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Language quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
Re-review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this opinion review, the author aim at describing the origin, definition, operative channels, advantages and future perspectives of SMIS. My comments: The manuscript contains grammatic, ortograph, semantic inaccuracies, the English level is not adequate for publication: I strongly recommend to have the manuscript reviewed by an english mother tongue scientfic editor. The first part of the manuscript (first page) is quite redundant and unfocused: I suggest the author to highlight that classic surgical operation are based on organ resection, however while this may be required for malignant tumor, when benign tumor need to be treated a more conservative management (including SMIS) may be used. The term SMIS was created in 2016, however the treatment modality aiming at removing the disease while preserving the organ function (mainly through operative endoscopy), already existed: this should be clearly stated in the manuscript. The author created a term which covers many surgical and endoscopic procedures, not a treatment modality. I understand that, being an opinion review, the author kepth the manuscript quite short, however I think thatt adding additional short examples of SMIS may be of benefit for the manuscript



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RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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Peer-reviewer	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous

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I believe the authors significantly improved the quality of their manuscript. However I have some additional comments. It would have been nice to have the changes done in the new manuscript version highlighted in red, in order to allow me to make a better evaluation of the changes done. I suggest to highlight the fact that SMIS may be indicated uniquely for benign tumors and that for malignant tumor the preferred surgical management consists now and probably will consist in the surgical removal of the organ surrounding the tumor. Probably SMIS may also be indicated for unfit patients affected by early stage malignant tumor, however this should be specified in the manuscript, if the authors agree. I also suggest to highlight that impact of SMIS is clinically significant in particular for benign tumors located in particular sites (as suggested by the example of the cardia tumor). The authors state to agree with me concerning the need for additional examples of SMIS, however I can not see additional examples in the manuscript. In the answer to reviewers, the authors state that they added the sentence "SMIS included not only endoscopic surgery, but also some surgical operation. Therapies for diseases are developing with times and there are always more expected operative methods than existed ones.". This sentence is not written with an adequate English style. Please correct /improve it.