Reviewer's report

Title: Delayed diagnosis of coeliac disease increases cancer risk

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General

I read this paper and the somewhat divergent reviews.
I agree with reviewer 1 that the issue of ascertainment bias must be addressed.
I would give the authors an opportunity to address this and also the following issues:
1. It is poorly written and needs to be carefully re-written.
2. The nature of the control population needs to be described in much more detail.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)