Reviewer's report

Title: Multidisciplinary approach in an unusual presentation of locally advanced gastric cancer. A case report.

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Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: New associations or variations in disease processes

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?: No

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

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

This is a well-written case report. The only addition that may add to the value of the manuscript is a short paragraph concerning the problems that large tumors may introduce to the intra-abdominal pressure. Large tumors may influence both the abdominal muscles (Kotidis et al. J Surg Res. 2012 Jul;176(1):102-7.) (Kotidis et al J Surg Res. 2011 Dec;171(2):609-14.), abdominal compliance (Papavramidis et al J Emerg Trauma Shock. 2011 Apr;4(2):194-7.), and abdominal pressure itself (Papavramidis et al. BMC Gastroenterol. 2009 Jun 6;9:42.).

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests
Quality of written English: Acceptable

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