

To whom it may concern:

The work conducted by Zhao-ying Fu et al titled “Latex of *Euphorbia esula* induced apoptosis in human gastric carcinoma cells via caspase-dependent pathway” was performed according to the international, national and institutional rules considering animal experiments, clinical studies and biodiversity rights. The submission of the paper has been approved by all members of the academic committee of our institution and the same work has neither been published nor is under consideration elsewhere.

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