Reviewer’s report

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1. Although the authors have revised the language, there are still a lot of wrong sentences in your text, which need to be revised seriously. Eg. 'Preliminary studies indicate that ' in abstract need to be revised to 'indicated'. Methods and design, we usually use future indefinite, and so on.

2. I did not find the content about 'study procedures', only found figure 2, which also did not be labeled in the text. Procedures mean flow of the study visits, not only about 'procedures for withdrawal of study subjects'.

3. About intervention, when start the treatment, and for how long time? And please change the tense.

4. Please check your protocol according to CONSORT. There are many details about RCT.

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