

Response to reviewers

Dear Dr. Jin-Xin Kong and peer-reviewers,

Thank you so much for evaluating our manuscript and for your professional observations!

As we are convinced that the requested modifications significantly improve our manuscript, we tried to do our best to follow the recommendations.

Reviewer 03476292

There is a great variance among these studies, the only thing I would add is a comment about in which study did the patients receive neo and/or adjuvant chemo/radiotherapy, as sometimes protocols vary in different institutions.

We have added in the Table 1 – Study characteristics an additional column – Adjuvant therapy.

Reviewer 03476292

Dear peer-reviewer, thank you so much for your kind evaluation!

Thank you so much for your time and professionalism in reviewing our manuscript!

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