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Following the publication of the above paper, an interested reader drew to our attention that the western blot data shown in Fig. 7, the scratch-wound assay data in Fig. 2D and the cell invasion assay data in Fig. 2E were strikingly similar to data that had already been published in different articles by different authors from different research institutions, or which were already under consideration for publication elsewhere. Independently of the reader's enquiry, the authors contacted the Editorial Office to request that the paper be retracted on account of the fact that they were unable to reproduce the results presented in Fig. 2.

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