#### Letter to the Editor

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# Retraction of abstract

Dear Sir,

We are writing to inform you that we wish to retract the following abstract published in the *Sri Lanka Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology*.

Haplotypes of Heparin Binding Epidermal Growth Factor (HBEGF) gene is associated with weight of babies at birth. Harendra GG, Jayasekara RW, Dissanayake VHW, (2009), 42nd Annual Scientific Sessions, Sri Lanka College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (13-15th November), Volume 31, Supplement 1, p73.

Our decision for this retraction is based on the following observation. At the completion of genotyping of the entire sample collection, we came across discrepancies which indicated a possible genotyping error associated with the results. To resolve these discrepancies we re-genotyped the entire collection, using a more sensitive method. This identified a major genotyping error in relation to one SNP in the reported results. Since, the conclusions drawn based on these results could be erroneous, we wish to retract this abstract.

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### Editor's note

Accordingly the above abstract is withdrawn from publication in the *Sri Lanka Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology* Vol 31, (Supplement 1). It should not be cited as a publication.

## **Editor**

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