# MBZUAI Attempts to Cover Up Hao Li's Scientific Misconduct

After Hao Li's employment at USC was terminated, Li joined Mohammed Bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence (MBZUAI) located in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE).

MBZUAI has been notified of Li's Scientific Misconduct and as a prestigious academic institution, it is expected to address this research compliance issue.<sup>1</sup>

Meanwhile, MBZUAI has attempted to hide ACM's and USC's investigation reports—unanimously finding Li guilty of data falsification and scientific misconduct<sup>2,3</sup>—by repeatedly deleting comments, posts, and references to Li's name on its social media.

The archived snapshots can be accessed online at:



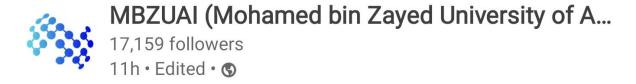
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http://sadeghi.com/MBZUAI-Letter http://sadeghi.com/ACM-Investigation

http://sadeghi.com/USC-Report

#### **MBZUAI's First Post:**



**#MBZUAI** professors Preslav Nakov and Hao Li will host a workshop titled "The evolution of disinformation: from fake news to a global social media 'infodemic'." - Wednesday, November 16 at 1:00 p.m. at the inaugural Global Media Congress.

Find out more: https://lnkd.in/dyQbK7QM

#### **#GMC2022** #conference #workshops



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# 1st Comment on the First Post re Li's Scientific Misconduct:



Pamela Erdos (She/Her)
Data Analyst at Boston College
1h

MBZUAI's Hao Li has been found guilty of Data Falsification and Scientific Misconduct by Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and University of Southern California (USC):

ACM:

https://pdfhost.io/v/402ndLsIE\_ACM\_Investigation

USC:

https://pdfhost.io/v/n9GuGETbV\_USC\_Investigation

As dishonesty has no place in academia, please spread the word and urge MBZUAI to take corrective action.

- @MBZUAI (Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence)
- @ACM, Association for Computing Machinery
- @University of Southern California
- @Iman Sadeghi, Ph.D.

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# 2<sup>nd</sup> Comment:



Iman Sadeghi, Ph.D. · You

Founder & Chief Karma Officer (CKO) at Karma Coll... 3m

Hoa Li, an associate professor at MBZUAI, has been found "guilty" of "data falsification" and Scientific Misconduct by the ACM Ethics Committee [1] and USC Office of Research Integrity [2]

♠ Among other punishments, Hao Li is banned from ACM SIGGRAPH, SIGGRAPH RTL, and SIGGRAPH Asia for the next five years and his fraudulent publications will be retracted from ACM Digital Library [1]

[1] ACM's Investigation re Hao Li's Scientific Misconduct:

http://sadeghi.com/ACM-Investigation

[2] USC's Investigation re Hao Li's Scientific Misconduct:

http://sadeghi.com/USC-Report

[3] Letter to His Highness re Scientific Integrity at MBZUAI:

http://sadeghi.com/MBZUAI-Letter

Archived snapshot: <a href="https://archive.ph/DIPJz">https://archive.ph/DIPJz</a>

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Comment:



Nima Nia, Ph.D. (He/Him)
Director, R&D Clinical Engineering
1h

What!!!! How is this possibe?

Hoa Li, an associate professor at MBZUAI, has been found "guilty" of "data falsification" and Scientific Misconduct by the ACM Ethics Committee and USC Office of Research Integrity now he has a workshop?

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#### **MBZUAI** Deleted the Comments.

Archived snapshot: <a href="https://archive.ph/HeVsL">https://archive.ph/HeVsL</a>

# 4<sup>th</sup> Comment:



Pamela Erdos (She/Her)
Data Analyst at Boston College
1h

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# 5<sup>th</sup> Comment:



Nima Nia, Ph.D. (He/Him) Director, R&D Clinical Engineering

Wtf MBZUAI why did you delete my comment?! 🤮





38m

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Archived snapshot: <a href="https://archive.ph/62wSF">https://archive.ph/62wSF</a>

# **MBZUAI Deleted All Comments and Its Post Altogether:**



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# MBZUAI's Second Post Removing Li's Name which Received 10 Comments re Li's Scientific Misconduct:

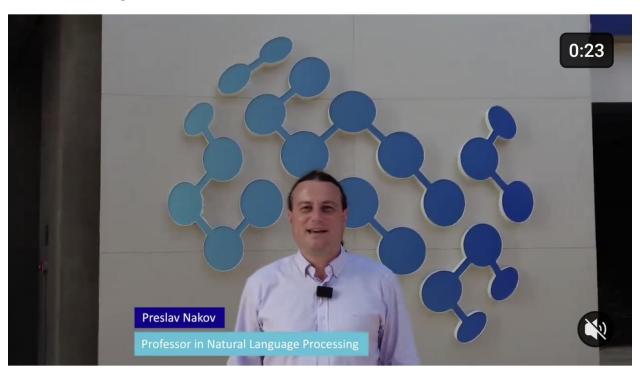
# MBZUAI (Mohamed bin Zayed University of A... 17,271 followers 1d • ⑤

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To attend the workshop, please register:

https://bit.ly/3FrGWGk

#### #workshop #GMC2022 #ADNEC



Archived snapshot: <a href="https://archive.ph/pr96u">https://archive.ph/pr96u</a>

#### **Select Comments on MBZUAI's Second Post:**



Pamela Erdos (She/Her)
Data Analyst at Boston College
23m

Thank you MBZUAI (Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence) for removing Hao Li's name from your post but is he still going to co-host this workshop?

Research misconduct has no place in science nor in a prestigious university like MBZUAI. The investigations are very clear and leave no doubt:

ACM: https://pdfhost.io/v/402ndLsIE\_ACM USC: https://pdfhost.io/v/n9GuGETbV\_USC

Please confirm that Hao Li would \*not\* be presenting at the **Global Media Congress** next week and conduct your due diligence on his offered position.

PS. Please don't delete my comments like you did last time  $\stackrel{\smile}{\sim}$ 

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Phi Hung Nguyen **GPU Architect** 8h

Is Hao Li still co-hosting even though he isn't mentioned anymore?



Nima Nia, Ph.D. (He/Him) Director, R&D Clinical Engineering 7h



I am glad Hao Li is not mentioned here anymore 🦾





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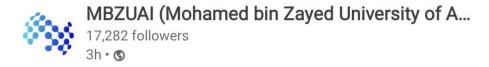
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#### **MBZUAI's Third Post**

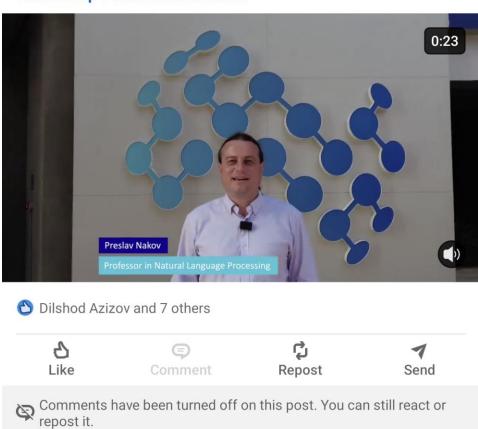
# **Removing Li's Name & Disabling Comments:**



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Iman Sadeghi, Ph.D.



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Email: sadeghi@gmail.com

Please provide as much detail as possible about the reason for your request.: Dear LinkedIn Support Team,

My flagged comment is regarding the Scientific Integrity of one of the speakers listed in the post. It is referencing two independent investigations by ACM (Association for Commuting Machinery) and USC (University of Southern California) re the Scientific Misconduct committed by Hao Li and Pinscreen during a publication and presentation during ACM SIGGRAPH Asia and Real-Time Live in 2017.

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Thank you, -Iman Sadeghi, PhD (858) 444-6175 sadeghi@gmail.com http://sadeghi.com

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