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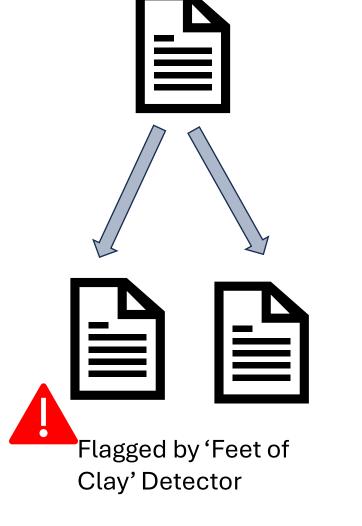
#### What is scientific literature correction?

## Scientific Argument Mining (SAM)

## **PRACTICES**

- Retraction of articles
- Post publication peer review





## **PLATFORMS**

 Problematic paper screener [1]





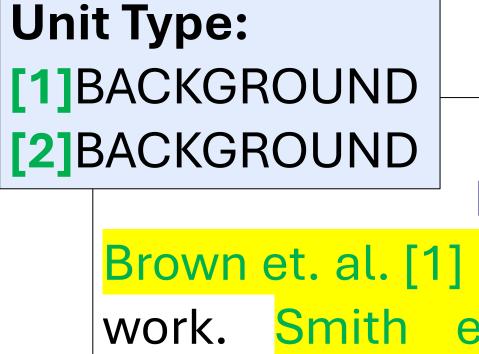
**AIM:** Providing a tool that helps with the correction process

Can **SAM** be used to assess if retracted citations weaken the validity of claims and results in a paper?

#### **Extraction of the argument** structure of scientific articles

- > Argumentative Units: Labels to identify and classify parts of argument structure (BACKGROUND/AIM...)
- > Argumentative Relations: Labels to classify relations between units (SUPPORT/ELABORATION...)
- > Citation Functions: Purpose of a citation, not always included in SAM frameworks

## Example: Argument structure with SAM



RELATED WORK Brown et. al. [1] mentions the usage of ... in their work. Smith et al. [2] demonstrated that endosomal escape is possible under conditions...first ones to prove that...

**Relation Type:** [2]ELABORATION [2] USE/BASIS

#### METHODOLOGY

We used the same conditions as Smith et.al. in our experiments...and explore extensions on their baseline...

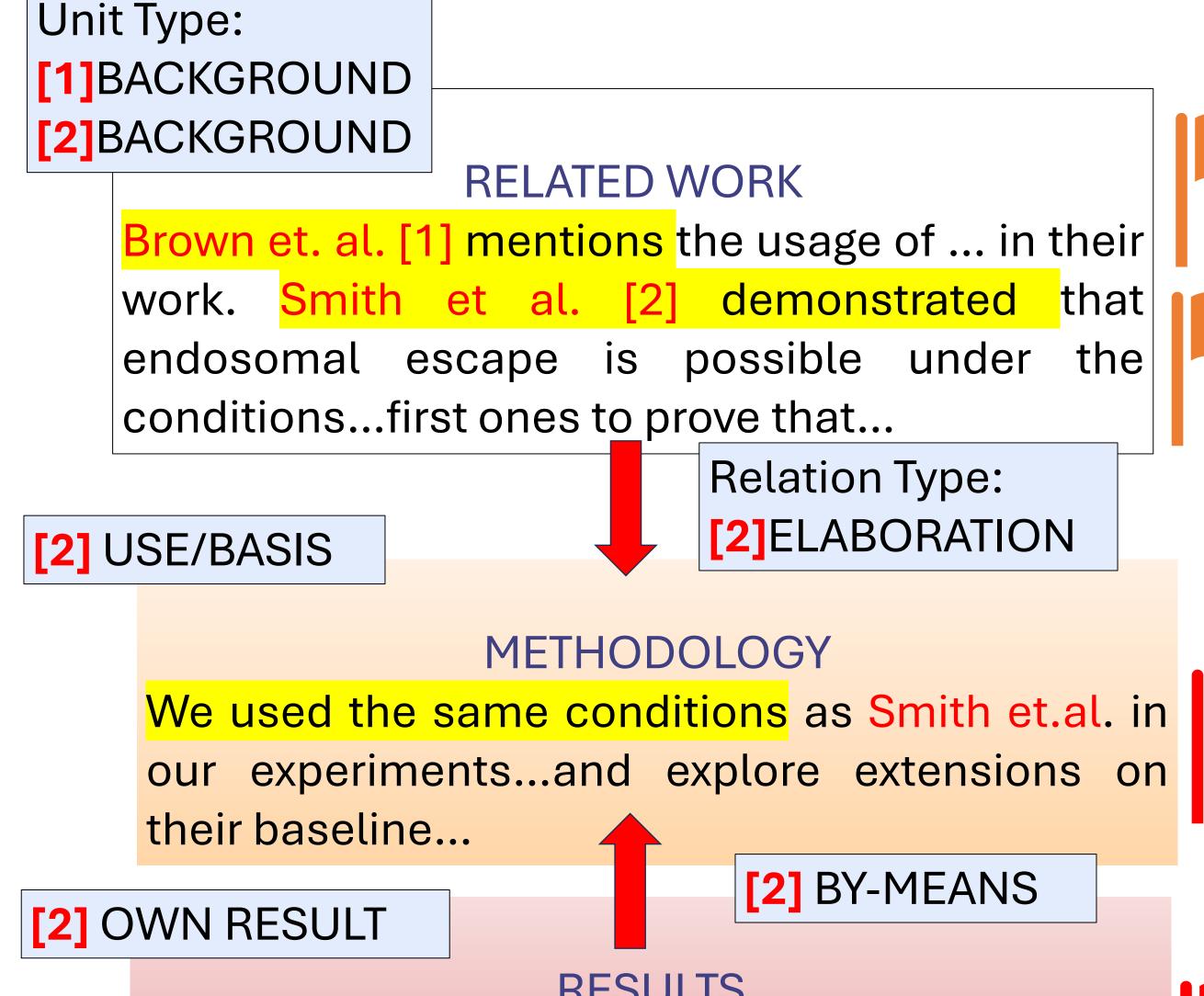
[2] BY-MEANS

[2] OWN RESULT

RESULTS

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#### When Smith and Brown are retracted



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#### Related Works on SAM

Author	Domain	Corpus Size	Unit Spans	Relation Labels
Teufel [2]	Comp. Ling.	80 articles	Sentence	×
Teufel [3]	Chem	50 articles	Sentence	×
Lauscher [4]	Comp. Imaging	40 articles	Token- level	In corpus but not automatized
Binder [5]	Comp.Imaging	39 articles	Mixed	

#### Why tailoring of these works is necessary for our task

- Scarce gold data
- $\triangleright$  Fine grained annotations [2,3]: complex human annotation tasks
- > Coarse-grained annotations [4,5]: Not enough to reflect the argumentative complexity
- > Token level: span detection of argument units is weak
- > Sentence level: Usually one sentence IS NOT one argument unit

#### Applying SAM to a new domain

- > New dataset annotated for argumentation using guidelines of [2,3] which overlaps with [4]
- Applying SAM to nanobiology
- Applying SAM to scientific literature correction practices
- > Evaluating automatic SAM system of [5] on new data
- Leveraging from citation function systems

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