Reviewer's report

Title: Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumour of the Duodenum in Childhood: A Rare Case Report

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Reviewer: Markku Miettinen

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General

This is a generally well-written report on a well-documented pediatric GIST.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

There are a few pediatric GIST series that the authors did not mention.

Statements whether there is any evidence for familial GIST (other family members with GIST) or neurofibromatosis type 1 would complete clinical background.

I would encourage the authors to perform KIT and PDGFRA mutation analysis. This would increase the value of this case report.

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

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What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

No competing interests