<u>Materials Design Analysis Reporting (MDAR)</u> Checklist for Authors

The MDAR framework establishes a minimum set of requirements in transparent reporting applicable to studies in the life sciences (see Statement of Task: doi:10.31222/osf.io/9sm4x.). The MDAR checklist is a tool for authors, editors and others seeking to adopt the MDAR framework for transparent reporting in manuscripts and other outputs. Please refer to the MDAR Elaboration Document for additional context for the MDAR framework.

Materials

Antibodies	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
For commercial reagents, provide		Х
supplier name, catalogue number and		

Cell materials	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
Cell lines: Provide species		х
information, strain. Provide accession		
number in repository OR supplier		
name, catalog number, clone		
Primary cultures: Provide species,		Х
strain, sex of origin, genetic		

Experimental animals	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
Laboratory animals: Provide species,		х
strain, sex, age, genetic modification		
status. Provide accession number in		
repository OR supplier name, catalog		
Animal observed in or captured from		х
the field: Provide species, sex and		
age where possible		
Model organisms: Provide Accession		х
number in repository (where		

Plants and microbes	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
Plants: provide species and strain, unique accession number if available, and source (including location for collected wild		X
Microbes: provide species and strain, unique accession number if available,		Х

Human research participants	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
Identify authority granting ethics approval	Section 3.1 paragraph 2	
(IRB or equivalent committee(s), provide		
reference number for approval.		
Provide statement confirming informed	Section 3.1 paragraph 2	
consent obtained from study participants.		
Report on age and sex for all study	Section 3.1 paragraph 2	

<u>Design</u>

Study protocol	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
For clinical trials, provide the trial registration number OR cite DOI in		х

Laboratory protocol	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
Provide DOI or other citation details if		Х
detailed step-by-step protocols are		

Experimental study design (statistics	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
State whether and how the following have		
been done, or if they were not carried out.		
Sample size determination		Х
Randomisation	Section 3.1 and 3.6	
Blinding		Х
Inclusion/exclusion criteria		Х

Sample definition and in-laboratory	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
State number of times the experiment was		x
replicated in laboratory		
Define whether data describe technical or		х
biological replicates		

Ethics	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
Studies involving human participants:	Section 3.1 paragraph 2	
State details of authority granting ethics		
approval (IRB or equivalent committee(s),		
provide reference number for approval.		
Studies involving experimental animals:		X
State details of authority granting ethics		
approval (IRB or equivalent committee(s),		
provide reference number for approval.		
Studies involving specimen and field		X
samples: State if relevant permits		
obtained, provide details of authority		
approving study; if none were required,		

Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC)	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
If study is subject to dual use research of		Х
concern, state the authority granting		
approval and reference number for the		

<u>Analysis</u>

Attrition	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
State if sample or data point from the		х
analysis is excluded, and whether the		
criteria for exclusion were determined and		

Statistics	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
Describe statistical tests used and justify		х
choice of tests.		

Data Availability	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
State whether newly created datasets are available, including protocols for access or restriction on access.		х
If data are publicly available, provide accession number in repository or DOI or		Х
If publicly available data are reused, provide accession number in repository or DOI or URL, where possible.	Section 3.1 paragraph 1	

Code Availability	Yes (indicate where provided:	n/a
For all newly generated code and software		
essential for replicating the main findings		
State whether the code or software is		х
If code is publicly available, provide		Х
accession number in repository, or DOI or		

Reporting

Adherence to community standards	Yes (indicate where provided: section/paragraph)	n/a
MDAR framework recommends adoption of discipline-specific guidelines, established and endorsed through community initiatives. Journals have their own policy about requiring specific guidelines and recommendations to complement MDAR.		
State if relevant guidelines (eg., ICMJE, MIBBI, ARRIVE) have been followed, and whether a checklist (eg., CONSORT, PRISMA, ARRIVE) is provided with the manuscript.	ICMJE guidelines were followed, as the journal follows ICMJE recommendations for publication. (Please do not delete this sentence)	

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