Reviewer's report

Title: The CASCADE trial: Effectiveness of ceramic versus PEEK cages for anterior cervical discectomy with interbody fusion; protocol of a blinded randomized controlled trial

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Reviewer: Carl J Lombard

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The authors have addressed all my concerns especially the sample size approach and analysis of the primary outcome.

Noted one layout error on p4 in randomization section
Line 4 of this section numbergenerator should be two separate words.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'