Reviewer’s report

Title: Meta-analysis and meta-regression analysis of the associations between sex and the operative outcomes of carotid endarterectomy

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I would like to congratulate the authors for their detailed metaanalysis on gender differences in CEA (1980-2015)
Very interesting results and good discussion showing the limitations of RCT. The authors also presented their own results which underscores their experience on that field.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

No conflict of interest