Reviewer’s report

Title: Consumption of whole grains and cereal fiber and total and cause-specific mortality: prospective analysis of 367,442 individuals

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I understand the authors don’t have access to more detailed data on specific whole grains and subgroups of mortality. However, I think it would have been interesting if at least the authors could add an analysis of all other causes of death than the specific causes of death listed in Table 2. This should be possible by restricting the analysis to all other deaths than CVD, cancer, diabetes, respiratory disease, or infections.

Please clarify if red meat (among the confounders) also includes processed meat.

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