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I have revised the paper in response to the requests made in the email sent by the journal:

1. I have added line numbers.

2. This is a methods paper that has taken data from published meta-analyses from the Cochrane Library. Hence no ethical approval is needed and I have added a note to this effect at the end of the paper where I now say that

Ethical Approval
This is a paper on statistical methods. All data used are for illustration purposes and come from published meta-analyses from the Cochrane Library. Hence no ethical approval for the use of these data is required.