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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting case report of dysphagia associated with intravascular hemolysis due to LVAD implantation. I only have a few comments. 1. It is unusual to cite a reference in the abstract of a case report. 2. In the case description, "...any of the symptoms related to long-standing gastro-esophageal reflux disease..." Please describe the severity, duration, medication of the past history of GERD in this patient. Because "the endoscopy revealed a normal esophagus" according to the authors. 3. On admission, what kind of medication was the patient taking? Was he taking antacids? 4. Please present the BMI value to explain marked obesity. 5. In the discussion, "... (LES) relaxation was inhibited, and several subjects developed..." Is this sentence incomplete? 6. Image 1: Please describe the location of esophagus. (ex lower esophagus?) 7. image2: It is hard to recognize the GEJ by this picture, a little bit oral or retroflex view may be better.