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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 6561-review.doc).

Title: Extent of lymphadenectomy and perioperative therapies: two open issues in gastric cancer

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) Giuliani et al performed an excellent systematic review on current literature focusing on the lymphadenectomy as well as perioperative therapies in gastric cancer, and concluded that therapy strategies should be assessed and tailored in order to achieve the best outcome in the individual patient. This manuscript is well-written and is interesting for gastroenterologist. It would be good to add an abstract before the introduction. THANKS

(2) This is a well written review on gastric cancer treatment options. The authors extracted sufficient data from recent publications, compared chemotherapy, radiotherapy and multimodal therapies with each other, and concluded that no single method can give absolute satisfaction, and the best result has to be achieved through a tailored strategy. THANKS

(3) The authors review extent of lymphadenectomy and chemoradiotherapy in gastric cancer. In general, this is a very extensive review and probably could be divided into two manuscripts, lymphadenectomy and chemoradiotherapy. 1. "golden standard" should be gold standard CORRECTED. THANKS

(4) Giuliani and colleagues overlook the current status of the lymphadenectomy as well as perioperative therapies in gastric cancer. This manuscript is well-written and very informative to the gastroenterological surgeons as well as to the trainees such as residents. THANKS.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

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