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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

MN 26111 This manuscript deals with questionnaire survey on super-extended lymph-node dissection in patients with advanced gastric cancer. The conclusion of this manuscript seems to agree with the general consensus of current Japanese surgical oncologists, and could be acceptable for publication. However, there are several inconsistencies between the description of text and tables, which should be revised. 1. According to Table 2B, the number of PAND institutions is 78. However, the total number of Table 2C is 70, according to the description of text. Please explain the difference in the total number between 2 tables. 2. The legend of Table 3 includes 'Always', 'Sometimes', and 'Never done', but the figure includes only two portions. 21 institutions doing PAND should be included in the category 'sometimes'. Please check the difference between the text and figure. 3. The reviewer likes to know the authors comments on the results that, even the considerable number of SD or PD cases were undergone D3 including PAND. Minor points: 1. 'Table 1' should be described as 'List of questionnaires' 2. Table 2A: Number of hospitals should be shown on the map of Japan. Hokkaido, Tohoku etc. make no sense for readers except Japan. 3. Tables 2 to 4 show graphs, and



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should be renamed as Fig. 2 to 4.



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The survey is well-written, while the concept of the article is documented properly. Therefore, the manuscript may be accepted for publication. Minor revisions with regard to grammatical errors are required.