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*Letter to the Editor*

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We have received the following letter:

Dear Dr. Simon:

- Reference:
- A. Haghi, A. K., Moisture Permeation of Clothing, J. Thermal Analysis and Calorimetry, 76(2004) 1035-1055.
  - B. Crow, R. M. and R. J. Oszcewski. The interaction of water with fabrics, Textile Research Journal, 68, No. 4, April 1998. (Enclosed)
  - C. Li, Yi and Zhu, Qingyong. Simultaneous heat and moisture transfer with moisture sorption, condensation, and capillary liquid diffusion in porous textiles, Textile Research Journal, Vol 73, June 2003.

The 2004 paper by A. K. Haghi (Ref A) was plagiarized from several sources, including one I co-authored with Dr. Crow in 1998 (Ref. B). A comparison of Dr. Haghi's table 1 with the Table 1 of Crow and Oszcewski suggests that his data were extracted from our paper.

In addition, the following sections of Haghi's paper were taken word for word from our 1998 paper:

- The last three paragraphs on page 1036 constitute approximately half of the introduction of the paper by Crow and Oszcewski (Ref B).
- Part of the experimental method, the last sentence on p. 1043, is taken from p 282 of Ref... B.
- The last two paragraphs of p 1044 and most of the text on p 1045 come from p 283 of Ref. B.
- The remainder of the first paragraph on page 1046 also comes from our paper, p 284.
- The section on page 1046 headed "Application of results" continuing on to page 1047, comes from our "Application of Results" p 287 of Ref B, and comprises the next 5 paragraphs of Haghi's 2004 paper. There is also a single sentence in Dr. Haghi's Conclusion (second paragraph, first sentence.)

*In response to this complaint, we would like to inform our community that one of the reviewers has called our attention to this fact and we immediately suspended all ongoing submissions of Dr. A. K. Haghi, who could not provide us with an acceptable explanation. We have made it clear that we are not accepting any further submissions from him. Since there was no official complaint from the authors involved in the plagiarism and the reviewer was not willing to make official charges there was no further action from our side till now. Since the letter above is an 'official' charge, we are publishing this information for the benefit of our readers, we will take the necessary steps to remove Dr. Haghi's already published paper from the electronic Journal.*

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