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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors conducted a systematic review, and meta-analysis which showed the diagnostic efficacy of JNET classification was equivalent to that of pit pattern classification as both classifications were divided into four major categories according to the similar histopathology. This study is almost well-written and will be so useful for readers and endoscopists in clinical situation. There are comments below. 1. In the section of introduction, the authors showed "hyperplastic polyps (HPs), and sessile serrated polyps (SSPs) (hyperplasia /SSP) are recommended for observation". However, large or SSA/P with cytological dysplasia has the potential of developing into a carcinoma. Therefore, we can not decide the non-resection for all SSA/P lesions (the terminology" SSA/P" was changed into "SSL" according to the WHO guideline) 2. In the section of the Discussion, they showed "Pit pattern classification is the most frequently used criteria for the detection of colorectal neoplasms". However, pit pattern classification is useful not for detection but for the accurate diagnosis. Please reconsider it. 3. In the section of the Discussion, they showed "Type 2B lesions should be resected en endoscopic submucosal dissection (ESD) to obtain a precise histologic diagnosis concerning the invasion depth and determine endoscopic curability." However, when the submucosal injection is enough for snaring, smaller cancerous lesions will be preferable for EMR instead of ESD. 4. Generally, large lesion, especially for pedunculated lesions, is difficult to be diagnosed accurately. More discussion about these relationships between the morphology and the pathological findings will be very important for all readers. Please discuss it.