



Retraction

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The journal retracts the article titled “Structure–Activity Relationship of Synthetic Linear KTS-Peptides Containing Meta-Aminobenzoic Acid as Antagonists of $\alpha 1\beta 1$ Integrin with Anti-Angiogenic and Melanoma Anti-Tumor Activities” [1], cited above.

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