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Dear Editor,

Title: Neo-adjuvant chemo(radio)therapy in gastric cancer: current status and future perspectives

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We are certainly thankful for the constructive comments that allowed us to improve the quality of our manuscript.

Comment

"Updated review of neoadjuvant treatment of gastric cancer, without making a critical analysis of the different studies and meta-analysis. You should make any recommendations on the treatment of these patients, either globally or by subgroups. Also not comments the recommendations of several major clinical guidelines."

Answer

Thank you to the reviewer for this comment.

A new paragraph entitled "Neoadjuvant therapy, international guidelines and areas of uncertainty" has been added to the manuscript before conclusion. In this paragraph the authors discuss the international guidelines about gastric cancer treatment underlining the differences between Eastern and Western countries. Moreover in this paragraph the authors address the areas of uncertainty about the current use of neoadjuvant treatment in gastric cancer patients. Reference list has been updated.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the World Journal of Gastroenterology.
Sincerely yours,

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