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Excelent article from all points of view. An article with very good language editing, extensive statistical analysis, with a good potential impact in the field. The article follows the standard structure of reporting; the abstract is structured, introduction offers the background for the study, materials and methods are exceptionally described, and the rest of the sections follow the rigour. The conclusions and drawbacks of the study are adequately presented. The authors have performed a single center retrospective analysis on 814 patients who benefitted from laparoscopic and robotic surgery. The authors analyzed 5 year overall survival, recurrence free survival and factors associated with survival. The results of the study show that age, ASA >3, type of surgery, T4 stage, positive lymph nodes are independent predictors for overall survival and recurrence free survival. The results also conclude that robotic gastrectomy is an independent positive factor for recurrence free survival in patients with stage II or III gastric cancer and that robotic gastrectomy has less morbidity.