Table 3 Non-parametric correlation of eosinophil counts and serum eosinophilic cationic protein (s-ECP) levels of asthma patients versus healthy controls			
Variable	Spearman correlation	<i>P</i> -value	

variable	Spearman correlation	r-va
	coefficient (r)	

Peripheral eosinophil count (cells/mm³)

Serum-ECP level (µg/L)

-0.60 -0.75 < 0.001

< 0.001