Reviewer’s report

Title: Wrist-Ankle Acupuncture (WAA) for precompetition nervous syndrome: study protocol for a randomized controlled trial

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Reviewer: Cun-Zhi Liu

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Dear editor,

I have read the manuscript carefully -- Wrist-Ankle Acupuncture (WAA) for precompetition nervous syndrome: study protocol for a randomized controlled trial (Project No.11TF021). The comments are as follow:

Major Compulsory Revisions#
1. How is the precompetition nervous syndrome diagnosed? You should address the diagnostic criteria of the disease.

2. You should write clearly the time point of evaluation, and note that how to determine the efficacy of treatment.

3. Sample size calculation and statistical analysis.

Why the sample size is 75, as you said the proportion of 1:1 assigned to two groups?

Minor Essential Revisions#
1. The language and grammar needs further revising or polishing. You can consult the professional personage to help modify.

2. Please note the literature reference format and details, such as the references 4 and 5.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that there is no conflict of interest.