Table 2. Respiratory explorations before non-invasive ventilation initiation

	med [Q1;Q3]	(min;max)
Blood gas (n; %)	8 (61)	
Age at blood gas (months)	8 [4.5;11.5]	(2;21)
$PaCO_2(mmHg)$	40 [36;41]	(34;42)
Nocturnal gas exchange (n; %)	8 (61)	
Age at nocturnal gas exchange (months)	13 [7.3;24.8]	(4;30)
Mean $PtcCO_2$ ( $mmHg$ )	40.25 [37.5;43]	(33;44)

Results are expressed as the percentage of the 13 ventilated patients, and as median, interquartile range: med [Q1;Q3]; minimum and maximum (min;max); PaCO<sub>2</sub>: arterial partial pressure of carbon dioxide; PtcCO<sub>2</sub>: transcutaneous partial pressure of carbon dioxide