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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This retrospective study of colorectal cancer (CRC) patients analyzes the usefulness of neutrophil to lymphocyte ratio (NLR) and platelet to lymphocyte ratio (PLR) as prognostic factors in CRC patients. The authors found out, that high NLR and high PLR might predict patients' survival and outcome in stage III and IV CRC, but not in stage I and II CRC. However, some minor points should be addressed before considering this manuscript for publication: 1. The average and range of age of patients included in this study is missing (Table I) 2. Please include mean neutrophil, lymphocyte and platelet counts \pm SD in your manuscript 3. Mean NLR and mean PLR should be included