Reviewer's report

Title: Fast Track Multi-Discipline Treatment (FTMDT trial) Versus Conventional Treatment In Colorectal Cancer - The Design of A Prospective Randomized Controlled Study

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The design of this prospective randomized controlled study is interesting. However, I have several questions about this study.

1. The authors mentioned that the numbers of patients of one arm is 80 and total 320 patients. Is the number of patients of one arm enough?

2. Exclusion criteria of this study is not sufficient.
   1) The Inclusion Criteria was regulated as patients who are 18 years and older. But, did the authors want to include the high aged patients such as over 75 years old?
   2) The authors excluded tumors which can be resected by endoscopic mucosal resection (EMR). Were the submucosal tumors included? Adjuvant chemotherapy may not be needed for patients with Stage I colorectal cancer. Did the authors want to include Stage II and III colorectal cancers?
   3) Chemotherapy should not be performed for such patients with leucopenia, renal failure, or inflammation.

3. The authors should clarify the discontinuance criterion of this clinical trial. Or the authors should mention the reduction rate of XELOX or FOLFOX treatment.

4. The period of this study is not clarified. To investigate the patients’ QOL, it takes long follow-up time.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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