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In the manuscript entitled 'A distinct inflammatory and fibrogenic cytokine milieu in oral submucous fibrosis' Roopa NM et al combine bead array and flow cytometry to study the expression of specific cytokines in OSF biopsies.	Flow cytometry has been used to study the expression of specific cytokines in OSF biopsies and necessary changes have been made in the revised manuscript. [Abstract: Page no. 1, line no. 7; Main text: Page no. 2, line no. 23]
Which is the TGF beta isoform analyzed here?	TGF beta isoforms 1 and 2 were analyzed. [Main text: Page no. 2, line no. 17]
What is the expression profile of IL-6 and Il-17 in the OSF samples?	IL-6 and 17 expression profile in OSF samples has not been evaluated in the present study.
Is it possible to correlate the expression of TGF beta to the expression of alpha-SMA (using Western blot or RT-PCR for instance?)	It is a very good suggestion and can be considered as an extended part of the study. At this point, it is difficult to check the expression in the same samples.