

RETRACTION

Castleman's Disease in the HIV-Endemic Setting [Retraction]

Mahroug E, Sher-Locketz C, Desmirean M, et al. Cancer Manag Res. 2018;10:4553—4563.

The Editor-in-Chief and Publisher of Cancer Management and Research wish to retract the published article.

We were notified of discrepancies in the published article where some references did not appear related to the data they were being used to cite. For example, reference 8 (Fetica et al) reports 6 cases of Castleman disease in Romania, however the text in the published article refers to a study in South Africa. References 9 to 12 (Tomuleasa et al., Berce et al, Frinc et al and Messinger et al) were also found to describe studies not relevant to the published paper. Similarly, reference 13 (Naresh et al) was used to cite a study reporting a retrospective study conducted at Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital (CHBAH) in Johannesburg, South Africa, over a 25-year period from 1990 to 2014. However, reference 13 does not report that study.

It was determined that following peer review several of the original references had been replaced without an explanation from the authors and these discrepancies had been introduced. The authors could not provide a satisfactory explanation for this. The editor determined the validity of the paper had been compromised and requested for the article to be retracted.

The authors wish to apologise for this error.

Our decision-making was informed by our policy on publishing ethics and integrity and the COPE guidelines on retraction.

The retracted article will remain online to maintain the scholarly record, but it will be digitally watermarked on each page as "Retracted".

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