve simple changes. The third one is more complicated, and I am now convinced that the first author, Dr. Panchanan Maiti, likely manipulated some of the images in this and some of the other manuscripts. We have decided to re-evaluate the data for all these figures, at which point we will ask for a corrigendum if the data is not corrupted, or a retraction if the data cannot be accurately analyzed. By tomorrow, all of the journals will be informed of what we know to be true of the images under question. Unfortunately, Dr. Maiti has several other manuscripts from three of his former labs in which these problems have just now been detected by the new computer algorithms. I will be meeting with Dr. Field tomorrow and I am quite confident that he will set in motion the appropriated disciplinary action for what is clearly a pattern of research misconduct on the part of Dr. Maiti. I am guessing he will seek legal guidance in doing this, but the evidence of what had happened and who was at fault is very clear at this point. This has been a nightmare, but we are doing our very best to ensure that the accurate data and figures are provided to all the journals asap and that reputations of all victims be protected as much as possible. I will continue to

keep you posted on this, and you can be sure we are doing our best to stay on top of this.

Thanks,

Gary

From: Weindorf, David C <weind1dc@cmich.edu>
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Gary-

Can you provide me with an update on what is being done to contact the various journals on needed retractions and/or corrections to the articles recently identified?

Just want to be sure we stay on top of this....

Thanks,

David W.



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