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Comments to the Author

This is a well constructed, balanced meta-analysis.

My only minor comment is to slightly expand the discussion section focusing on clinical relevance. I suggest reading the editorial "Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis and Emphysema: Between Scylla and Charybdis" (Respiration. 2016;92(4):215-217) and adding it in your references.