Reviewer's report

Title: Simplified form of tinnitus retraining therapy in adults: a retrospective study

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This is clearly improved version of the manuscript, however, statistics is still not appropriate. The authors miss the point of ANOVA for correlated data, so called ANOVA with REPETITIONS. Paired t-Student test can be used when there are only two time point (before vs after). This ANOVA is used even on one group of subject but when there are more than one data point form the subject, e.g., a measurement before and after treatment. Results of statistical analysis provided by the authors are therefore inappropriate as plain ANOVA and t-Student for independent samples were used. I believe that proper analysis of the data should provide even stronger support to significance fo results.

Scatter diagrams clarified lack of any correlation quite nicely.

DST is indeed my preferred name for decreased sound tolerance and consists fo a sum of hyperacusis and misophonia.

Minor point - my first name is "Pawel" and not "Powel" (in acknowledgments)

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.