

Retraction Note: Presence of viral spike protein and vaccinal spike protein in the blood serum of patients with long-COVID syndrome

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The article “Presence of viral spike protein and vaccinal spike protein in the blood serum of patients with long-COVID syndrome”, by K. Dhuli, M.C. Medori, C. Micheletti, K. Donato, F. Fioretti, A. Calzoni, A. Praderio, M.G. De Angelis, G. Arabia, S. Cristoni, S. Nodari, M. Bertelli, published in *Eur Rev Med Pharmacol Sci* 2023; 27 (6 Suppl): 13-19–DOI: 10.26355/eurrev_202312_34685–PMID: 38112944 has been retracted by the Editor in Chief for the following reasons.

Following some concerns raised on PubPeer, the Editor in Chief has started an investigation to assess the validity of the results. The outcome of the investigation revealed that the manuscript presented major flaws in the following:

- Unclear methodology and patient recruitment
- Discrepancies among data reported in the text and tables
- Unreliable results
- Undeclared conflict of interest

Consequently, the Editor in Chief mistrusts the results presented and has decided to withdraw the article.

The authors disagree with this retraction.

The Publisher apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause.