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			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

1) Please explain the reason of your definition of oligometastasis. 2) The data of the literature Search don't corresponde to those of the Figure 1. 3) In the text the reference 27 is actually the 26. 4) in the results the Authors don't report the "p" of statistical analysis;



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if the p is cited in the original study, it should be reported. 5) In the discussion the Authors should report that pulmonary metastasectomy can be efficacious also in the gastric cancer. 6)The Authors should consider only the squamous cancer. 7)There isn't the referencen. 15. 8)The Table 4 is illegible.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This article systematically reviews the available literature regarding oligometastatic oesophageal cancer, a clinical entity whose management represents a challenge in daily practice. In my opinion, the present manuscript provides a valuable and useful



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contribution to the current knowledge on the topic. Following, some comments and suggestions to possibly improve the quality of the article: 1) The starting date of the electronic search for relevant articles should be included, both in the Abstract and the Methods. 2) Differences in definition, if any, between “time to recurrence” and “disease-free interval” should be specified as the information reported in the Abstract regarding their prognostic value seems redundant. 3) My understanding is that patients experiencing loco-regional relapse were not included in the analysis: if so, please specify this in the Methods section. 4) As the vast majority of the included studies involve metachronous disease, it is possible to know more regarding the pattern of recurrence by site and potential pretreatment factors affecting the likelihood of recurrence? 5) When citing the FLOT-3 trial in the Discussion, it is important to mention also perioperative chemotherapy in addition to surgery since the study investigated a multimodality approach. 6) Clinical heterogeneity together with the inclusion of Asian-predominant studies should also be discussed as limitations of the present article.

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