Reviewer's report

Title: A longitudinal evaluation of the impact of a polylactic acid injection therapy on Health Related Quality of Life amongst HIV patients treated with anti-retroviral agents under real conditions of use.

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Reviewer: Jose JC Catalan

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This is well conducted clinical research project, and its results are sound and consistent.

A couple of comments on methodological aspects of the study.

1. While the study design is that of an open trial, it would have been helpful and not too difficult to have used a 'wait group' design, using the participants as their own controls by asking them to complete the outcome instruments on entry and some time later, before actually starting treatment. I suspect it would not have affected the results, but it would have been a more elegant design.

2. The ABCD validation has not been published yet. It would be important to know from the authors what the state of scientific review of this instrument is. Ideally, the paper should be available for perusal

3. the authors do not comment, unless I have missed it, on gender differences. It would be important to know if they found any differences between men and women in any of the measures at follow up.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

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