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Subject: Recent issues with your article "Human and Environmental Dangers Posed by Ongoing Global Tropospheric Aerosolized Particulates for Weather Modification"

Dear Dr Herndon,

I am writing in regard to your article "Human and Environmental Dangers Posed by Ongoing Global Tropospheric Aerosolized Particulates for Weather Modification", published on 30th of June 2016 in Frontiers in Public Health, in the Specialty Section of Environmental Health.

We have been made aware of serious issues concerning the scientific soundness and methodology of your published article. With this message, we inform you that, based on instructions from our Field Chief Editor of Frontiers in Public Health, Prof. Joav Merrick, and in further accordance with our comments and complaints policy, we have published the following expression of concern:

"With this notice, Frontiers states its awareness of several complaints and serious allegations surrounding the article "Human and Environmental Dangers Posed by Ongoing Global Tropospheric Aerosolized Particulates for Weather Modification" published on 30 June 2016. Our Chief Editors, Joav Merrick and Anwar Huq, will direct an investigation in full accordance with our complaints procedures. The situation will be updated as soon as the investigation is complete."

The investigation has advanced swiftly, and based on the complaints received and the seriousness of the issues raised, we are currently planning to retract the article within the next 48 hours with the following statement:

"The journal retracts the 30 June 2016 article cited above. Based on information discovered after publication and reported to Frontiers in July 2016, the article was examined, revealing that the complaints were valid and that the article should be retracted because it does not meet the scientific standards of the Journal. The retraction of the article was approved by the Field Chief Editor of Frontiers in Public Health. The author did not approve the retraction or the notice."

The wording of the last sentence is negotiable to some extent; for this, or for any other question, we are open to receive your comments and feedback within the next 24 hours.

Kind regards,

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