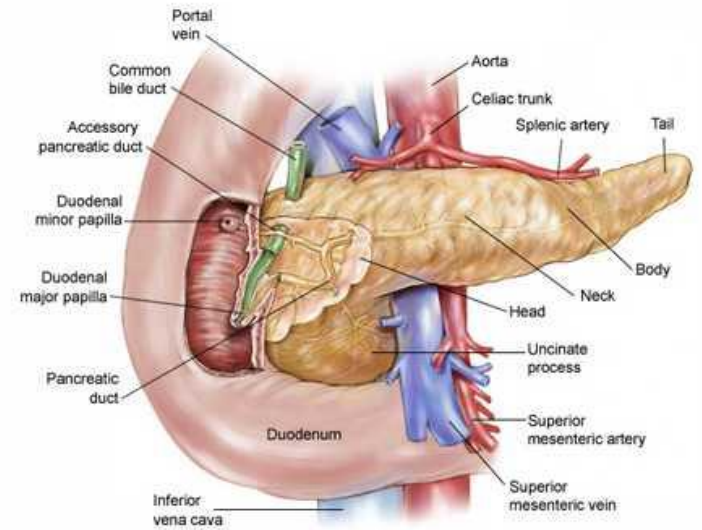




# Best of DDW 2019

## *Pancreas*



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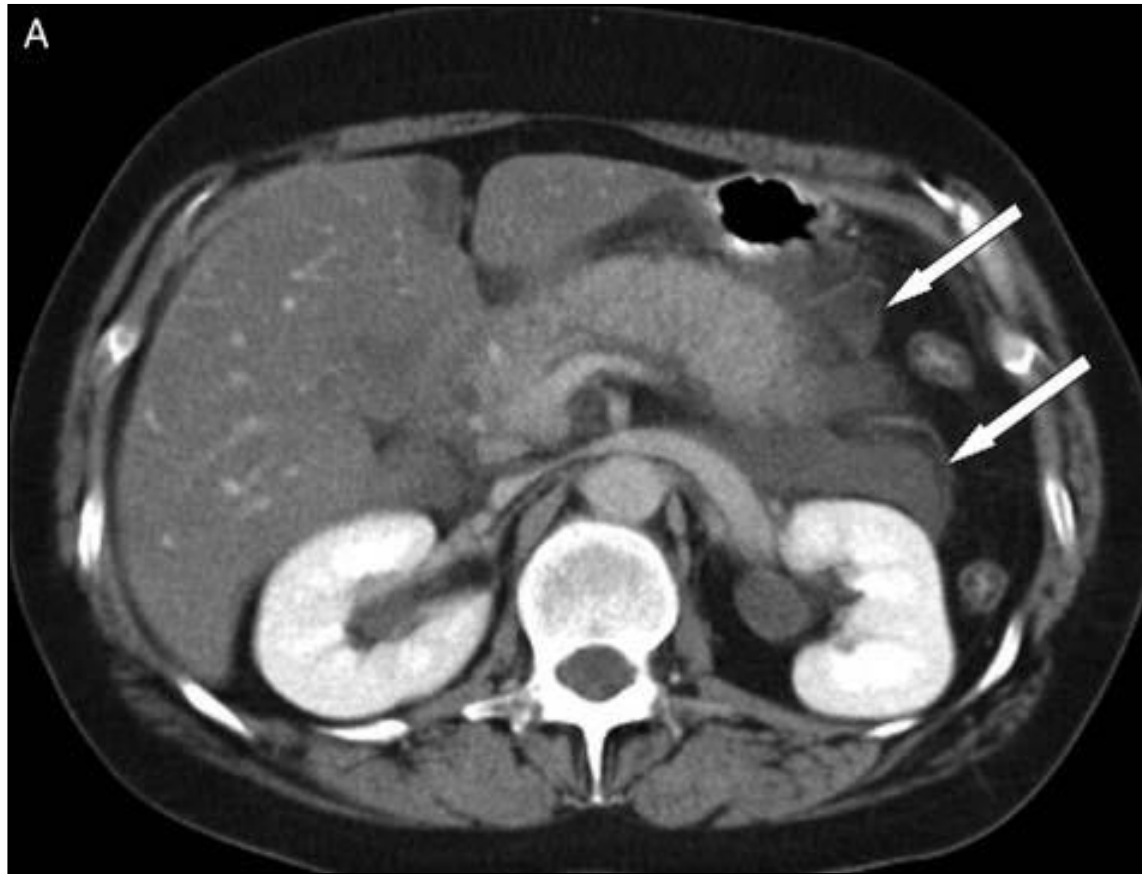
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# Agenda

- Acute pancreatitis
- Pancreatic cysts
- EUS-guided therapy



# Acute Pancreatitis



# THE CLINICAL COURSE AND DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP OF IDIOPATHIC ACUTE PANCREATITIS, A POST-HOC ANALYSIS OF A PROSPECTIVE MULTICENTER OBSERVATIONAL COHORT

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- After standard diagnostic work-up, the etiology of acute pancreatitis remains unknown in up to 25% of cases, a condition referred to as idiopathic acute pancreatitis (IAP).
- Determining the etiology of pancreatitis is essential, as it may direct treatment in the acute phase of the disease and guide interventions to prevent recurrent pancreatitis.
- **AIM**
  - Explore the use of additional diagnostic modalities and their diagnostic yield to identify underlying etiologies in “presumed” IAP



# Work-Up of Idiopathic Acute Pancreatitis

- Between 2008 and 2015, patients with acute pancreatitis were registered prospectively in 15 Dutch hospitals.
- Patients who initially had a negative diagnostic work-up with regard to the etiology of their first episode of pancreatitis were labelled IAP.
- This initial work-up included:
  - personal history, family history, trans abdominal ultrasound, and laboratory tests (i.e. liver enzymes, calcium, triglycerides).
- Post-hoc analysis including the type and number of all additional diagnostic tests performed, the yield of these test to establish an etiological diagnosis, and recurrence rates of IAP.



# Results:

## Baseline characteristics

Characteristics	N = 191
Age in years – median (IQR <sup>§</sup> )	61 (52-72)
Female sex - no. (%)	79 (41%)
Mild disease course <sup>†</sup>	135 (71%)
Follow-up time in years – median (IQR <sup>§</sup> )	4 (3-6)

<sup>§</sup> IQR = Interquartile range.

<sup>†</sup> Banks PA, Bollen TL, Dervenis C, et al. Classification of acute pancreatitis—2012: revision of the Atlanta classification and definitions by international consensus. *Gut*. 2013;62(9):102-111

# Results:

## Baseline characteristics

	N = 191
Cholecystectomy prior to pancreatitis - no. (%)	19 (10%)
ALT <sup>#</sup> in U/L – median (IQR)	26 (21 – 37)
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Bilirubin in $\mu$ mol/liter – median (IQR)	10 (7- 17)
Triglycerides in mmol/L (n=141) – median (IQR)	1.3 (0.8 – 1.7)
Calcium (n=179) in mmol/L – median (IQR)	2.3 (2.2-2.4)

<sup>#</sup> IQR = Interquartile range, <sup>†</sup>ALT= alanine transaminase, <sup>§</sup>AST= aspartate transaminase

# Results:

## Use and yield of diagnostic tests

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- 176 out of 191 patients (92%) underwent one or more additional diagnostic tests
- In 64 patients an etiology was demonstrated (36%)



# Results:

## Etiological factors

Etiological factor	No. (percentage) – n=176
Biliary disease	39 (22%)
Neoplasm	13 (7.4%)
- Pancreatic carcinoma	- 9 (5.1%)
- Ampullary carcinoma	- 2 (1.1)
- Neuroendocrine tumor	- 1 (0.6%)
- IPMN	- 1 (0.6%)
Autoimmune	6 (3.4%)
Chronic pancreatitis	5 (2.8%)
Pancreas divisum	1 (0.6%)

# Results:

## Recurrence rate

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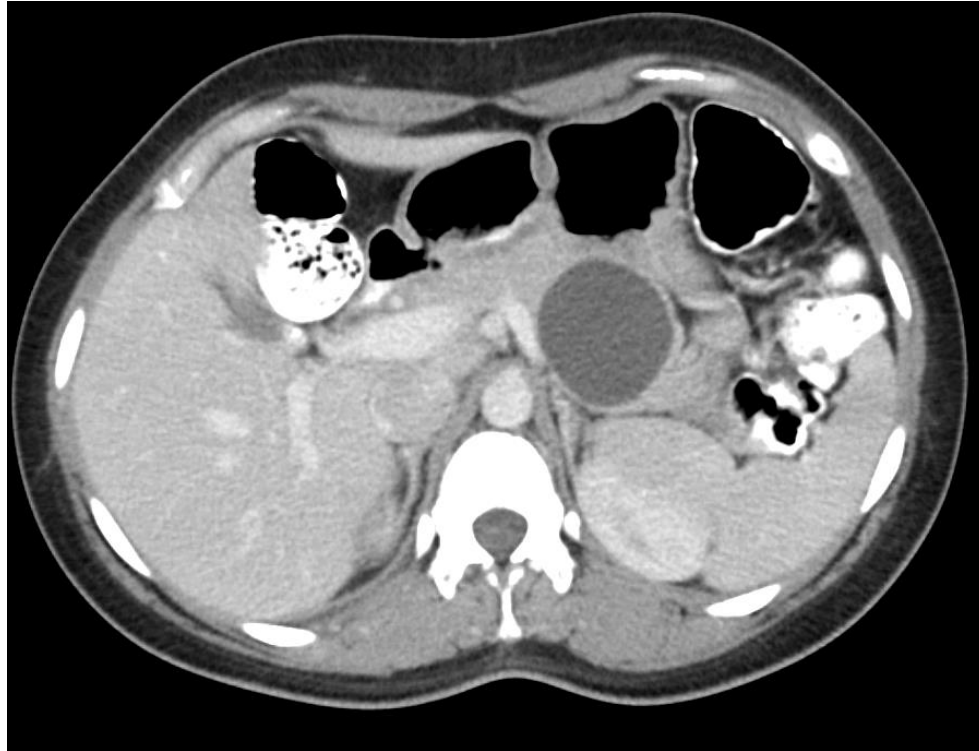
- 50 out of 191 patients had a recurrence (26%)
  - 26 patients had > 1 recurrence
  - Total of 101 recurrences
  - Median 2 recurrences per patient (IQR 1-2)
- Etiology was found in 27% of patients with a single episode vs 58% of patients with recurrent pancreatitis (p=0.00)

# Conclusions

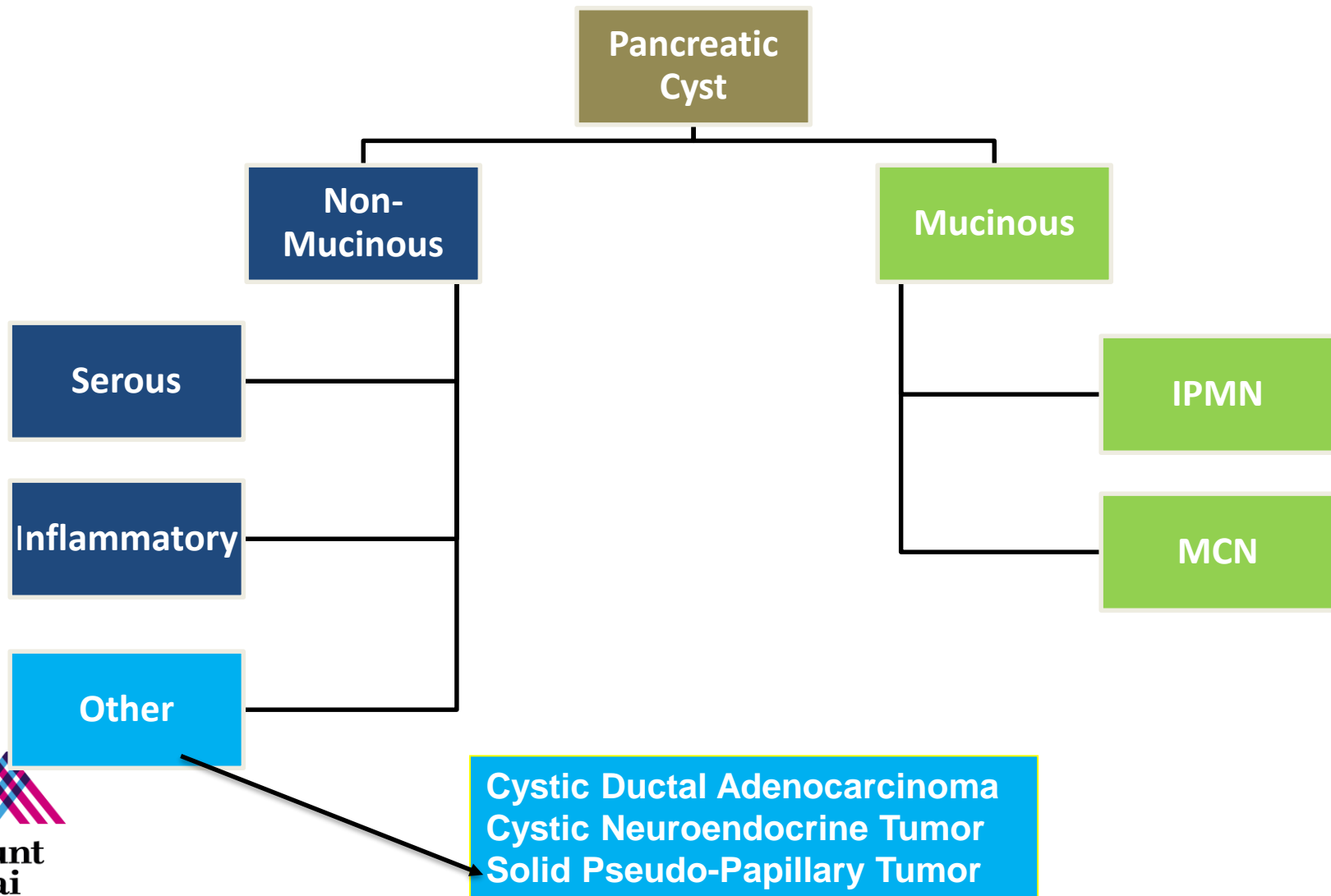
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- Additional diagnostic work-up detects an etiology in one-third of patients
  - More than half biliary
  - 7% neoplasms
- EUS and MRI/MRCP have a high diagnostic yield (33-35%)
- Detection of etiology and subsequent treatment can prevent recurrences

# Pancreatic Cysts



# Differential Diagnosis



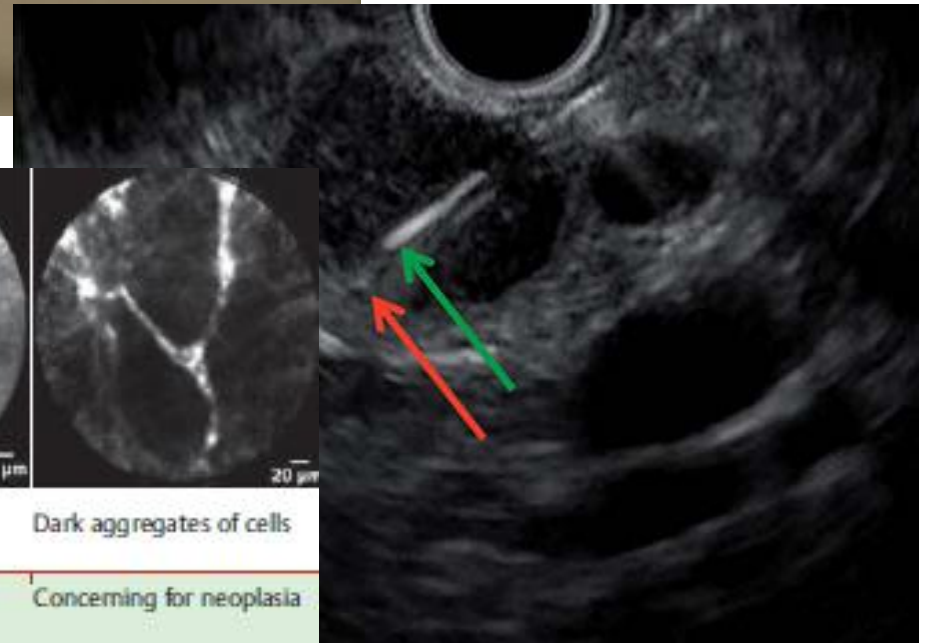
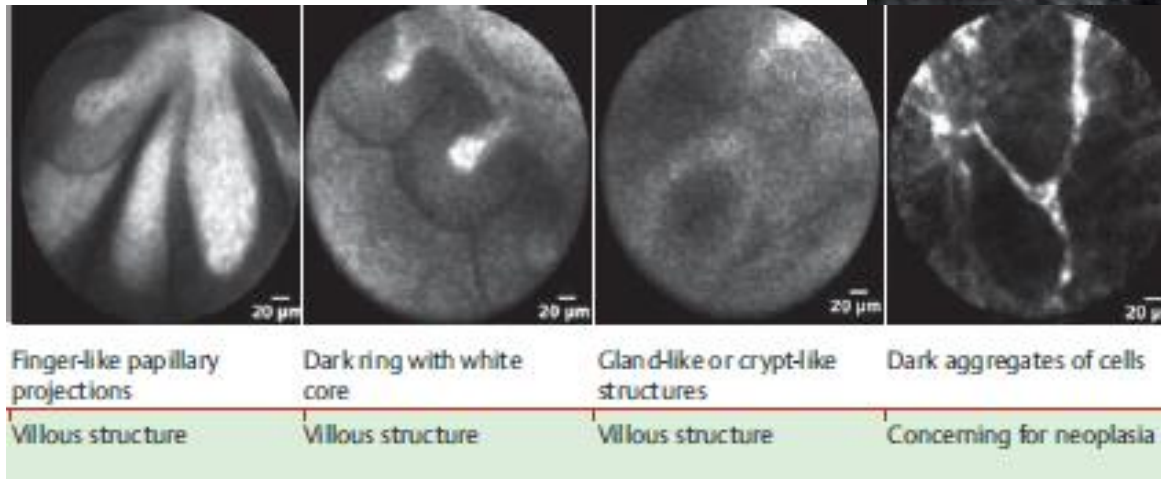
# Limitations of Current Diagnostic Testing in Distinguishing Pancreatic Cystic Neoplasms (Mucinous vs Non-Mucinous)

	Accuracy
<b>Differentiate cyst type</b>	
Contrast-enhanced CT	39-44.7%
MRI/MRCP*	39.5-50%

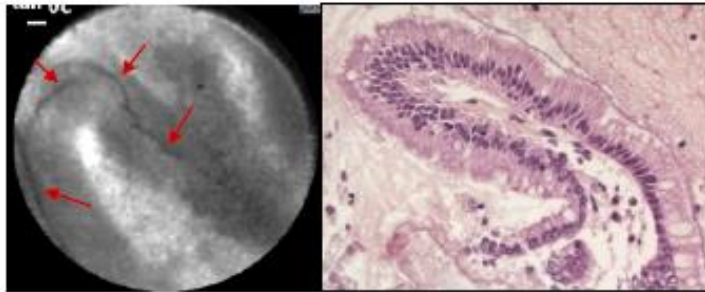
\*MRCP has high sensitivity 96% for BD-IPMN

	Sensitivity	Specificity
<b>Differentiate cyst type</b>		
Cyst fluid CEA level	63%	93%
Cyst fluid cytology	54-67%	88-93%

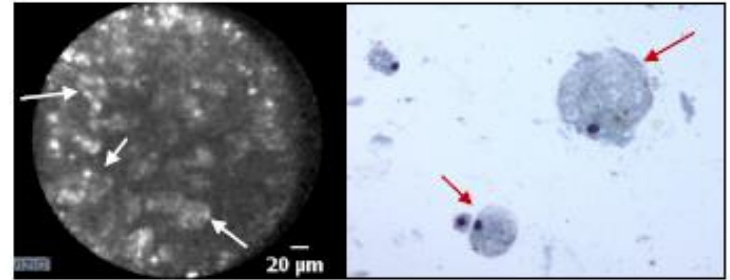
# Needle-Based Confocal Laser Endomicroscopy (nCLE)



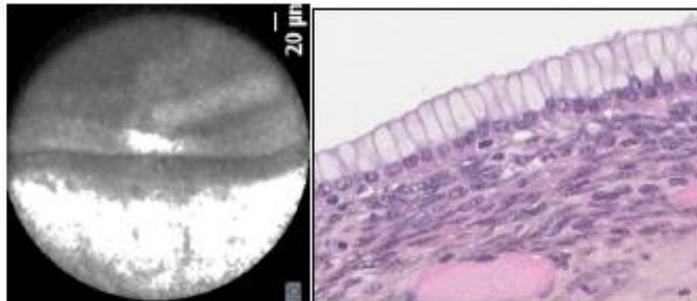
# nCLE criteria for pancreatic CL diagnosis



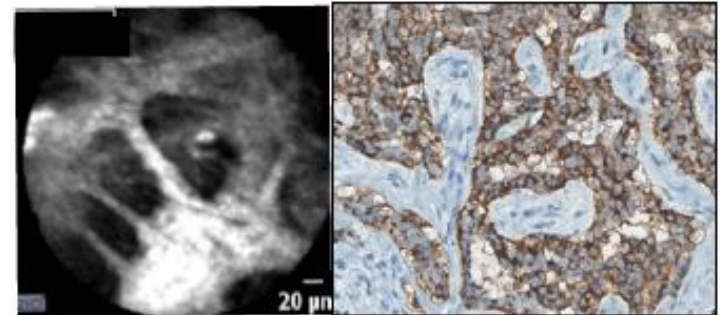
**Papillae = IPMN**



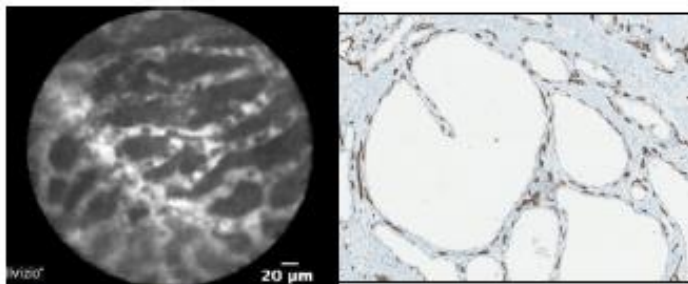
**Field of bright, gray, black particules = PC**



**Epithelial border = MCN**



**Black cell clusters  
with white fibrous areas and vessels = NEN**



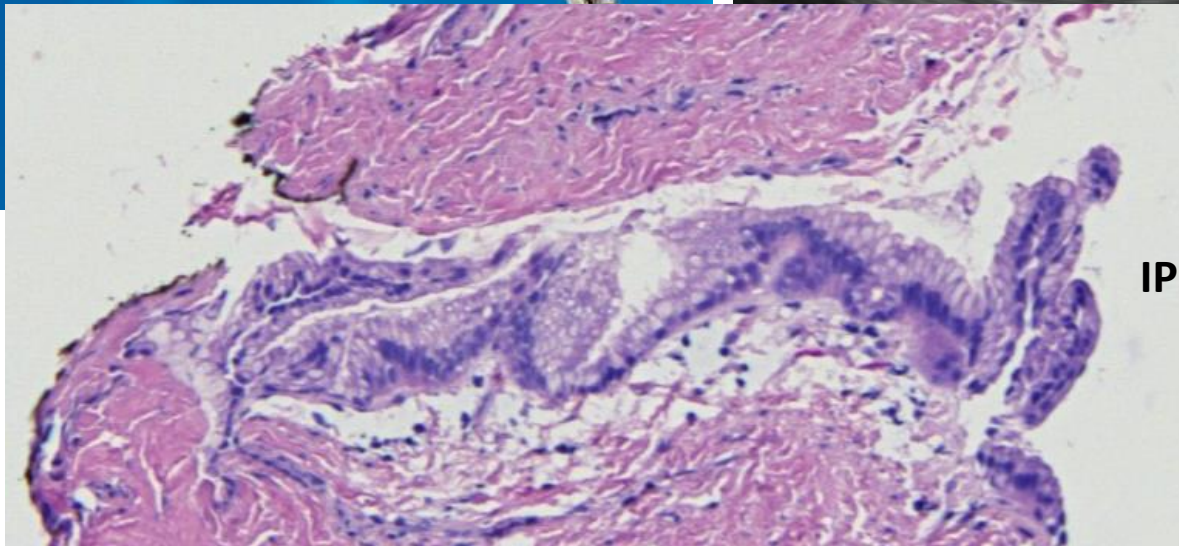
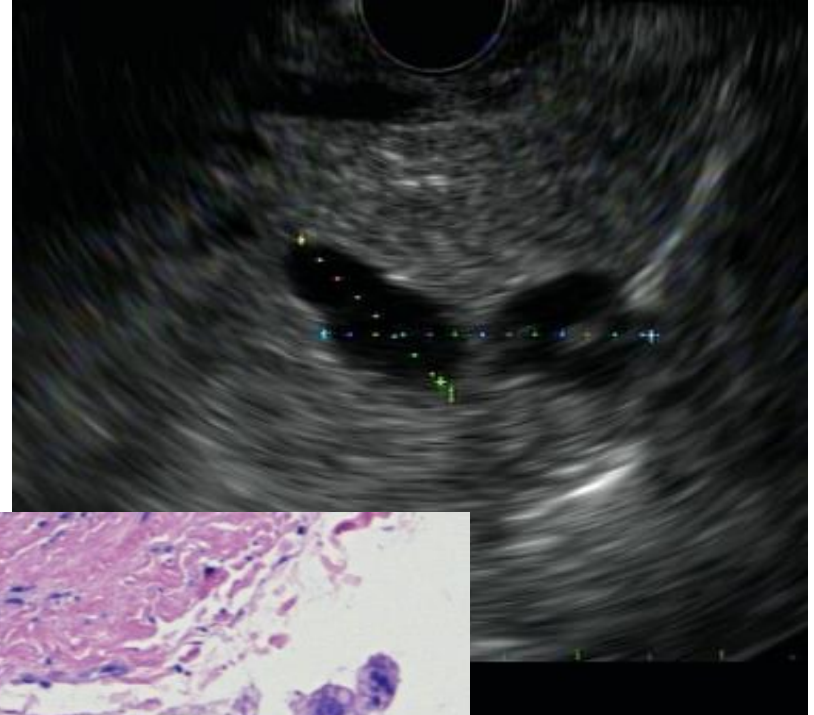
**Superficial Vascular Network = SCA**

*Konda V.J. et al. Endoscopy 2013,  
Napoléon B. et al. Endoscopy 2015,  
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# Through-The-Needle Microforceps



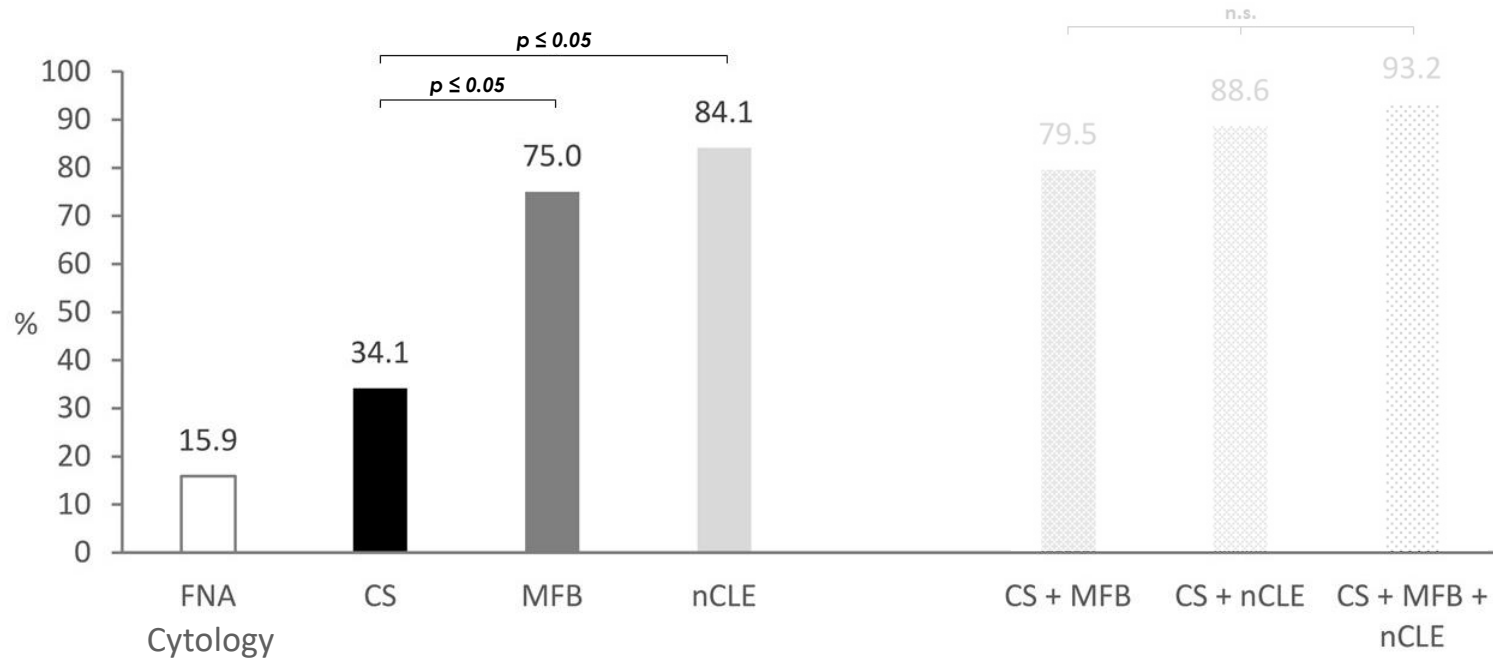
**IPMN w/LGD (gastric type)**

**EUS-GUIDED MICROFORCEPS BIOPSY AND NEEDLE-BASED  
CONFOCAL LASER ENDOMICROSCOPY SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE  
THE DIAGNOSTIC YIELD AND HAVE MAJOR IMPACT ON CLINICAL  
MANAGEMENT OF PANCREATIC CYSTIC LESIONS**

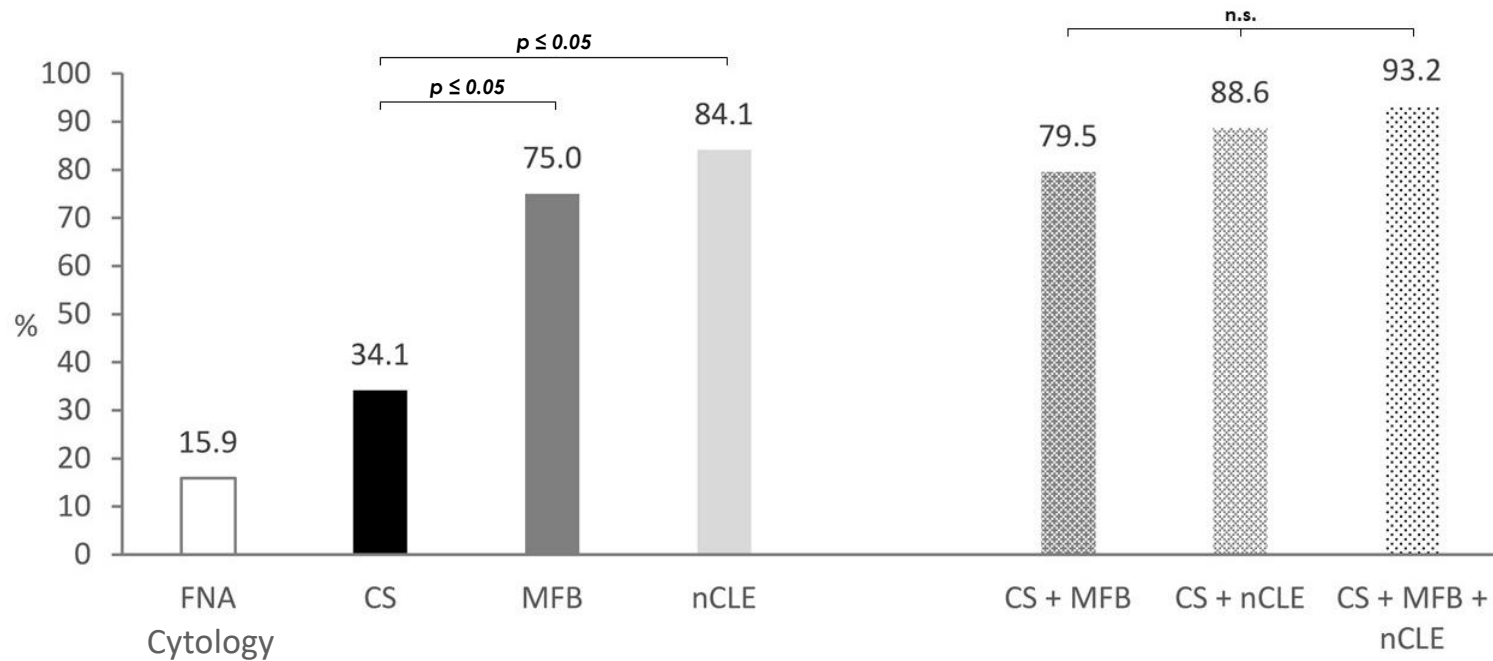
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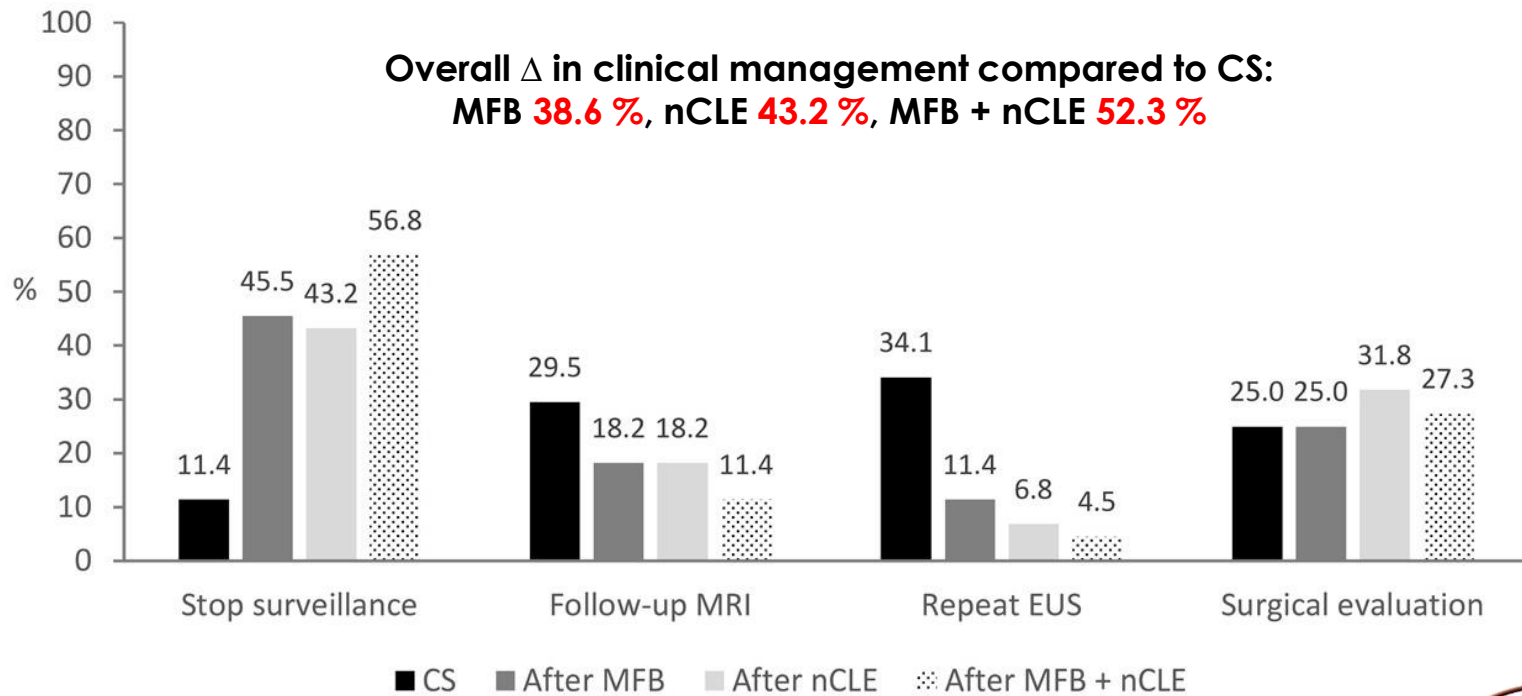
## Diagnostic yield of FNA cytology, current standard, MFB and nCLE for PCLs



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## Clinical management of patient cohort based on current standard vs. MFB, nCLE and MFB/nCLE



# Conclusions

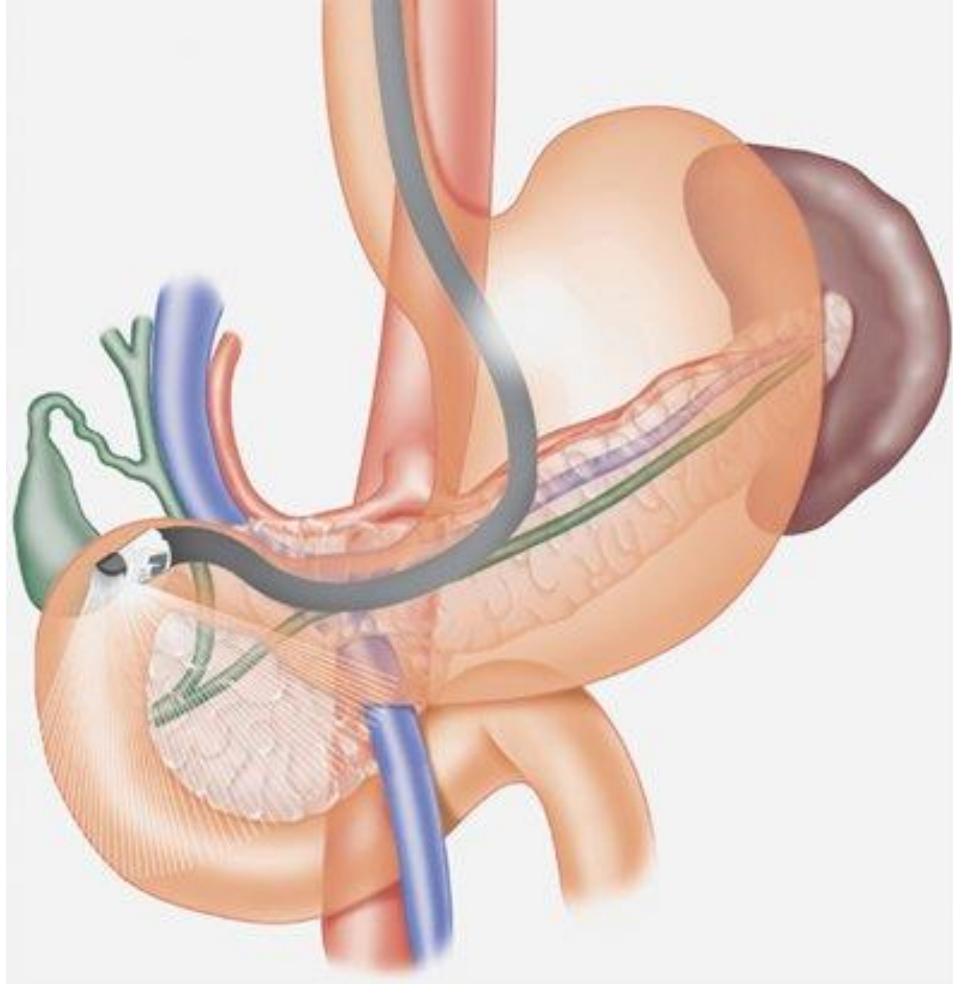
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- ❖ Use of combined EUS-guided FNA, MFB and nCLE appears safe
- ❖ **Diagnostic yield:**
  - Current evaluation of PCLs including EUS-FNA is suboptimal (34.1 %)
  - Significant improvement with use of adjunct MFB (79.5 %) or nCLE (88.6 %)
  - No significant difference between either of these
- ❖ **Clinical management**
  - Significant changes in management from MFB (38.6 %) and nCLE (43.2 %) use
  - Reclassification of indeterminate lesions → discontinuation of surveillance

**Consider MFB or nCLE when performing EUS-FNA of PCLs**

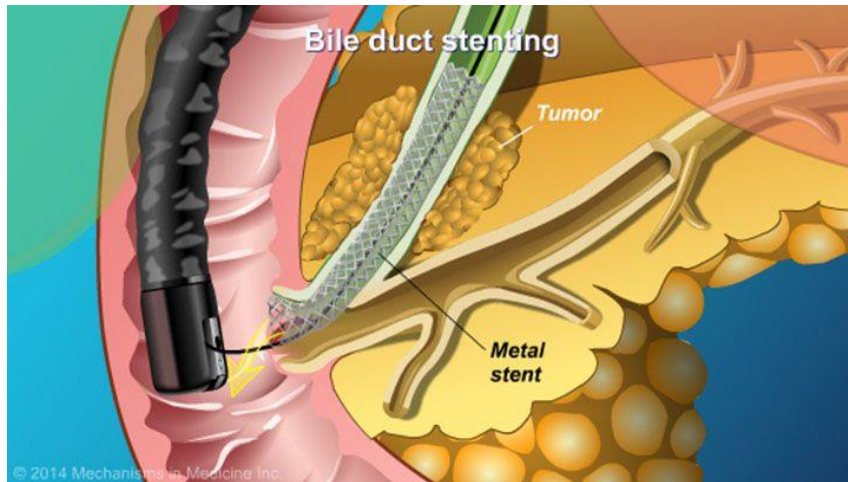


# Therapeutic EUS



# Drainage of Malignant Biliary Obstruction

## ERCP/metal stent



## EUS-guided biliary drainage





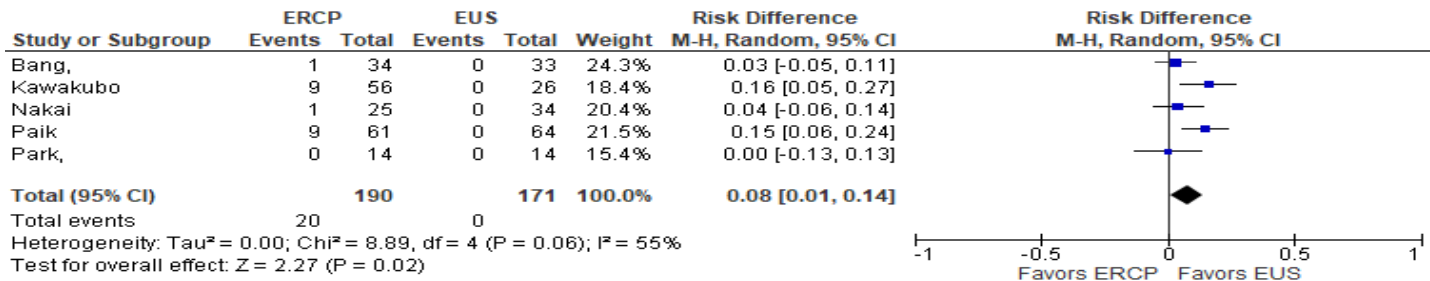
# Results

- 5 studies with 361 patients were included in meta-analysis and systematic review
- Comparable technical and clinical success in both groups.
- Comparable rates of adverse outcomes and reintervention rate.
- No difference in non-pancreatitis related adverse events.

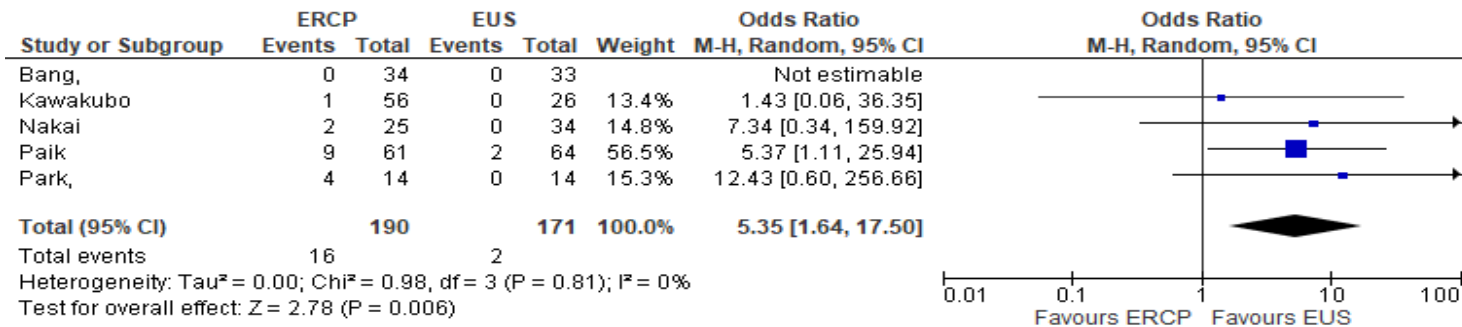


# Results

## Procedure-related pancreatitis



## Tumor overgrowth requiring reintervention

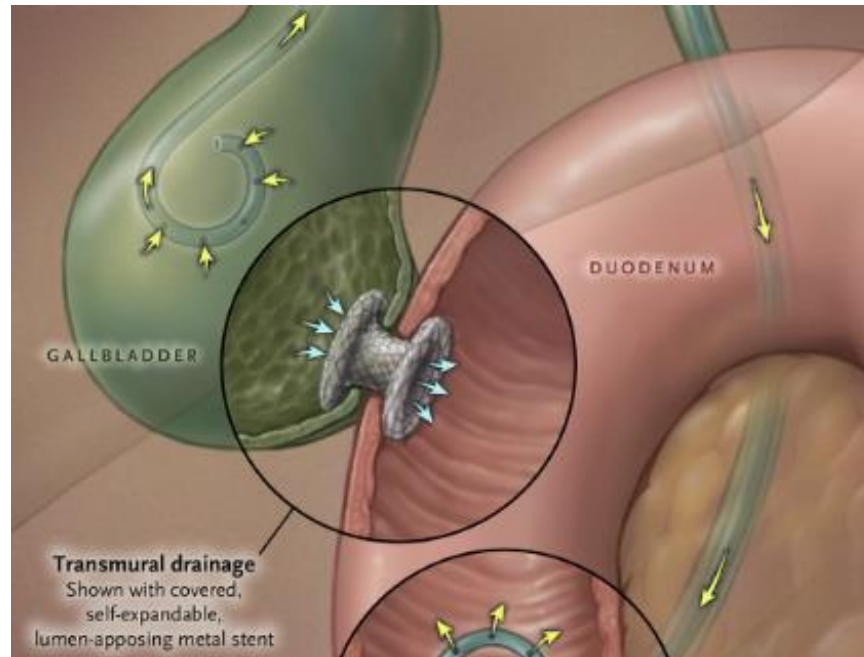


# Conclusions

- EUS can potentially be used as an alternative to ERCP as the first line palliative modality for MBO.
- Larger studies are needed to assess the impact of EUS-BD in patients with resectable disease.



# EUS-Guided Gallbladder Drainage



# EUS-GB with LAMS





**Endosonography-guided gallbladder drainage reduced adverse events as compared to percutaneous cholecystostomy (PC) in patients suffering from acute cholecystitis that are at high risk for surgery. A randomized controlled trial (DRAC).**

Teoh AY<sup>1</sup>, Kitano M<sup>2</sup>, Itoi T<sup>3</sup>, Perez- Miranda M<sup>4</sup>, Ogura T<sup>5</sup>, Chan SM<sup>1</sup>, Serna-Huguera C<sup>2</sup>, Omoto S<sup>6</sup>, Torres-Yuste R<sup>2</sup>, Tsuchiya T<sup>3</sup>, Leung CH<sup>1</sup>, Chiu PY<sup>1</sup>, Ng EKW<sup>1</sup>, Lau JYW<sup>1</sup>

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# EUS-Guided Gallbladder Drainage

- Hypothesis
  - EUS-guided gallbladder drainage (EUS-GBD) would reduce 1-year adverse events as compared to percutaneous gallbladder drainage (PT-GBD)
- Aim
  - To compare the outcomes of EUS-GBD vs PT-GBD in treatment of acute calculous cholecystitis in patients that are very high-risk for cholecystectomy
- Prospective, RCT



# Clinical outcomes

	EUS-GBD N = 39	PT-GBD N = 40	P-value
<b>1-year adverse events (%)</b>	10 (25.6)	31 (77.5)	< 0.001
Grading 1/2/3/4/5	1/1/6/0/2	13/6/8/0/4	
Recurrent acute cholecystitis (%)	1 (2.6)	8 (20)	0.029
<b>Reinterventions after 30-days (%)</b>	1 (2.6)	12 (30)	0.001
Reinsertion of PT-GBD	0	12	
Clearing blocked stent	1	0	
<b>Unplanned admissions (%)</b>	6 (15.4)	20 (50)	0.002
<b>30-day adverse events (%)</b>	5 (12.8)	19 (47.5)	0.001
Grading 1/2/3/4/5	0/1/2/0/2	6/4/5/0/4	
<b>30-day mortality (%)</b>	3 (7.7)	4 (10)	1
<b>Technical success (%)</b>	38 (97.4)	40 (100)	0.494
<b>Clinical success (%)</b>	36 (92.3)	37 (92.5)	1
<b>Procedure time (minutes)</b>	22.7 (13.0)	27.4 (12.0)	0.108
<b>Hospital stay (days) *</b>	8 (4 – 13)	9 (7 – 14)	0.181



	EUS-GBD N = 39	PT-GBD N = 40	P-value
<b>30-day adverse events (%)</b>	5 (12.8)	19 (47.5)	0.010
Tube dislodgement	0	15	
Blocked stent	2	0	
Perforation	1	0	
Multi-organ failure	0	1	
Pericholecystic collection	0	1	
Acute myocardial infarction	0	1	
Atrial fibrillation	1	1	
Pneumonia	3	1	
Acute renal failure	0	2	
Bleeding	0	1	
Decompensated liver cirrhosis	0	1	
Urinary tract infection	0	1	
<b>1-year adverse events (%)</b>	10 (25.6)	31 (77.5)	< 0.001
30-day adverse events	5	16	
Recurrent acute cholecystitis	1	8	
Tube dislodgement	0	18	
Blocked stent / tube	1	2	
Common bile duct stones requiring ERCP	3	1	

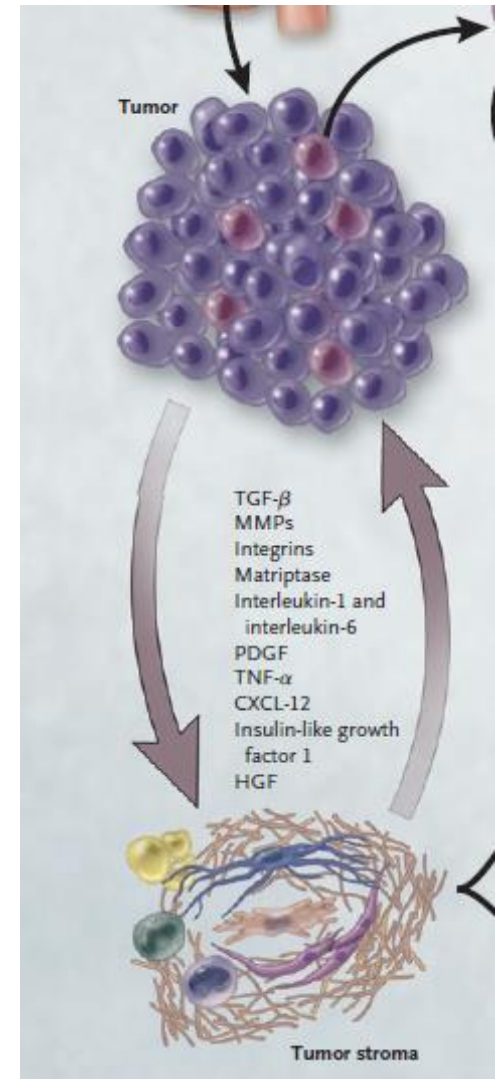
# Conclusions

- At 1 year, EUS-GBD reduced adverse events, recurrent acute cholecystitis, re-interventions and unplanned admissions.
- In the shorter term, it reduced 30-day adverse events, had lower post-procedural pain scores and analgesic requirements
- These findings support the use of this modality as a definitive treatment for acute cholecystitis in those patients that cannot receive cholecystectomy.
- EUS-GBD should be the procedure of choice in these patients provided that the expertise is available.



# Pancreatic Cancer

- Current therapies...
  - Suboptimal
    - Dense stroma
    - Poorly vascularized
  - Systemic toxicity
- Potential solution...
  - Direct intra-tumoral therapy
  - High local concentrations
  - Minimize systemic toxicity



# EUS-Guided Tumor Ablation



# EUS-GUIDED RADIOFREQUENCY ABLATION PLUS CHEMOTHERAPY VERSUS CHEMOTHERAPY ALONE FOR UNRESECTABLE PANCREATIC CANCER (ERAP): PRELIMINARY RESULTS OF A PROSPECTIVE COMPARATIVE STUDY

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**Table 2. Outcomes of patients with pancreatic cancer receiving EUS-guided radiofrequency ablation plus chemotherapy (group A) versus chemotherapy alone (group B)**

<b>Parameters</b>	<b>Group A (RFA+CMT) (n = 10)</b>	<b>Group B (CMT) (n = 10)</b>	<b>p Value</b>
Median of morphine equivalent analgesia dosage reduction (mg/day(range)) (n=7)*	15 (0 to 60)	0 (-20 to 30)	.005
Median percentage of morphine equivalent analgesia dosage reduction %(range)) (n=7)*	50% (37.5 to 100)	0% (-100 to -42.9)	.007
Mean maximal diameter of target lesion before and after treatment (mm.)	63.1 ± 20.3 vs 66.4 ± 22.0 (p = NS)	53.0 ± 20.7 vs 59.2 ± 16.6 (p = 0.039)	N/A
Mean tumor volume before and after treatment (ml)	97.1 ± 70.1 vs 120.2 ± 65.4 (p = NS)	76.3 ± 77.0 vs 91.1 ± 83.6 (p = 0.014)	N/A
6-months survival rate	70%	70%	NS

Abbreviation: RFA = radiofrequency ablation, CMT = chemotherapy, vs = versus, NS = not significant \*Patients underwent celiac plexus neurolysis were excluded.

