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Title: Cocaine-Induced Renal Infarction: Report of a Case and Review of the Literature

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Dear Reviewer:

Thank you again for your suggestions. We have made the following changes to our manuscript:

General:

We have included the following statements in the Conclusion section:

1. The vasoconstrictive and thrombotic effects of cocaine are most likely the dominant factors in cocaine-induced renal infarction. The possible atherogenic effects of cocaine and the relationship of this effect to renal infarct is likely to be a long term, rather than an acute factor.

2. It is difficult to suggest a uniform therapeutic approach to this disorder because one cannot predict whether the infarct will be due to vasospasm, thrombosis or both. In addition, the extent of the renal infarct will likely influence clinical management and outcome.

Minor Essential Revision:

The spelling of "methylecgonine" has been corrected.

Discretionary Revisions:

1. The Case Report section has been shortened to one paragraph as suggested.

2. In paragraph 3 of Discussion, "placenta infarct" has been changed to "placental infarct".