

Materials Design Analysis Reporting (MDAR) Checklist for Authors

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Materials

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| Antibodies | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| For commercial reagents, provide supplier name, catalogue number and RRID, if available. | Information on antibodies can be found in Supplementary Table S2 | |
| Cell materials | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| Cell lines: Provide species information, strain. Provide accession number in repository OR supplier name, catalog number, clone number, OR RRID | Method section: Cell culture and reagents, p.5, line 97 | |
| Primary cultures: Provide species, strain, sex of origin, genetic modification status. | Not primary cell cultures | n/a |
| Experimental animals | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | 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 | No animals were used in this paper | n/a |
| Animal observed in or captured from the field: Provide species, sex and age where possible | | n/a |
| Model organisms: Provide Accession number in repository (where relevant) OR RRID | | n/a |
| Plants and microbes | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| Plants: provide species and strain, unique accession number if available, and source (including location for collected wild specimens) | No plants or microbes were used in this paper | n/a |
| Microbes: provide species and strain, unique accession number if available, and source | | n/a |
| Human research participants | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| Identify authority granting ethics approval (IRB or equivalent committee(s), provide reference number for approval. | No human research participants were included in this paper | n/a |
| Provide statement confirming informed consent obtained from study participants. | | n/a |
| Report on age and sex for all study participants. | | n/a |

Design

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| Study protocol | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| For clinical trials, provide the trial registration number OR cite DOI in manuscript. | Not a clinical trial | n/a |
| Laboratory protocol | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| Provide DOI or other citation details if detailed step-by-step protocols are available. | Protocols from the manufacturers are cited by name of the product and the company in the Method section | |
| Experimental study design (statistics details) | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| State whether and how the following have been done, or if they were not carried out. | The following was not carried out as we do not find it applicable in our study design | |
| Sample size determination | | n/a |
| Randomisation | | n/a |
| Blinding | | n/a |
| Inclusion/exclusion criteria | | n/a |
| Sample definition and in-laboratory replication | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| State number of times the experiment was replicated in laboratory | Listed in each section of analyses described in the method section, p.4-8 | |
| Define whether data describe technical or biological replicates | Defined in the method section, p.4-8 | |
| Ethics | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| Studies involving human participants: State details of authority granting ethics approval (IRB or equivalent committee(s), provide reference number for approval. | No human participants were involved | n/a |
| Studies involving experimental animals: State details of authority granting ethics approval (IRB or equivalent committee(s), provide reference number for approval. | No experimental animals were involved | n/a |
| Studies involving specimen and field samples: State if relevant permits obtained, provide details of authority approving study; if none were required, explain why. | No specimen or field samples were involved | n/a |
| Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC) | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| If study is subject to dual use research of concern, state the authority granting approval and reference number for the regulatory approval | Not subject to dual use research of concern | n/a |

Analysis

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| Attrition | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | 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. | No data points were excluded from the analysis | n/a |
| Statistics | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| Describe statistical tests used and justify choice of tests. | Method section: Statistics and graphs, p. 8, line 185 | |
| Data Availability | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| State whether newly created datasets are available, including protocols for access or restriction on access. | No newly created datasets are available | n/a |
| If data are publicly available, provide accession number in repository or DOI or URL. | All data are presented in the paper | n/a |
| If publicly available data are reused, provide accession number in repository or DOI or URL, where possible. | All data are presented in the paper | n/a |
| Code Availability | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | n/a |
| For all newly generated code and software essential for replicating the main findings of the study: | No newly generated code or software were used | |
| State whether the code or software is available. | | n/a |
| If code is publicly available, provide accession number in repository, or DOI or URL. | | n/a |

Reporting

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| Adherence to community standards | Yes (indicate where provided: page no/section/legend) | 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. | No specific guidelines were followed | n/a |

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