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Dear Maire Clayton,

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Point-by-point response to comments on our manuscript (PULM-D-19-00193R2)

We greatly appreciate being given the opportunity to revise our manuscript (Manuscript number: PULM-D-19-00193R2, Title: The impact of high-flow nasal cannula oxygen therapy on exercise capacity in fibrotic interstitial lung disease: a proof-of-concept randomized controlled crossover trial). Below, you will find point-by-point responses to each comment. We believe the manuscript is now much improved, and we hope you find our changes acceptable.

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Thank you again for your comments on our paper. If any parts are still insufficiently clear, please let us know. We will revise the manuscript further.

Sincerely yours,
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