RETRACTED ARTICLE: Assessment of the green development level for participating countries in the Belt and Road initiative

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Author Haili Xue has stated that the authors agree with this retraction. The online version of this article contains the full text of the retracted article as Supplementary Information.

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