

Table E1. Criteria for defining controlled, partly controlled and uncontrolled CRS by the EPOS 2012.

Assessment of Current Clinical Control of CRS in the Last Month			
Characteristic	Controlled (All of the following)	Partly Controlled (At least one present)	Uncontrolled
Nasal blockage	Not present or not bothersome	Present on most days of the week	
Rhinorrhea/postnasal drip	Little and mucous	Mucopurulent on most days of the week	
Facial pain/headache	Not present or not bothersome	Present	
Smell	Normal or only slightly impaired	Impaired	Three or more features of partly controlled CRS
Sleep disturbance or fatigue	Not impaired	Impaired	
Nasal endoscopy (if available)	Healthy or almost healthy mucosa	Diseased mucosa (nasal polyps, mucopurulent secretions, inflamed mucosa)	
Systemic medication needed to control disease	Not needed	Need of a course of antibiotics or systemic corticosteroids in the last 3 months	Need of long-term antibiotics or systemic corticosteroids in the last month

CRS, chronic rhinosinusitis.

Table E2. Characteristics of the total cohort.

	Study entry
Male, n(%)	123(67.2)
Age, mean(SD)	39.5(13.6)
Weeks after surgery, median(IQR)	79.3(69.1)
Smoking status, n(%)	
Non-smoker	163(89.1)
Current smoker	18(9.8)
Ex-smoker	2(1.1)
Allergic rhinitis, n(%)	20(10.9)
Asthma, n(%)	23(12.6)
Prior sinus surgery, n(%)	
0	126(68.9)
1	45(24.6)
2	6(3.3)
3	4(2.2)
4	2(1.1)
Preoperative L-K endoscopic score, median(IQR)	9.0(3.0)
Preoperative L-M CT score, median(IQR)	15.0(8.0)
Blood eosinophil count, median(IQR)($\times 10^9/L$)	0.23(0.3)
Blood eosinophil percentage, median(IQR)(%)	3.0(4.7)
Tissue eosinophil count, median(IQR)/(HPF)	29.0(72.0)
Tissue eosinophil percentage, median(IQR)(%)	8.4(29.5)
Post-operative TNSS, median(IQR)	2.0(3.0)
Medication length after surgery, n(%)	
>6 months	99(54.1)
≤ 6 months	84(45.9)

SD, standard deviation; *IQR*, interquartile range; *L-K*, Lund-Kennedy; *L-M*, Lund-Mackay; *CT*, computed tomography; *HPF*, high power field; *TNSS*, total nasal symptom score.