Reviewer's report

Title: Coronary artery bypass grafting and sensorineural hearing loss, a cohort study.

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Reviewer: Caglar Berk

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General
I believe at the point data interpretation you will definitely need better statistical tests than chi-square. It might be wise to spend some time with a statistician even before finalizing the protocol and going ahead with the clinical study.

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

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)
I disagree with the author's that sensorineural hearing loss is not reported in the literature except surgeries directly related to ear, or CABG. Sensorineural hearing loss, although rare, may also be encountered after neurosurgical operations, especially around the brainstem and/or the VII-VIIIth cranial nerve complex. (1)

References:

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests