

Table 4 Spirometry parameters in the case and control groups before and after treatment

Parameter	Case group (<i>n</i> = 144)			Control group (<i>n</i> = 140)		
	Before	After	<i>P</i> -value ^a	Before	After	<i>P</i> -value ^a
	Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)		Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)	
FVC (L)	87.2 (3.4)	96.7 (5.6)	< 0.001	86.1 (3.3)	93.4 (4.9)	0.649
FEV1 (L)	71.1 (3.8)	84.7 (3.9)	0.002	72.8 (4.2)	73.1 (4.2)	0.852
FEV1/FVC (FEV1%)	73.1 (3.6)	83.4 (4.7)	0.007	74.7 (3.9)	77.8 (4.6)	0.784

^aBefore versus after, paired *t*-test.

SD = standard deviation; *FVC* = forced vital capacity; *FEV1* = forced expiratory volume in 1 second.