

RETRACTION NOTE



Retraction Note: circ_001504 promotes the development of renal cell carcinoma by sponging microRNA-149 to increase NUCB2

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The Editor in Chief has retracted this paper. After publication, concerns were raised about integrity of the data because of a recurring image of a ruler in Fig. 6 that appears to be the same as the one appearing in other articles by unrelated authors, for instance, [1–3]. The authors did not respond to requests to clarify. The authors haven't provided underlying data or evidence of ethics approval for their study. The Editor in Chief, therefore, has lost confidence in the integrity of the findings. The authors have not responded to any correspondence from the Editor about this retraction.

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