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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an important study comparing the regression change in lymph node of gastric adenocarcinoma. The conclusion in which the outcome of the patients with residual



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tumors is worse compared to the patients with no residual tumors may be revised to include some descriptions about the regression change and metastasis.

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Title: Is the evaluation of regression change in lymph nodes necessary for predicting the outcome of gastric adenocarcinoma after neoadjuvant chemotherapy? The authors

evaluate the clinical significance of the regression change in lymph nodes of the patients with gastric adenocarcinoma after neoadjuvant chemotherapy. This manuscript is very interesting. However, I feel there are some problems in this article. (1) Author should indicate the status that this research received consent from the Ethics Committee of the Hospital. (2) Author should indicate the information such as Stage, T, N et al. before neoadjuvant chemotherapy. (3) Author should indicate the contents of neoadjuvant chemotherapy in this study. (4) Author should indicate the regression change in LNs more detail in Introduction. (5) Author indicated that the regression change in LNs is the worse prognostic factor in the patients with breast, esophageal or rectal cancer. However, the regression change in LNs dose not affect the outcome in this study. Author should discuss the reason of this discrepancy. (6) Author should discuss the mechanism of the regression change after neoadjuvant chemotherapy. (7) Author should correct the typographical errors.

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