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Title: Integrative Oncology for Breast Cancer Patients: Introduction of an expert-based Model

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Minor essential Revisions:

Page 2 line 17: 'fatal interactions': this term of 'fatal' is very strong and means normally adverse reactions with the result of death. This is very rare by interactions of herbal medicine and supplement with conventional radio - chemotherapy. I propose to write 'serious interactions'.

Page 5 line 3 and 4: 'Integrated Oncology is defined as Complementary plus Conventional Oncology.' That definition is too simple: WHO defines integrative medicine as best practice of conventional and complementary medicine. I think therefore: 'Integrative Oncology is best practice of conventional and complementary oncology therapy bringing together to one concept / or holistic concept. This include to examine the interactions of both therapy concepts and bringing together to a holistic concept.

Page 11 line 21: MBSR. This abbreviation is not explained before. Please write: Mindfulness-based-stress-reduction (MBSR).

Page 12 line 2: 'Mindfulness-based-stress-reduction-classes; it would be possible to use the abbreviation of page 11 MBSR-classes.

Page 15: Please include in list of abbreviations MBSR= Mindfulness-based-stress-reduction

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.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.