Errata

Dopamine and dobutamine cause hypokalaemia which is not attenuated by β_1 or β_2 blockade in dogs

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The Table in this abstract did not include some corrections which had been submitted by the authors. The corrected Table follows. None of the conclusions reported are affected by these corrections.

TABLE Plasma potassium ($\text{mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$) during dopamine and dobutamine infusions. Mean $\pm$ SD

<i>Dopamine</i>			
	<i>Pre-infusion K^+</i>	<i>Maximum K^+</i>	<i>Minimum K^+</i>
Control (n = 8)	3.53 $\pm$ 0.31	3.59 $\pm$ 0.30†	2.82 $\pm$ 0.16*
β_1 blockade (n = 8)	3.37 $\pm$ 0.57	3.55 $\pm$ 0.65*	2.82 $\pm$ 0.29*
β_2 blockade (n = 8)	3.43 $\pm$ 0.25	3.48 $\pm$ 0.27*	2.83 $\pm$ 0.17*
<i>Dobutamine</i>			
	<i>Pre-infusion K^+</i>	<i>Maximum K^+</i>	<i>Minimum K^+</i>
Control (n = 8)	3.46 $\pm$ 0.44	3.64 $\pm$ 0.44*	2.78 $\pm$ 0.29*
β_1 blockade (n = 8)	3.42 $\pm$ 0.78	3.52 $\pm$ 0.74*	2.82 $\pm$ 0.59*
β_2 blockade (n = 8)	3.40 $\pm$ 0.22	3.55 $\pm$ 0.23*	2.90 $\pm$ 0.18*

Significant difference from pre-infusion value: †p < 0.05; *p < 0.005.
(Analysis of variance & Wilcoxon's test for paired differences.)

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The first sentence of the last paragraph begins: "Care of the carers is also important ..."

The corrected sentence reads: "Care of the carers is also important and may make a fee for service approach uneconomic since even assessment requires a very heavy investment of time and may most nearly be compared to psychotherapy in its emotional demands."