

Expression of Concern

The current Publisher and Editor are issuing an Expression of Concern on the article entitled

“Chrysin Inhibits Proinflammatory Factor-Induced EMT Phenotype and Cancer Stem Cell-Like Features in HeLa Cells by Blocking the NF- κ B/Twist Axis”

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The authors have contacted the journal about errors in Figures 3B and 6A, and have sent possible explanations for these errors and corrections. Concerns about the integrity of some of the data presented in this article have been raised on PubPeer before the initial contact (<https://pubpeer.com/publications/9F5AB58C51D6146853698443D1074B>).

However, when informed about possible problems with third party-data in articles resulting in similar concerns like those raised against this article and our request to send us all original data, and asked to address the mentioned concerns as well as the fact that several papers with at least one common author seem to be affected, the authors have stopped to react and have not responded to our correspondence within the given timeframe, despite multiple attempts of contact.

Therefore, readers should interpret the data presented in the article with caution. Appropriate editorial action will be taken once the investigation is concluded.