Reviewer’s report

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Reviewer: Heidemarie Haller

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I would like to thank the authors for considering my comments. However, the added information about the random sequence generation and allocation concealment is still lacking. How was the random sequence generated? Do the authors use block randomization with random block lengths or one block only? How was the allocation concealment secured? Which method did the authors use?

I have a further concern about the trial registration. The authors should explain why outcome measures and number of included patients differ between trial registration and manuscript!

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