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Novelty of this manuscript	[ Y] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair [ ] Grade D: No novelty
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Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair [ ] Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	[ ] Grade A: Priority publishing [ Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ ] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[ ] Accept (High priority) [ ] Accept (General priority) [ Y] Minor revision [ ] Major revision [ ] Rejection
Re-review	[ ]Yes [Y]No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [ ] Onymous  Conflicts-of-Interest: [ ] Yes [Y] No

## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

It is a very interesting paper, and the medical occurrence is of importance. Treatment and diagnostic workup are convincing. I would only strongly suggest to avoid the acronym POEM; much more when added another 'S' behind (POEM-S.....). This is because there is a well known syndrome called POEMS (peripheral neuropathy, organomegaly, endocrinopathy, monoclonal plasmaproliferative disorder, skin changes). Consider using Such a double usage of the acronym POEM(S) will confuse readers. another one, or explain thoroughly in words all over the manuscript what you mean with POEM as a myotomy procedure.



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Lin et al. present a retrospective series of redo-POEM for recurrent achalasia. Two techniques are compared classical x simultaneous submucosal and muscle dissection that is a creation of the group. The manuscript is interesting and has some interesting data. I have 2 comments to improve the manuscript. 1) Consent to perform a procedure is NOT the same as a consent to undergo a procedure with scientific purposes. I cannot read Chinese to interpretate the IRB docs. I would like the authors to clarify if informed consent was obtained from the 16 patients for scientific purposes or it was waived due to the retrospective nature of the protocol. 2) I believe the manuscript lacks further discussion of the indications and of the results. E.g., why a redo-POEM just after the inituial procedure? (0 months was the minimun time). Why not a dilatation or a Heller + fundoplication? What is the meaning of a shorter "Submucosal tunnel length"? Is it good or bad? Why the author's technique has much less reflux than the conventional technique? The drawback of POEM is GERD. If this technique promoves less GERD should be standard. Are there different indications for the 2 techniques? How patients were selected? etc, etc....



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Dear Author; Congratulations and thanks for submitting the above-mentioned interesting article (Observational study) for publication to the World Journal of Gastroenterology. I appreciate you and hope your case to be published. Comments: 1. The case is interested and well described. 2. The aim is given under the heading of AIM, but repeated at the end of introduction, it is better to delete the repeated point. 3. Discussion needs paragraph rearrangement, since discussion-related literature review is mentioned first, and then your findings are compared and described 4. The manuscript needs minor linguistic and grammatical polishing.