

microRNA-564 Inhibits the Aggressive Phenotypes of Papillary Thyroid Cancer by Directly Targeting Astrocyte-Elevated Gene-1 [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 2C and 8A with similar images from unrelated articles, specifically:

- Figure 2C, panel HTH83 miR-564 mimics appears to have been duplicated with a similar image in Figure 5D from Wang et al, 2018 (<https://doi.org/10.3892/ijo.2019.4759>).
- Figure 8A appears to have been duplicated with similar images in Figure 8A from Yun et al, 2019 (<https://doi.org/10.2147/CMAR.S198615>).

The authors did not respond to our queries and the Editor determined the findings of the study were no longer valid and advised for the article to be retracted.

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