Reviewer's report

Title: Yoga for Managing Knee Osteoarthritis in Older Women: A Feasibility Study

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Reviewer: Erik Groessl

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Authors did a good job of responding to most of my comments.

Major Compulsory Revisions

The authors have clarified that the 12-week follow-up assessment comes 12 weeks after completion of the 8-week intervention, or 20 weeks after baseline in the cover letter. However, the design section still does not clearly spell this out for readers. The flowchart does not chronologically show the wait-period followed by the 2nd group receiving yoga. Please use separate sentences to describe the assessments for each group, and do not say 4 weeks, 8 weeks, and 12-weeks after the intervention. This implies that all 3 of those time frames occur after the intervention.

The second sentence of the design section seems missing something "The treatment group received an 8-week Hatha yoga intervention involving group and home-based exercise sessions and the wait list control group."

Why not use one of the design names mentioned in the cover letter? Instead it says wait list and that they eventually got yoga. Please state the intent to use crossover effects and combine the data.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests