



“The role of nebulised budesonide in the treatment of exacerbations of COPD.”

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A typographical error resulted in the mean blood glucose level at admission for patient group 2 being published as  $116.4 \pm 37.8$  mg·dL<sup>-1</sup> in table 1, when the correct value is  $126.4 \pm 37.8$  mg·dL<sup>-1</sup>. The corrected table is republished below.

TABLE 1 General characteristics of the patients at admission

	Group 1 <sup>#</sup>	Group 2 <sup>¶</sup>	Group 3 <sup>+</sup>
Subjects n	39	40	42
Age years	63.5 ± 10.1	64.9 ± 7.1	63.9 ± 9.7
Males/females n	35/4	33/7	35/7
Disease duration years	11.1 ± 8.5	10.8 ± 5.6	10.8 ± 6.6
Smoking load pack-years	44.7 ± 19.5	43.4 ± 21.4	46.9 ± 21.7
Current smokers %	44	45	50
Haematocrit %	49.0 ± 6.1	48.9 ± 5.8	48.2 ± 6.5
Leukocyte count 10 <sup>9</sup> ·L <sup>-1</sup>	13 355 ± 5546	12 715 ± 5145	13 605 ± 5373
BUN mg·dL <sup>-1</sup>	21.9 ± 9.4	24.9 ± 13.1	20.9 ± 8.8
Glucose mg·dL <sup>-1</sup>	114.0 ± 31.7	126.4 ± 37.8	114.3 ± 24.9
FVC % pred	64.5 ± 21.5	57.5 ± 17.7	64.3 ± 20.4
FEV <sub>1</sub> % pred	36.7 ± 11.9	35.3 ± 11.7	39.6 ± 12.9
FEV <sub>1</sub> /FVC %	46.8 ± 15.9	48.4 ± 13.4	48.4 ± 13.2
FEF <sub>25–75%</sub> % pred	16.4 ± 7.8	15.7 ± 8.4	20.6 ± 16.1
pH	7.41 ± 0.09	7.41 ± 0.08	7.41 ± 0.09
SaO <sub>2</sub> %	83.6 ± 10.0	80.1 ± 12.4	79.9 ± 13.7
PaO <sub>2</sub> mmHg	52.4 ± 11.1	49.1 ± 12.6	50.1 ± 14.8
PaCO <sub>2</sub> mmHg	47.4 ± 16.7	51.4 ± 10.3	46.8 ± 12.7
Comorbidity index	1.55 ± 0.8	1.53 ± 0.7	1.56 ± 0.8

Data are presented as mean ± sd, unless otherwise indicated. BUN: blood urea nitrogen; FVC: forced vital capacity; FEV<sub>1</sub>: forced expiratory volume in 1 s; FEF<sub>25–75%</sub> mean forced expiratory flow between 25% and 75% of FVC; SaO<sub>2</sub>: arterial oxygen saturation; PaO<sub>2</sub>: arterial oxygen tension; PaCO<sub>2</sub>: arterial carbon dioxide tension. #: only bronchodilator; ¶: systemic corticosteroid; +: nebulised budesonide.