

CERTIFICATION

Re: ESPS Ms NO: 6436(ID00012386)

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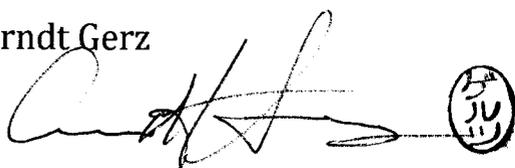
This is to certify that I (Arndt Gerz), the undersigned, have more than 35 years of experience in the editing/rewriting/translating of medical/scientific manuscripts and textbooks for scientists and medical researchers at many leading university medical schools, hospitals and research institutes in Japan.

Numerous articles that I have had the opportunity and pleasure to edit have been accepted by high-level journals, not the least of them being, for example, Nature, NEJM, Lancet, Science, and so on.

I believe the review article in question (**Regulation of miRNA by HBV infection and their possible association with control of innate immunity**) by Dr. Kanda et al. to qualify in the 'Grade A' category.

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