



Retraction

RETRACTION of “Immune memory responses to HBV vaccine 13-18 years after primary vaccination” by L. Hou, W. Li, X. Wei, Y. Zhou, Y. Zhuo, H. Wu, B. Shen. *Genet. Mol. Res.* 14 (3): 8466-8472 (2015)

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The article “Immune memory responses to HBV vaccine 13-18 years after primary vaccination” by L. Hou, W. Li, X. Wei, Y. Zhou, Y. Zhuo, H. Wu, B. Shen published in 2015 in *Genetics and Molecular Research* 14(3): 8466-8472 (<http://dx.doi.org/10.4238/2015.July.28.14>) has been found to be substantially equal to the article “Immune memory response induced *in vitro* by recombinant hepatitis B surface antigen challenge 13-18 years after primary vaccination” published in the *Journal of Medical Virology* 86:1700-1704 (2014) from Andrea do Livramento et al. (DOI: 10.1002/jmv.24012).

The corresponding author of the article published in *Genetics and Molecular Research*, Baosheng Shen, alerted our editorial staff about this situation and requested the retraction of the article.

The Publisher and Editor retract this article in Accordance with the recommendations of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE). After a thorough investigation, we have strong reasons to believe that the peer review process was failure and after review and contacting the authors, the editors of *Genetics and Molecular Research* have decided to retract the article. The authors and their institutions have been advised of this serious breach of ethics.

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