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## A NEW FIXED POINT THEOREM IN CONE B-METRIC SPACES

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**Abstract.** The aim of this paper is to prove common fixed point theorem for quadruple mappings in cone b-metric spaces. Our result extends and improves some fixed point results in cone b-metric spaces. We illustrate our main result by an example.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The concept of b-metric space was introduced by Bakhtin [2]. He proved the principal of contraction mapping in b- metric spaces. Huang and Zhang [6] introduced the concept of cone metric space as a generalisation of metric space. In addition, certain fixed point theorems have been demonstrated for contractive mapping which extended the results of fixed point in metric spaces. Hussain and Shah [7] introduced the cone b-metric spaces as a generalization of b-metric spaces for KKM mappings. Sharma [9] used rational expression to prove fixed point

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theorem for contractive mapping without the assumption of normality in cone b-metric spaces. Similar work has been done in [1,3,4,5].

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

We use the following definitions for our main result:

Let  $E$  be a real Banach space and  $P$  be a subset of  $E$ . We denote the zero element of  $E$  by  $\theta$  and the interior of  $P$  by  $\text{int}P$ . The subset  $P$  is called a cone iff :

- (1)  $P$  is closed, nonempty, and  $P \neq \theta$
- (2)  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a, b \geq 0$ ,  $x, y \in P$  implies  $ax + by \in P$
- (3)  $P \cap (-P) = \theta$ .

**Definition 2.1.** [9] Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. Suppose that the mapping  $d : X \times X \rightarrow E$  satisfies:

- (1)  $\theta \leq d(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \neq y$  and  $d(x, y) = \theta$  iff  $x = y$ ;
- (2)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ;
- (3)  $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

Then  $d$  is called a cone metric on  $X$  and  $(X, d)$  is called a cone metric space.

**Definition 2.2.** [9] Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and  $s \geq 1$  be a given real number. A mapping  $d : X \times X \rightarrow E$  is said to be cone b-metric iff, for all  $x, y, z \in X$ , the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $\theta \leq d(x, y)$  with  $x \neq y$  and  $d(x, y) = \theta$  iff  $x = y$ ;
- (2)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$  ;
- (3)  $d(x, y) \leq s[d(x, z) + d(z, y)]$ .

Then pair  $(X, d)$  is called a cone b-metric spaces.

**Definition 2.3.** [9] Let  $(X, d)$  be a cone b-metric space,  $x \in X$  and  $x_n$  be a sequence in  $X$ . Then

- (1)  $x_n$  converges to  $x$  whenever, for every  $c \in E$  with  $\theta < c$ , there is a natural number  $\mathbb{N}$  such that  $d(x_n, x) < c$  for all  $n \geq \mathbb{N}$ . We denote this by  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $(n \rightarrow \infty)$ .
- (2)  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence whenever, for every  $c \in E$  with  $\theta < c$ , there is a natural number  $\mathbb{N}$  such that  $d(x_n, x_m) < c$  for all  $n, m \geq \mathbb{N}$ .
- (3)  $(X, d)$  is a complete cone b-metric space if every Cauchy sequence in  $X$  is convergent.

**Definition 2.4.** [8] Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and  $k \geq 1$  a given real number. A function  $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is a  $b$ -metric iff for each  $x, y, z \in X$ , following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $d(x, y) = 0$  iff  $x = y$ ,
- (2)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ ,
- (3)  $d(x, z) \leq k[d(x, y) + d(y, z)]$ .

Then the pair  $(X, d)$  is called a  $b$ -metric space. It should be noted that the class of  $b$ -metric spaces is effectively larger than that of metric spaces. Indeed, a  $b$ -metric is a metric iff  $k = 1$ .

**Definition 2.5.** [8] Let  $(X, d)$  be a  $b$ -metric space. Then a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is called:

- (a) convergent if and only if there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $d(x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . In this case, we write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ .
- (b) Cauchy iff  $d(x_n, x_m) \rightarrow 0$ , as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ , where  $n, m \geq N \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** [8] Let  $(X, d)$  be a  $b$ -metric space with  $k \geq 1$ . Suppose that  $x_n$  and  $y_n$  are  $b$ -convergent to  $x$  and  $y$ , respectively. Then, we have  $\frac{1}{k^2}d(x, y) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf d(x_n, y_n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup d(x_n, y_n) \leq k^2d(x, y)$ .

In particular, if  $x = y$ , then we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = 0$ . Moreover for each  $z \in X$  we have  $\frac{1}{k}d(x, z) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf d(x_n, z) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup d(x_n, z) \leq kd(x, z)$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** [8] Let  $(X, d)$  be a  $b$ -metric space. If there exist two sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = 0$ , whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = t$  for some  $t \in X$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = t$ .

In this section, we present common fixed point theorem for contractive mapping in the setting of cone  $b$ -metric spaces:

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete cone  $b$ -metric space with the coefficient  $k \geq 1$ . Suppose the mappings  $A, B, S, T : X \rightarrow X$  satisfy the following conditions:

- (1)  $AX \subseteq TX$ ,  $BX \subseteq SX$ ;
- (2) The pair  $(A, T)$  and  $(B, S)$  are compatible;
- (3)  $S$  and  $T$  are continuous; for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $k \geq 1$ .

$$(4) \quad d(Ax, By) \leq \frac{q}{k^4} \max\left\{d(Sx, Ty), \frac{d(Ax, Sx) + d(By, Ty)}{2}, \frac{d(Sx, By) + d(Ax, Ty)}{2}\right\}$$

Then  $S, T, A$  and  $B$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ .

*Proof.* Since  $(X, d)$  is a complete cone b-metric space with the coefficient  $k \geq 1$ ,

Suppose mapping  $A, B, S, T : X \rightarrow X$  satisfy all above four conditions.

$$(3.1) \quad d(Ax, By) \leq \frac{q}{k^4} \max\left\{d(Sx, Ty), \frac{d(Ax, Sx) + d(By, Ty)}{2}, \frac{d(Sx, By) + d(Ax, Ty)}{2}\right\}.$$

Since  $AX \subseteq TX$  implies  $Ax_0 = Tx_1 = y_1$  (say),  $BX \subseteq SX$  implies  $Bx_1 = Sx_2 = y_2$  (say)

$Ax_{2n} = Tx_{2n+1} = y_{2n+1}$  and  $Bx_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n+2} = y_{2n+2}$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

putting  $x = x_{2n}$ ,  $y = y_{2n+1}$  and let  $\frac{q}{k^4} = \beta$  (say)

$$\begin{aligned} d(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}) &\leq \beta \max\left\{d(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}), \frac{d(Ax_{2n}, Sx_{2n}) + d(Bx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1})}{2}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{d(Sx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}) + d(Ax_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1})}{2}\right\} \\ d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) &\leq \beta \max\left\{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \frac{d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})}{2}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})}{2}\right\} \\ &= \beta \max\left\{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{2}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2}) + 0}{2}\right\} \\ &= \beta \max\left\{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{2}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2})}{2}\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Case 1:** If  $\max\left\{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{2}, \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2})}{2}\right\} = d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})$ ,

then

$$(3.2) \quad d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) \leq \beta d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}).$$

**Case 2:** If  $\max\left\{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{2}, \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2})}{2}\right\} = \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{2}$ ,

then

$$d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) \leq \beta \left\{ \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{2} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{or } d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) \left[ 1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \right] &\leq \frac{\beta}{2} d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \\
\text{or } d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) &\leq \frac{\frac{\beta}{2}}{\left[ 1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \right]} d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \\
(3.3) \qquad \qquad \qquad &\leq k \{ d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \}, \text{ where } k = \frac{\frac{\beta}{2}}{1 - \frac{\beta}{2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Case 3:** If  $\max \left\{ d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{2}, \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2})}{2} \right\} = \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2})}{2}$   
then

$$\begin{aligned}
d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) &\leq \frac{\beta}{2} d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2}) \\
&\leq \frac{\beta}{2} \{ d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) \} \\
\text{or } d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) \left[ 1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \right] &\leq \frac{\beta}{2} d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \\
\text{or } d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) &\leq \frac{\frac{\beta}{2}}{\left[ 1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \right]} d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \\
(3.4) \qquad \qquad \qquad &\leq k \{ d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \}, \text{ where } k = \frac{\frac{\beta}{2}}{1 - \frac{\beta}{2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Using equation (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4), we get  $d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) \leq kd(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})$

Since  $AX \subseteq TX$  implies that  $Ax_0 = Tx_1 = y_1$  (say)  $BX \subseteq SX$  implies that  $Bx_1 = Sx_2 = y_2$  (say).

$Ax_{2n} = Tx_{2n+1} = y_{2n+1}$   $Bx_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n+2} = y_{2n+2}$  putting  $x = x_{2n+2}, y = x_{2n+1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
d(Ax_{2n+2}, Bx_{2n+1}) &\leq \beta \max \left\{ d(Sx_{2n+2}, Tx_{2n+1}), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{d(Ax_{2n+2}, Sx_{2n+2}) + d(Bx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1})}{2}, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{d(Sx_{2n+2}, Bx_{2n+1}) + d(Ax_{2n+2}, Tx_{2n+1})}{2} \right\} \\
\text{or } d(y_{2n+3}, y_{2n+2}) &\leq \beta \max \{ d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1}), \\
&\quad \frac{d(y_{2n+3}, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})}{2}, \\
&\quad \frac{d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+3}, y_{2n+1})}{2} \} \\
&\leq \beta \max \{ d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1}),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d(y_{2n+3}, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})}{2},$$

$$\frac{d(y_{2n+3}, y_{2n+1})}{2} \}.$$

**Case1:** If  $\max\{d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1}), \frac{d(y_{2n+3}, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})}{2}, \frac{d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+3})}{2}\} = d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})$ , then

$$(3.5) \quad d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}) \leq \beta \{d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})\}.$$

**Case2:** If  $\max\{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{2}, \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2})}{2}\} = \frac{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{2}$ , then

$$d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}) \leq \beta \left\{ \frac{d(y_{2n+3}, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})}{2} \right\}$$

$$\text{or } d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}) \left[ 1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \right] \leq \frac{\beta}{2} d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})$$

$$\text{or } d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}) \leq \frac{\frac{\beta}{2}}{\left[ 1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \right]} d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})$$

$$(3.6) \quad \leq k \{d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})\}, \text{ where } k = \frac{\frac{\beta}{2}}{1 - \frac{\beta}{2}}.$$

**Case3:** If  $\max\{d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1}), \frac{d(y_{2n+3}, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})}{2}, \frac{d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+3})}{2}\} = d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+3})$ , then

$$d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}) \leq \frac{\beta}{2} [d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3})]$$

$$\text{or } d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}) \left[ 1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \right] \leq \frac{\beta}{2} d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})$$

$$\text{or } d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}) \leq \frac{\frac{\beta}{2}}{\left[ 1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \right]} d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})$$

$$(3.7) \quad \leq k \{d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})\}, \text{ where } k = \frac{\frac{\beta}{2}}{1 - \frac{\beta}{2}}.$$

Using equation (3.5), (3.6) and (3.7), we get

$d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}) \leq kd(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})$ . Hence  $\{y_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence.

Since X is complete cone b-metric space, so there exists some y in X, such that,

$$(3.8) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Bx_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_{2n+2} = y \text{ (say)}.$$

We will show that  $y$  is a common fixed point in  $A$ ,  $T$ ,  $B$  and  $S$ .

Since  $S$  is continuous. Therefore

$$(3.9) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S^2 x_{2n+2} = Sy \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} SAx_{2n} = Sy.$$

Since pair  $(A, S)$  is compatible. Therefore  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(ASx_{2n}, SAx_{2n}) = 0$ . So,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ASx_{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} SAx_{2n} \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ASx_{2n} = Sy.$$

Now, put  $Sx_{2n} = x$  and  $x_{2n+1} = y$  in the inequality (3.1), we have

$$(3.10) \quad d(ASx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}) \leq \beta \left\{ \max \left\{ d(S^2 x_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}), \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{d(ASx_{2n}, S^2 x_{2n}) + d(Bx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1})}{2}, \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{[d(S^2 x_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}) + d(ASx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1})]}{2} \right\} \right\}$$

Taking upper limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty}$ , by Lemma 2.6

$$(3.11) \quad \frac{d(Sy, y)}{k^2} \leq \frac{q}{k^2} \left\{ \max \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ d(S^2 x_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}), \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup d(ASx_{2n}, S^2 x_{2n}) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup d(Bx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1})}{2}, \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup d(ASx_{2n}, S^2 x_{2n}) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup d(Bx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1})}{2} \right\} \right\}, \\ \leq \frac{q}{k^4} \left\{ \max \{ k^2 d(Sy, y), 0, \frac{k^2}{2} [d(Sy, y) + d(Sy, y)] \} \right\}, \text{ which implies}$$

$$d(Sy, y) \leq \frac{q}{k^2} \{ d(Sy, y) \} < d(Sy, y), \text{ a contradiction. Therefore } Sy = y, \text{ because } 0 < q < 1.$$

Similarly,  $Ay = y$  and finally  $Sy = Ty = Ay = By = y$ . So,  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $S$  and  $T$  have common fixed point.

### Uniqueness of fixed point:

Let  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $S$  and  $T$  have another fixed point  $x$  (say). So,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, y) &= d(Ax, By) \\ &\leq \frac{q}{k^4} \max \left\{ d(Sx, Ty), \frac{d(Ax, Sx) + d(By, Ty)}{2}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{d(Sx, By) + d(Ax, Ty)}{2} \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{q}{k^4} \max \left\{ d(x, y), \frac{d(x, x) + d(y, y)}{2}, \frac{d(x, y) + d(x, y)}{2} \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{q}{k^4} \max \{ d(x, y) \} \end{aligned}$$

$x = y$  because  $0 < q < 1$ . Fixed point is unique. This completes the proof.

We illustrate our theorem by the following example. □

**Example:** Let  $E = \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $p = \{(x, y) \in E : (x, y) \geq 0\} \subset E$ .  $X = [0, 1]$  and  $d : X \times X \rightarrow E$ , such that  $d(x, y) = (\alpha|x - y|^2, |x - y|^2)$ , where  $\alpha \geq 0$ . Then  $(X, d)$  is a cone b-metric space. Now define  $A, B, S, T : X \times X \rightarrow Y$  such that,  $A(x) = (\frac{x}{4})^{12}$ ,  $B(x) = (\frac{x}{4})^8$ ,  $S(x) = (\frac{x}{4})^8$ ,  $T(x) = (\frac{x}{4})^4$

here (i)  $AX \subseteq TX$ ,  $BX \subseteq SX$ ;

(ii) The pair  $(A, T)$  and  $(B, S)$  are compatible;

(iii)  $S$  and  $T$  are continuous;

$$\begin{aligned}
(iv) d(Ax, By) &= (\alpha|Ax - By|^2, |Ax - By|^2) \\
&= (\alpha|(\frac{x}{4})^{12} - (\frac{x}{4})^8|^2, |(\frac{x}{4})^{12} - (\frac{x}{4})^8|^2) \\
&= (\alpha|(\frac{x}{4})^4\{(\frac{x}{4})^8 - (\frac{x}{4})^4\}|^2, |(\frac{x}{4})^4\{(\frac{x}{4})^8 - (\frac{x}{4})^4\}|^2) \\
&= (\frac{x}{4})^8(\alpha|(\frac{x}{4})^8 - (\frac{x}{4})^4|^2, |(\frac{x}{4})^8 - (\frac{x}{4})^4|^2) \\
&= |(\frac{x}{4})^8|d(Sx, Ty) \\
&\leq (\frac{1}{4})^8 d(Sx, Ty) \\
&\leq (\frac{1}{4})^8 \max\{d(Sx, Ty), \frac{d(Ax, Sx) + d(By, Ty)}{2}, \\
&\quad \frac{d(Sx, By) + d(Ax, Ty)}{2}\} \\
&\leq \frac{(\frac{1}{4})^4}{4^4} \max\{d(Sx, Ty), \frac{d(Ax, Sx) + d(By, Ty)}{2}, \\
&\quad \frac{d(Sx, By) + d(Ax, Ty)}{2}\} \\
&\leq (\frac{q}{k^4}) \max\{d(Sx, Ty), \frac{d(Ax, Sx) + d(By, Ty)}{2}, \\
&\quad \frac{d(Sx, By) + d(Ax, Ty)}{2}\},
\end{aligned}$$

where  $(\frac{1}{4})^4 \leq q < 1$  for  $k = 4$ . We observe that  $x = 0$  is the unique common fixed point of  $A, B, S, T$ . This validates Theorem 3.1.



**CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

The authors declare that there is no conflict of interests.

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