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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I read with a great interest the article titled "Prognostic significance of SOX2, E-cadherin, and vimentin in esophageal squamous cell carcinoma" by Chao Li and Yuqing Ma. The manuscript is well written, the methods and results are clearly presented. Usually, the relationship of SOX2 and β -catenin with the epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT) and the prognostic value are very similar in various carcinomas. The authors concluded that SOX2 is an independent risk factor for OS, and is positively correlated with the vimentin expression in the ESCC, too.

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I think the results of this study are important as one of the studies that deal with ESCC. I have the minor comments. Would you describe the surgical procedure in detail in Materials and Methods section?