Reviewer’s report

Title: Is the 0.018-inch or the 0.022-inch bracket slot system more effective in orthodontic treatment? Study protocol for a randomized clinical trial.

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Reviewer: Constantine Amditis

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Major Compulsory Revisions: There is no distinction made with which type of malocclusions that will be treated and whether an equal number will be placed in each group. As we know some malocclusions may be treated faster than others.

Also there is no mention on whether you have extraction or non-extraction patients. Again equal spread between groups is important.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests