

## Irrelevant Citations on 10.3390/app112411683

Five references, namely the Ref 6, 12, 14, 15 and 38, on the article [1] bear no relevance to the statements they are intended to support. What is more, the Ref 12, 14, and 15 were cited with a same statement.

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| #  | Citing_Statement  Due to the limited surface water resources and  | Cited_Title   | Issue                                      |
| 6  | precipitation, groundwater resources and precipitation, groundwater resources have become indispensable freshwater resources for domestic drinking, irrigation water and industrial activities  | The transport of silica powders and lead ions under unsteady flow and variable injection concentrations.              | Irrelevant citation / Not nessary citation |
| 12 | At the same time, a large amount of chromium slag was produced, and after its long-term open piling, Cr(VI) will seep into the soil and groundwater with surface runoff, thus causing pollution to the surrounding soil and groundwater, and since Cr(VI) is a highly migratory and toxic pollutant, chromium pollution in groundwater has therefore become a serious worldwide problem | Cotransport of heavy metals and SiO2 particles at different temperatures by seepage                                   | Not about Cr                               |
| 14 | At the same time, a large amount of chromium slag was produced, and after its long-term open piling, Cr(VI) will seep into the soil and groundwater with surface runoff, thus causing pollution to the surrounding soil and groundwater, and since Cr(VI) is a highly migratory and toxic pollutant, chromium pollution in groundwater has therefore become a serious worldwide problem | A nonlinear attachment-detachment model with adsorption hysteresis for suspension-colloidal transport in porous media | Not about heavy metal                      |
| 15 | At the same time, a large amount of chromium slag was produced, and after its long-term open piling, Cr(VI) will seep into the soil and groundwater with surface runoff, thus causing pollution to the surrounding soil and groundwater, and since Cr(VI) is a highly migratory and toxic pollutant, chromium pollution in groundwater has therefore become a serious worldwide problem | The effect of temperature on the seepage transport of suspended particles in a porous medium                          | Not about heavy metal                      |
| 38 | A Piper diagram can help to evaluate the geochemical relationships between different dissolved ions and dominant types of water chemistry in groundwater  | Temperature-driven migration of heavy metal Pb2+ along with moisture movement in unsaturated soils                    | Irrelevant citation / Not nessary citation |

These 5 references have a same first author, BAI Bing (白冰) with the Beijing Jiaotong University. We also note that BAI was the academic editor of the article [1], too.

Our previous investigation [2] uncovered three irrelevant citations, cited wit a same statement, to BAI on another article [3]. Both the article [1] and [3] were published on a same Special Issue, where BAI acted as the guest editor. It remains unknown whether there were mis-behaviour from BAI during his handling the article [1] and [3].

[1] 10.3390/app112411683

[2] 5GH-2025-000017.R3

[3] 10.3390/app12126053

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