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Retraction Note: Hsa_circ_0001944 promotes the growth and metastasis in bladder cancer cells by acting as a competitive endogenous RNA for miR-548

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The Editor-in-Chief has retracted this article at the authors' request. After publication, concerns were raised regarding the published images. Specifically:

- Fig. 4C appears to contain image overlap between different treatment groups and cell lines.
- Fig. 4F appears to contain overlapping areas with two articles on unrelated circRNAs that were under consideration within a similar time frame [1, 2].

- Figs. 6G and 7G appear to contain image overlap between different treatment groups and cell lines.

The authors have stated that the microscopy images in Fig. 4F were provided by a third party.

Due to the number of concerns with the images, the Editor-in-Chief and the authors no longer have confidence in the presented data.

All authors agree to this retraction.

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