

ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 7313-review.doc).

Title: A gastric foreign body granuloma caused by an embedded fishbone: a case report

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

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) In this paper Guo-dong Shan et al. describe a case-report about a gastric lesion caused by fishbone.- The paper is interesting. The following point should be considered by the Authors: No biopsy was performed with the endoscopy. Biopsies could be useful in the differential diagnosis of foreign body granuloma. This point should be discussed in the paper.

Yes, biopsies was performed with the endoscopy, because the biopsy is too small and superficial and it is difficult to make a diagnosis of foreign body granuloma. This point has been discussed in the paper(second paragraph in discussion). Thank you!

(2) The authors present a rare case of embedded fishbone in stomach leading to foreign body granuloma that mimicked a submucosal tumor.I think that the imaging findings such as endoscopy, CT and EUS can be useful for the readers in consideration of foreign bodies in the diffrential diagnosis of submucosal tumors

Yes, we also think that the imaging finding of endoscopy, CT and EUS can be useful for the readers in consideration of foreign bodies in the diffrential diagnosis of submucosal tumors. But just by one case, it is difficult to summarize the imaging features of endoscopy, CT and EUS. In future, we will collect more cases of gastrointestinal foreign body and expect to summarize the imaging features of this disease. Thank you!

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

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