

Retraction

The article “Huangqi Decoction Ameliorates Streptozotocin-Induced Rat Diabetic Nephropathy through Antioxidant and Regulation of the TGF- β /MAPK/PPAR- γ Signaling” [Cell Physiol Biochem 2017;42:1934-1944; <https://doi.org/10.1159/000479834>] by Haiyan Han, Aili Cao, Li Wang, Hengjiang Guo, Yingjun Zang, Zezheng Li, Xuemei Zhang and Wen Peng has been retracted by the current and former Publishers and the Editor.

After the publication of this article, the authors requested to correct Figure 8A and it was identified that the image for Figure 5C TGF- β was also used to represent Figure 8A p-p44/42. The authors were asked to comment on this and to provide the original data. Review of the original data identified discrepancies between the group sizes reported in each figure legend (n=8) with the group sizes in the dataset (n=3-8).

As the actual number of datapoints analysed is lower than was reported in the article for all figures, the description of the results as published are not accurate and, therefore, the article is being retracted.

Dr. Haiyan Han, Dr. Aili Cao, Dr. Wen Peng and Dr. Xuemei Zhang disagree with the retraction. The remaining authors did not reply within the timeframe specified.

Data discrepancies for reference

Figure 1	Data not provided
Figure 2A	article says n=8 data is n=5-7
Fig 2B	article says n=8 data is n=5-7
Fig 3E	article says n=8 data is n=6-8.
Fig 3F	article says n=8 data is n=3
Fig 3G	article says n=8 data is n=3
Fig 3H	article says n=8 data is n=3
Fig 4A	article says n=8 data is n=6
Fig 4B	article says n=8 data is n=6
Fig 4C	article says n=8 data is n=6
Fig 4D	article says n=8 data is n=3
Fig 4E	article says n=8 data is n=6-8.
Fig 4F	article says n=8 data is n=4-8.
Figure 5B	article says n=8 data is n=3
Figure 5D	article says n=8 data is n=3
Figure 6B	article says n=8 data is n=3
Figure 6D	article says n=8 data is n=3
Figure 7B	article says n=8 data is n=3
Figure 7C	article says n=8 data is n=3
Figure 8B	article says n=8 data is n=3
Figure 8C	article says n=8 data is n=3
Figure 8D	article says n=8 data is n=3