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ARTICLE RETRACTION

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Article entitled "Allergy to Endoprostheses" by Višnja Milavec-Puretić, published in the *Archives of Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology* (Arh Hig Rada Toksikol 2004;55:193-6.) has been reported as a case of plagiarism, having substantial similarities with article "Sensitivity to metals in 40 patients with failed hip endoprosthesis" by Višnja Milavec-Puretić, Dubravko Orlić, and Ana Marušić previously published in the *Archives of Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery* (Arch Orthop Traum Surg 1998;117:383-386).

The author apologised to the journal and scientific community and agreed to withdraw her paper.

Editor in Chief and Executive Editorial Board have decided to retract the above mentioned article from literature.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

The article "Allergy to endoprostheses" is a typical case of authorial misconduct. Fortunately for the scientific community, it did not report any content that may negatively influence biomedical research or clinical care.

As the Editor in Chief of the *Archives of Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology* I would like to emphasise that our journal strongly discourages submission of duplicate papers or other types of plagiarism, and will not tolerate violations of ethical rules in scientific writing.

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