

RETRACTED ARTICLE: Effects of Kuntai capsule on breast pain and vaginal bleeding in postmenopausal women

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“The Editor-in-Chief of the Pakistan Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences hereby retracts this article.”

Description

Following a complaint and technical (editorial) investigation, the authors were requested to provide essential documentation to verify the reliability, validity, and ethical compliance of the study published. Despite repeated reminders, the required documentation was not provided. Specifically, the authors did not correspond or supply:

- **Raw Data:** Original anonymized patient-level datasets; laboratory reports or case report forms supporting the statistical analysis.
- **Statistical Records:** Detailed explanation of statistical methods, confirmation of reported p-values, and verification of results presented in Tables 1–5.
- **Ethics Approval:** Copies of institutional ethics approval letters from all recruitment sites, and clarification on trial registration (as study was conducted at multiple sites).
- **Image Documentation and proof of originality:** Original source files of Figures 1 and 2, with confirmation of their originality and linkage to the patient dataset.

(Suspected Image plagiarism reported of fig 2. An ABC report: "Eight surgeries and still no cure in sight: How endometriosis is crippling women" (<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2018-04-05/endometriosis-sufferers-seek-relief-as-doctors-chase-treatment/9595476>).

- **Clarification of Methodology:** Clear description of patient recruitment procedures across multiple hospitals, and additional supporting information for methodological transparency.

The absence of these critical materials undermines **confidence in the integrity and validity** of the published findings.

In accordance with the journal’s ethical policies and guidance of Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE), this article is retracted to maintain the accuracy and transparency of the scientific record.

The retracted article will remain accessible online, but it will be clearly marked as **“Retracted”** on each page.

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