

**Table 1. Longitudinal analysis of <sup>19</sup>F signal in CIA rats**

Cohort	Day	Range ( <sup>19</sup> F x10 <sup>19</sup> )			Average ± SD ( <sup>19</sup> F x10 <sup>19</sup> )	P value*	
<b>Vehicle</b>	15	0.14	to	11.2	5.17 ± 4.55	5.43x10 <sup>-6</sup>	1.93x10 <sup>-6</sup>
	22	6.59	to	19.2	11.9 ± 4.71		
	29	12.8	to	21.9	17.3 ± 3.82	3.95x10 <sup>-4</sup>	
<b>Prednisolone</b>	15	0.17	to	12.1	4.57 ± 4.86	NS	NS
	22	0.70	to	13.1	4.85 ± 4.63		
	29	0.91	to	13.8	5.92 ± 5.56	NS	

\*After testing for normal distribution, two-way ANOVA was used to compare statistical significance among groups ( $P < 0.05$  considered significant). Tukey's two-tailed paired T-test was then used to compare the average signal between time points for each treatment group (critical  $P$  value  $< 0.0083$ ). SD = standard deviation, NS = not significant .