

# RETRACTION: Pain in systemic sclerosis

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To our readers:

With deep regrets, we inform that the article *Pain in systemic sclerosis* (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4081/reumatismo.2014.764>), which has been published in *Reumatismo* (2014; 66(1): 44-47), contains verbatim text plagiarized from another paper (1). The manuscript must be considered as retracted.

On behalf of the Editorial Board of *Reumatismo*, I apologize to the Author of the manuscript whose text was plagiarized by Stisi *et al.* that this was not picked up in the peer review process. I also apologize to the affected journal for the violation of copyright due to plagiarism.

*Reumatismo* is uncompromising in its commitment to scientific integrity. When credible evidence of misconduct is brought to our attention, our commitment to the scientific record and to our readership requires immediate notification.

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