

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
Re-review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Peer-reviewer
statements**

Peer-Review: [☒] Anonymous [☐] Onymous

Conflicts-of-Interest: [☐] Yes [☒] No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

An interesting and novel case where the authors report the first case of an hamartoma localized in pancreatic accessory spleen successfully treated with spleen-preserving distal pancreatectomy. This information may also prove clinically useful if clinicians meet a similar case in the future. The case description is well organized and the authors provide adequate high-quality images to illustrate the case. Nevertheless the following points should be improved: - the English should be revised as there are grammar and orthography errors along the text that require language polishing - It is not very perceptible how the pathology diagnosis (illustrated in Figure 4) was reached before surgery, as implied from the sequence described in the "Case presentation" section. Was it biopsy? Ultrasound- or CT-guided? Please specify.

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Hamartoma in the pancreatic accessory splenic is rare tumor and has not been reported, so this case report is a worthwhile report. But, there are a few details that I would like you to add. 1. Please insert a macro image of the resection specimen. 2. One of the key points in this report is that the resection was done laparoscopically, so please insert intraoperative figures and describe the more detailed surgical procedure. 3. Is it possible for CA19-9 to be elevated in a spleen hamartoma? If you have any thoughts on the normalization after resection (e.g., CA19-9 immunostaining of tissue), please describe.