

Retraction:

Modeling Marine Stratocumulus with a Detailed Microphysical Scheme

ZHAO Chunsheng and Yutaka ISHIZAKA, *Advances in Atmospheric Sciences*, 2004, **21**(1), 61–74.

Editorial Statement

—Action and Policy

WU Guoxiong, WANG Huijun, and Da-Lin ZHANG
Co-Chief Editors

On 16 March 2004, we received an appeal from Dr. Qing WANG of the United States' Naval Postgraduate School questioning the legitimacy of the paper entitled, Modeling Marine Stratocumulus with a Detailed Microphysical Scheme, that was published by ZHAO Chunsheng and Yutaka Ishizaka in the January 2004 issue of the *Advances in Atmospheric Sciences* (AAS). She pointed out that the model described in the paper was developed by her group in which the first author, Dr. Zhao, worked as a visiting scholar during February 1997–February 1998. The authors should not have claimed in the paper that they developed the model. In particular, they should not have published her group's work as their own. Thus, Dr. Wang requested that the paper be retracted from AAS.

Having scrutinized all the related materials and communications from both sides, we found that Dr. Wang's appeal is valid. The first author, Dr. Zhao, has also admitted his mistakes and cooperated with our investigation. He felt guilty and called Dr. Wang, acknowledging his fault. Dr. Wang then accepted his apology, and agreed that the authors could announce the withdrawal of the paper to close this case.

In order to protect the right of original intellectual property and uphold the highest ethical standard in our research community, we hereby announce that the paper of Modeling Marine Stratocumulus with a Detailed Microphysical Scheme, that was authored by ZHAO Chunsheng and Yutaka Ishizaka, be retracted from Volume 21, No. 1, January 2004 of AAS on page number 61 to 74. This paper will not be considered as a published paper in AAS, and it will not appear in any future reference or record.

In addition, we issue the following policy on behalf of the Editorial Board. A manuscript submitted to AAS can be rejected during its review process on any ethical ground. If there is any unethical behavior involved in a paper published in AAS in the future, we will take actions to (i) retract the pertinent paper and state the reason of the retraction, and (ii) refuse to accept submissions from the author(s) committing the unethical act for a period of at least 3 years. For very serious violations, the guilty party may be denied the privilege of publication in AAS permanently.

Finally, in view of some other issues involved in this case, we wish to emphasize that AAS does not accept a manuscript that has been submitted for consideration for publication in any other journal or book. In the future, we will ask the author(s) to state clearly in a cover letter whether or not the manuscript to be considered for publication in AAS has been submitted to other journal(s). Meanwhile, all the co-authors of the manuscript will be requested to sign their names in the cover letter or confirm their approval of its content by emailing to the AAS' Editorial Office (Email address: aas@mail.iap.ac.cn).