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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This retrospective study correlate VLE imaging characteristics with histology at the GEJ and gastric cardia, which is helpful to determine specific features associated with neoplasia. There are some shortcomings in this study. 1、 Abbreviation should be explained in the first presence. 2、 The flow chart should be listed for the cases, which can explain the reasons of exclusion well. 3、 The main concern for clinician is the diagnostic accuracy and safety of a new technique. Therefore, the complication and the diagnostic accuracy of VLE should be listed.

### Point-by-Point Response:

Thank you very much for these thoughtful comments. We have revised the manuscript such that all abbreviations are written out at first occurrence, including in the abstract. Additionally, we have created a flowchart for the cases. It is represented as Figure 1. This flow chart thus explains the



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exclusion criteria. Finally, you made an excellent point that the complications and diagnostic accuracy should be addressed. To improve the quality of our manuscript we have revised the discussion section to include information about the Wolfsen et. al. study that explored the safety and feasibility of VLE. Additionally, we have discussed the Trindade et. al. study which focused on the diagnostic utility of VLE.

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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Dear Editor Gupta et al. presented a study title as "The Use of Volumetric Laser Endomicroscopy for Dysplasia Detection at the GEJ and Gastric Cardia" VLE is a new tehcnic and commercially available for recent years. The authors investigated a new area of invazive gastroebterolgy field. I think their findings are have some novel findings and also lead new investigations as a prospective designed.

#### Point by point response:

Thank you for your comments regarding this study. You pointed out that this study is important because it explores a new, commercially available endoscopic technology and we have emphasized that in our study. Also, you made a very good point that this study can lead to further investigation in these field, and ultimately a prospective study. In our discussion we have included some thoughts about future directions for this work, and agree that the next step would be a prospective study.



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Based on the Chief Editor comments in the original manuscript submission, we have also made the following edits:

1. Running title added
2. Author affiliations formatted
3. Author contributions added
4. Supportive foundation information added
5. IRB statement added
6. Informed consent statement added
7. Conflict-of-interest statement added
8. Data sharing agreement statement added
9. Open-access statement added
10. Open-access statement added
11. Correspondence to statement added
12. Telephone and fax added
13. Abstract aim edited to less than 30 words
14. Abstract results expanded
15. Abstract conclusion edited to less than 30 words
16. Copyright added
17. Core tip added
18. Citation added
19. Biostatistics statement added to methods section
20. Reference numbers put in square brackets
21. Comments section added with following subsections: Background, Research frontiers, Innovations and breakthroughs, Application, Terminology, Peer Review
22. References edited to preferred format. PMID and DOI added to references.
23. Tables edited as per instructions
24. Patient flowchart added as figure 1
25. Figures included as decomposable files for easy editing

Thank you for considering this manuscript for publication.

Sincerely,

Dr. Nina Gupta