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CORRECTION

# Correction to: Impacts of low salinity exposure and antibiotic application on gut transport activity in the Pacific spiny dogfish, *Squalus acanthias suckleyi*

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The authors note that subsequent analysis has demonstrated the metric for measurement of plasma ammonia is incorrect and has artificially elevated the expected values as found in Table 1, owing to an incorrect protocol for deproteination. Subsequent analysis demonstrates that trends remain the same (i.e., unaltered across the measured treatments), but values are an order of magnitude lower than those reported.

Plasma ammonia should be measured upon first thaw to prevent loss of total ammonia through volatilization (confirmed in experiment 1 – 'thawed' vs 'never thawed'). Thus, because our samples had been thawed multiple times for other measurements we were unable to measure the exact samples from the study.

However, using fresh plasma from other experiments we validated the ammonia electrode protocol with the two different methods for deproteinization. The new protocol follows published protocols and yields plasma ammonia concentrations in line with previously published samples (see experiment 1). The old protocol consistently yields values an order of magnitude above that of previously published values, potentially owing to the acid hydrolysis of protein within the samples which would liberate more 'free N' in the measured suspension. Further, we tested the effects of spiking pooled dogfish plasma samples with known values of ammonia and differences were detected using both methods when 25 and 50 μM ammonium chloride was added to the samples (see experiment 2). Thus, we hypothesize that we

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would have detected differences in the plasma samples from the original study if salinity had an effect on plasma ammonia. However, we cannot definitively conclude the effects of altered salinity on plasma ammonia concentrations in the Pacific spiny dogfish (*Squalus suckleyi*).

Experiment 1

| Sample ID | New protocol (μM ammonia) | Old protocol (μM ammonia) |
|---|---|---|
| 1-never thawed | 141 | 1051 |
| 1-never thawed | 137 | 1098 |
| 1-never thawed | 114 | 1400 |
| 1-never thawed | 233 | 967 |
| 2-never thawed | 115 | 1384 |
| 3–thawed 1 before | 59 | 1277 |
| 3–thawed 1 before | 90 | 1567 |
| 3–thawed 1 before | 97 | 1029 |
| 3–thawed 1 before | 57 | 1260 |

Experiment 2

| Sample ID | New protocol (μM ammonia) | Old protocol (μM ammonia) |
|---|---|---|
| No spike | 204 | 986 |
| 25 μM $NH_4Cl$ spike | 241 | 1040 |
| 50 μM $NH_4Cl$ spike | 270 | 1111 |