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Dear Reviewers,

We clarified the indications for surgical resection (functional tumor or symptoms due to mass effect) in the discussion section. Because these masses are typically nonfunctional and have indolent growth, there is no way to compare results of those who don't undergo surgery. The masses are typically incidentally found on imaging or if symptoms arise, then they are resected. We cited several studies looking at recurrence rates in patients with incomplete resections, however, to elaborate on outcomes.

Given the variability among the number of related case series, we elected to write out the summaries instead of including a table (that would have a large amount of text and difficult to read). We elaborated on patient's symptoms (diarrhea, relation to motion, radiation) and replaced "dismissed" with "discharged"

We have uploaded all required checklists, author disclosure forms, and the audio core tip. We have also modified image captions and images to have movable parts/text capable of editing as requested. Finally, the video supplement is provided after modifying it to appropriate size criteria amendable to uploading. The document has been reviewed by all authors.

Sincerely,

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