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Management of Esophageal Cancer: Case Presentation

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A 62-year old male patient with asymptomatic esophageal squamous cell cancer, which was detected at screening esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD), was referred. He had a long history of smoking/drinking and a prior history of angina. The tumor was located on the middle thoracic esophagus and had central protruded lesion with surrounding superficial depressed area. The tumor invaded massively into the submucosal layer on endoscopic ultrasound. A computed tomography (CT) scan revealed neither regional lymph node nor distant metastasis, which led to clinical stage T1bN0M0 (UICC).

Which treatment modality would you choose? (1) Preoperative chemoradiotherapy followed by surgery; (2) definitive chemoradiotherapy (followed by salvage treatment if applicable); (3) primary surgery with/without postoperative adjuvant chemotherapy; (4) preoperative chemotherapy followed by surgery; or (5) others.

The discussion will focus on how to treat the patient.