Author's response to reviews

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Please find the answers to the referees’ observations:

Referee #1
No further observations

Referee #2
The observation on the informal 6-month follow-up have been transferred in the results section (page 8, last paragraph).
Table 2 has been replaced by figure 2.

Editor:
The introduction of the abstract has been integrated with more background (page 2, abstract, introduction, first 2 sentences).
The TRN number now appears as the last line of the abstract.
The following guidelines of CONSORT 2010, which were not addressed in the original manuscript and are applicable to a non-randomized, non double-blind trial, have been evaluated and the following changes introduced in the text:
4 b: the setting and location of patient enrolment has been added (page 4, lines 2-3)