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Reviewer code: 02514886

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Manuscript: 20131231040756 Title: Autoimmune gastritis presenting as iron deficiency anemia in childhood By Dr. Cristina Gonçalves, and colleagues. This manuscript describes clinical, laboratory and histological features of autoimmune gastritis with reference to paediatric setting. Albeit only 5 paediatric cases are reported, the manuscript has sound and clinically relevant data. Therefore, I have no hard words for the authors. Please undertake minor language editing throughout the body of your text. For example (introduction, line 8), your text says..."gets" thinner... In an article of this nature, "get or gets" should be avoided (becomes thinner?).

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Major issues: ? The inflammatory infiltrate in the gastric mucosa should be identified by immunohistology with antibody markers minimally for T cells. B cells and macrophages ? The characteristics of the gastric glandular atrophy should documented by immunostaining for parietal cells by antibody to these cells to assess for any loss of these cells from the gastric mucosa; the hypergastrinaemia supports the loss of these cells. ? The presence of metaplasia should be assessed by immunostaining for mucin. Minor issues: A 2% incidence relates to the incidence of pernicious anemia in the elderly Caucasian population. The incidence of autoimmune gastritis assessed by the serological biomarker of parietal cell antibody is closer to 20% (see e.g Zhang Y, Weck MN, Schottker B, Rothenbacher D, Brenner H. Gastric parietal cell antibodies, helicobacter pylori infection, and chronic atrophic gastritis: Evidence from a large population-based study in germany. Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev. 2013;22:821-826)



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The manuscript entitled "Autoimmune gastritis presenting as iron deficiency anemia in childhood" describes characterization of ATG in 5 patients. There are well-defined diagnostic and pathological analyses in this manuscript. It will be better to support the observation if author provides more discussion regarding the molecular mechanism of autoimmune gastritis.