

Supplementary information

Probe-based confocal laser endomicroscopy for in vivo evaluation of the tumor vasculature in gastric and rectal carcinomas.

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Table S1. Clinic-pathological characteristics of patients.

GASTRIC			RECTAL		
	N	%		N	%
All cases	35	100	All cases	91	100
Revaluated post CRT	11	31	Revaluated post CRT	47	52
Male	21	60	Male	65	71.4
Mean Age	59(48-71)		Mean Age	64(39-83)	
Female	14	40	Female	26	28.6
Mean Age	60(44-68)		Mean age	64(37-78)	
Histologic type			Pre CRT- clinical stage		
Diffuse	15	42.8	T2/T3N0	38	41.8
Intestinal	20	57.2	TxN+	37	40.7
Tumor site					
Fundus	6	17.1			
Corpus	23	65.7			
Antrum	6	17.2			
Pre CRT- clinical stage					
T2/T3N0	14	40			
TxN+	21	60			

CRT = chemio/radio therapy

Video S1. Representative sequences of defective flow in a rectal cancer patient with an angiogenic score 4.

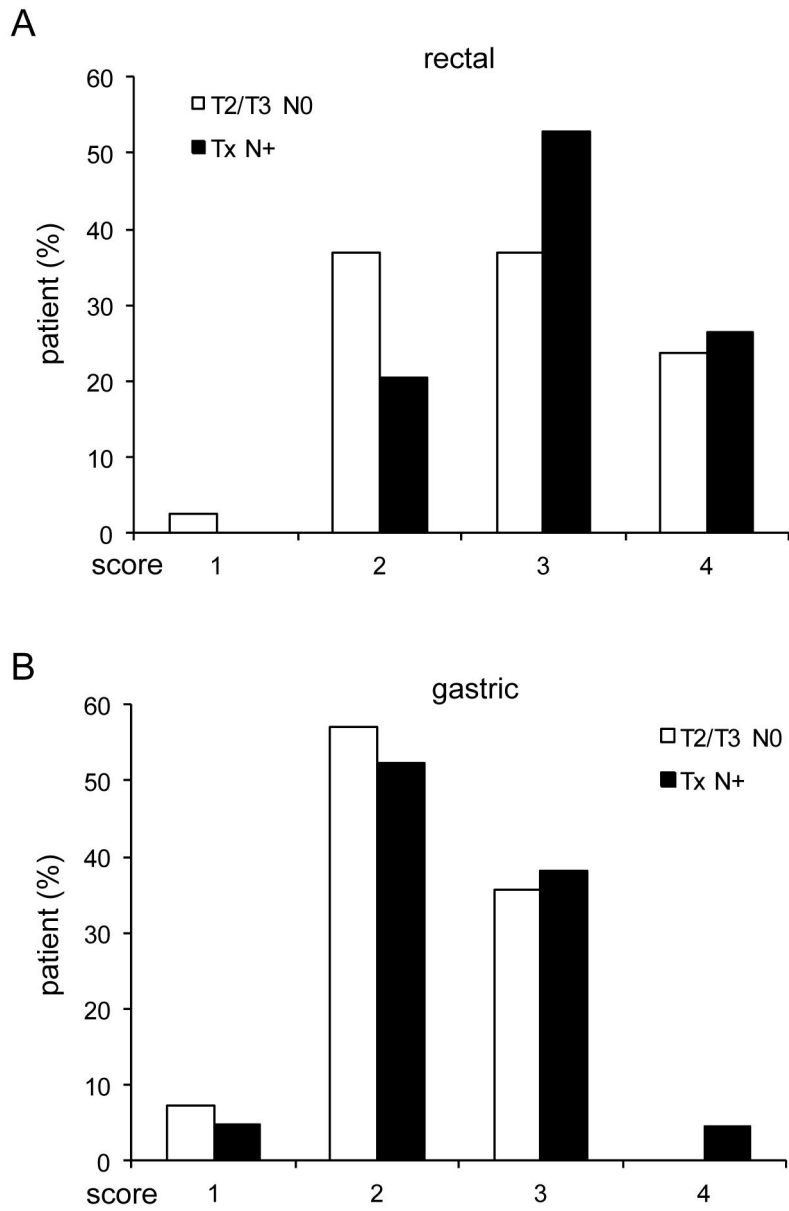


Fig. S1. Graphs showing the association between angiogenic score and tumor staging in rectal (A) and gastric (B). Tumors were divided in two groups (T2/T3N0 and TxN+) according to the presence of lymph node infiltration as assessed by ultrasonography during standard endoscopy.

Table S2. Percentage of gastric cancer patients displaying the morphological and functional parameters taken into account to generate the angiogenic score assessed before and after therapy.

	Gastric (N=11)		McNemar
	First pCLE N (%)	Second pCLE N (%)	
Leakage			
Yes	10 (90.9)	11 (100.0)	
No	1 (9.1)	0 (0.0)	
Tortuous vessels			
Yes	9 (81.8)	5 (45.5)	<i>p-value=0.10</i>
No	2 (18.2)	6 (54.5)	
Large vessels			
Yes	9 (81.8)	8 (72.7)	<i>p-value=0.65</i>
No	2 (18.2)	3 (27.3)	
Defective flow			
Yes	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	
No	11 (100.0)	11 (100.0)	