Erratum to: Elevated Levels of IL-18 in Plasma and Skeletal Muscle in Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

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In the original publication of the article, there was an error regarding plasma interleukin (IL)-18. Though the values for plasma-IL-18 in the abstract are correct, the p -value in the abstract should read $p = 0.05$. In the Results section regarding plasma cytokines, the p -value should be $p = 0.05$. The data regarding the plasma concentration of IL-18 does not change our conclusions of the study. However, we have to emphasize that plasma IL-18 in COPD patients are only borderline significant ($p = 0.05$) from the healthy controls.

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The correct version of Fig. 1a is given below.

Fig. 1 (a) Plasma concentrations of interleukin (IL)-18 from COPD patients ($n = 20$), healthy controls ($n = 20$), nonsymptomatic smokers ($n = 10$), and healthy nonsmokers ($n = 10$). Values are given as geometric means and SEM

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