Retraction
doi:10.1093/molbev/msm161

Insights into the evolution of the motilin/ghrelin-associated family and their receptors
Jing He,1,2 David M. Irwin,3 and Ya-ping Zhang1,4,*

1Laboratory of Cellular and Molecular Evolution, Kunming Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Kunming 650223, China; 2The Graduate School, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing 100049, China; 3Departments of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology and the Banting and Best Diabetes Centre, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada; and 4Laboratory for Conservation and Utilization of Bioresource, Yunnan University, Kunming 650091, China

We have retracted our article because of inappropriate citations of direct quotations and paraphrases and the lack of adequate acknowledgment of intellectual antecedents. This serious breach arose, not out of any intent to deceive or misrepresent, but as a result of inexperience and carelessness of the first author, and the failure of the corresponding author to notice the mistake. We offer our sincere apologies to the authors of the mishandled material, the Journal, and the community of scientists it serves.

*E-mail: zhangyp1@263.net.cn or zhangyp@mail.kiz.ac.cn

Published by Oxford University Press 2008.