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Gastric Mucosal Carcinoma with Pyloric Stenosis

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Picture 1.



Picture 2.

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Picture 3.





A 69-year-old man was found to have an irregular pyloric stenosis with a clearly demarcated depressed area along the entire periphery of the stenosis on esophagogastroduodenoscopy, but the scope could not pass through the stenosis (Picture 1). Magnified endoscopy with narrow-band imaging revealed that the depressed area had irregular microvascular and microsurface patterns with a well-demarcated line (Picture 2). The depressed area was suspected of indicating early-stage gastric carcinoma. A biopsy specimen indicated adenocarcinoma, and distal gastrectomy was performed. The histological result was Type 0-IIc, 60×30 mm, signet ringcell carcinoma, pT1a, ly0, v0, pPM0, pVM0, pN0 according to the Japanese classification of gastric carcinoma (1). In addition, peptic ulcers or their scars were observed in and around the tumor (Picture 3, 4). The patient tested positive on the urea breath test and was taking no medication. Earlystage gastric carcinoma with peptic ulcer should be considered as a differential diagnosis in patients with pyloric stenosis lesions.

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Reference

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