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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Please make English writing much better by native English person. All results of meta-analysis seems to be very fine.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Original paper based on a sound methodology. However an important modern trial is not covered by the present analysis (Classic trial, xelox vs surgery)

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This is a good paper. This reviewer only objects that a complete revision of the english text is mandatory in order to ameliorate text comprehension. For example it is difficult to understand the kind of patients adressed in this study: patients who need palliative chemio as suggested by the selection of the search key-word or adjuvant chemio as it seem intended by the authors? a second example: it is impossible for the normal reader to understand the results section in the abstract: it seems that the authors themself lost their way through the chemio regimens. Furthermore, I suggest a table or a footnote explicating the different regimens of chemio considered.

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The manuscript "Chemotherapy for patients with gastric cancer after complete resection: a network meta-analysis" by Ya Wu Zhang et al was aimed to evaluate the effectiveness of different chemotherapy regimens for patients with gastric cancer performing a Network meta-analysis after traditional meta-analysis. The premise of the network meta-analysis was to compare the effectiveness of therapies in an indirect way trying to find the best assuming you already have a standard treatment (surgery). At the moment, in gastric cancer, apart from recent Asian studies, there are no clear indications on the efficacy of adjuvant chemotherapy. Consequently, surgery is the standard treatment as confirmed by the authors of the submitted paper and, for this reason the topic of the manuscript is very interesting COMMENTS Major   ? What is the minimum number of patients included in the studies considered for the network meta-analysis ?   ? Why the Authors considered for the network meta-analysis also the study of Lawton et al (patients operated with palliative intent) and that of Miyashiro et al (use of intraperitoneal chemotherapy)? Mainor ? The manuscript needs to be reviewed for the presence of several typos (results). ? The acronyms should be explained (regimens) ? "Data extraction" and in the text;   The author uses the terms "palliative chemotherapy" and "first-line chemotherapy", but these are terms used for metastatic disease.