Recent Clinical Studies on Gastric Cancer in Japan

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Some important clinical studies on treatment for gastric cancer are scheduled in Japan and all of these trials are ongoing still now.

For early gastric cancer (-20 mm without ulcer), a multicenter surveillance started to evaluate the feasibility and effectiveness of EMR. (under registration) Sentinel node navigating surgery is a new concept for early gastric cancer. Two study groups made each protocol to show the feasibility of SN detection (under registration).

A multicenter surgical study on spleen preserving total gastrectomy (TG) vs TG with splenectomy for advanced gastric cancer is ongoing by JCOG (under registration). For patients with lymph node metastasis, a multicenter surgical trial on D2 dissection vs D3 dissection was carried out by JCOG (follow-up after registration).

The most basic clinical study of chemotherapy was designed to compare 5-FU, CDDP+CPT-11 and TS-1 by JCOG. (under registration) For post-oprative chemotherapy, a big clinical study (over 1,000 patients) as surgery vs surgery + TS-1 was carried out by a company (follow-up after registration).

After having these results, we can have new protocols which show superiority over these treatment method.

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Society Membership

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