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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
Comments: A modified biopsy method is feasible for the tissue diagnosis of gastric subepithelial tumors Discuss an important modified technique to obtain biopsies from gastric subepthelial tumours. Article well written and findings are of practical importance. Minor comments. Article has few grammatical errors which need to be corrected. Abstracts- results – "Mean size was 21.8mm…." Mean size o f what?

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1. Please make a comment regarding the technical difficulty of your method and learning curve 2. Please provide a video demonstrating this method

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This paper reports the usefulness of a mucosal incision with a fixed flexible snare (MIF) and a deep-tissue biopsy for the histological diagnosis of gastric subepithelial tumors. This study is well-designed, but in terms of novelty, this study lacks in new findings. Major comment 1) Similar methods are previously reported. Recently, the paper titled "Mucosal-incision assisted biopsy for susupected gastric gastrointestinal stromal tumors" was published in World Journal of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy. It may be necessary to show the difference of this study from the previous reports. 2) Eleven patients were included in this study, and the diagnostic yield of MIF biopsies was 90.9%. Thus, 95% confidence interval of the diagnostic yield would be approximately 60% to 100%. By the same token, although all the complications were successfully managed, 95% confidence interval of the complications would be 0% to 27%. More patients are needed to show the safety and efficacy of this procedure. Minor comment 1)Although gastric leomyoma is relatively rare, the number of gastric leomyomas diagnosed in the study was higher than the number of GISTs. Details of the pathological examination should be written.