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1. Minor language polishing is required, such as "r0 resection rates" in Date exaction, "english language" in Table 1. 2. When you investigate the effets of NAT on the overall survival (OS), the disease-free survival (DFS) of patients with LAGC in comparison to upfront surgery, the clinicopathologic features, NAT and adjuvant chemotherapy regimens of the two groups of patients should be balanced.