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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

1. The conclusion of abstract should be concise. 2. In the manuscript, EBVaGCs were associated with a low number of regional lymph nodes invasion. It is hard to explain EBVaGCs were not associated with overall survival.



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This study showed that 8.4% of GC cases are EBV-associated being more frequent in upper and middle regions of the stomach, among tubular and medullary carcinomas, and having a lower number of regional lymph nodes invasion. Furthermore, this study confirms that EBVaGC may present a new latency-profile which may be useful to study to better characterize this GC subtype. I think it is valuable.