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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

In recent years, neoadjuvant chemoradiotherapy combined with surgery has been gradually applied in patients with locally advanced thoracic esophageal cancer, but its effectiveness and safety remains unclear. In this clinical trial, the authors investigated the efficacy and safety of neoadjuvant chemoradiotherapy plus surgery in the treatment of thoracic esophageal squamous cell carcinoma. The aim of the study is clear, and methods are reasonable. The results are interesting as well. The discussion is somewhat long, please short it. References are updated, and properly cited. The figure are two small, the words in the figures are not clear. Please check and update. And a minor language editing is required.

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This brief study of the neoadjuvant chemoradiotherapy and surgery in the treatment of potentially resectable thoracic esophageal squamous cell carcinoma is well designed, and the results are interesting. The manuscript is overall very well written. However, an editing is required. There are some minor language polishing, and some blanks are missing, well some are redundant. Thank you very much.