



## RETRACTION

# Retraction for Chavez-Dozal et al. Functional Analysis of the Exocyst Subunit Sec15 in *Candida albicans*

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Volume 14, no. 12, p. 1228-1239, 2015. The authors and the journal hereby retract this article. After publication, several of the authors found that this article contained fabricated or falsified data in violation of ASM's ethical standards. It has been determined that Fig. 1A is a fabricated Southern blot created using physical manipulation. Thus, the reported strain was not confirmed as claimed. The experiments depicted in Fig. 2, Fig. 4, and Fig. 6B were repeated for confirmation. We were unable to successfully replicate the results of these experiments. Replication of the cell death and adhesion assays gave contradictory results. The lipase assay could not be successfully completed using the methods described in this paper. We were not able to find the source data files for the majority of the microscopy images shown in Fig. 7 to 9. The source data files that were recovered showed evidence of falsification. For example, images presented in the article as belonging to a certain treatment were from source data files belonging to completely different treatments or mutant strains. Lastly, images were not taken from a single experiment, as presented in the article text. In Table 3, the data reported for strain tetR-SEC6, published in another article by A. A. Chavez-Dozal et al. (*Eukaryot Cell* 14:684–697, 2015), have been retracted. Since the integrity of the data and conclusions presented in this article are compromised, this publication is retracted in its entirety. We apologize to the readers of *Eukaryotic Cell* and regret any inconvenience this causes.

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A. A. Chavez-Dozal could not be reached when asked to agree to the retraction.  
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