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PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: World Journal of Clinical Cases

Manuscript NO: 42377

Title: Sex, age, postoperative period, surgical approach, and vagal nerve manipulation are important factors influencing the quality of life after various types of gastrectomy for gastric cancer: an analysis of the PGSAS study.

Reviewer's code: 03998130

Reviewer's country: Romania

Science editor: Jin-Lei Wang

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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language	(High priority)	<input type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer's expertise on the
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publish	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced
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			<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting study exploring factors that may impact the quality of life after different types of radical gastrectomy. The number of included patients is very high.



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Thus, the conclusions of the study should be of interest for the clinical practice. Major comments: The statistical analyses should be verified again by a professional biostatistician. To me, it is very hard to understand the data. Thus, the Results and Discussion part should be clearer and concise (it is very hard for the reader to follow the text in this part of the manuscript). Maybe the use of logistic linear regression and expression in odds ratio, 95% confidence interval and p value is a better option. Why did the authors choose as background factor only postoperative period, age, sex, surgical approach (laparoscopic or open), and the status of the celiac branch of the vagal nerve? Did you consider exploring some other factors such as co-morbidities, performance status? Some minor comments: Please use the term gender instead of sex. Please eliminate redundant text. For example, the statement "Of the 2368 patients evaluated, 909 underwent DGBI, 475 underwent DG, 393 underwent TGRY, 193 underwent PG, 313 underwent PPG, and 85 underwent LR" is already given in Table 1. Figure 1 is rather a Table. Please consider to change from Figure to Table. The manuscript needs should be polished for English fluency.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a good retrospective study for gastric cancer patients. This paper is practicable and can be published after minor revision. 1. Title should be shortened. 2.All figures



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should have figure legends. 3. Some grammatic mistakes should be corrected by native speaker.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This study is focused on QoL according to various gastrectomy operation. Eventhough surgical method is dependent on each specified case, postoperative complication is



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various and many patients are suffering after gastrectomy. Although this study is retrospective study, the authors are trying to define preventive factors and correctible factors to improve QoL. This is a valuable finding and this study can motivate to find out tailored gastrectomy regarding QOL in many patients.

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