

## A Novel Tetrandrine-Loaded Chitosan Microsphere: Characterization and in vivo Evaluation [Retraction]

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The Editor and Publisher of *Drug Design, Development and Therapy* wish to retract the published article. Concerns were raised regarding the alleged duplication of images in Figures 1 and 5 with the same images from other unrelated articles. Specifically,

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