# Endoscopic submucosal dissection for a large cecal adenoma covering an appendiceal orifice after appendectomy





**Video 1** Endoscopic submucosal dissection using the water pressure method for a large cecal adenoma covering the appendiceal orifice after appendectomy.

Endoscopic submucosal dissection (ESD) is recommended for colorectal tumors that cannot be completely removed by snare-based techniques. Endoscopic resection for appendiceal orifice lesions (Toyonaga's type 3: lesion entirely covers the orifice) is technically challenging because the appendiceal portion cannot be incised accurately [1]. Such lesions can be endoscopically removed if the patient has undergone an appendectomy, but submucosal fibrosis is a potential issue. Several reports have shown that ESD using a traction device or underwater strategies are useful for such lesions [2-4]. We demonstrate ESD for a lesion using the water pressure method (> Video 1), which is a technique that uses the waterjet function of an endoscope to secure the working space [5]. A 62-year-old woman, who had under-

gone appendectomy for acute appendicitis 45 years previously, was diagnosed with a 35-mm laterally spreading tumor in the cecum on colonoscopy (▶ Fig. 1). The scar of the appendiceal orifice could not be identified because the lesion was covering it. We performed ESD for the le-



► Fig.1 A 35-mm laterally spreading tumor covering the appendiceal orifice after appendectomy.



► Fig. 2 Severe fibrosis was partly visible in the submucosa during submucosal dissection.



**Fig.3** The water pressure method. **a** Before water injection. **b** Just after water injection.

sion with a FlushKnife BT-S (1.5mm, DK2620]; Fujifilm Medical, Tokyo, Japan). A solution of sodium alginate was injected into the submucosa for thickening. The endoscope faced the lesion perpendicularly, and endoscope stability was poor due to respiratory fluctuations. To secure a stable field of view, the water pressure method was used while sucking air from the cecum. Severe fibrosis was partly visible in the submucosa during ESD (> Fig. 2). En bloc resection was achieved while maintaining a good visual field using the water pressure method (**Fig. 3**, **Fig. 4**). The procedure was completed without any adverse events.



**Fig.4** The appendiceal orifice was identifiable in the resection wound.

The patient was discharged on postoperative day 4. Histopathological examination revealed a high grade tubulovillous adenoma with negative margins. A large cecal adenoma covering the appendiceal orifice after appendectomy

could be removed by ESD with the water pressure method.

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