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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Takeda et al. proposed a good paper with a quite large number of patients with adenocarcinoma of esophagoscope-gastric junction. This retrospective analysis compares the transhiatal approach with the three field esophagectomy with thoracoscopy. I have some question above the selection of patients and the results: in the transhiatal group the populations is older than the other group and this could be reflected in the difference of overall survival, maybe a propensity score match analysis could eliminate this bias. Another question rise from the neoadjuvant treatment, the 87% of thoracoscopy group received neoadjuvant treatment instead of the 46% in the trashial group. Also this bias could be reflected in the overall survival and a subgroup analysis is needed.