Animal Care and Use Committee of
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This file is used to state that the laboratory animals and animal experiment procedures are ethical in manuscript with the title of "miR-145 Exerts Tumor-Suppressing and Chemo-Resistance Lowering Effects by Targeting CD44 in Gastric Cancer".

Animal Care and Use Committee of The Second Affiliated Hospital of Fujian Medical University is responsible for overseeing the care and use of all vertebrate animals on campus, and composed of scientists, technicians, veterinarians, students, and members of the public. The committee reviews each proposal to use animals, and decides whether the project has valid scientific goals and whether it is ethical and humane. The committee insists the principle of the 3 R's—Replacement of animals whenever possible with alternatives such as computer models or cells; Reduction in the number of animals used; and Refinement of techniques to make them as humane as possible.

All procedures in the manuscript were reviewed in advance by Animal Care and Use Committee of The Second Affiliated Hospital of Fujian Medical University and also met the guidelines of the National Institutes of Health Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals.