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I would like to have a detailed explanation of the price of ESD. I would like to show you the price including whether it is the sedation fee, the compensation for the treatment materials including disposable devices. I would also like to briefly show the price of other endoscopic treatment.

#### **INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT**

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The author reviewed the current reimbursement process hurdles for ESD procedures in private practice model in USA and the data of two advanced endoscopists performing ESD in their private practice set-ups. The result showed EMR was considered inferior to ESD, but EMR has a listed CPT and was denied in only 0.83% cases. This article highlighted the billing and reimbursement hurdles to adopt ESD-related procedures in private practice model in US healthcare system. But the result will be more convincing with comparison between EMR and ESD data.

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