Reviewer’s report

Title: Physician requests by patients with malignant pleural mesothelioma in Japan

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The Authors answered to all reviewers' suggestions ameliorating their manuscript. Furthermore, they provided a professional proofreading. Interestingly their performed new statistical analysis splitting the sample in those who underwent to palliative cares and those who did not. I think giving more space to this results in the conclusion will significantly improving the ms. As a clinical psychologist who work with MPM in a clinical setting I think it could be useful for worldwide clinicians (i.e. social workers, palliativists, psychologists) to read a more in-depth clinical explanations of this results: Authors did not gave a clinical explanation about the reason of such a difference between MPM patients with/without palliative cares and mostly they did not argue why the two groups did not show differences in all the other variables and about what does it means/implies.

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