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# Retraction: Enhanced adsorption of ionizable aromatic compounds on humic acid-coated carbonaceous adsorbents

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The Royal Society of Chemistry, with the agreement of the named authors, hereby wholly retracts this *RSC Advances* article due to concerns with the reliability of the data in the published article.

Repeating fragments can be observed in the XRD spectrum for GONs in Fig. 1C, which indicates that it has been manipulated. In addition, there are unexpected similarities in the baseline of the XRD data presented for MWCNTs and AC (Fig. 1C) in the 32.5–40° and 45–57.5° regions.

Given the significance of the concern about the validity of the data, the findings presented in this paper are no longer reliable.

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