Reviewer’s report

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Reviewer: Antonia Koutsoukou

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Following the reviewers suggestions the authors have made some changes in the Introduction, Results and Discussion, which have substantially improved the Revised Manuscript.
Furthermore, they have answered adequately to most of the issues raised by the reviewers.
However, there are still a few specific concerns.

As I have pointed out in my first review, Table 5 provides comparisons and not relationships. Although the authors agreed with this comment (authors R-1 to my comments), in their revised Ms they still describe Table 5 as presenting relationships!! (Results, page 8, last paragraph, 1st line)

The legend for Figure 1 is wrong. Figure 1 shows differences in BMI, ERV and 6mWT distance between non-dyspneic (mMRC score =0) and dyspneic (mMRC score >1) subjects and not relationships. Please correct

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Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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