

ner using  $\text{As}^{74}$ . The increase in sensitivity is obtained even though the phantom was set up to simulate our clinical condition where brain pictures are obtained in 4 to 10 minutes with a dose of 350 to 750 microcuries of  $\text{Ga}^{67}$ -EDTA. Shealy, *et al.*, however, found that 2 to 3 millicuries of  $\text{Ga}^{67}$ -EDTA was sometimes an inadequate dose with their positron scanner.

We agree the search should continue for better agents, but our results indicate  $\text{Ga}^{67}$ -EDTA to be as effective as the other agents now in use.

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## TO THE EDITOR

In his correction to the paper entitled "The Use of a Modified Radioactive Test for Evaluating the Peripheral Circulation", that appeared in the Journal, April 1964, p. 319, Dr. Kanner indicates that the corrected result for the integration of the equation:

$$N = N_F (1 - e^{-\lambda t}) \quad (1)$$

should be

$$\text{Area} = N_F \left( t - \frac{T_{1/2}}{0.69} \right) \quad (2)$$

However, equation (2) is not the correct integral of equation (1). Integration of equation (1) leads to the equation

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \int_0^t N dt = N_F \int_0^t (1 - e^{-\lambda t}) dt \\ &= N_F \left[ t - \frac{T_{1/2}}{0.69} (1 - e^{-\lambda t}) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

If desired, the accuracy of this amended result can be confirmed by comparing the derivatives of the equations (2) and (3) to equation (1).

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