

## Retraction

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### Identification and Characterization of a Novel Antibacterial Peptide, Avian $\beta$ -Defensin 2 from Ducks

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The article by Ma et al. that appears in the Journal of Microbiology (2009, 47: 610-618) is a redundant publication of the paper published in Scientia Agricultura Sinica (2009, 42: 3685-3692). Therefore, we, the JM committee, decided to retract the article from JM. We regret any inconvenience that the retraction may have caused to readers.