Reviewer's report

Title: Sputum and nasal lavage lung-specific biomarkers before and after smoking cessation.

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Page 11, line 2, this sentence with reference should be included: “Electronic nose is a promising non-invasive technique for assessment of airway inflammation (Chest 2010;137:790-796)”.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests