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# Retraction: Testing environmental Kuznets curve in the USA: what role institutional quality, globalization, energy consumption, financial development, and remittances can play? New evidence from dynamic ARDL simulations approach

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## A Retraction of the Original Research Article

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The authors received a communication regarding the retraction and were given a chance to respond, with some discussions still ongoing. This exchange has been recorded by the publisher. The investigation was not able to determine whether all authors, editors, or reviewers were aware of or involved in the misconduct, but this misconduct was significant enough to determine that the scientific integrity of the article cannot be guaranteed.

In adherence to the recommendations of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE), the article is retracted. The retraction was approved by the Chief Executive Editor at Frontiers and the Field Chief Editor of Frontiers in Environmental Science.