Reviewer's report

Title: Prospective, open, multi-centre phase I/II trial to assess the safety and efficacy of neoadjuvant radiochemotherapy with docetaxel and oxaliplatin in patients with adenocarcinoma of the oesophagogastric junction

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The Manuscript is much improved. Two additional changes have to be done before acceptance:

REsults: "Radiotherapy could be administered as planned in most cases". It has to be clearly stated how many patients received the planned dose, how many not, and the reasons for.

Discussion: Obviously no detailed informations from pathology reports were available for five patients, then it is not appropriate to compare the response rates with other studies in the discussion. The following chapter has to be deleted:

In our trial, it is notable that a pCR rate of 33% and a pPR of 39% were achieved among the 18 the patients who underwent surgery were achieved in our trial. This is comparable similar to pCR rates reported by Urschel et al. in a meta-analysis of nine randomized controlled trials that includinge 1,116 patients [23] and 49% reported in the a small trial bial by Spigel et al. [21].