

# Retraction: 'A subfamily of RNA-binding DEAD-box proteins acts as an estrogen receptor $\alpha$ coactivator through the N-terminal activation domain (AF-1) with an RNA coactivator, SRA'

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The above article from *The EMBO Journal*, published online on 15 March 2001, has been retracted by agreement between the authors and the journal Chief Editor and Head of Scientific Publications, EMBO, Bernd Pulverer. The authors' statement follows.

A number of image aberrations in this paper were brought to our attention. Following our own investigation and an institutional investigation by the University of Tokyo, we have concluded that the following issues necessitate retraction of the paper:

Figures 4 and 5B: Bands in the negative control in Fig 4 and for the p72 mutants in Fig 5B are duplicated.

The experiments and figure preparations were done in the nuclear signaling laboratory in the IMCB. Since these facts have undermined the integrity of the presented findings, we wish to retract this paper and deeply regret that these misleading data were published and the resulting negative impact on the scientific community.