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Title: Gastric Outlet Obstruction from Metastatic Lobular Breast Carcinoma

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Reviewer’s Report

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Reviewer: Nesrin Ugras

Reviewer’s report:
There were some revisions for this text.

1) In abstract part the author use “GOO” abbreviations.
   The abbreviation was corrected to gastric outlet obstruction.

2) The author used for diagnosis “lobular breast adenocarcinoma”.
   Adenocarcinoma must be carcinoma in all text.
   “lobular breast adenocarcinoma” was changed to “lobular breast carcinoma in all text.

3) In case presentation part the histopathological and immunohistochemistry findings must
   revised by a pathologist.
   Two pathologists were included to revise the manuscript. The histopathological and
   immunohistochemistry findings were edited per our pathologists.

4) The author should be used new printed references. And conclusion part need revision
   with new findings.
   New references were added (references 4, 8, and 9) and the conclusion part was revised
   with new findings and new teaching points.
Reviewer's report
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Reviewer: Manju Chandrasegaram

Reviewer's report:
I am not sure oestrogen receptor positivity alone can guarantee the diagnosis of metastatic lobular breast cancer – several upper GI cancers including oesophageal cancer can express oestrogen receptors – so the diagnosis of lobular breast cancer histologically needs to be expanded through other findings as illustrated in the figures. Oestrogen receptor positivity is also found in normal liver, and benign liver tumours.

- The histopathological and immunochemistry parts were revised by our pathologists. The immunostains were positive for cytokeratin 7, gross cystic disease fluid protein 15, estrogen receptor and GATA3.

In the background causes of gastric outlet obstruction, peptic ulcer disease as a broad category should be included, as this is more common than gallstone as a cause.

- Peptic ulcer disease was included in the causes of gastric outlet obstruction to make the differentials broader.

line 13 page 2 – referred to the gastroenterology team or unit rather than the specialty
- It was revised to gastroenterology team.

line 14 GERD – acronym not previously defined
- The acronym was defined as gastroesophageal reflux disease.

in the text line 18 seen by the oncology team or unit rather than the specialty
- It was revised to oncology team.

line 23 EGD not previously defined
- It was defined as esophagogastroduodenoscopy.