

Dear editor(s),

As suggested, we submit our revised manuscript (Numbered 88646, entitled "CT-based nomogram of Siewert type II/III adenocarcinoma of esophagogastric junction to predict response to docetaxel, oxaliplatin and S-1") to *World Journal of Radiology*. According to the comments of the reviewers, we have revised the manuscripts point-by-point, and the detailed responses in the appendix are accordant with the comments. Each response is immediately behind the comment. In the annotated version, the revisions are highlighted with yellow color in the revised manuscript.

Thank you very much for your good suggestions.

Yours Sincerely,

The corresponding author

Appendix: A detailed response to the comments

Comment 1: This manuscript presents results of a rather small sample, but it may be seen as an incentive to further research.

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We discussed it as the second limitation in the 3rd to 5th sentences of the penultimate paragraph of 'Discussion' section.

Comment 2: The "Authors' Contributions" should be specified.

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We added the "Author's Contribution" in the front of the "Reference" section.

Comment 3: Please check Figure 1a-d and the corresponding Figure legends a-d; they are not consistent.

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We have corrected the Figure legends a-d.

Comment 4: Abstract, Background: "a partial patients" -> a part of the patients.

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the phrase 'a partial patients' to 'a part of the patients' in the 1st sentence of 'Background' subsection of 'Abstract' section.

Comment 5: Materials and Methods, Patients, third paragraph: "we did not enrolled..." -> we did not enroll...

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the phrase 'we did not enrolled' to 'we did not enroll' in the 5th sentence of 3rd paragraph of 'Patients' subsection of 'Materials and Methods' section.

Comment 6: Image-based Treatment Response Evaluation, first paragraph: "significant higher" -> significantly higher.

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the phrase 'significant higher' to 'significantly higher' in the 2nd sentence of 'Image-based Treatment Response Evaluation' subsection of 'Materials and Methods' section.

Comment 7: Image-based Treatment Response Evaluation, last sentence: "If a lesion was non-measuralbe..." -> If a lesion was non-measurable

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the word 'non-measuralbe' to 'non-measurable' in the last sentence of 'Image-based Treatment Response Evaluation' subsection of 'Materials and Methods' section.

Comment 8: Results, first paragraph, last sentence: "Because of all ICC

values greater than 0.9, the measurements from the first measurement of observe 1 were repeatable and would be used for subsequent analysis." - Please improve (rephrase) this statement.

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We improved this statement in the last sentence of 'Inter- and Intraobserver Measurements Agreements in TC and VC' subsection of 'Results' section.

Comment 9: Results, last paragraph, first sentence: "...the C-index of the model were 0.838..." -> ...the C-index of the model was 0.838...

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the phrase 'the C-index of the model were 0.838' to 'the C-index of the model was 0.838' in the 1st sentence of last paragraph of 'Development and Validation of Nomogram Model' subsection of 'Results' section.

Comment 10: Results, last paragraph, second sentence: "...was validated..." -> ...were validated...

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the phrase 'was validated' to 'were validated' in the 3rd sentence of last paragraph of 'Development and Validation of Nomogram Model' subsection of 'Results' section.

Comment 11: Results, last paragraph, last sentence: "...performed well in

two cohorts" -> ...performed well in the two cohorts.

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the phrase 'performed well in two cohorts' to 'performed well in the two cohorts' in the last sentence of last paragraph of 'Development and Validation of Nomogram Model' subsection of 'Results' section.

Comment 12: Discussion, fourth paragraph: "AEGs with atrophy or intestinal metaplasia was less aggressive..." -> AEGs with atrophy or intestinal metaplasia were less aggressive...; "this histologic changes" -> these histologic changes; "prognosis of tumors with intestinal metaplasia was better than tumors without intestinal metaplasia" -> prognosis of tumors with intestinal metaplasia was better than of tumors without intestinal metaplasia.

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We made all the corrections in the last sentence of 4th paragraph of 'Discussion' section.

Comment 13: Discussion, fifth paragraph: "By identifying non-responder..." -> By identifying non-responders...

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the phrase 'By identifying non-responder' to 'By identifying non-responders' in the last sentence of 5th paragraph of 'Discussion' section.

Comment 14: Discussion, penultimate paragraph: "the general

applicability of our models need further validation" -> the general applicability of our models needs further validation.

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the phrase 'the general applicability of our model need further validation' to 'the general applicability of our model needs further validation' in the 2nd sentence of penultimate paragraph of 'Discussion' section.

Comment 15: Discussion, first half of the last sentence: "with Siewert type II and II" -> with Siewert type II and III

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We changed the phrase 'with Siewert type II and II' to 'with Siewert types II and III' in the first half of the last sentence of last paragraph of 'Discussion' section.

Comment 16: Discussion, second half of the last sentence: "identify non-responder" -> identify non-responders; "to adjust the treatment strategies to avoid toxicities associated with DOS" -> to adjust the treatment strategies and to avoid

Reply: Thank you for your good comment. We made all the corrections in the second half of the last sentence of last paragraph of 'Discussion' section.