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Dear Editor,

We present the case of a 72-year-old man who, during the evaluation of a pancreatic lesion, was found to a secondary plasmacytoma. This is an unusual presentation among pancreatic lesions and should be considered in patients with a history of myeloma.

CASE REPORT:

A 72-year-old man was hospitalized for pain due to lytic bone metastases secondary to light-chain multiple myeloma.

During his study, a 13 mm lesion in the head of the pancreas was evident on PET/CT and MRI (Fig 1), which did not rule out malignancy using these techniques, so a endoscopic ultrasound (EUS) was performed (Fig 2), which showed that the lesion had a polylobate, hypoechoic morphology with some hyperechogenic area in its center,



with a rigid consistency on elastography, without vascularization and without contact other structures. No lymphadenopathy or other additional relevant findings were observed.

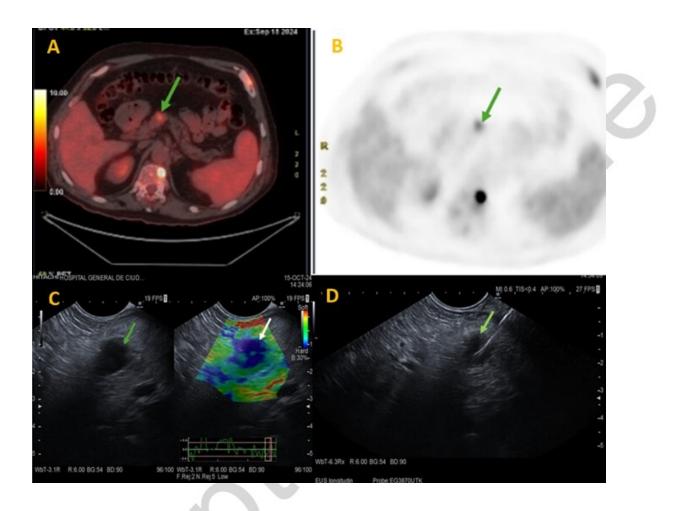
A EUS-guided fine-needle aspiration of the mass was performed (Fig 3) and showed findings consistent with plasmacytoma (myeloma) with lambda light chain restriction.

Extramedullary plasmacytomas are a rare variant of plasma cell malignancies (2,4). When they affect the gastrointestinal tract, they are mainly located in the liver, spleen or stomach (1-3). The location in the pancreas is very rare and when it occurs, it usually affects the head of the pancreas, resulting in obstructive jaundice and abdominal pain (1).

Intrapancreatic plasmacytomas should be suspected in patients with a history of multiple myeloma and the finding of pancreatic mass (2).

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A y B. PET/CT with evidence of hypermetabolic lytic lesion in the axial skeleton and focal deposit of radiotracer in the pancreatic head. **C.** Endoscopic Ultrasound. A 13-mm polylobate, hypoechoic lesion with some hyperechogenic area in its center, with a rigid consistency in the elastography (Blue color). **D.** EUS-guided fine-needle aspiration of the mass.