Reviewer's report

Title: Lung inflammation in healthy and asthmatic children in a contaminated city.

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Reviewer: Paolo Montuschi

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The manuscript has improved after revision.

These references, demonstrating the reproducibility of new specific non-invasive techniques for assessing airway inflammation such as e-nose (J Breath Res. 2013;7:017103) and NMR spectroscopy of EBC (Eur Respir J 2012;39:498-500), have to be included.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.