Reviewer's report

**Title:** A Novel Method for Studying the Temporal Relationship between Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Cancer using the Electronic Medical Record

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**Reviewer:** Emma Eggleston

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This is the third review - see prior for details

The changes made are have improved the manuscript. Ideally validation of the algorithm would be done in a randomly selected sample and prospectively applied for calculation of predictive value.

**Level of interest:** An article of limited interest

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests