Reviewer’s report

Title: Randomized clinical trial of efficacy and safety of colchicine 0.5% cream versus photodynamic therapy with methyl aminolevulinate in treatment of skin field cancerization: study protocol

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Reviewer: Cristina Zane

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This is an interesting trial which compare the efficacy of two skin cancerization field treatments. Study protocol and objectives are well defined.

I have only minor concerns about this manuscript:
- please review the use of subjects: in most sentences are missing (e.g. Line 19 THEY occur...
  line 51 IT has a slow elimination...)
- Actinic kearotisi chapter, line 17: what do you mean with PLATES?
-Check use of AK abbreviation. Isn't better to use AKs somewhere?
- Colchicine chapter line 19-26: not meaningful sentences.
- Selection of partecipant, second point: I would add "before enrollment" at the end of the sentence
- please clarify if the protocol has been approved by the Local Ethic Committee
- Why the authors choose to perform a single session of PDT? According to guidelines two consecutive sessions are recomended after one week to eachother. Could it be a bias in comapring treatments efficacy?
- I would change Figure 1, I think it is not fully clear
- Please indicate what kind of immunohistochemical probes are you going to use for your analysis
- chapter of data anlaysis, line 36-40: repetitive sentence
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