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Dear Editor,

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) 16 more references had been added, so now total 69. The introduction and future research sections review now have stated highlightly on controversies of target volumes and dose of radiotherapy (RT) on esophageal cancer treatment, existing present problem, solution and prospect,etc.

(2) For clarification, we have added in page 5: RT will be discussed in the following sections including its role with chemo before surgery (abbreviated as S here), after surgery with and without chemo, and whether RT is needed in the trimodality management:

1. C + S vs S
2. CRT + S vs S
3. S vs S + RT
4. S vs S + CRT
5. CRT + S vs S + CRT
6. CRT + S vs CRT

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(3) 16 more references had been added from Medline

3 References and typesetting were corrected.

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