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In the caption to figure 6 of this article, incorrect values describing the correlation of vital capacity and diffusing capacity of the lung for carbon monoxide with serum periostin levels were published. The correct values are the same as those presented in the results section of the article, and the text in the figure caption should read as follows: "The correlation between serum periostin levels and 6-month changes in a) vital capacity (VC; n=26, p=0.0096, r=-0.498) and b) diffusing capacity of the lung for carbon monoxide ( $D_L$ ,CO; n=21, p=0.033, r=-0.467) in IPF patients is shown." The figure and corrected caption is presented below.

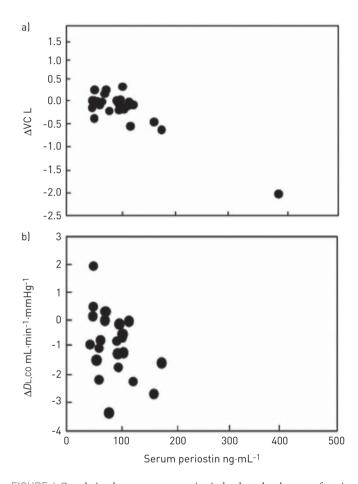


FIGURE 6 Correlation between serum periostin levels and pulmonary functions in idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) patients. The correlation between serum periostin levels and 6-month changes in a) vital capacity (VC; n=26, p=0.0096, r=-0.498) and b) diffusing capacity of the lung for carbon monoxide (DL,CO; n=21, p=0.033, r=-0.467) in IPF patients is shown.

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