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## **OPEN** Author Correction: Predicting dissolution and transformation of inhaled nanoparticles in the lung using abiotic flow cells: The case of barium sulphate

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This Article contains errors. In the Methods section, under subheading 'Flow-through abiotic dissolution and transformation'.

"For the lower flow rate, this corresponds to a ratio, SA/V = 0.02 h/cm".

should read:

"For the lower fowl rate, this corresponds to a ratio, SA/V = 0.02 h/ $\mu$ m".

In the Results section, under subheading 'Dynamic abiotic dissolution',

"If we determine for each sampling interval the instantaneous rates k (in units of  $ng/cm^2/h$ , Eq. 3) and the instantaneous surface area per volume flow SA/V (in units of h/cm, Eq. 4), hundreds of instantaneous release rates collapse on a single linear relationship, regardless if SA/V was modulated by initial surface area or by flow rate or by gradual dissolution (Fig. 3)".

should read:

"If we determine for each sampling interval the instantaneous rates k (in units of  $ng/cm^2/h$ , Eq. 3) and the instantaneous surface area per volume flow SA/V (in units of h/µm, Eq. 4), hundreds of instantaneous release rates collapse on a single linear relationship, regardless if SA/V was modulated by initial surface area or by flow rate or by gradual dissolution (Fig. 3)".

And,

"The best match of the predicted halftime with the *in vivo* halftime is obtained for SA/V ratios around 0.01 to 0.03 h/cm".

should read:

"The best match of the predicted halftime with the *in vivo* halftime is obtained for SA/V ratios around 0.01 to 0.03 h/µm".

Furthermore, the x-axis of Figure 3 is incorrectly labeled as "SA/V h/cm", whereas the correct unit is "SA/V h/µm". The correct Figure 3 appears below as Figure 1.



**Figure 1.** Instantaneous rate evaluation of biodissolution of  $BaSO_4$  in flow-through cells with pH 4.5 PSF media. Each cloud of stepwise rates stems from separate experiment of initial mass  $M_0$  and volume flow V. Five experiments for  $BaSO_4$  (orange) and two for CuO (black). See Table 2 for conventional evaluation (cumulative rates) of the same raw data.

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