

Materials Design Analysis Reporting (MDAR) Checklist for Authors

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Materials

Antibodies	Yes (indicate where	n/a
For commercial reagents, provide supplier name, catalogue number and RRID, if available.		n/a No antibodies were used
Cell materials	Yes (indicate where	n/a
Cell lines: Provide species information, strain. Provide accession number in repository OR supplier name, catalog number, clone number, OR RRID		n/a No cellular material was used
Primary cultures: Provide species, strain, sex of origin, genetic modification status.		n/a No cellular material was used
Experimental animals	Yes (indicate where	n/a
Laboratory animals: Provide species, strain, sex, age, genetic modification status. Provide accession number in repository OR supplier name, catalog number, clone number, OR RRID		n/a No animal experiments
Animal observed in or captured from the field: Provide species, sex and age where possible		n/a No animal experiments
Model organisms: Provide Accession number in repository (where relevant) OR RRID		n/a No animal experiments
Plants and microbes	Yes (indicate where	n/a
Plants: provide species and strain, unique accession number if available, and source (including location for collected wild specimens)		n/a No Plants and microbes
Microbes: provide species and strain, unique accession number if available, and source		n/a No Plants and microbes
Human research participants	Yes (indicate where	n/a
Identify authority granting ethics approval (IRB or equivalent committee(s), provide reference number for approval.		n/a This article uses database resources
Provide statement confirming informed consent obtained from study participants.		n/a This article uses database resources
Report on age and sex for all study participants.		This article uses database resources

Design

Study protocol	Yes (indicate	n/a
For clinical trials, provide the trial registration number OR cite DOI in manuscript.		n/a No clinical trials
Laboratory protocol	Yes (indicate	n/a
Provide DOI or other citation details if detailed step-by-step protocols are available.		No laboratory
Experimental study design (statistics details)	Yes (indicate	n/a
State whether and how the following have been done, or if they were not carried out.		
Sample size determination		n/a Not applicable
Randomisation		n/a Not applicable
Blinding		n/a Not applicable
Inclusion/exclusion criteria		n/a Not applicable
Sample definition and in-laboratory replication	Yes (indicate	n/a
State number of times the experiment was replicated in laboratory		n/a This article uses database resources
Define whether data describe technical or biological replicates		n/a This article uses database resources
Ethics	Yes (indicate	n/a
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If study is subject to dual use research of concern, state the authority granting approval and reference number for the regulatory approval		n/a No dual use research

Analysis

Attrition	Yes (indicate where	n/a
State if sample or data point from the analysis is excluded, and whether the criteria for exclusion were determined and specified in advance.		n/a This article uses database resources
Statistics	Yes (indicate where	n/a
Describe statistical tests used and justify choice of tests.	page 6, line 16-20	
Data Availability	Yes (indicate where	n/a
State whether newly created datasets are available, including protocols for access or restriction on access.		n/a This article uses database resources
If data are publicly available, provide accession number in repository or DOI or URL.		n/a This article uses database resources
If publicly available data are reused, provide accession number in repository or DOI or URL, where possible.		n/a This article uses database resources
Code Availability	Yes (indicate where	n/a
For all newly generated code and software essential for replicating the main findings of the study:		
State whether the code or software is available.		n/a Not applicable
If code is publicly available, provide accession number in repository, or DOI or URL.		n/a Not applicable

Reporting

Adherence to community standards	Yes (indicate where provided: section/paragraph)	n/a
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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 guidelines for publication.	

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