

Retraction

Retraction: Li *et al.* MEG3 Targets miR-184 and Wnt/ β -catenin and Modulates Properties of Osteosarcoma. Frontiers in Bioscience (Landmark Edition). 2020; 25: 1901–1912

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The Editor-in-Chief has retracted the article entitled “[MEG3 targets miR-184 and Wnt/ β -catenin and modulates properties of osteosarcoma]” ([1]) due to significant concerns regarding the reliability and integrity of the data presented.

Recently, several issues were brought to the attention of the Publisher and Editor-in-Chief regarding the originality and authenticity of the images in this paper, published in 2020, prior to the present publisher and EiC taking over the management of the journal. The content of repeated figures includes, but is not limited to:

Fig. 3D contains images that are identical to those in Fig. 3C of a previously published paper [2].

Fig. 3D contains images that are identical to those in Fig. 2C of a previously published paper [3].

Fig. 5D contains images that are identical to those in Fig. 1B of a previously published paper [4].

These duplications of images raise serious questions about the validity of the results and the adherence to ethical research standards. The authors were contacted for an explanation, but did not reply. Therefore, the Editor-in-Chief no longer has confidence in the research presented in this work and retracted the article.

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