Reviewer’s report

Title: Randomized controlled trial to evaluate the effects of ethyl-2-cyanoacrylate on pain intensity and quality of life in head and neck cancer patients suffering from cetuximab-induced rhagades during radioimmunotherapy: The SUPPORT Trial

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Reviewer: Siegfried Segaert

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EGFR inhibitors are responsible for numerous side effects on the skin including fissures that can be painful and invalidating; Evidence on optimal treatment of fissures is lacking. This manuscript reports on the setup of a randomized clinical trial for the treatment of cetuximab-induced fissures comparing ethyl-2-cyanoacrylate with standard care. I have no comments on the article that can be published.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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