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This review focuses on the long-term effect of HP eradication on metachronous cancer prevention after ER of early gastric cancer. Most guidelines and expert opinions recommend HP eradication after ER of EGC to prevent metachronous gastric cancer. Until now there are different results about this issue and many factors can lead to discordance. In this paper, the author analyzed relative factors including definition of metachronous cancer, the timing of HP eradication therapy, the accuracy of endoscopic examination before ER and the follow-up time of endoscopic surveillance. Along with the increasing use of HP eradication therapy, the incidence of gastric cancer after HP eradication has also been increasing. And the endoscopic and histopathological findings of gastric cancers after HP eradication present some particular features. Small flat lesion and low grade of histological atypia can make endoscopic and pathological diagnosis of gastric cancer after eradication more difficult. Even the NBI-ME may become less sensitive for diagnosing gastric cancer after HP eradication. As the author pointed out that when performing surveillance endoscopy and biopsies for patients after HP eradication the endoscopists and pathologists should be careful to discover cancer at an early stage.



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Clarifying the endoscopic appearance and biological behaviors of gastric cancers discovered after HP eradication is of importance for the cancer survey program. This is a comprehensive review discussing many important and interesting issues as to metachronous cancer after HP eradication. The author systemically reviewed relative literature and sheared his experiences in this field with readers. This paper listed several key elements that should be addressed to improve the diagnosis of gastric cancer after HP eradication. The information provided by this paper is critical and practical for endoscopists.