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# Correction to: Effects of early feeding on growth velocity and overweight/obesity in a cohort of HIV unexposed South African infants and children

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## Correction

After publication of this article [1] it was brought to our attention that there were errors in the text under the heading 'Data cleaning', and in Table 3. The corrected text and updated Table 3 are given in this erratum.

"Anthropometric measurement values and Z-scores were flagged for verification if any of the following criteria were met: WAZ < -6 or >5, WLZ < -5 or >5, LAZ < -6 or >6, WLZ > 3 and LAZ < -3; 2) extreme changes in LAZ and WLZ (greater than 2.5 or 3) between consecutive visits; 3) BMI-for-age Z-score  $\geq$  6. All the flagged anthropometric observations were assessed and values treated as missing if no plausible explanation was determined."

**Table 3** Period-1 (the 3/6 week–12 week) and period-2 (12–24 weeks) mean weight velocity (WVZ) and length velocity (LVZ) by infant feeding<sup>a</sup>

Period 1: 3/6–12 weeks	3 week feeding				
	Never breastfed		Breastfed <sup>c</sup>		P-value <sup>b</sup>
	n	mean $\pm$ SD	n	mean $\pm$ SD	
WVZP1 (N = 522)	60	1.58 $\pm$ 1.72	462	0.99 $\pm$ 1.60	<0.01
LVZP1 (N = 402)	46	1.69 $\pm$ 2.62	356	1.37 $\pm$ 2.44	0.41
Period 2: 12–24 weeks	12 week feeding				
	Never breastfed		Breastfed <sup>c</sup>		P-value <sup>b</sup>
	n	mean $\pm$ SD	n	mean $\pm$ SD	
WVZP2 (N = 494)	98	1.07 $\pm$ 1.75	394	0.64 $\pm$ 1.57	0.02
LVZP2 (N = 477)	93	0.82 $\pm$ 2.62	382	0.85 $\pm$ 2.52	0.93

<sup>a</sup>Values are mean  $\pm$  SD of velocity Z-scores based on WHO standard. LVZ length

velocity Z-score, P1 Period-1, P2 Period-2, WVZ weight velocity Z-score

<sup>b</sup>Student test P values for group comparisons a 5% significance level

<sup>c</sup>Children received breast milk in addition to other solids and liquids

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