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Congratulations to the authors for their meticulous and comprehensive research on a challenging topic and emerging modality. Bibliographically, they have done a very serious work without self-citations and self-referrals (unless it is absolutely necessary). I attach the text with some minor grammatical and language corrections. A couple of suggestions: 1) Wherever you compare percentages, it should be scientifically sound to add p value (although the differences in most cases are large). 2) It would be useful for the reader to have a synopsis of your findings at the end of the text in the form of a Table with e.g. 4 columns [Field of EUS application, Supporting references, Potential benefits (advantages), Areas of concern (Disadvantages)], and rows equal to the number of titles and subtitles within the text body. I look forward to receiving your amendments.

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This is a comprehensive narrative review of the current role of the EUS-guided diagnosis and therapy of gastric varices. Description of a methodology of how literature was searched and papers selected for the review is lacking. Also, as there are already similar reviews published on the same topic, the authors should highlight what their review adds to the current knowledge. A graph or figure would make the paper more attractive for the readers.