

**Tammy B. Frisbey**

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**From:** Robert Stoppacher  
**Sent:** Monday, September 13, 2021 7:31 PM  
**To:** Fernando Campos  
**Cc:** Michel R. Nasr  
**Subject:** Dyskeratosis congenita image retraction request  
**Attachments:** DC retraction request.pdf

Dr. Campos

Attached please find a letter requesting retraction of the image in the DC article as we have previously discussed. Thanks. RS

**Robert Stoppacher, M.D.**

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September 12, 2021

Fernando de Campos, MD  
Editor-in-Chief, Autopsy Case Reports  
Faculdade de Medicina da Universidade de São Paulo.  
São Paulo, SP, Brazil

Re: Dyskeratosis congenita case report

Dear Dr. Campos:

I am writing to formally request the retraction of a particular image/picture in an article recently published in Autopsy Case Reports entitled Dyskeratosis Congenita. As you know through our prior email correspondence, the mother of the individual in the case report was upset regarding the full-body image (Figure 2A) in the article and requested that it be removed. Although steps were taken to de-identify the individual in the image, the author's failed to obtain authorization to include this particular image in the article. This unintentional oversight originated with the authors and not the journal.

The four authors of the paper are in agreement that the image should be retracted and the issue was also brought before the Ethics Committee at SUNY Upstate Medical University who also supports retracting the image.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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**From:** Robert Stoppacher  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 14, 2021 8:29 AM  
**To:** Michel R. Nasr  
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] Re: Dyskeratosis congenita image retraction request

FYI. RS

**From:** Fernando Campos <fpfcampos@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 13, 2021 8:07 PM  
**To:** Robert Stoppacher <StoppacR@upstate.edu>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Dyskeratosis congenita image retraction request

Dr Stoppacher

Thank you very much for the letter. The retraction process will be promptly started. As soon as we have it worked out, I will contact you.

Respectfully yours

Fernando Campos, MD  
Editor-in-chief  
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Em seg., 13 de set. de 2021 às 20:30, Robert Stoppacher <[StoppacR@upstate.edu](mailto:StoppacR@upstate.edu)> escreveu:

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