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Dear Drs Juan Manuel Herrerias Gutierrez and Atsushi Imagawa

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 13890-complete edited by Ysato.doc) and copyright assignment in PDF format.

Title: Endoscopic diagnosis and management of type I neuroendocrine tumors

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers and editors:

1. Format has been updated. I attached the complete revised manuscript (13890-complete edited by Ysato) .

2. Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer and editors:

(1) Comment of Reviewer:

Please add the authors' recommendation for the readers to apply this knowledge in routine clinical practice.

Response:

I appreciate the reviewer's comment and have added these sentences in conclusion as follows:

“In routine clinical practice, the careful observation of the gastric mucosa in CAG and the knowledge of the endoscopic characteristic of TI-GNETs would be required for detection of TI-GNETs. When it exists, it would be important to choose appropriate treatment after the assessment of the size, invasion, metastasis and histological grading of the tumors.”

(2) Comment of Editor:

A conflict-of-interest statement is required for all article and study types. In the interests of transparency and helping reviewers to assess any potential bias in a study's design, interpretation of its results or presentation of its scientific/medical content, the BPG requires all authors of each paper to declare any conflicting interests (including but not limited to commercial, personal, political, intellectual, or religious interests) in the title page that are related to the work submitted for consideration of publication. In addition, reviewers are required to indicate any potential conflicting interests they might have related to any particular paper they are asked to review, and a copy of signed statement should be provided to the BPG in PDF format.

Response:

In accordance with the reviewer's comment, I attached the signed ICMJE form for Disclosure of Potential Conflicts of Interest in PDF format, and added the Conflict-of-interest in the title page, as follows:

“The author declare that no financial or other conflicts of interest exist in relation to the content of this article.”

(3) Comment of Editor:

Please write a summary of less than 100 words to outline the most innovative and important arguments and core contents in your paper to attract readers

Response:

In accordance with the reviewer's comment, we added the **CORE TIP**, as follows:

“The incidence of TI-GNETs has significantly increased, TI-GNETs are the most frequently diagnosed of all GNETs, accounting for about 70–80%. Endoscopically, TI-GNETs are present as small (<10 mm), polypoid lesions or, more frequently, as smooth, rounded submucosal lesions. Especially, narrow band imaging and high resolution magnification endoscopy may be helpful for the endoscopic diagnosis of TI-GNETs. TI-GNETs tend to display a nearly benign behavior and a low risk of progression or metastasis in spite of submucosal invasion. Therefore, endoscopic submucosal dissection is a feasible technique for the removal of TI-GNETs.”

(4) Comment of Editor:

Please put the reference numbers in square brackets in superscript before the end. Please check across the text.

Response: In accordance with the editor's comment, all the reference numbers were put in square brackets in superscript in our manuscript.

3. Reference (32, 33) was wrong in the TI-GNET PATHOGENESIS part. Therefore, (32, 33) was corrected as follows;

“ Therefore, PPI treatment causes ECL hyperplasia in rats ^[33, 34] ~~(32, 33)~~. ”

4. The spellings of author's names in reference No. 49 were wrong. Therefore, the wrong author's names were corrected as follows:

“49) **Karaca C**, Turner BNETizginer S, Forcione D,”

to

“49) **Karaca C**, **Turner BG**, **Cizginer S**, Forcione D,”

5. In your edited manuscript, table 2 was missed out. Therefore, I added the table 2 in our revised manuscript.

6. I detected the error of our manuscript the 2nd sentence in the *Surgical resection* part. The error part was changed as follows;

“Moreover, surgery should also performed in the presence of lymph nodal,”

to

“Moreover, surgery should also **be** performed in the presence of lymph nodal, ...”

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastrointestinal endoscopy*.

Sincerely yours,

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