Reviewer's report

Title: Diffuse duodenal nodular lymphoid hyperplasia: A large cohort of patients etiologically related to helicobacter pylori infection.

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Major Compulsory Revisions
None

Minor Essential Revisions
1) Ascaris lumbricoides was reported in 11 patients. Did these patients receive any treatment for this parasite?
2) All patients (40 patients) with isolated diffuse duodenal nodular hyperplasia received H. pylori eradication therapy. The H. pylori status of these patients before therapy was not mentioned. Were they all H. pylori positive?
3) Iron lack anemia is used as a term throughout the text. It will be better to use the term iron deficiency anemia.
4) The time period during which the study was carried out should be stated in the abstract section. From March 2005… is not enough.
5) In the last paragraph of the Results section, MAL was written instead of MALT lymphoma. It should be corrected.
6) In the 4th paragraph of the Discussion section, It can be better to change the sentence “Chronic corpus atrophic gastritis with intestinal metaplasia caused by H. pylori infection is an initiating event in most cases of intestinal type adenocarcinomas stomach” as “Chronic corpus atrophic gastritis with intestinal metaplasia caused by H. pylori infection is an initiating event in most cases of intestinal type gastric adenocarcinomas”.
7) In table 1, some results are given in greater punto than others. For example mean age of patients written in greater punto while the mean scores or follow-up months of the patients were not. The number of Grade 1 nodular disease patients (which is 4) was also given in larger punto. The punto of the variables in table 1 should be corrected.
8) In the H. pylori eradication part of the methods section amoxicillin was miswritten as amoxillin.

Discretionary Revisions
The prevalence of nodular lymphoid hyperplasia in the world and the prevalence of nodular lymphoid hyperplasia, H. pylori infection and intestinal lymphoma in the country where the study was conducted can be given within the text.
**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being published

**Statistical review:** Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests