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# RETRACTED: Alhakamy et al. Optimized Ellagic Acid–Ca Pectinate Floating Beads for Gastroprotection against Indomethacin-Induced Gastric Injury in Rats. *Biomolecules* 2020, 10, 1006

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The journal retracts the article, “Optimized Ellagic Acid–Ca Pectinate Floating Beads for Gastroprotection against Indomethacin-Induced Gastric Injury in Rats” [1], cited above. Following publication, concerns were brought to the attention of the Publisher regarding the duplication of images across other publications [2,3], representing different experimental conditions.

Adhering to our complaints procedure, an investigation was conducted by the Editorial Office and Editorial Board that confirmed that Figure 10B from this article [1] overlaps with Figure 7B of the publication [2] and Figure 4B of the publication [3].

While the authors fully cooperated with the Editorial Office during the investigation, they were unable to satisfactorily explain the overlap of figures presenting different experimental conditions and meet the required quality standards of raw images in order to consider a correction as per the journal's original image requirements policy (<https://www.mdpi.com/journal/biomolecules/instructions#oriimages>, accessed on 6 February 2024). As a result, the Editorial Board and Editor-in-Chief were unable to confirm the reliability of the findings and subsequently decided to retract this paper as per MDPI's retraction policy ([https://www.mdpi.com/ethics#\\_bookmark30](https://www.mdpi.com/ethics#_bookmark30), accessed on 6 February 2024).

An Editorial Board Member and the journal Editor-in-Chief were involved, and since they were unable to confirm the reliability of the findings, it was decided to retract the paper.

This retraction was approved by the Editor-in-Chief of the journal *Biomolecules*.  
The authors did not agree to this retraction.

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