

Supplementary table 1. Comparison of the shift in diagnosis from obstructive to non-obstructive after the final assessment, in four different groups of patients, stratified by their *baseline* GOLD stage label.

	Total number of participants with a diagnosis of AO at baseline (n= 102)	Still obstructive after the second assessment (n= 62)	Non-obstructive after the second assessment (n = 40)
GOLD 1 ($FEV_1 \geq 80\%$)	43 (42.2%)	19 (30.6%)	24 (60%)
GOLD 2 ($50\% \leq FEV_1 < 80\%$)	50 (49.0%)	35 (56.5%)	15 (37.5%)
GOLD 3 ($30\% \leq FEV_1 < 50\%$)	8 (7.8%)	7 (11.3%)	1 (2.5%)
GOLD 4 ($FEV_1 < 30\%$)	1 (2.0%)	1 (1.6%)	0

GOLD - the Global Strategy for the Diagnosis, Management and Prevention of COPD, Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease

FEV₁ - Forced expiratory volume in 1 s