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1. As I said it is important to know how authors approached to surveillance bias and clinical suspicious bias in their design or in their analysis? They have mentioned it as a limitation. However, such bias may completely distort or even convert the conclusion. They should do sensitivity analysis or any other method for quantifying bias (refer to Timothy Lash book about quantification of bias).

Answer: Thanks for your comment. According to your suggestion, we have studied the book published by Timothy Lash et al carefully. And in the revised manuscript, the bias was evaluated in P6. And the case enrollment was stated in P3-4.