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Dear Editor,

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Title: Adjuvant chemotherapy for gastric cancer: current evidence and future challenges

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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

02441744- All references were reviewed as suggested

01560081- A more detailed explanation of the different adjuvant strategies in USA and Europe was added. See the introduction: "Generally, surgery followed by chemoradiotherapy is the standard protocol in the USA, whereas perioperative or postoperative chemotherapy are recommended in the Europe and Asia. The difference of this approaches is mainly due to the fact that less than D2 lymph nodal dissection is routinely used in the USA, whereas D2 surgery is the standard treatment in Europe. Thus, optimal local control may be obtained by adding radiotherapy to D0-D1 surgery".

02441722- Shortening was not applicable to this review as confirmed by the other reviewers (see for example reviewer 02441744)

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

We especially thank the reviewers for their great efforts and for their comments for improving this manuscript.

Sincerely yours,



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