

AUTHOR'S REPLY

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To start with, I think I still owe the readers an explanation why the article [1] was published in CHAOS but my article [2] was published for open access in this journal of Dynamics of Continuous, Discrete and Impulsive Systems (DCDIS) instead? It is because I was not being notified before the publication of [1] and did not have a chance to write a reply to it in the same journal after its publication there. I appreciate that DCDIS provides researchers from both sides of the story an equal opportunity to publish their comments and reply together.

In my Reply here, since I found that article [3] offers no more new ideas and arguments than what were said in [1], to end an unnecessary and perhaps endless debate, I decided not to rebut any further. I retain every word that I wrote in [2] unchanged, and simply wish to leave the concerned issue to the readers to judge. I thank those who have the interest and patience to read through detailed reasonings from both sides, and deem that future research will lead this dispute to an unbiased conclusion.

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