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Dear Dr. Sadeghirad:

Manuscript ID BMJ.2017.039974.R1 entitled "Corticosteroids for treatment of sore throat: a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomised trials" which you submitted to BMJ,

Thanks for your patience with the revision process. I am returning your paper for the small changes that we discussed via email. We would like to have more information about how and which AEs were collected in each study. The abstract results section should somehow alert readers that AEs were not carefully sought in the studies and the conclusion should mention that because of this the balance of benefits to harm is not fully established. I am hopeful that these revisions will not take you long at all. I look forward to fully accepting the paper!

Elizabeth Loder

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