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Retraction Statement. Paper by Michael W. Miller and Huaiyu Hu

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On August 6, 2010, the Editor-in-Chief of Developmental Neuroscience, Steven W. Levison, was contacted by the legal counsel for SUNY Upstate Medical University and informed that an investigative committee at SUNY Upstate had determined that Dr. Michael Miller was guilty of multiple counts of research misconduct, and they requested that Developmental Neuroscience retract the 2009 article authored by Drs. Miller and Huaiyu Hu. The committee did not find Dr. Hu at fault for any scientific misconduct. After independently reviewing the reports of the investigative committee and the rebuttals provided by Dr. Miller, the Editor-in-Chief and the publisher concurred that there were errors in reporting sample sizes and in mathematical calculations. However, at that time it was our view that an erratum was more appropriate than a retraction of the article. Despite the flaws in the analyses of the data, it was our determination that those flaws could be corrected in a published erratum to produce a final product that would be more useful to the scientific community than a complete retraction of the work. On December 10, 2010, we requested that Dr. Miller provide a corrected figure with an explanation of the mistakes that had been previously published.

However, that erratum was never published as we were provided with additional information and testimonies that convinced us that the collected data may also be unreliable.

Accordingly, on October 18, 2011, we requested that a letter of retraction be provided that was co-authored and co-signed by both authors. It was our view that for an action as severe as an article retraction, both authors needed to sign the retraction letter. However, Drs. Miller and Hu were unable to agree upon a letter that could be jointly signed.

Therefore, at the request of the President of SUNY Upstate, with this statement we formally retract the article by Drs. Miller and Hu, *Developmental Neuroscience* 2009;31:50–57.

We have sent correspondence to both authors, to the President of SUNY Upstate and to Dr. Steven Goodman, Vice President for Research at SUNY Upstate, to inform them in advance that this action is being taken by the journal.