

Dear Reviewers

1. The authors mentioned 3 times about “The prognosis of SMEGC is poor.” It is not clear, compared with what? Mean 5-years survival? Please clarify it.

Overall, the prognosis for gastric cancer is generally poor; however, detection at an early stage substantially improves the 5-year disease survival rate (99.3% for mucosal and 97.2% for submucosal cancer), whereas the prognosis of advanced gastric cancer (AGC) is poor with a 5-year survival rate of 30% to 60%, SMEGC accounts for 3-15% of all gastric cancer cases. Therefore, when EGC is diagnosed by diagnostic endoscopy, it is very important to detect other possible lesions that may be present. If synchronous cancer lesions are overlooked, these patients may miss the opportunity to be treated in the early stage, and their early cancer may progress to advanced cancer. Due to ongoing advancements in diagnostic endoscopic, pathologic examination and treatment techniques, the detection rate of SMEGC has increased significantly in recent years, however, SMEGC is still particularly easy to overlook during endoscopic examination.

2. “Initially, the patient was going to be treated exclusively with endoscopic submucosal dissection; however, a laparoscopic resection was chosen for the major lesion, while ESD was performed on the minor lesion.” Why?

Because the liquid is injected into the submucosa, there is no upward movement of the muscle layer in the major lesion

3. “however, little is known about the pathogenesis of the development of multiple gastric cancers.” Could this situation be associated with genetic factors? Please provide more information.

no papers have yet been shown to be clinically useful for predicting which patient will or will not have SMEGC

4-6. “H. pylori (7 times)” were not presented the same and correct. They must be italicized in the whole article. 5. “SMEGC” must be used in the discussion, using the whole name again (3 times) in the discussion was not necessary. 6. “greater than 10 years” could be modified to “more than 10 years”. The use of irbesartan should include the dose and frequency.

We have studied reviewer's comments carefully and have made revision.