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4 in 16 Article on One Elsevier Special Issue Were Published by the Guest Editor Jong Seong Khim

Recently, the 5GH team found another case that the guest editor for an Elsevier special issue violated the rules from the publisher.

Elsevier sets a rule for its guest editors that they can publish maximum one article on the special issue they edit, unless the editor in chief of the journal allows the guest editors to publish more.

However, Jong Seong Khim with Seoul National University, one of the guest editors of the special issue "Source and sink of pollutants in contaminated site: assessment, simulation and management" on the journal "Science of the Total Environment", published 4 articles on that special issue, resulting in 4 in 16 articles in that special issue were coauthored by Khim.

There is no public information if the editor in chief for Science of the Total Environment approved the publications from Khim on that special issue.

It is found that similar concerns were raised to multiple special issues on Science of the Total Environment. A few days earlier, the 5GH team found XIN Xiaoping with the Institute of Agricultural Resources and Regional Planning, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Science published 3 articles on her special issue "Eurasian Grassland Ecosystems: Changes, Drivers and Consequences at Multi-scales" [1].

The concerns that researchers take advantages of their role as the guest editor to promote their publications were among the scientific community. This hurts the other researchers,

especially those on their early stage of career, making them face unfairness to publish their works. And the scientific community needs justice.

Editor(s): Jong Seong Khim, Guijin S	contaminated site: assessment, simulation a Su. Tievu Wang	and management			
DOI	Author(s)	Institution(s)	Guest Editor	Submitted	Accepted
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2022.154318	Lingwen Dai, Jing Meng, Xu Zhao, Qianqian Li, Bin Shi, Mingge Wu, Qifan Zhang, Guijin Su, Jian Hu, Xinqian Shu	CAS Research Center for Eco- Environmental Sciences, China University of Mining and Technology, University of Chinese Academy of Sciences	Jong Seong Khim	12/30/2021	3/1/2022
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2022.154320	Inha Kwon, Changkeun Lee, Jongmin Lee, Beomgi Kim, Shin Yeong Park, Jeongsoo Kim, Junghyun Lee, Junsung Noh, Bong-Oh Kwon, Sujin Son, Hoon Joo Yoon, Jungho Nam, Kyungsik Choi, Jong Seong Khim	Seoul National University, Kunsan National University, Sundosoft Ltd., Korea Maritime Institute	Elena Paoletti	12/31/2021	3/1/2022
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2022.154240	Junghyun Lee, Jihyun Cha, Seo Joon Yoon, Seongjin Hong, Jong Seong Khim	Seoul National University, Chungnam National University	Guijin Su	12/29/2021	2/26/2022
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2022.154214	Seo Joon Yoon, Seongjin Hong, Changkeun Lee, Junghyun Lee, Taewoo Kim, Jongmin Lee, Beomgi Kim, Junsung Noh, Bong-Oh Kwon, Jong Seong Khim	Fone	Elena Paoletti	12/22/2021	2/24/2022
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2022.153948	Guangcai Yin, Xingling Chen, Hanghai Zhu, Zhiliang Chen, Chuanghong Su, Zechen He, Jinrong Qiu, Tieyu Wang	Guangdong University of Technology, South China Institute of Environmental Science, Shantou University	Zhijiang Lu	12/4/2021	2/13/2022
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2022.153078	Kang Tian, Ming Li, Wenyou Hu, Ya'nan Fan, Biao Huang, Yongcun Zhao	Institute of Soil Science, Nanjing Institute of Environmental Sciences	Tieyu Wang	10/29/2021	1/8/2022
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2021.152831	Seongjin Hong, Youngnam Kim, Yeonjung Lee, Seo Joon Yoon, Changkeun Lee, Peng Liu, Bong-Oh Kwon, Wenyou Hu, Jong Seong Khim	Chungnam National University, Korea Institute of Ocean Science and Technology, Seoul National University, Institute of Soil Science, Kunsan National University	Guijin Su	10/26/2021	12/28/202
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2021.152189	Sijiang Zhou, Zhenyan Liu, Gang Sun, Qingya Zhang, Menghua Cao, Shuxin Tu, Shuanglian Xiong	Huazhong Agricultural University, Hubei Key Laboratory of Soil Environment and Pollution Remediation, Hubei Provincial Academy of Eco-Environmental Sciences, Key Laboratory of Soil Health and Green Remediation, Jiangsu DDBS Environmental Remediation Co., Ltd	Zhijiang Lu	7/27/2021	12/1/202
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2021.152074	Yufeng Tao, Jing Liu, Yiwen Xu, Hang Liu, Guiling Yang, Yan He, Jianming Xu, Zhijiang Lu	Zhejiang University, Zhejiang Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Wayne State University	Guijin Su	9/22/2021	11/26/202
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2021.150787	Jun Yang, Yunxian Yan, Nanjia Lu, Xiaoming Wan, Junxing Yang, Huading Shi, Tongbin Chen, Mei Lei	Institute of Geographic Sciences and Natural Resources Research, University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Technical Centre for Soil, Agricultural and Rural Ecology and Environment	Charlotte Poschenrieder	6/29/2021	9/10/2021
10.1016/j.scitotenv.2021.151074	Kejin Chen, Rong He, Li'ao Wang, Lingyue Liu, Xin Huang, Juan Ping, Chuan Huang, Xiang Wang, Yuanyuan Liu	Chongqing University	Jong Seong Khim	7/19/2021	10/14/202
10,1016/j.scitoterv.2021.151091	Jian Hu , Wei-ping Chen, Zhi-Qi Zhao, Ran Lu, Meng Cui, Wen-jing Dai , Wen-min Ma, Xue Feng, Xiao-ming Wan , Ning Wang	CAS Research Center for Eco- Environmental Sciences, University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Chang'an University, Chinese Academy for Environmental Planning, National Marine Data and Information Service, Tianjin Normal University, China National Environmental Monitoring Centre, Institute of Geographic Sciences and Natural	Jong Seong Khim	8/25/2021	10/16/202

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