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Dear Editor,

Surgery has been considered the main treatment for submucosal tumors (SMTs). However, endoscopic resection is currently accepted for gastric SMTs smaller than 3 cm (1). Endoscopic submucosal dissection (ESD) is considered the technique of choice, and submucosal tunneling endoscopic resection has successful results with low complication
rates according to the recent meta-analysis by Cao et al. (2). The major limitation of these methods is the technical difficulty associated with certain anatomic locations (3,4).

CASE REPORT
A 48-year-old female was incidentally diagnosed with a 3-cm subcardial submucosal tumor (SMT). Endoscopic ultrasound evaluation confirmed the existence of a well-defined, hypoechoic, submucosal lesion. After fine-needle aspiration the histopathological diagnosis was compatible with leiomyoma.

ESD was performed using a therapeutic gastroscope (Olympus GIF-1TQ160®) with a distal attachment cap (Reveal™, US Endoscopy®) and access in a retroflexed view. Ten percent glycerin, diluted adrenaline (1/100,000) and indigo carmine were injected into the submucosa to raise the lesion. After resection of the upper mucosa with a polypectomy snare (Sensation™, Boston Scientific®) ESD was performed using an SB Knife™/Junior (Sumitomo®) with 60-W forced coagulation (effect 2), achieving en-bloc resection. Visible vessels were coagulated with a hemostatic grasper (Coagrasper™, Olympus®) and a solution of hemostatic synthetic peptides (PuraStat®) was placed on the scar, which was closed with an Endoloop™ (Olympus®) and 8 clips using a “tobacco pouch” suture. No signs of perforation were detected (Fig. 1).

The clinical course was favorable and imaging studies revealed pneumomediastinum and retropneumoperitoneum with no clinical significance.

DISCUSSION
The use of an SB Knife® has several advantages. It allows the application of traction and targeted resection, facilitates the approach to tumors in difficult-to-access locations, and applies cut with coagulation for hemostasis. We consider that ESD with an SB Knife® can be recommended for SMTs in difficult locations due to its reliability and relatively easy application. It allows a safe resection and avoids the need for major surgery.
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Fig. 1. A) A 3-cm subcardial submucosal tumor detected by retroflexion. B) Resection of the upper mucosa with a polypectomy snare. C and D) En-bloc resection by ESD using an SB Knife™. E) Scar after resection. F and G) Endoloop™ and clips around the scar. H) Closure with a “tobacco pouch” suture.