

Answering Reviewers

Major questions

Question 1: The author mention “ESD can completely remove the lesion, which is conducive to the evaluation of postoperative pathology.” Regarding duodenal neoplastic lesions, the author should add “en bloc resection” and “R0 resection” in the Table 1.

Answer: I have added “en bloc resection” and “R0 resection” in the Table 1.

Question 2: The author mention “Therefore, the duodenal lesion biopsy should be done parallel to the fold and should be small in size to avoid scarring and prevent from subsequent dissection.” The authors need to give more room to discuss association between a biopsy and increasing the difficulty of ESD in this study.

Answer: I have added in the article. This is our operation experience, and more scientific research data will be collected in next research.

Question 3: In this study, perforation often occurs of submucosal lesion compared with mucosal lesions. I think if tumors, such as GIST, are wide adhesive to muscularis propria or serosa, full-thickness resection or LECS should be chosen in order to achieve safe treatment. It should be clearly described in this report.

Answer: I have described in the article according to the reviewer’s advice.

Question 4: On page 11, line 3, the sentence “Because it was located on the opposite side of the duodenal papilla, the submucosal field of view was not clearly exposed” is difficult to understand because of an uncertain meaning. Please amend this.

Answer: I have amended in the article according to the reviewer’s advice.

Minor questions

Question 1: Is ball-descending junction the same as superior duodenal angle?

Answer: Yes. I have amended in the article according to the reviewer’s advice.

Question 2 The author described localization of duodenal bulbus as Ant/Post/G/L. I think the description of anterior/posterior/inferior/superior wall are suitable.

Answer: The reviewer's advice is right. I have amended in the table according to the reviewer's advice.

Question 3 Page15 on the left side →on the medial side

Answer: I have amended in the article according to the reviewer's advice.