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We, the Editor and Publisher of *Journal of Plant Interactions* have retracted the following article:

Journal of Plant Interactions: Sajid Mehmood, Marina Sajid, Lili Huang & Zhensheng Kang (2020) Alternate hosts and their impact on genetic diversity of *Puccinia striiformis* f. sp. *tritici* and disease epidemics, *Journal of Plant Interactions*, 15:1, 153–165, DOI: [10.1080/17429145.2020.1771445](https://doi.org/10.1080/17429145.2020.1771445).

The above article has been retracted as a result of the Editor and the Publisher determining, through post-publication review, that there is significant overlap with a previously published article by the same authors, Mehmood S, Sajid M, Zhao J, Huang L, Kang Z. Alternate Hosts of *Puccinia striiformis* f. sp. *tritici* and Their Role. *Pathogens*. 2020; 9(6):434. <https://doi.org/10.3390/pathogens9060434>.

We have had the full cooperation of the authors during our investigations.

We have been informed in our decision-making by our policy on publishing ethics and integrity and the COPE guidelines on retractions.

The retracted article will remain online to maintain the scholarly record, but it will be digitally watermarked on each page as “Retracted”.