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Dear Professor Alice Murray,

We would like to submit our manuscript entitled “Development of acute pancreatitis caused by sodium valproate in a patient with bipolar disorder on hemodialysis for chronic renal failure” for your consideration as a publication in the case report section of Clinical Neuropsychopharmacology and Therapeutics. Acute pancreatitis is a rare, but serious and sometimes fatal, side effect of sodium valproate (VPA) administration. Hemodialysis for the treatment of chronic renal failure is also regarded as a risk factor for acute pancreatitis. Here, we report our experience of a patient with bipolar disorder who developed acute pancreatitis caused by VPA administration while undergoing hemodialysis. To our knowledge, the present report is the first case of VPA-induced pancreatitis in a patient with bipolar disorder who was also undergoing hemodialysis. We believe this case report will be of interest to the readers of your journal.

I am looking forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

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