Erratum


We regret that an error has occurred in the printing of this article. The third and fourth paragraphs of the Case Report section should read as follows:

On examination there were 12, raised ovoid lesions in a line across the mid-scapular region resembling furuncles. These ranged from 0.5 to 1.0 cm in diameter and each was surrounded by an area of induration and a ring of erythma. Five of these contained a central black dot which was noted to move intermittently.

Gentle pressure was applied to the base of each lesion and a small amount of serous fluid and a total of 12 live maggots were expressed (Fig. 1). These varied from 4–8 mm in length. The now collapsed lesions were covered with dry dressings. On review 48 h later all showed evidence of healing and the patient was asymptomatic. The maggots were later identified as larvae of the Tumbu fly (Cordylobia anthropophaga).

Fig. 1. Photomicrograph of third lava stage of the Tumbu fly, Cordylobia Anthropophaga, removed from one of the lesions described. The dark tracheal tubes at the posterior end of the larva are clearly seen.