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Title: Localized gastric amyloidosis differentiated histologically from scirrhous gastric cancer using endoscopic mucosal resection: a case report

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Cover letter

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Dear Journal of Medical Case Reports Editor:

Attached hereto is a document file containing our original manuscript entitled “Localized gastric amyloidosis differentiated histologically from scirrhous gastric cancer using endoscopic mucosal resection” that we would like to submit for possible publication in Journal of Medical Case Reports.

This article represents an unusual case of primary amyloidosis of the stomach resembling scirrhous gastric carcinoma. There have been no published reports of any case describing scirrhous-like localized gastric amyloidosis diagnosed by biopsy specimen that was subsequently only followed up with no surgical intervention. But, the present case of such localized gastric amyloidosis was differentiated from scirrhous gastric cancer using endoscopic mucosal resection (EMR) and we did not perform any treatment including surgical intervention.

So, we believe that your readers will find this paper interesting because this case is the first report of scirrhous-like localized gastric amyloidosis diagnosed by EMR without performing surgical resection.

While we are well aware of the sensitivity that your publication displays on the subject of general medical knowledge and the BioMed Central Editorial Team recommend us to submit our manuscript to your journal “Journal of Medical Case Reports” referred to the comment below, we thought the results of our study important enough to request an evaluation of our work for acceptance in your prestigious medical journal “Journal of Medical Case Reports”.

All authors have contributed towards this paper and approve the contents. The paper has not been previously published in any other journal and is not under consideration elsewhere. There is no conflict of interest.

Thank you for your consideration and we hope that you will find this material suitable for future publication in Journal of Medical Case Reports.

Respectfully yours,

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Comment from The BioMed Central Editorial Team

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Dear Dr Kamata

Thank you for considering BMC Gastroenterology for your case report. We have assessed your manuscript and I am sorry to say we are unable to consider your manuscript for peer review and are closing your file. We feel your submission does not fulfill the criteria for the degree of advance required for consideration in the BMC series.

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