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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Excellent study and worth publishing, given the complexity and debate surrounding management of small GISTs. Aside from small typographic errors (for example "illustrats" in the results section, first paragraph), this was excellently written.

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Currently, the management of small GISTs is controversial. There is no consensus on the treatment of GIST with a diameter < 2 cm in the latest guidelines. Most small GISTs are discovered incidentally during regular endoscopic scanning, and they are now easier to be detected than before with EUS application. However, the management of small GISTs remains controversial, and endoscopic resection via ESD or EFTR is not recommended as routine treatment. In this study, the authors identified the efficiency of EUS in the risk assessment and the safety of endoscopic dissection for small GISTs. This study is overall very well designed. The methods are described in detail, and the results are very interesting. Minor comments: 1. The manuscript requires a minor editing. Some small typographic errors should be corrected. 2. The aim of the study in the abstract should be written single.

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This is an interesting study of the efficacy of EUS in the evaluation of small GISTs. This manuscript is very well written. The research is well performed and the results are well display. The reviewer recommends to accept this manuscript after a minor editing. Thank you.