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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This paper addresses the feasibility and safety of POEM after bariatric surgery. The topic is of timely relevance and the paper is well written. However, I have a few questions and remarks: In my opinion it is rather a case series and should be addressed as such with the advantage to provide a template for other physicians. More information on comorbidities and history of the individual patients should be included as to better understand the indication for POEM. Further, technical points should be pointed out more. Eckardt score: difficult to apply in bariatric patients, especially after bariatric surgery (weight loss), especially when the patients have not reached a nadir (cases 4&5). Achalasia and morbid obesity: in large series reporting motility disorders and MO, the incidence is higher, so I don't fully agree with most patients diagnosed after bariatric surgery, or rather it is a silent plea for functional testing prior to bariatric surgery. The mechanisms leading to achalasia in postbariatric patients should be more elucidated, the presented theory is not truly convincing, especially for type I achalasia. The results of the 2nd "unsuccessful" patient should be included

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the study is interesting. the association of the two pathologies is not frequent. the manuscript is well structured. the work carried out could be interesting given the development of bariatric surgery.