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| Re-review          | [Y]Yes []No   |



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#### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors have submitted a letter article on the review by Weng CY et al. I agree with the authors on the importance of risk stratification of gastric cancer. Even with a high-resolution endoscope, if morphological changes do not appear, genetic and epigenetic changes in epithelial cells cannot be detected. In addition, the report by Asada et al.1), which examined the relationship between methylation abnormalities and ectopic gastric cancer, is extremely important as a predictor. The authors need to mention this point a little. Asada K, Nakajima T, Shimazu T, et al. Demonstration of the usefulness of epigenetic cancer risk prediction by a multicentre prospective cohort study. Gut. 2015 Mar; 64 (3): 388-96.



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In this letter, authors conclude that "Additional studies are yet required to sharpen the hazard stratification of patients with the greatest chance of gastric cancer evolution" and conduct a comprehensive analysis. However, there are some issues that need to be explored in this letter. 1. Dinis-Ribeiro M et al showed that "have a negative family history for GC do not require surveillance". Does the author agree with this view? 2. The authors suggest that "further studies are still needed to refine the risk stratification of patients with the highest risk of gastric malignancy development". Can they give a brief explanation? 3. The risk of gastric neoplasia is affected by race, ethnicity and immigration, the authors note. Then, in terms of people's life and rest, whether its impact on gastric neoplasia can't be ignored, whether there is research significance? 4. The authors suggest that cost-effectiveness strategies for H. pylori positive patients should be better optimized. Are they thinking in terms of long-term surveillance or short-interval endoscopic surveillance?



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The authors provided useful conclusions for clinical practice and future study. The proofs are sound and the reviewing of published studies is profound. As far as I am concerned, this manuscript should be accepted with high priority.