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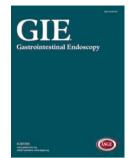
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Short title: Gastric calcifying fibrous tumor

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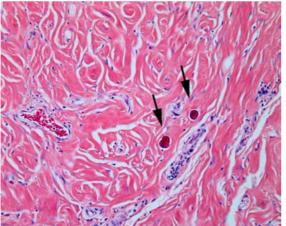
EUS-guided fine-needle aspiration was performed and sent for cytology but the results were nondiagnostic. Subsequently, the patient underwent a laparoscopic partial gastrectomy with resection of the gastric mass. Cut section of the mass showed poorly defined vaguely nodular firm grey white tissue. On histology the gastric mass was composed of dense, paucicellular, irregular fibro connective tissue penetrated by small arterioles and capillaries with scattered small round and irregular calcifications (C, H&E stain, high power). Paucicellular irregular dense fibroconnetive tissue is seen with several small calcifications (*arrows*) and several small arterioles and capillaries in a collagenous background. Lymphocytic infiltrates were also present among the fibrous proliferation (D, H&E stain). Immunohistochemical testing was negative for c-kit, DOG-1, beta-catenin, and desmin. Based on these typical findings, a diagnosis of gastric calcifying fibrous tumor was made.



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