Reviewer's report

Title: Effectiveness of intravitreal ranibizumab in exudative age-related macular degeneration (AMD): comparison between typical neovascular AMD and polypoidal choroidal vasculopathy over a 1 year follow-up.

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Reviewer: Timothy Lai

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Major revision:
1. OCT measurement. The OCT measurements might not be accurate as it was unclear how PED were measured.
2. Methods. Were ICGA performed to assess for change in polyp? This is an important issue to decide retreatment.
3. The number of prior PDT should be stated and included in the analysis. This might influence the treatment outcome.
4. The duration of symptoms is another important confounding variable and should be included in the analysis.

Minor revision:
1. Introduction. The EXTEND-I study has previously evaluated the use of ranibizumab for Japanese AMD patients and should be added.

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.

Declaration of competing interests:
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