

Pumpkin Oil-Based Nanostructured Lipid Carrier System for Antiulcer Effect in NSAID-Induced Gastric Ulcer Model in Rats [Retraction]

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The Editor and Publisher of *International Journal of Nanomedicine* are retracting the above published article. An investigation by the Publisher found overlap in images from other articles and the images were used to describe results from other studies. Specifically,

- From the published article above, Figures 7A, control stomach section; 7B, indomethacin-treated stomach section; 7C, PSO + indomethacin stomach section and 7D, PSO-NLCs formula + indomethacin stomach section are the same images as Figures 4A, control stomach section; 4B, indomethacin-treated stomach section; 4C, omega-3 oil + indomethacin stomach section and 4D, omega-3 oil SNEDDS formula + indomethacin stomach section, published in:
 - Ahmed OAA, Fahmy UA, Bakhaidar R, et al. Omega-3 Self-Nanoemulsion Role in Gastroprotection against Indomethacin-Induced Gastric Injury in Rats. *Pharmaceutics*. 2020;12(2):140. <https://doi.org/10.3390/pharmaceutics12020140>.
- From the published article above, Figure 7B, indomethacin-treated stomach section, is derived from Figure 10B, indomethacin-treated stomach section, published in:
 - Alhakamy NA, Badr-Eldin SM, Ahmed OAA, et al. Optimized Ellagic Acid–Ca Pectinate Floating Beads for Gastroprotection against Indomethacin-Induced Gastric Injury in Rats. *Biomolecules*. 2020;10(7):1006. <https://doi.org/10.3390/biom10071006>.

The authors cooperated with the investigation and provided data and associated documents concerning the histopathological experiments from the reported study. However, the Editor and Publisher determined that the evidence provided did not establish sufficient justification for the duplication. Therefore, the Editor and Publisher are retracting the article. The authors do not agree with the retraction.

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