

Retraction: “Bedside Surgery to Treat Patent Ductus Arteriosus in Low-Birth-Weight Premature Infants”

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The editor in chief agrees with the need for this retraction. The publisher requires that all submissions to the journal obtain appropriate ethical approvals prior to submission. Confirmation was sought and subsequently obtained from the authors prior to publication, on August 8, 2014, that local ethical approval was not required on the basis that the study reported was retrospective. Following publication, journal staff were informed by the authors on August 25, 2014, that approval was in fact required by their institution, and that it had not been obtained and could not be obtained retrospectively. In compliance with Committee on Publication Ethics guidelines, the article is therefore hereby retracted.

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