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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The author of the paper evaluated the efficacy of EUS-FNA for grading pancreatic neuroendocrine tumor (PNET) by Ki-67 index and compared with those obtained by surgery in 10 patients. Promising concordance rate (7/8) between specimens obtained by EUS-FNA and surgery was obtained and it will be valuable to do the clinical trials further in a large population of PNET patients.



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This is a nice retrospective analysis of data and specimens of finally 8 patients who were fully evaluable for a comparison of samples obtained by endoscopic ultrasonography-guided fine needle aspiration and during surgery for pancreatic neuroendocrine tumors. The reported concordance rate of 7/8 is in the range of reports by others. Limitations of the study are the retrospective character and the fact, that it took more than 12 years to get evaluable data from 8 patients. This probably explains, that recent more comprehensive and prospective studies of the same and of similar questions were not included in the reference list and discussion, for instance the multicenter prospective cohort study by Larghi et al "Feasibility and yield of a novel 22-gauge histology EUS needle in patients with pancreatic masses...Surg Endosc 2013 Oct; 27 (10):3733-8" or "The usefulness of endoscopic ultrasound-guided fine-needle aspiration for the diagnosis of pancreatic neuroendocrine tumors based on the WHO classification by Unno J et al Scand J Gastroenterol 2014 Nov; 49 (11): 1367 - 74" etc.



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1. The figure 1 was not necessary due to the case number was limited. 2. How about the follow-up results of surgical patients and concordance with the grading? 3. Please tell us the benefit of Ki-67 for the grading? why not others? Please complete the references according to the guideline for author.