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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors' opinions are very relevant. Endoscopic diagnostic and therapeutic skills, and the efficiency of screening programs are important for reducing gastric cancer deaths. In the West, there may be fewer opportunities for gastric ESD training than in East Asia, but if you have a lot of colon ESD training, that shouldn't be a problem. The authors said that there are many younger generations of stomach cancer in Italy, but what about the relationship with H. pylori infection? If it is not H. pylori uninfected gastric cancer, the combination of H. pylori antibody titer and pepsinogen level may be useful for screening as in Japan.1) 1) Yamaguchi Y, Nagata Y, Hiratsuka R, et al. Gastric Cancer Screening by Combined Assay for Serum Anti-Helicobacter pylori IgG Antibody and Serum Pepsinogen Levels--The ABC Method. Digestion 2016; 93(1);13-8.

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The letter reports that endoscopic treatment of precancerous lesions and early gastric cancer reduces rates of advanced carcinoma and avoids the requirement for surgery, but between East and West there are relevant differences in the data, on the practice of endoscopic resection and on the histological definitions of lesions. In addition: "Our ongoing Italian multicenter prospective observational study on gastric endoscopic submucosal dissections has so far enrolled 24 cases in 18 months in 12 centers". There is no really new information for the reader. A few misspellings should be corrected, e.g., references in front or after full stop.