

Answering Reviewers

Dear Editor and Reviewers,

Thank you for reviewing our paper and providing such constructive criticism.

Reviewer #1:

In the abstract, the abbreviation OTSC and the brand should be omitted

The abbreviation and brand have been omitted

In the abstract I believe the complication (bleeding) should not be mentioned

Bleeding complication has been removed from the abstract

In the introduction, first paragraph: the authors seem to specifically refer to duodenal subepithelial lesions, not to adenomas. Please clarify.

You are correct, the scope of our paper is related to subepithelial lesions and not adenomas.

In the case report, the absence of EUS is rather unusual in the management of a subepithelial lesion. I would not insist on this point.

Removed "patient returned for planned endoscopic ultrasound EUS" from case report section and "an EUS was not performed" from Treatment section.

In the discussion, page 7, « in one biohybrid model » does not add much to the discussion of the present case, and could be suppressed.

We have removed this paragraph as requested, although we feel that the discussion regarding the differences between the two clips is one that contributes to the overall conversation, and our goal in the discussion is to review the safety of OTSC clips which includes bleeding and perforation related to the clips being used. We believe that readers will appreciate it as it has not been discussed anywhere else in the literature.

In the discussion, page 8, the sentence « our group has experience.... Often echoed in the literature » is very vague and can be suppressed as well.

Removed paragraph as requested.

In the conclusion, the conclusion on the comparative safety of the OTSC and Padlock is not supported by much data, and can be suppressed.

Removed "OTSC may be safer than the Padlock CLIP"

Figure 2, legend: please replace ocesco by ovesco

Replaced

Reviewer #2: As duodenum is narrow and wall is thin, so the eFTR of subepithelial tumors of the duodenum remains challenging. The author reported a case of carcinoid tumor in the duodenum that was successfully resected using an OTSC and reviewed the literature on the efficacy and safety of clip-assisted eFTR of subepithelial lesions in the duodenum. This article may help endoscopist make a decision in determining which therapy is optimal for subepithelial lesions in the duodenum.

No edits requested

Reviewer #3: This is an interesting case report. This report contains useful information for the readers. I have one comment for the authors. 1. Is the best device to stop bleeding in performing OTSC assisted eFTR? Could you apply another method such as hemoclip or band ligation or additional OTSC?

Although OTSC can be used for bleeding (as mentioned in the paper) in our case the location of the bleeding precluded using another OTSC or a hemoclip as there was no way to apply them on top of the clip which is why the hot forceps biopsy was used. Bleeding secondary to OSTC is extremely rare and there is no data regarding best way to deal with it.

Reviewer #4: Well written case report.

No edits requested

Reviewer #5: this manuscript is good as a step forward in the new technique of polyp resection. It has been good to review your job with others. Hopefully, in the following studies to evaluate the issue of complications specially for lesions of difficult accessibility

No edits requested