

**RETRACTION**

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Following the publication of the above paper, and also a corrigendum in 2017 (doi: 10.3892/etm.2021.9768) that was intended to rectify the issue of duplicated data panels featured in Figs. 3 and 5, it has been drawn to the Editor's attention by a concerned reader that there was a further data duplication event comparing the panels in the original version of Fig. 3 that went undetected, albeit that the identical areas exhibited different intensities of fluorescence. In addition, for the immunohistochemical staining images shown in Fig. 8 on p. 1273, the 'Day 6 / 2.5  $\mu\text{mol/l}$ ' data panel appeared to include an anomalous overlap of matching data within the data panel itself. Owing to the fact that this paper has already had a published corrigendum and given the new information that has come to light, the Editor of *Experimental and Therapeutic Medicine* has decided that it should be retracted from the Journal on account of a lack of confidence in the originally presented data. The authors were asked for an explanation to account for these concerns, but the Editorial Office did not receive a satisfactory reply. The Editor apologizes to the readership for any inconvenience caused.



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