

Notice of retraction

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Dear Colleagues,

It has recently been brought to my attention that the following case report by Padeyappanavar et al., which was published online in the *International Journal of Anatomical Variations (IJAV)* on February 23rd, 2010 (Padeyappanavar KV, Kazi AK, Nagaleekar A, Kulkarni D, Kulkarni U, Hukkeri V. Elongated styloid process – report of three cases. *International Journal of Anatomical Variations*. 2010; 3: 30–32.) [1], has already been published in the *Journal of the Anatomical Society of India* in June 2008 [2], and in the *Al Ameen Journal of Medical Sciences* in January 2010 [3]. The manuscript has been submitted to *IJAV* in July 30th, 2009, and accepted for publication in January 22nd, 2010. It is obvious that the manuscript has been submitted to *IJAV* one year later to its initial publication in the *Journal of the Anatomical Society of India*. The editorial office of *IJAV* has confirmed that this case report by Padeyappanavar et al. was a duplicate publication, violating the publication agreement of *IJAV*. The most important condition of submission of a manuscript for publication is explicit declaration of the authors that the paper has not been published or is not under consideration for publication in any other journal. As such this manuscript represents a severe abuse of the scientific publishing system.

We immediately contacted the corresponding author (*Dr. Kiran V. Padeyappanavar, Department of Anatomy, Belgaum Institute of Medical Sciences, India. E-mail: dr.kiranvp@gmail.com*). Unfortunately, we could not get a satisfactory or logical explanation. Therefore, we hereby notice our readers that the paper by Padeyappanavar et al. [1] has been retracted.

The institutions of the authors will also be advised via this notice of retraction.

We deeply apologize to our readers and the international scientific community for this inconvenience that was totally occurred out of *IJAV*, and respectfully announce to the scientific world.

Sincerely,

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