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Correction: In health research publications, the number of authors is strongly associated with collective self-citations but less so with citations by others

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Following publication of the original article [1], the authors identified an error in Table 1. The first column "Number of authors" has been updated. The correct table is given below.

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Table 1 Distribution of research articles across 7 categories of numbers of authors, and means (SD) and medians (Q1-Q3) of citations obtained in 2015–20 (Total citations, citations by others, collective self-citations, self-citations as percentage of total), and percentage of uncited papers, for 88,594 articles in health-related fields published in 2015

Number of authors	N (%)	Total citations, mean (SD) median (Q1-Q3)	Citations by others, mean (SD) median (Q1-Q3)	Collective self-citations, mean (SD) median (Q1-Q3)	Percent collective self-citations, mean (SD) median (Q1-Q3)	Uncited articles (percent)
1	2618 (3.0)	10.5 (29.8) 2 (0–11)	9.6 (28.8) 2 (0–11)	0.8 (2.5) 0 (0–11)	10.6 (20.1) 0 (0–11)	40.6
2–4	19306 (21.8)	19.9 (76.5) 12 (6–23)	17.3 (75.9) 10 (4–23)	2.6 (3.8) 1 (0–23)	16.5 (19.7) 10 (0–23)	6.2
5–9	43159 (48.7)	22.5 (81.6) 15 (8–26)	18.9 (80.6) 12 (6–26)	3.6 (4.8) 2 (1–26)	19.3 (19.4) 14 (4–26)	1.4
10–19	20956 (23.7)	32.4 (54.6) 20 (11–36)	26.7 (50.2) 15 (8–36)	5.7 (7.7) 4 (1–36)	21.4 (18.5) 17 (8–36)	0.5
20–29	1874 (2.1)	67.2 (157.9) 33 (18–69)	55.5 (145.4) 26 (13–69)	11.6 (16.7) 7 (3–69)	23.2 (17.6) 20 (11–69)	0.1
30–49	491 (0.6)	109.4 (347.0) 39 (20–87)	91.0 (325.8) 29 (14–87)	18.4 (31.3) 9 (4–87)	26.0 (18.0) 23 (12–87)	0.6
≥ 50	190 (0.2)	93.7 (339.4) 36 (15–71)	72.5 (305.4) 26 (9–71)	21.2 (39.4) 10 (4–71)	34.8 (22.8) 32 (19–71)	0.5

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