Corrigendum

Corrigendum to “The dark side of meaning-making: how social exclusion leads to superstitious thinking” [Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, 69, 218–222]

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We discovered two errors in how the variables were labeled and aggregated in the Study 1 dataset:

First, a measure of the endorsement of superstitious beliefs was not entered in statistical analyses prior to paper submission due to variable mislabeling in the dataset. After realizing this mislabeling post-publication, we conducted additional analyses and found that endorsement of superstitious beliefs did not correlate with the predictor variable (i.e., feeling of social exclusion). As reported in the paper, however, endorsement of conspiracy theories did significantly correlate with feeling of social exclusion.

Second, an item that was part of the Meaning Presence subscale should have been reverse-coded as part of the aggregation procedure. Correcting this reverse-coding error does not alter the patterns reported in the paper.

We note that neither error warrants a modification of the conclusions reached in the paper but regret any inconvenience or confusion that these two errors have caused.

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