



## Renal Toxicities

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#### PROBLEMS:

- Anorexia
- Depression
- Dehydration
- Vomiting
- Oral lesions
- Diarrhoea
- Hypothermia

### Renal Toxicities

#### Differential diagnoses:

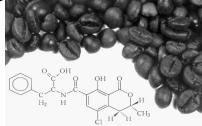
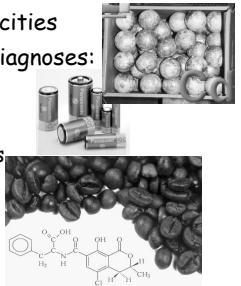
- Aminoglycoside antibiotics
- **CHOLECALCIFEROL**
- **ETHYLENE GLYCOL**



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#### Differential diagnoses:

- Heavy metals
- Ochratoxin



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Differential diagnoses:

- Raisins & grapes



- NSAIDs



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Differential diagnoses:

- Oxalates (plants)



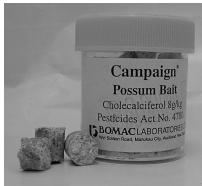
- Easter Lily (cats)



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### CHOLECALCIFEROL-Sources

- Pesticides



- Plants

- Vitamin D<sub>3</sub>

Toxicity:

2 mg/kg (low)

LD<sub>50</sub> 13 mg/kg

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### CHOLECALCIFEROL- Clinical Signs

- Initially - lethargy & anorexia
- Vomiting, PU, PD
- Dehydration
- Cardiac - PR ↑, QT↓
- Azotaemia

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#### CHOLECALCIFEROL - Diagnosis

- Hypercalcaemia
- Hyperphosphataemia
- Ca:P
- ECG: ↑ PR interval, ↓ QT
- Histo: Tissue Mineralisation

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#### Cholecalciferol Treatment Plan

depends on severity and Calcium levels

- Activated charcoal (repeat)
- Fluids - Saline diuresis
- Frusemide
- Prednisone
- salmon calcitonin (Miacalcic) OR
  - \*pamidronate disodium (Aredia)
- Guarded to Grave Prognosis

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#### ETHYLENE GLYCOL

- Antifreeze
- Clinical signs appear from 30 minutes to 12 hours post ingestion



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#### ETHYLENE GLYCOL - Antifreeze

- Stage I - drunkenness (1-2 hours)
  - Vomiting, depression, ataxia
  - Metabolic Acidosis,
  - Cats - lethargy
- Stage II - (2-6 hours)
  - diuresis, dehydration, polydipsia

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**■ Stage II - Cardiopulmonary Signs**

- Hypocalcaemia
- Hypothermia,
- Muscle tremors (6 hours)
- Tachycardia,
- Pulmonary oedema
- ↑ phosphorus

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**■ Stage III - Renal Failure**

- Painful swollen kidneys
- Anuria, uraemia
- Increased BUN and Creatinine

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**Clinical Pathology:**

Metabolic Acidosis, ↑ anion gap

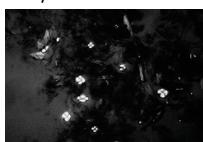
Urine specific gravity - isothenuric or dilute

Uraemia, ↑ creatinine (renal failure)

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**Clinical Pathology:**

Birefringent crystals in kidneys



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### ETHYLENE GLYCOL TREATMENT

- Ethanol (dogs and cats)
- Dogs: 4-methylpyrazole (fomepizole)
- Symptomatic and supportive care
  - fluid therapy
  - sodium bicarbonate (acidosis)
  - electrolyte correction



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### SUMMARY

- Clinical Signs of Renal Failure
- Hypothermia
- Activated charcoal (cholecalciferol)
  - Reduce hypercalcaemia
- Metabolic Acidosis (ethylene glycol)
  - Ethanol or 4-Methylpyrazole