Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Preliminary results, methodological considerations and recruitment difficulties of a randomised clinical trial comparing two treatment regimen for patients with headache and neck pain

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**Reviewer:** Michael Væth

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Minor essential revisions

Abstract
Page 2 line 28: This sentence is not formulated as a conclusion. What was the most important recommendations?

Data reduction an analysis
Page 8 line 2-3. "...to adjust for baseline values". The meaning is unclear. A two-way analysis of variance of follow-up measurements does not in itself adjust for baseline values. Did you include the baseline values as a covariate in the analysis or did you include the baseline values as the first follow-up measurements?

Primary outcome measures
Page 9 line 8. "There were no significant differences between both treatment groups", Is this referring to a comparison between groups of follow-up measurements or a comparison of reductions (i.e. change from baseline)? This should be clarified.
The sentence is repeated in the discussion (page 10 line 8-9).

**Level of interest:** An article of limited interest

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

**Declaration of competing interests:**
I have no competing interests