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Dr. Emmanuel Andrès and Prof. Dr. Michael G. Hennerici Editors-in-Chief Journal of Clinical Medicine

Dear Editors:

I wish to submit a case report for publication in the *Journal of Clinical Medicine*, titled "A fatal case of multi-organ failure due to acute yellow phosphorus poisoning". The paper was coauthored by

We present the case of a 30-year-old woman who ingested Ratol paste containing yellow phosphorus in an attempt to commit suicide. She developed severe complications due to the intoxication and died. Post-autopsy histopathological and toxicological examinations revealed characteristic features of yellow phosphorus toxicity in the organs. We concluded that the cause of death was hepatic encephalopathy and multi-organ dysfunction syndrome caused by yellow phosphorus poisoning. We believe that our report makes a significant contribution to the literature because it highlights the course of symptoms, complications, and fatality associated with yellow phosphorus poisoning. This is important given the significant number of cases of accidental poisoning and deaths due to yellow phosphorus poisoning among children and adults.

Further, since your journal aims to provide a platform for advances in health care/clinical practices and to publish studies involving the direct observation of patients, we believe that this paper will be of interest to the readership of your journal as this report too concerns the direct observation of a patient who underwent suicidal yellow phosphorus poisoning.

This manuscript has not been published or presented elsewhere in part or in entirety and is not under consideration by another journal. The patient's family provided informed consent for the publication of the report. We have read and understood your journal's policies, and we believe that neither the manuscript nor the study violates any of these. There are no conflicts of interest to declare.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

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