

Table 1. Laboratory analysis on admission to the Emergency Unit

Parameters (units)	Patient	Normal range
pH	7.1	7.35-7.45
HCO ₃ ⁻ (mmol/L)	19	22-26
BE	-10.2	
Na ⁺ (mEq/L)	113	135-145
K ⁺ (mEq/L)	3.6	3.5-5.0
Cl ⁻ (mEq/L)	76	95-105
Ca ⁺⁺ (mmol/L)	0.99	1.13-1.32
Plasma osmolality (mOsm/Kg)	238	275-295
CPK (UI/L)	433	1-195
Glucose (mg/dl)	109	65-110
Creatinine (mg/dl)	0.72	(0.5-1.0)
Azotemia (mg/dl)	17	(15-50)

HCO₃⁻: bicarbonate ions; BE: base excess; Na⁺: sodium ions; K⁺: potassium ions; Cl⁻: chloride ions; Ca⁺⁺: ionized calcium; CPK: creatine phosphokinase.