

Point-by-point Review

1. Page. 10

Tables should be self-explanatory, so please explain all the abbreviations in table legends (eg. CR, PR, SD etc)

Reply: New version is applied in the latest manuscript.

2. Page.12

- c. No cases with two or more complications were observed ??? unclear
b marker should be placed before c marker in the table

Reply: The markers have been reassigned in the latest manuscript and the unclear c marker was considered dispensable and has been deleted.

3. Page.19

Try to merge Figure 1 and 2

Reply: Figure 1 and 2 are now merged in the latest manuscript.

4. Page.24

6 cases firstly received organ-preserved operation in the research had permanent stoma due to different reasons lately implying potential function loss after NAT. Rewrite the sentence is unclear !

Reply: The sentence has been deleted since it cause confusion.

5. Page. 24-25

Otherwise, the follow-up schedule. Is rather an interval than a successive as we choose only one due time. The sentence is unclear !

Reply: The sentence has been deleted since it cause confusion.

6. Page.25

However, more prospective evidence waits to be revealed to confirm the

result. English polishing is required!

Reply: The whole manuscript has been resent to AJE for polishing as seen in the latest version.