

“EFFECTS OF CICLESONIDE AND FLUTICASONE ON CORTISOL SECRETION IN PATIENTS WITH PERSISTENT ASTHMA”. E. DEROM, R. LOUIS, C. TIESLER, R. ENGELSTÄTTER, J-M. KAUFMAN AND G.F. JOOS. *EUR RESPIR J* 2009; 33: 1277–1286.

Regrettably, the information regarding ciclesonide and fluticasone propionate was presented incorrectly in figure 1 of the above paper. Throughout the figure, “ $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$ ” should have appeared as “ $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{day}^{-1}$ ”. In addition, figure 5 of the above paper appeared with an incorrect axis label. “PC₂₀ methacholine $\text{mg}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$ ” on the *y-axis* of the figure, should have appeared as “PC₂₀ adenosine $\text{mg}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$ ”. The correct figures appear below:

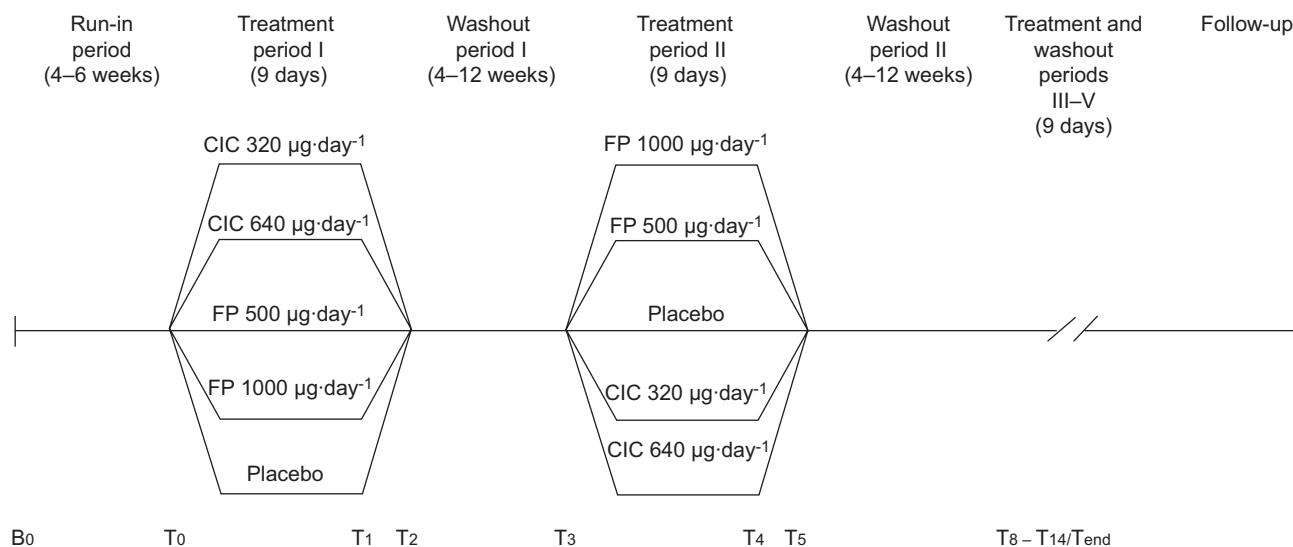


FIGURE 1. Study design. Visits T₀–T₁, T₃–T₄, T₆–T₇, T₉–T₁₀ and T₁₂–T₁₃ were separated by 7 ± 0 days. Visits T₀–T₂, T₃–T₅, T₆–T₈, T₉–T₁₁ and T₁₂–T₁₄ were separated by $9 (-2/+3)$ days. CIC: ciclesonide; FP: fluticasone propionate; T: treatment visit.

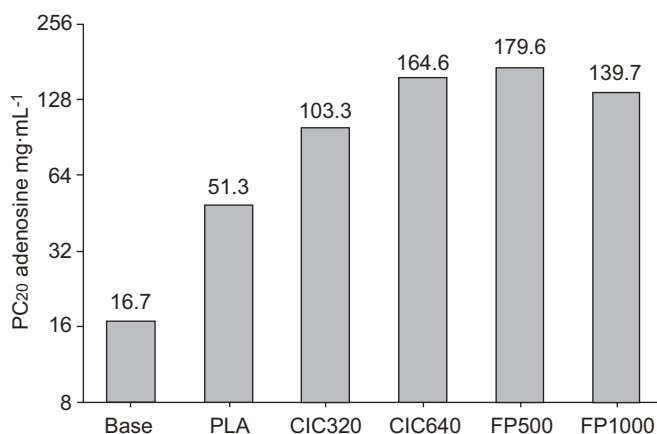


FIGURE 5. Provocative concentration leading to a 20% decrease in forced expiratory volume in 1 s (PC₂₀) adenosine at intake (base) and after placebo (PLA), ciclesonide (CIC) and fluticasone (FP). All treatment groups were administered CIC 160 μg once daily in the evening plus salmeterol 50 μg twice daily. CIC320: CIC 320 $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{day}^{-1}$; CIC640: CIC 640 $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{day}^{-1}$; FP500: 500 $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{day}^{-1}$; FP1000: FP 1,000 $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{day}^{-1}$.

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