

Special Query to Author

Subject: Urgent request for clarification for manuscript number 2013/IJTDH/4868

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The manuscript has not been published in any conference and has not been sent to any other journal for publication.