

## RETRACTION

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### **Effect of galectin-3 on vasculogenic mimicry in esophageal cancer cells**

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The authors wish to retract their research article entitled “Effect of galectin-3 on vasculogenic mimicry in esophageal cancer cells”, published in *Oncology Letters* 15, 4907-4911, 2018. They discovered that the first and the second bands in Fig. 4A should have been the same GAPDH band; however, the second band was presented in the figure back to front. The authors considered publishing a corrigendum; however, unfortunately the original data were lost and they were unable to re-examine whether there were other problems with the presentation of their figures in the paper, including re-confirming all the bands and recalculating the results. In addition, the principal researchers involved in the experimental work have left the laboratory, and so there is no possibility to repeat the experiments. As a result, they have decided to retract the article from the publication. All the named authors on the paper agree to this retraction.

The authors sincerely apologize for any inconvenience that might result from the retraction of this article.



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