

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The long- and short-term outcomes of patients eligible for ESD are comparable with those undergoing gastric resection. ESD is associated with less complications, shorter hospital stays and better quality of life. In the clinical practice, identifying risk factors for cancer recurrence and then developing corresponding therapy strategies is essential for the intervention in elderly patients with early gastric cancer and precancerous lesions. In this study, the authors investigate the efficacy and safety ESD in the treatment of early gastric cancer and precancerous lesions in the elderly patients. The study is overall well performed and the findings are interesting. Minor comments: 1. The manuscript requires a minor editing. Some spelling mistakes should be corrected. 2. The abstract is too long, please short it. 3. The conclusion is missing in the main text. Please check and revise it.

Answers: 1. The manuscript has been edited carefully. The spelling mistakes were corrected.

2 The abstract was shortened.

3 Conclusion is added to the main text.