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We thank the editor and reviewers for showing their interests in our study. We have carefully considered the suggestions and constructive comments provided by the reviewers and have addressed them accordingly in the revised submission.
Christophe Delclaux (Reviewer 1): The authors state: By analyzing the time consumed in PFT (pulmonary ventilation function, 10 minutes; pulmonary ventilation function + bronchial dilation test, 30 minutes; pulmonary ventilation function, bronchial provocation test, 60 minutes; pulmonary ventilation function, + diffuse function, 15 minutes) and the workload of PFT room, the best allocation of PFT is 20-25 cases / 2 person / day.

Please, as recommended previously, better describe the tests: what is pulmonary ventilation function? spirometry and static volumes measurements? diffuse function is DLCO measurement (single-breath determination of carbon monoxide uptake in the lung) I guess?

Response: Yes, you’re right. We have revised this part according to your suggestions. We thank you again for your excellent suggestions which have greatly improved the quality of our manuscript.