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The journal retracts the article, "Optimized Icariin Phytosomes Exhibit Enhanced Cytotoxicity and Apoptosis-Inducing Activities in Ovarian Cancer Cells" [1] cited above.

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Adhering to our complaint procedure, an investigation was conducted that confirmed that Figure S2 of [1] is a duplicate of Figure 8 of [2], Figure 7 of [3], Figure 7 of [4], Figure 7 of [5], Figure 7 of [6] and Figure 4 of [7].

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