

Author Correction: The new nanophysiology: regulation of ionic flow in neuronal subcompartments

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In this article, the origin of some of the presented modelling information should have been stated and insufficient details were provided to understand how the curve in Box 2 and the electrodiffusion-related curves in Figure 3 were generated.

Equation 5 in Box 2 and some of the simulated data in Figure 3 came from the following study: Schuss, Z., Cartailier, J. & Holcman, D. Poisson–Nernst–Planck equations in a ball. Preprint at arXiv <https://arxiv.org/abs/1505.02173> (2015) (later published as: Cartailier, J., Schuss, Z. & Holcman, D. Analysis of the Poisson–Nernst–Planck equation in a ball for modelling the voltage–current relation in neurobiological microdomains. *Physica D* **339**, 39–48 (2017)).

Equation 5 is a simplified version of equation 9 in Schuss et al., but it was not made clear that it had been simplified, and the simplified version made it difficult to understand how the aforementioned curves were generated. Equation 5 should have been written in the form

$$-\Delta\varphi = \frac{Qe^{-\frac{ze\varphi}{kT}}}{\varepsilon\varepsilon_0 \int_{\Omega} e^{-\frac{ze\varphi}{kT}}}$$

for which the compatibility condition at the boundary is

$$\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial n} = -\frac{Q}{\varepsilon\varepsilon_0 |\partial\Omega|}$$

where

$$|\partial\Omega| = 4\pi R^2$$

for a ball of radius R . R^2 had been omitted in the simplified equation as R was equal to one in this instance. The value of the dielectric constant (ε), which should have been provided, is 80.

Parts a–c in Figure 3 show concentration of ions against the radius of the sphere. Here, the concentrations values were calculated from the density of particles (number of ions per μm^3), which was given by

$$\rho(r) = \frac{Qe^{-\frac{ze\varphi(r)}{kT}}}{ze \int_{\Omega} e^{-\frac{ze\varphi}{kT}} dx}$$

where the voltage potential φ is the solution of equation 5.

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