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EXTRAHEPATIC MALIGNANT COMMON BILE DUCT STRICTURES


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Case 1: Sabina, a 51-years old female


- 10-2010: mastectomy for a breastCa - curative
- 11-2010 till 3-2011: adjuvant chemotherapy
- 7-2011: jaundice without pain but with substantial pruritus
- Bilirubine 9 g% - AF 699 IU/L
- Abdominal ultrasound : dilated intra- en extrahepatic bile ducts till mid-CBD



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Case 2: Jozef, a 64-year old male


- No medical history
- Jaundice since 3 weeks, no other symptoms except loose stools
- Bilirubine 12mg% - alkaline phosphatase 1850
- Abdominal ultrasound : dilated intra- en extrahepatic bile ducts up to distal CBD, multiple liver metastasis



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Q1 : what would you consider a *pathologically* dilated common bile duct ?

- A. More than 10mm
- B. More than 8mm
- C. No idea
- D. Size alone is not enough criteria alone



Question 1

- 25% 1. Answer A
- 25% 2. Answer B
- 25% 3. Answer C
- 25% 4. Answer D



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"The bile duct is dilated"

- Image modality influences reported duct diameter
 - EUS : CBD > 6-8mm, CHD > 6mm, IH > 2mm
 - CT : CBD > 8-10mm
- CBD diameters increase with age
- CBD diameters may vary with time of day, respiration, patient positioning, status post-CCE

Baron RL, et al Radiol Clin North Am 2002
Porre HJ et al J Ultrasound Med 2009
Wu et al J Clin Ultrasound 1984

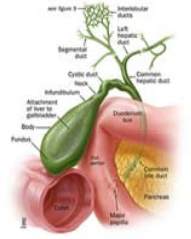
"The bile duct is pathologically dilated"

- **Dilated bile duct**
 - CBD > 6-8mm, CHD > 6mm, IH > 2mm
- **Clinical features** suggesting obstruction
 - Jaundice (hepatic, postmicrosomal/posthepatic)
 - Painful – painless
 - Pruritus
 - Cholangitis (Charcot)
 - Constitutional
- **Biochemical features** suggesting obstruction
 - Cholestatic parameters : AF, bilirubin
 - Liver associated enzymes : AST, ALT




Green RM et al Gastroenterology 2002
Van Santvoort HC et al Endoscopy 2011
Selfert H et al Lancet 2000

Causes of extrahepatic bile duct obstruction

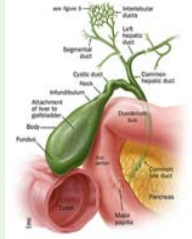


Suprapancreatic



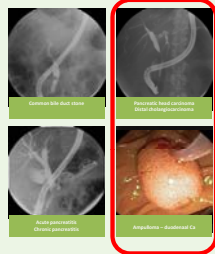
Choledocholithiasis
Chronic pancreatitis
Gallbladder carcinoma
Pancreatic duct obstruction

Causes of extrahepatic bile duct obstruction



Suprapancreatic

Intrapancreatic



Common bile duct stone
Pancreatic head carcinoma
Acute pancreatitis
Atresia - ductal CA

Identify etiology

- Consider possible causes and confirm obstruction
- Define location, extension and cause
- Tools:
 - Non-invasive : US – CT – MRI
 - Invasive : EUS, ERCP, (cholangioscopy)

Green RM et al Gastroenterology 2002

Q2 : what is the most sensitive non-invasive method to diagnose CBD dilatation, locate the obstruction and determine the cause of obstruction ?

- A. Abdominal ultrasound
- B. CT scan
- C. MRI
- D. CT or MRI, doesn't matter

Question 2

25% 1. Answer A

25% 2. Answer B

25% 3. Answer C

25% 4. Answer D

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Radiological work-up

Sensitivity	US ^{1,2}	CT ^{3,4}	MRCP ^{5,6}
Diagnosis dilatation	90%	96%	91-97%
Location obstruction	27-95%	88-97%	87-98%
Determine cause	23-81%	70-95%	84-94%
CDL	32%	56-72%	92%
Malignant stenosis ^{7,8}	-	77%	81-85%

¹Rongur Y et al. J Clin Gastroenterol 2001
²Blackbourne LH et al. Ann Surg 1994
³Baron RL Semin Roentgenol 1997
⁴Xim HC et al Abdom Imaging 2004
⁵Romagnuolo J, et al Ann Intern Med 2003
⁶Magnuson TH et al J Am Coll Surg 1999
⁷Rösch T et al. G.I Endosc 2002
⁸Park MS et al Radiology 2004



Q3 : What would be your approach in the further work-up of a highly suspicious distal biliary stenosis upon non-invasive imaging (without evidence of metastasis or local inoperability)?

- Go for tissue-diagnosis via ERCP with brush and blind biopsy
- Send immediately for surgery provided patient is fit
- Go for tissue-diagnosis via EUS + FNA
- Go for tissue diagnosis via EUS-FNA and ERCP with brush/bx

Question 3

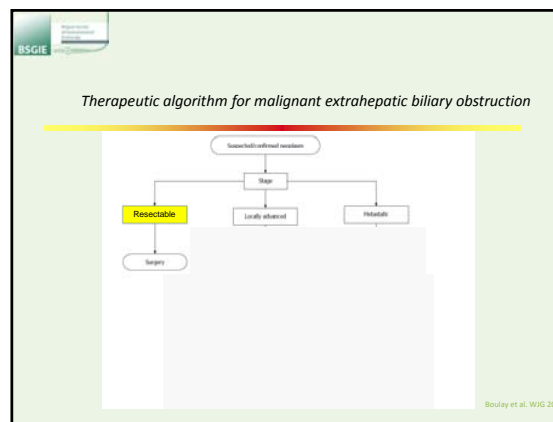
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To drain or not to drain preoperatively ?

- Preoperative biliary drainage before PPD incorporated in many surgical programs (5% mortality – 40-60% morbidity PPD)
- Principle : PBD may restore synthetic and clearance function of the liver and mucosal intestinal barrier
→ improved outcome after surgery
- Before 2010 : low quality trials : evidence "equivocal"
- DROP-trial (NEJM 2010)
- ERCP failure rate 25%, complication rate 46% (26% cholangitis in PBD)

Kinnings AN et al. Gut 2009
Mazur H et al. Gastrointest Surg 2009
Wang Q et al. Cochrane Database Syst Rev 2008
Srinivas ME et al. Ann Surg 2002
Van der Gaag NA et al. NEJM 2010 - editorials
Fang Y et al. Cochrane Database Syst Rev 2012

Therapeutic algorithm for malignant extrahepatic biliary obstruction

What in case of *uncertain diagnosis* ? Upgrading of diagnostics (ERCP, EUS, sampling, ...)

What in case of *unresectable lesion* ? Tissue diagnosis and drainage

Boulay et al. WJG 2014

Endoscopic work-up : ERCP

- cholangiogram

Green RM et al Gastroenterology 2002

Q4 : Which of the following cholangiograms shows a malignant stenosis ?

Question 4

25% 1. Answer A

25% 2. Answer B

25% 3. Answer C

25% 4. Answer D

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Q5 : What would you consider to have the highest yield for establishing a diagnosis in suspected malignant biliary obstruction ?

- A. Plasmatic markers
- B. ERCP with brush and blind biopsy
- C. EUS + FNA
- D. ERCP+brush/bx and EUS-FNA are equally accurate

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Question 5

25% 1. Answer A

25% 2. Answer B

25% 3. Answer C

25% 4. Answer D

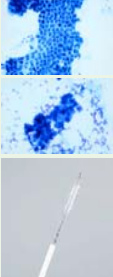
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Endoscopic work-up : ERCP (2)


- No exclusive cholangiographic criteria
- Yield brushing cytologie : 27-56%



Green RM et al Gastroenterology 2002

Endoscopic work-up : ERCP (3)

- No exclusive cholangiographic features
- Yield brushing cytologie : 27-56%
- Yield intraductale "blind" biopsies : 30-56%
- Combination brush + biopsy: 63%
- (Ancillaire cytological techniques: FISH)



Green RM et al Gastroenterology 2002
Fritschner et al Am J Gastro 2011

Extrahepatic malignant common bile duct strictures

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Endoscopische work-up : EUS-FNA vs ERC+brush/bx

- n=51, suspect of malignant biliary obstruction
- prospective, comparative design

	Sensitivity, %			Accuracy, %		
	EUS-FNA	ERC	P value	EUS-FNA	ERC	P value
Overall (N = 51)	94	50	<.0001	94	53	<.0001
Pancreatic mass (n = 36)	100	38	<.0001	100	42	<.0001
Biliary mass or stricture (n = 15)	79	79	NS	80	80	NS
Indeterminate stricture (n = 15)	80	67	NS	80	67	NS

Conclusion: EUS-FNA is superior to ERC tissue sampling in evaluating suspected malignant biliary obstruction, particularly for pancreatic masses. EUS-FNA appears similar to ERC sampling for biliary tumors and indeterminate strictures. Given the superior performance characteristics of EUS-FNA and the higher incidence of pancreatic cancer compared with cholangiocarcinoma, EUS-FNA should be performed before ERC in all patients with suspected malignant biliary obstruction. (Clinical trial registration number: NCT01366030.) (Gastrointest Endosc 2014;80:97-104.)

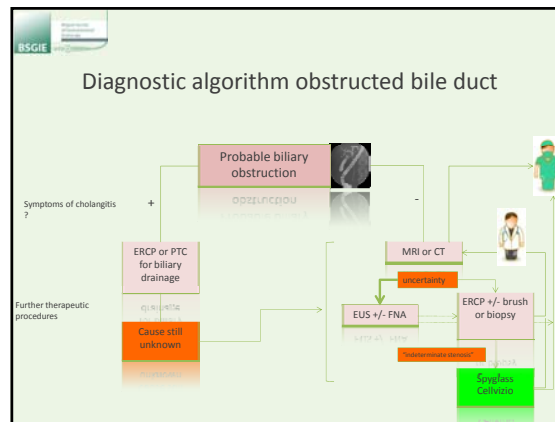
Weilert F, Bhat YA, Binnoeller K, et al GI Endosc 2014

Endoscopische work-up : EUS

First author	Publication year	Study design	All biliary strictures (n=2)	Hilar strictures (n=2)	Mass seen on radiologic imaging (%)	Mass seen on EUS (%)	Sensitivity of EUS-FNA for all biliary strictures (%)	Sensitivity of EUS-FNA for proximal extrahepatic biliary strictures (%)	Sensitivity of EUS-FNA for distal biliary strictures (%)
Fritschner-Ravens ²¹	2000	Prospective	10	10	NR	100	80	80	NA
Fritschner-Ravens ²²	2004	Prospective	44	44	NR	98	89	89	NA
Eshkol ²³	2004	Prospective	28	11	33	89	79	NR	NR
Ejima ²⁴	2004	Retrospective	35	3	NR	71	86	NR	NR
Lee ²⁵	2004	Retrospective	40	1	0	25	47	NR	NR
Misch ²⁶	2004	Prospective	30	11	NR	NR	43	25	40
Misra ²⁷	2006	Prospective	46	NR	NR	NR	87	NR	NR
Davatz ²⁸	2006	Prospective	24	24	39	96	77	77	NA
Mohamadnejad ²⁹	2011	Prospective	81	30	35 (75, 42 (NR))	94	79	59	81


34% 81% 81% 66% 70%

Khaab MA, Fockens P et al GI Endosc 2012



Confocal endomicroscopie

Cellvizio platform



Accuracy: 81% - 90%

Meining A et al. Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol 2011
Meining A et al GI Endosc 2011

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Peroral single-operator retrograde cholangioscopy: SPYGLASS-SOC-platform (Boston-Scientific)

Labels in diagram:
 - Spybrite foreign
 - Spybrite (human camera)
 - Spybrite
 - Spybrite probe

Photographs show:
 - The Spybrite probe and camera assembly.
 - The Spybrite camera unit.
 - The Spybrite probe and camera assembly in use.

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EUS and CT indeterminate

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Spybite biopsy: adenocarcinoma
Surgical resection : pTisN0 ductal carcinoma in situ

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Therapeutic algorithm for malignant extrahepatic biliary obstruction

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        A[Transcatheter/intrahepatic resection] --> B[Stent]
        B --> C[Resectable]
        B --> D[Locally advanced]
        B --> E[Metastatic]
        C --> F[Surgery]
        D --> G[Plastic vs metal ?  
Covered vs Uncovered ?]
        E --> G
    
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Q6 : What would be your therapeutic approach in the further work-up of a suspicious distal biliary stenosis (with evidence of local inoperability) upon non-invasive imaging ?

- A. ERCP with metallic stenting (uncovered)
- B. ERCP with plastic stenting
- C. ERCP with metallic stenting (partially covered)
- D. ERCP with metallic stenting (never mind which type)

Question 6

25%	1.	Answer A
25%	2.	Answer B
25%	3.	Answer C
25%	4.	Answer D

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Q7 : What would be your therapeutic approach in the further work-up of a suspicious distal biliary stenosis (with evidence of metastasis) upon non-invasive imaging ?

- A. ERCP with plastic stenting
- B. ERCP with metallic stenting (uncovered)
- C. ERCP with metallic stenting (partially covered)*
- D. ERCP with metallic stenting (never mind which type)

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Question 7

25%	1.	Answer A
25%	2.	Answer B
25%	3.	Answer C
25%	4.	Answer D

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Therapeutic algorithm for malignant extrahepatic biliary obstruction

- Plastic vs Metal (SEMS)?
- SEMS: Covered vs Uncovered ?

- Determining factors
 - Technical aspects (placement, efficiency, patency, removability, re-intervention)
 - Economic (cost stent, procedure and re-intervention)
 - Patient factors (socioeconomic, life expectancy, level of obstruction)
- Analysis based on meta-analysis, retrospective trials
- **Consensus** : SEMS are superior to plastic stents when survival is expected > 4 months

Local stent
Local stent
Mean patency 3-4 months

Distal stent
Distal stent
Mean patency 9-12 months

Boulay BR et al. WJG 2014
 Moss AC et al. Eur J Gastroenterol Hepatol 2007
 Taylor J et al. GIE 2010
 Salmeri A et al. GIE 2011
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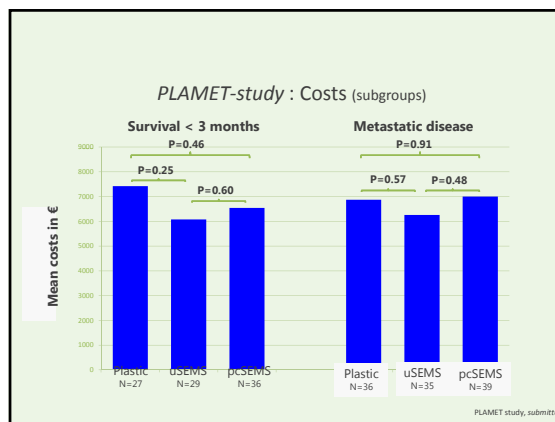
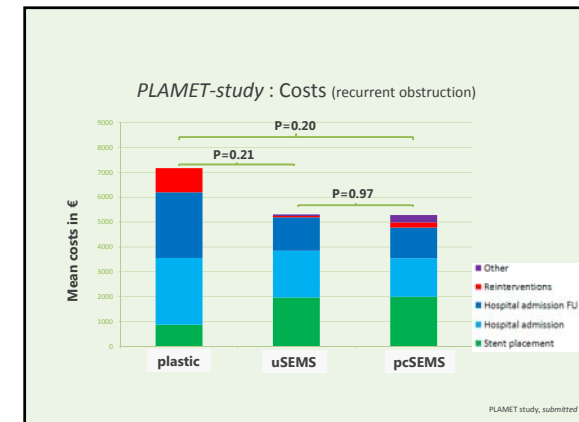
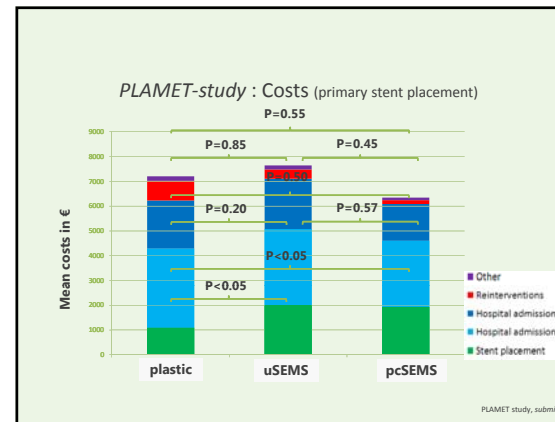
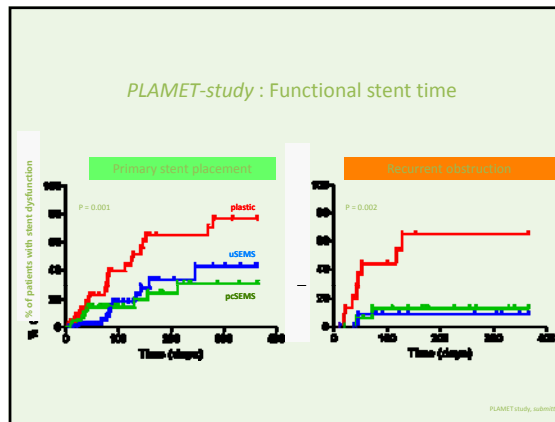
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FLOW CHART - PLAMET STUDY

S1 = Primary stent placement
 S2 = Stent placement after first recurrent obstruction

18 centers Belgium & The Netherlands



PLAMET-study : conclusions

- Clinical outcome is significantly better for SEMS compared to plastic stents
- Total costs are not significantly different between plastic stents and SEMS, even in patients with a short survival
- No difference in clinical outcome and costs between uSEMS and pcSEMS

PLAMET study, submitted