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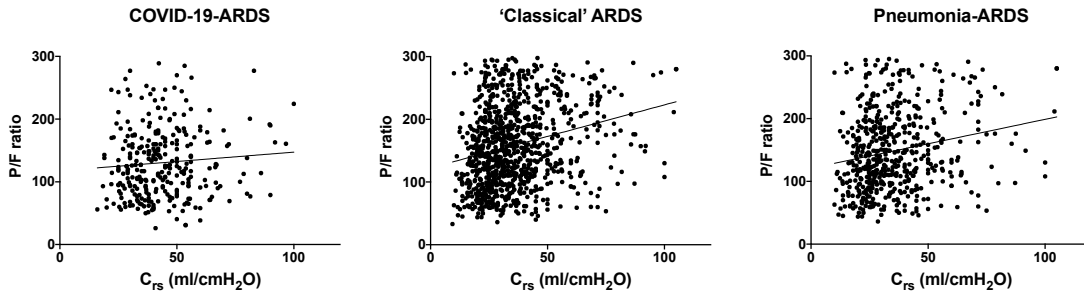


Figure. Scatterplots of static compliance versus $\text{PaO}_2/\text{FiO}_2$ in COVID-19 ARDS, “classical” ARDS and pneumonia-ARDS. In COVID-19-ARDS (left panel), the relationship was not significant ($p=0.160$) and R^2 was 0.007. In classical and pneumonia ARDS, results were statistically significant ($p<0.0001$) but values of R^2 were low (0.059 and 0.040, respectively; equation $y=1.005x+122.5$ and $y=0.7777x+121.0$, respectively; middle and right panels).