

Table 2. Variables significantly associated with EPCs; results of the univariate analyses

Variables	EPCs (cells/mL, median: 25th-75th percentile)	<i>p</i> value (Spearman's rho)
BMI (kg/m ²)		
<32.5	292 (158-431)	<0.0001 (-0.660)
≥32.5	84 (0-234)	
Waist Circumference (cm)		
<107	263 (111-374)	0.017 (-0.407)
≥107	69 (0-133)	
Visceral fat (cm)		
<8.28	305 (69-470)	0.040 (-0.339)
≥8.28	84 (0-234)	
HOMA-IR		
<4.4	258 (0-470)	0.031 (-0.400)
≥4.4	77 (26-184)	
Systolic Blood Pressure (mmHg)		
<141	196 (74-374)	0.019 (-0.400)
≥141	69 (0-292)	
Mean Blood Pressure (mmHg)		
<124	196 (74-374)	0.009 (-0.440)
≥124	69 (0-292)	
Total cholesterol (mmol/L)		
<5.10	272 (69-431)	0.003 (-0.471)
≥5.10	84 (0-158)	
LDL-cholesterol (mmol/L)		
<3.49	318 (69-431)	0.023 (-0.373)
≥3.49	84 (0-158)	
hs-CRP(mg/L)		
<2.59	282 (158-363)	0.006 (-0.442)
≥2.59	69 (0-133)	