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### Reviewer A

1 Why not include survival data? Size sample?

The meaning of this sentence is that only the basic information of patients and the follow-up data of this study were statistically described in the statistical description part, and the survival analysis of patients was not included in this part.

2 Can you include VEB? PDL1 score?

The data in this study came from SEER database. VEB and PDL1 score of patients were not included in the SEER database.

### Reviewer B

This is an interesting article. The text reads well in general. I have minor suggestions. In the introduction, it should be stressed treatment strategy, in both endemic and non-endemic countries. Therefore, introduction would be enhanced by addition of references, such as PMID: 27865364 to better contextualize the issue at hand in oncologic scenario. Figures are not well-legible, especially Figure 3 and Figure 6. In addition, legends should be added.

Although the current comprehensive treatment based on radiotherapy is considered as the mainstream treatment method of NPC, for patients with non-endemic locally advanced nasopharyngeal carcinoma, induction TPF chemotherapy plus concurrent chemoradiotherapy (IC + CCRT) with CCRT is more effective than CCRT alone in locally advanced NPC3.