Reviewer's report

Title: Assessment of the Feasibility of High-Concentration Capsaicin Patches in the Pain Unit of a Tertiary Hospital for a Population of Mixed Refractory Peripheral Neuropathic Pain Syndromes in Non-Diabetic Patients

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Major compulsory revisions:

1. The authors' data on feasibility has limited value given the very small number of treated patients. Why would the authors' believe that treating no more than 1 patient/day or 2/week would have significant impact on patient flow in their clinic?

2. Why was such intensive BP monitoring and pre-/post-procedure EKG done? This is well beyond standard of care.

3. Efficacy and QOL data from a small open label study of limited significance

Minor Essential Revisions:

1. English editing required

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

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