

SNHG8 is Upregulated in Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma and Directly Sponges microRNA-411 to Increase Oncogenicity by Upregulating KPNA2 [Retraction]

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The Editor and Publisher of *OncoTargets and Therapy* wish to retract the published article. Concerns were raised over alleged image duplication in Figures 4B and 6C with similar images from unrelated articles, specifically:

 Figure 4B panel Eca109 miR-411 mimics and Figure 6C panel TE-1 miR-411 mimics+pcDNA3.1, appear to have been duplicated with similar images in Figure 2C from Wang et al, 2020 (https://doi.org/10.2147/OTT.S234144) and Figure 2C from Qin et al, 2020 (<u>https://doi.org/10.3727/</u>096504020X15928179818438).

The authors responded to our queries but were unable to provide a satisfactory explanation for the alleged duplication and could not provide satisfactory original data for their study. The Editor advised for the article to be retracted.

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