Dear Editor

We submitted entitled ‘**Prognostic value of neutrophil to lymphocyte ratio and platelet to lymphocyte ratio in lung cancer  ’** to be considered for publication

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 Neutrophils, T lymphocytes and B lymphocytes are considered as factors that play a vital role in tumor inflammation. The imbalance between neutrophils and lymphocytes is secondary to the tumor hypoxia or necrosis, which may be related to the anti-apoptotic effects of the neutrophils. NLR may reflect the imbalance between neutrophils and lymphocytes in patients with the tumor. It functions as a representative index of the systemic inflammation. In various solid tumors, markers such as platelets, neutrophils, lymphocytes, NLR and PLR have been evaluated as indicators of systemic inflammatory response. Findings indicated that neutrophilia, lymphopenia and thrombocytosis were related to malignancies. Platelets also have an important role in the cancer progression. Platelets contribute to tumor growth by stimulating angiogenesis via vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF). It was demonstrated that high NLR and PLR values are related to a short survival time in the group with advanced stage NSCLC. In our study, we investigated the correlation between the NLR and PLR and prognosis in lung cancer patients treated with a standard regimen

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