

Table 1. Summary of participant demographics and baseline characteristics

Demographics	Healthy participants (N = 12)	Participants with COPD (N = 7)	P-value
Age, years	26 (9)	71 (6)	<0.0001
Male sex, N	12	3	
Body mass index, kg m ⁻²	25 (2)	24 (2)	0.6
Height, cm	185 (8)	164 (8)	<0.0001
Weight, kg	86 (14)	66 (10)	0.003
White cell count, x10 ⁹ /L	5.6 (1.0)	7.0 (2.0)	0.1
C-reactive protein, mg/L	3 (0)	4 (2)	0.2
Brain natriuretic protein, pmol/L	5 (0)	42 (72)	0.2
Creatinine, µmol/L	95 (10)	85 (13)	0.1
Albumin, g/L	39 (2)	36 (3)	0.06
International normalised ratio	1.1 (0.1)	1.2 (0.4)	0.5
Bilirubin, umol/L	17 (8)	12 (8)	0.3
Gamma-glutamyl transferase, U/L	17 (13)	33 (19)	0.08
Aspartate aminotransferase, U/L	21 (4)	20 (6)	0.9
Alanine aminotransferase, U/L	19 (7)	17 (5)	0.6
Peripheral oxygen saturations, %	97 (1)	97 (2)	0.8
mMRC score, median (range)		2 (2-3)	
FEV ₁ , L		0.86 (0.34)	
FEV ₁ /FVC		0.34 (0.08)	

All data are presented as mean (standard deviation) unless otherwise stated. N = number of participants; mMRC = modified Medical Research Council; FEV₁ = forced expiratory volume in the first second; FVC = forced vital capacity.