Lignocaine, a new technique for intravenous administration

Sir,

In the above article by R. A. Levy et al. (1977, 39, p. 1026) the dose of lignocaine by infusion is stated to be 20 μg/min for patients between 68 and 90 kg and 30 μg/min for those over 90 kg. This is a very small dose: the usual dosage would be 20 or 30 μg per minute per kg body weight.

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This letter was shown to the authors who reply as follows:

Sir,

A disastrous typographical error occurred; the doses should have been given as 20 μg/kg per min and 30 μg/kg per min.

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