Reviewer's report

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There are just two minor things I need the authors to address.

1. The authors state that this concept was introduced in the mid to late 1990s therefore one would assume a search strategy from 1995 onwards would be more appropriate to capture all studies not just the main studies as the authors suggest. If the authors prefer to keep to 2000 then they need to include justification in the text of the protocol to explain this.

2. The responses to my questions on publication bias, missing data and meta-analysis are sufficient but some explanation needs to be included in the text of the protocol to allow readers to understand this.