



Corrigendum

Corrigendum to “Fentanyl and heroin contained in seized illicit drugs and overdose-related deaths in British Columbia, Canada: An observational analysis” [Drug Alcohol Depend. 185 (2018) 322–327]



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It has come to the attention of the authors that a correction is needed to the interpretation section of this paper. On page 325, paragraph 2, lines 6–9 we reference data on the number of overdose deaths involving various substances from the [British Columbia \(BC\) Coroner's service](#). We believe we made a typographical error in reporting 96% of the overdose deaths involved methamphetamine. Because the data came from monthly updates in 2016 that changed as cases were confirmed there are no longer data available to confidently correct this figure from the time of previous data extraction in 2016. Instead, we would like to replace the sentence with the following information that includes data for 2015–16 for all substances.

“In 2015–2016 the top relevant drugs detected among illicit drug OD deaths in BC were cocaine/crack (48%), fentanyl (43.1%), heroin (37.1%), and methamphetamine/amphetamine (29.1%). It is unclear if

the people involved took these combinations knowingly.”

This correction in no way affects our findings, analyses or conclusions. The numbers were given as examples of polysubstance use playing a role in the overdose crisis. The authors would like to apologize for any inconvenience caused.

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