Reviewer's report

Title: Initial partial response and stable disease according to RECIST indicate similar survival for chemotherapeutical patients with advanced non-small cell lung cancer

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<Minor Essential Revision>
The authors revised their manuscript according to my comments and added the analysis of overall survival. I can judge this manuscript as an article of importance. However, although the authors described that the RECIST was revised in 2009, the authors should also describe that the authors used RECIST ver. 1.1 in methods section.

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:
'I declare that I have no competing interests'