Reviewer's report

Title: Higher rate of skin rash in a phase II trial with weekly nanoparticle albumin-bound paclitaxel and cisplatin combination in Chinese breast cancer patients

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The authors report a very interesting finding of higher rate of skin rash with nab-paclitaxel in patients of Chinese origin. This is a very useful observation and adds to the existing literature. Their discussion regarding the possible causes of this phenomenon is very pertinent and appropriate.

Major essential revisions:
The statement in introduction section - "Several large randomized trials documented improved efficacy and favorable safety...." is factually incorrect. There have been only limited randomized trials. One of the reference (#4) cited is not a randomized trial. This sentence and the reference need to be corrected.

Minor and essential revisions:
The relevance of the last paragraph in discussion section is unclear to me. I do not think this adds to the main point of the manuscript and should be deleted.

There are several grammatical errors that I have indicated in the attached document. I have also suggested some other changes in the document.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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:

I declare that I have no competing interests