## **ERRATUM**

## Erratum to: Suppression of UVC-induced cell damage and enhancement of DNA repair by the fermented milk, Kefir

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Under the heading "Suppression of UVC damage in HMV-1 cells by the addition of the Kefir extract during UVC irradiation," the sentence "Thymine dimer formation in HMV-1 cells treated with the Kefir extract during UVC-irradiation was considerably reduced 5 h after UVC-irradiation, compared to the control (Fig. 6a)." should be replaced by "Thymine dimer formation in HMV-1 cells treated with the Kefir extract during UVC-irradiation was considerably reduced immediately after UVC-irradiation, compared to the control (Fig. 6a)."

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S. Tokumaru · K. Tokumaru Nihon Kefir Co. Ltd., 13-15 Asahi-machi, Fujisawa 251-0054, Japan Under the Fig. 6 legend, the sentences "(a) and (b): HMV-1 cells  $(2.0 \times 10^5 \text{ cells})$  were UVC-irradiated with 60 J m<sup>-2</sup> in the absence or presence of the Kefir extract  $(9.6 \text{ mg ml}^{-1})$ . Cells were washed to remove the Kefir extract and then cultured for 5 h. Thymine dimers (a) and apoptotic cells (b) were detected using an immunoblot assay." should be replaced by "(a) and (b): HMV-1 cells  $(2.0 \times 10^5 \text{ cells})$  were UVC-irradiated with 60 J m<sup>-2</sup> in the absence or presence of the Kefir extract  $(9.6 \text{ mg ml}^{-1})$ . Cells were washed to remove the Kefir extract. Thymine dimers (a) were detected immediately using an immunoblot assay and apoptotic cells (b) were detected using an immunoblot assay after cultivation for 5 h."

