

LETTER TO THE EDITORS

Yield value of blood

IN HIS article in *Biorheology* **1**, 164, Dr. CERNY quotes a letter of mine to *Nature* (**183**, 613, 1959) as indicating the presence of a yield-value in blood when a capillary viscometer is used. He evidently did not notice my later letter to *Nature* (**186**, 708, 1960) in which I explained that the data which I had used indicated a yield-value only in the sense of "the extrapolated intercept of [Casson's] straight lines extended to the stress axis". The experiments quoted were not done at sufficiently low rates of shear to indicate whether or not there is a physical yield-value.

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ERRATUM

R. L. WHITMORE: Hemorheology and Hemodynamics. *Biorheology*, **1**, 201, 1963.

Page 203, line 8
for "50 sec" read "50 sec⁻¹".

Page 204, line 3
for "sampling red cells" read "suspending red cells".

Page 206, Table 3
all values under the heading "Reynolds number" should be divided by sixteen.

Page 213, line 38
for "different from the fluid" read "different in density from the fluid".

Page 218, reference 16
for "GILLILARD" read "GILLILAND".

The name CERNY is misspelt throughout.