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## **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The authors investigated the prognostic data in patients with type IV gastric cancer who underwent gastrectomy with lymphadenectomy. There are some queries and comments.

Comments 1. In the present study, there was no surgical information of lymphadenectomy (D1, D1+, D2, and D2+). This information is important for this study. 2. 74 patients received adjuvant chemotherapy. The authors should indicate the clinical indication of adjuvant chemotherapy. 3. How about the relationship between prognosis and the therapeutic duration of adjuvant chemotherapy? 4. The clinical data of cytology should be indicated. How about the relationship between prognosis and cytology findings? 5. In this study, 72 patients had R1+ resection. What is the clinicopathological factor for R1+ resection? 6. In Table 2, multivariate analysis selected pN stage as an important prognostic factor. This pN stage means pN0 vs. pN1-3?