Reviewer’s report

Title: The Risk of Bias in Randomized Controlled Trials in Otorhinolaryngology: hardly any improvement since 1950

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Well written, article. Topic interesting. The article needs to be tweaked slightly to make the findings more useful.

The discussion does highlight where there is no change in risk of certain types of bias over time. The authors do mention how some of these risks cannot be improved due to the nature of the study ethically. This needs to be said in the conclusion. In essence the discussion and conclusion needs improving to clarify whether the bias level present in RCT studies is as good as it can be realistically and if not where the improvements can be made and how?

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