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Letter to the Editor

Determination of catecholamines in body fluids

Sir,

The observation of Dr. Gupta is correct. Fig. 6 in the recent manuscript of Mefford et al. [1] does indeed label peak 3 as epinine. We agree with the observation that epinine is not normally present in urine, cerebrospinal fluid, blood or brain tissue in measurable quantities. The legend for Fig. 6 is incorrect, owing to an infortunate error introduced during editorial revision at the publisher. The peak identities should read: peak 3=3,4-dihydroxybenzylamine, the internal standard, and peak 4 = dopamine. The authors thank Dr. Gupta for the thorough examination of the manuscript and for bringing this error to our attention.

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