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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

1. Mesh terms should be used in review of medical databases 2. flow diagram is really poor and not consistent with Quorum rules. I can see no results for handsearching did you do it? 3. I can see no Conclusions section in the manuscript 4. MTC have a lot of limitations due to heterogeneity of the studies included in the review. No heterogeneity analysis was performed just a short notice in the Discussion on differences among studies included in MTC - in my opinion it's a very important limitation and problem and detailed heterogeneity analysis before MTC oraz before meta-analysis should be performed.