Reviewer's report

**Title:** Early duodenal adenocarcinoma resembling submucosal tumor cured with endoscopic resection: a case report

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**Reviewer:** Hironori Tsujimoto

Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: Unexpected or unusual presentations of a disease

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: No

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: No

Comments to authors:

This is a rare case of SMT-like cancer in the duodenum treated by ER. The reviewer has several concerns about this report.

1. The author should describe the procedure of ER more in detail, i.e., EMR-c or ESD?
2. The author should state the postoperative course after ER. Was it uneventful or eventful?
3. EUS showed M cancer in the duodenum. Why do the authors want to perform PD at first? Is the SMT-like cancer easy to have LN metastasis even if M cancer? The author should describe this issue.
Quality of written English: Acceptable