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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript is a coherent report of a case of a solitary duodenal Peutz-Jeghers hamartomatous polyp. As indicated by the writers PJ types hamartomatous polyps are diagnosed with a lower risk of cancer and have been regarded as a clinical entity different from PJ-syndrome. The authors appropriately cite past literature and assist the reader in interpreting the clinical message of their report. The rarity of well documented similar cases adds to the clinical importance and establishes the motivation of this report. One minor concern of mine that I find should be addressed is the authors' arguments on the decision of the therapeutic strategy and specifically on the question of endoscopic vs surgical resection. There are no definitive guidelines as to the size or diameter of above which endoscopic removal of hamartomatous polyps should be attempted and this is one of the few reports of successful endoscopic resection of a polyp of this size, especially considering the added feature of its ingrowth into the CBD. Is size and intraductal extension or morphological features indicating cancerous predisposition a criterion for surgical referral? I would also be interested in knowing the authors' opinion on pancreatic and biliary stenting during endoscopic treatment especially when



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the major duodenal papilla is involved. Another valuable information that should perhaps be included is the follow up the authors think suitable. Further more it would be nice to explain how the authors determined that this a poly rather than a cancer and what would have been done in this case. Overall I think the paper adresses a critical clinical question intergrating an extended review of the literature.