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The authors responded to our queries but were unable to provide an explanation for the alleged image duplication and could not provide the original raw data for their study and have therefore agreed to retract the article.

Our decision-making was informed by our policy on publishing ethics and integrity and the COPE guidelines on retraction.

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The Editor and Publisher of OncoTargets and Therapy wish to retract the published article. Concerns were raised regarding the integrity of the tumor data presented in Figure 7B and the alleged duplication of images in Figure 2C with similar images from unrelated studies, specifically:

- Figure 2C panel C-33A, si-NC appears to have been duplicated with a similar image in Figure 2C from Gao et al, 2020 (https://doi.org/10.1080/15384101.2020.1749466).