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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The topic of the manuscript is very interesting, with many important issues that could be considered relevant for the clinical practice. Nevertheless, I would like you to provide some more criticism in the discussion. For example, the study is randomized of course, but the discharge criteria together with the clinical decisions regarding the oral intake, drainage extraction etc...should be managed by clinicians NOT involved in the study. In other words, if a patient is randomized to the ERAS pathway, the clinicians could be influenced to accelerate the discharge rather than to judge the patient's conditions itself. Please consider these aspects in the discussion. Please also expand a little the methods paragraph in order to better explain the postoperative details of patients' care (however, do not repeat the corresponding table). Lastly, please specify the TNM stage of the tumours rather the T parameter only