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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Very well written article pointing a very important question in postoperative management of gastric carcinomas; however i have following three concerns (1) how sample size for this phase I was calculated ? or you treated consecutive patients (2) It would be nice if you provide figures for radiation therapy techniques (3) i could not see OS and DFS survival curves



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This a very interesting phase I trial about capecitabine combined with IMRT for locally advanced gastric cancer. Although the small number of patients involved, the trial was well done and the conclusions are according to another trial published and are correct. This is an interesting issue because utilize IMRT in the treatment for locally advanced gastric cancer and it will be very important to do a phase II trial.



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Dear Authors, The article describes a selected population of locally advanced gastric cancer (n=18) treated at a radiation oncology center. The article is original, well written and informative. Unfortunately there is no attempt to meaningfully categorize this small number of patients. Reading through this article as currently written provides no meaningful information to the reader, nor does it help him or her in the management of small number of patients. The authors need to consider what their article is trying to tell the reader, and consider rewriting it accordingly. Best wishes.