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## Stenting del tubo digerente

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*Jue TL et al. Gastrointest Endosc 2021*

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Stent fixation



Suturing  
Over-the-scope-clip (OTSC) device

New metal stents



Antimigration  
Shape-modified

Biodegradable stents

Drug-eluting stents

Radioactive stents



**MIGRATION**  
up to 40%

**LEAK**



## Newly designed OTS Clip for preventing fully-covered self-expandable metal stent migration in the gastrointestinal tract

*Manta R et al. Endosc Int Open 2023*



**Technical success: 31/31 (100 %)**  
**Clinical success: 30/31 (97 %)**

## Reduction of esophageal stent migration rate with a novel over-the-scope fixation device (with video)

*Schiemer M et al. Gastrointest Endosc 2022*



**Technical success: 26/26 (100 %)**  
**Clinical success: 24/26 (82 %)**

## Endoscopic suturing for GI applications: initial results from a prospective multicenter European registry

*Maselli R et al. Gastrointest Endosc 2022*



**Technical success: 38/38 (100 %)**  
**Clinical success: 17/20 (85 %) [Follow-up]**



## Comparison of no stent fixation, endoscopic suturing, and a novel over-the-scope clip for stent fixation in preventing migration of fully covered self-expanding metal stents: a retrospective comparative study (with video)

Migration rates and median time to migration for no stent fixation, suturing, and OTSC							
	Stent-related data					Paired tests	
	Cohort (n=433)	No fixation (n=239)	Suture (n=140)	OTSC (n=54)	P value	OTSC vs. no fixation	OTSC vs. suture
<b>Migration, n (%)</b>	246 (57)	148 (62)	79 (57)	19 (35)	0.013	0.015	0.018
<b>Median time to migration,</b>	4 (1.9, 7)	3 (1.1, 6.4)	5.1 (2.9, 8.4)	6 (4, 8)	0.023		
Secondary outcomes including clinical success, median procedure time, and adverse events							
	Cohort	No fixation	Suture	OTSC	Paired tests		
					OTSC vs. no fixation	OTSC vs. suture	
<b>Clinical success rate, n (%)</b>	93 (43)	35 (26)	27 (32)	32 (68)	0.001	0.001	
<b>Median procedure time, min (IQR)</b>	45 (27, 70)	32 (20, 54)	68 (51, 92)	42 (28, 57)	0.062	0.002	
<b>Adverse events, n (%)</b>	80 (18)	50 (21)	25 (18)	5 (18)	ns	ns	



## Endoscopic management of gastrointestinal wall defects, fistula closure, and stent fixation using through-the-scope tack and suture system ▶

*Krishnan A et al. Endoscopy 2023*

3 cases

## Helix tack suspension for esophageal stent fixation

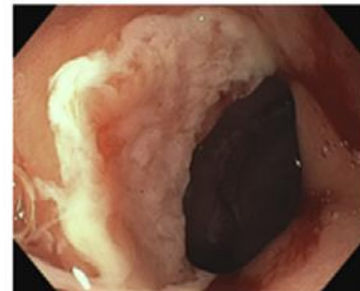
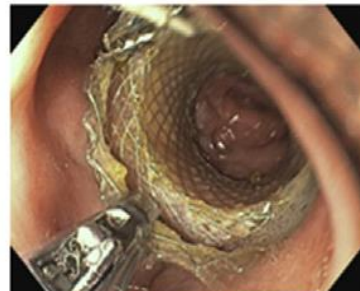
*Trasolini PB et al. Gastrointest Endosc 2022*

1 case

## Initial multicenter experience using a novel endoscopic tack and suture system for challenging GI defect closure and stent fixation (with video) 📺 🎥

*Mahmoud T et al. Gastrointest Endosc 2022*

13 cases





## Palliation of malignant esophageal obstruction using an anti-migration self-expandable metal stent: Results of a prospective multicenter study

*Conio M et al. Clin Res Hepatol Gastroenterol. 2021*



**Technical success: 53/53 (100 %)**  
**Migration: 7 (13 %)**



## Palliation of malignant dysphagia with a segmented self-expanding metal stent: A STROBE-compliant article

*Wiese MS et al. Medicine (Baltimore). 2021*



**Technical success: 20/20 (100 %)**  
**Migration: 3 (15 %)**



## A novel fully covered self-expandable segmental metallic stents for the treatment of refractory esophageal stenosis

*Bi Y et al. J Thorac Dis. 2019*



**Technical success: 24/24 (100 %)**  
**Migration: 7 (17 %)**







**Clinical implantation of 92 VACStents in the upper gastrointestinal tract of 50 patients-applicability and safety analysis of an innovative endoscopic concept**

*Lange J et al. Front Surg. 2023*



**Technical success: 50/50 (100 %)**  
**Clinical success: 38 (76 %)**

**Vacuum-stent: A combination of endoscopic vacuum therapy and an intraluminal stent for treatment of esophageal transmural defects**

*Pattynama LMD et al. Front Surg. 2023*



**Technical success: 10/10(100 %)**  
**Clinical success: 10 (100 %)**

**A new hybrid stent using endoscopic vacuum therapy in treating esophageal leaks: a prospective single-center experience of its safety and feasibility with mid-term follow-up**

*Chon SH et al. Dis Esophagus. 2022*



**Technical success: 20/20 (100 %)**  
**Clinical success: 12 (60 %)**

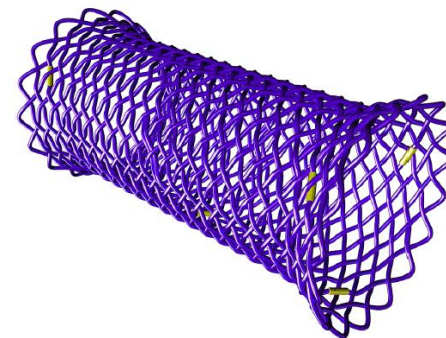




## SX-ELLA biodegradable stent for benign oesophageal strictures: a systematic review and proportion meta-analysis

Of the 1509 articles identified, 16 studies treating 246 patients were eligible for inclusion

Study Author	Technical success N (%)	Clinical success N (%)	Stent migration N (%)	Re-intervention N (%)
Canena et al. (2012) [13]	10 (100)	3 (30)	2 (20)	7 (70)
Dhar et al. (2014) [14]	9 (100)	0	–	9 (100)
Griffiths et al. (2012) [18]	6 (86)	3 (60)	0	2 (40)
Hirdes et al. (2012) [19]	26 (93)	9 (40)	3 (11)	–
Karakan et al. (2013) [20]	7 (100)	5 (100)	0	4 (80)
Kochhar et al. (2017) [21]	13 (100)	2 (15.4)	1 (7.6)	12 (92)
McCain et al. (2015) [22]	17 (94)	14 (77.8)	0	4 (22)
Nogales et al. (2017) [15]	12 (100)	8 (66.6)	0	4 (33.3)
Repici et al. (2010) [23]	21 (100)	9 (43)	2 (9.5)	11 (52)
Saeed et al. (2018) [24]	5 (100)	5 (100)	1 (20)	0
Sigounas et al. (2016) [25]	10 (100)	2 (20)	2 (20)	8 (80)
Van Boeckel et al. (2011) [16]	16 (85)	6 (33)	4 (22)	16 (42.1)
Van Hoof et al. (2011) [26]	10 (100)	6 (60)	0	4 (40)
Walter et al. (2018) [17]	32 (100)	15 (46.9)	1 (3.1)	4 (12.5)
Yano et al. (2017) [27]	18 (100)	12 (66.7)	0	–
Yano et al. (2022) [28]	29 (96.7)	4 (13.3)	0	4 (13.3)
<b>Overall</b>	<b>239 (97.2)</b>	<b>103 (41.9)</b>	<b>16 (6.5)</b>	<b>89 (36.2)</b>





**The development of new esophageal biodegradable stents with different polymeric mixtures, currently available only for biliopancreatic diseases, could represent an attractive therapeutic option in the future**

Biodegradable PTX-PLGA-coated magnesium stent for benign esophageal stricture: An experimental study *Acta Biomater.* 2022

Lin-Lin Liu<sup>a,1</sup>, Juan Qin<sup>a,1</sup>, Chu-Hui Zeng<sup>a</sup>, Rui-Jie Du<sup>a</sup>, Tao Pan<sup>a</sup>, Jia-Jie Ji<sup>a</sup>, Li-Gong Lu<sup>b</sup>, Lei Chen<sup>c</sup>, Dong-Fang Liu<sup>d</sup>, Jian Yang<sup>d</sup>, Shi-Cheng He<sup>a,\*</sup>, Hai-Dong Zhu<sup>a,\*</sup>, Gao-Jun Teng<sup>a,\*</sup>



**Drug-Loaded, Polyurethane Coated Nitinol Stents for the Controlled Release of Docetaxel for the Treatment of Oesophageal Cancer**

*Fouladian P et al. Pharmaceuticals (Basel). 2021*

**Pharmaceutical Development of 5-Fluorouracil-Eluting Stents for the Potential Treatment of Gastrointestinal Cancers and Related Obstructions**

*Arafat M, et al. Drug Des Devel Ther. 2021*

**Three-dimensional printed 5-fluorouracil eluting polyurethane stents for the treatment of oesophageal cancers**

*Fouladian P et al. Biomater Sci. 2020*

**A novel irradiation stent versus conventional irradiation stent for malignant dysphagia: A prospective randomized controlled trial**

*Zhu GY et al. J Cancer Res Ther. 2021*

**Dosimetric Evaluation and Clinical Application of Radioactive Iodine-125 Brachytherapy Stent in the Treatment of Malignant Esophageal Obstruction**

*Ji Z et al. Front Oncol. 2022*



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## GASTRODUODENAL STENTING FOR BENIGN AND MALIGNANT DISEASE

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**INGROWTH  
MIGRATION**

New metal stents



Antimigration  
Covered

Stent fixation



Suturing  
Over-the-scope-clip (OTSC) device

New technique for management of malignant gastric outlet obstruction



## Endoscopic placement of covered versus uncovered self-expandable metal stents for palliation of malignant gastric outlet obstruction

366 patients were randomised  
182 patients in CSEMS group  
184 patients in UCSEMS group



	CSEMS n=182	UCSEMS n=184	P value
Technical success	182 (100)	184 (100)	1.00
Clinical success	164 (90.1)	168 (91.3)	0.69
Overall adverse events	39 (21.4)	37 (20.1)	0.76
Jaundice and/or cholangitis	23 (12.6)	18 (9.8)	0.39
Bleeding	3 (1.6)	6 (3.3)	0.51
Perforation	3 (1.6)	3 (1.6)	0.69
Pancreatitis	2 (1.1)	2 (1.1)	0.62
Other	8 (4.4)	8 (4.3)	0.82
Overall stent dysfunction	64 (35.2)	43 (23.4)	0.01
Stent ingrowth	6 (3.3)	23 (12.5)	<0.01
Stent overgrowth	12 (6.6)	4 (2.2)	0.04
Stent migration	22 (12.1)	4 (2.2)	<0.01
Other	24 (13.2)	12 (6.5)	0.03



## Comparison of novel large-bore and conventional-bore covered self-expandable metal stents for malignant gastric outlet obstruction: Multicenter, retrospective study

	24 mm- cSEMS (n = 49)	20 mm- cSEMS (n = 68)	P-value
Stent length, cm			-
8	NA	9 (13)	
9	6 (12)	NA	
10	NA	12 (6)	
12	26 (53)	38 (56)	
15	16 (33)	NA	
Multiple stenting	1 (2)	9 (13)	
Procedure time, min	31 (25-40)	35 (30-49)	0.03
Technical success	49 (100)	68 (100)	1.00
Clinical success	47 (96)	65 (96)	1.00
Time to resume oral intake, days	2 (1-8)	2 (1-8)	0.23
Best GOOSS score after SEMS placement			0.39
0 (no oral intake)	2 (4)	3 (4)	
1 (liquids possible)	0 (0)	4 (6)	
2 (soft solids possible)	3 (6)	4 (6)	
3 (low-residue or full diet possible)	44 (90)	57 (84)	
Chemotherapy after SEMS placement	21 (45)	29 (42)	0.99
Time to start chemotherapy <sup>†</sup> , days	13 (3-23)	12 (6-45)	0.83



	24 mm- cSEMS (n = 49)	20 mm- cSEMS (n = 68)	P-value
<b>RGOO</b>			
Overall	8 (16)	21 (31)	0.11
Stent migration	0 (0)	7 (10)	
Tumor ingrowth	6 (12)	4 (6)	
Tumor overgrowth	1 (2)	6 (9)	
Inadequate stent expansion	1 (2)	3 (4)	
Food impaction	0 (0)	1 (1)	
Stent fracture	0 (0)	0 (0)	
<b>Reintervention</b>			
Overall	8 (16)	21 (31)	0.11
Surgical procedure	2 (4)	1 (1)	
Bypass	2 (4)	0 (0)	
Removal of migrated stent	0 (0)	1 (1)	
Endoscopic procedure	6 (12)	20 (29)	
Additional SEMS placement	6 (12)	19 (28)	
Food removal	0 (0)	1 (1)	
<b>Adverse events</b>			
Overall	6 (12)	10 (15)	0.91
Perforation	0 (0)	2 (3)	
Bleeding	2 (4)	1 (1)	
Pancreatitis	1 (2)	1 (1)	
Cholangitis	2 (4)	1 (1)	
Asymptomatic migration	1 (2)	5 (7)	

**The median cumulative time to recurrent gastric outlet obstruction was significantly longer in 24 mm-cSEMS than in 20 mm-cSEMS (380 days vs. 138 days, P = 0.01).**

**In multivariate analysis the 24 mm-cSEMS was associated with an improved time to recurrent gastric outlet obstruction (95% confidence interval 0.16-0.80, P = 0.02).**





**Feasibility and safety of duodenal covered self-expandable metallic stent fixation: an experimental study**

*Hori Y et al. Surg Endosc. 2019*

**A pilot study of novel duodenal covered self-expandable metal stent fixation**

*Hori Y et al. Sci Rep. 2021*

**Duodenal stent fixation using through-the-scope helix tack and suture device**

*Wilson N et al. Endoscopy 2023*



## Efficacy and safety of endoscopic duodenal stent versus endoscopic or surgical gastrojejunostomy to treat malignant gastric outlet obstruction: systematic review and meta-analysis

EUS-GE had a lower rate of technical success (95.3%) than duodenal SEMS (99.4%) or surgical GJ (99.9%) [P = 0.0048].

Duodenal SEMS vs. EUS-GE vs. surgical GJ, had a similar rates of clinical success (88.9% vs. 89.0% vs. 92.3% respectively, P = 0.49).

EUS-GE had a lower rate of GOO recurrence (P = 0.0036)

Duodenal SEMS had a higher rate of reintervention (P = 0.041).

Overall procedural complications were similar (duodenal SEMS 18.7% vs. EUS-GE 21.9% vs. surgical GJ 23.8%, P = 0.32)

Bleeding rate was lowest (P = 0.0048) and stent occlusion rate was highest (P = 0.0002) for duodenal SEMS.

**EUS-GE appears to be a promising treatment for patients with malignant GOO for whom surgery is contraindicated or less desirable.**



## **Palliative therapy for malignant gastric outlet obstruction: how does the endoscopic ultrasound-guided gastroenterostomy compare with surgery and endoscopic stenting? A systematic review and meta-analysis**

### **ENDOSCOPIC ULTRASOUND-GUIDED GASTROENTEROSTOMY (EUS-G) VERSUS ENDOSCOPIC STENTING (ES)**

Six studies – 437 patients

- Technical success: No difference (EUS-G 93.6% versus ES 96.6%; RD: -0.03; 95% CI: -0.07 to 0.02; p = 0.29; I2 = 12%).
- Clinical success: Higher in EUS-G group (91.1% versus 78.7%, RD 0.10, 95% CI: 0.03-0.17; p = 0.003; I2 = 74%).
- Length of hospital stay: Shorter in EUS-G group (MD: -2.82; 95% CI: -5.05 to -0.59; p = 0.01; I2 = 94%).
- Time to tolerate an oral diet: Shorter in ES group (ES 1.38 ± 1.31 versus EUS-G 2.48 ± 0.99 p = 0.005).
- Reintervention: Higher in ES group (32.7% versus 4.2%, RD: -0.27; 95% CI: -0.36 to -0.19; p < 0.001; I2 = 41%).
- Serious adverse events: Higher in ES group (34.8% versus 12%, RD: -0.18; 95% CI: -0.28 to -0.09]; p < 0.001; I2 = 78%).

### **ENDOSCOPIC ULTRASOUND-GUIDED GASTROENTEROSTOMY (EUS-G) VERSUS SURGICAL GASTROJEJUNOSTOMY (SGJJ)**

Five studies - 305 patients

- Technical success: Higher in SGJJ group (99% versus 91.5%, RD: -0.08; 95% CI: -0.14 to -0.02; p = 0.008; I2 = 0%).
- Clinical success: No difference (90.7% versus 88.6%; RD: 0.03; 95% CI: -0.04 to 0.10; p = 0.37; I2 = 59%).
- Length of hospital stay: Shorter in EUS-G group (MD: -5.95; 95% CI: -6.99 to -4.91; p < 0.001; I2 = 95%).
- Time to tolerate an oral diet: Shorter in EUS-G group (MD: -2.89; 95% CI: -3.79 to -1.99; p < 0.001; I2 = 0%).
- Reintervention: No difference (17.7% versus 11.9%; RD: -0.07; 95% CI: -0.15 to 0.01; p = 0.07; I2 = 0%).
- Serious adverse events: No difference (EUS-G 15.7% versus SGJJ 14.2%; RD: -0.05; 95% CI: -0.17 to 0.06; p = 0.37; I2 = 35%).



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# COLORECTAL STENTING FOR BENIGN AND MALIGNANT DISEASE

**Self-expandable metal stents for obstructing colonic and extracolonic cancer: European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ESGE) Guideline – Update 2020**

*van Hooft JE et al. Endoscopy 2020*



## PREOPERATIVE

**ESGE recommends stenting as a bridge to surgery to be discussed, within a shared decision-making process, as a treatment option in patients with potentially curable left-sided obstructing colon cancer as an alternative to emergency resection.**

**This discussion should include the following factors:**

- **availability of required stenting expertise**
- **risk of stent-related perforation**
- **higher recurrence rates**
- **similar overall survival and postoperative mortality**
- **lower overall complication rates and permanent stoma rates**
- **higher proportion of laparoscopic one-stage surgery procedures**
- **technical and clinical failure rates of stenting**

Strong recommendation, high quality evidence



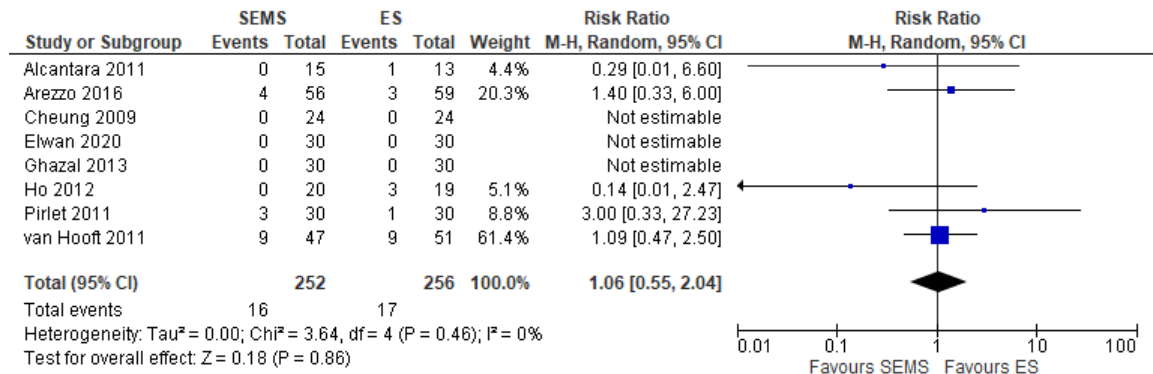
## Current Status of the Self-Expandable Metal Stent as a Bridge to Surgery Versus Emergency Surgery in Colorectal Cancer: Results from an Updated Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of the Literature

**A total of 12 articles were included**

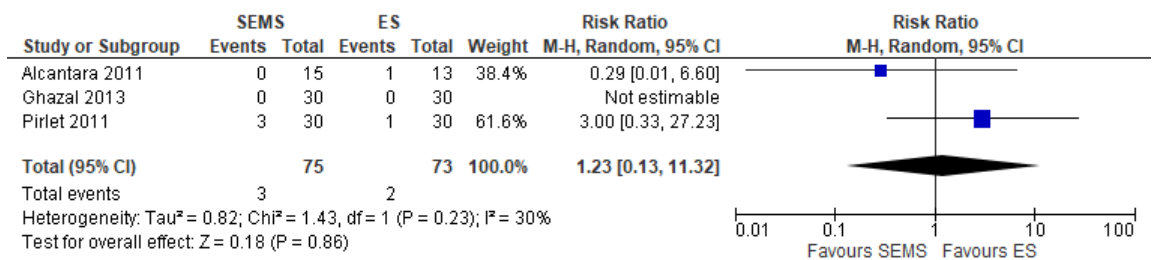
Author	Country	Number of Centres	Time of Enrollment	Premature Closure of the Trial	Number of Patients Enrolled	
					SEMS	Surgery
Arezzo et al., 2020	Italy/Spain	Multicenter	2008–2015	No	56 *	59
Elwan et al., 2020	Egypt	Single-centre	2015–2019	No	30	30
Arezzo et al., 2017	Italy/Spain	Multicenter	2008–2015	No	56 *	59
Sloothaak et al., 2014	Netherlands	Single-centre	2007–2009	Yes	26	32
Thung et al., 2013	Hong Kong, China	Single-centre	2002–2005	No	24	24
Ghazal et al., 2013	Egypt	Single center	2009–2012	No	30	30
Ho et al., 2012	Singapore	Single-centre	2004–2008	No	20	19
Pirlet et al., 2011	France	Multicenter	2002–2006	Yes	30	30
Van Hooft et al., 2011	Netherlands	Multicenter	2007–2009	Yes	47	51
Cui et al., 2011	China	Single center	2005–2009	No	29	15
Alcántara et al., 2011	Spain	Single-centre	2004–2006	Yes	15	13
Cheung et al., 2009	Hong Kong, China	Single-centre	2002–2005	No	24	24



**Overall postoperative mortality rate**



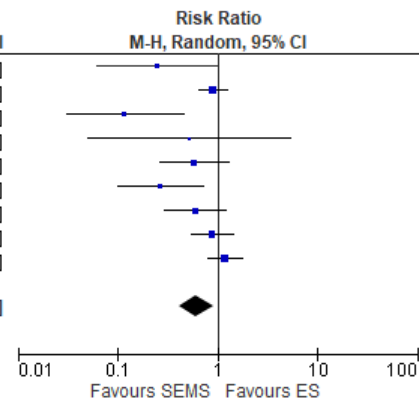
**Overall postoperative mortality rate during the hospital stay**





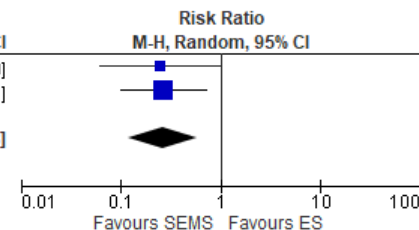
**Overall postoperative complications**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS		ES		Weight	Risk Ratio M-H, Random, 95% CI
	Events	Total	Events	Total		
Alcantara 2011	2	15	7	13	6.0%	0.25 [0.06, 0.99]
Arezzo 2017	29	56	34	59	18.3%	0.90 [0.64, 1.26]
Cheung 2009	2	24	17	24	6.2%	0.12 [0.03, 0.45]
Cui 2011	1	29	2	30	2.6%	0.52 [0.05, 5.40]
Elwan 2020	7	30	12	30	11.6%	0.58 [0.27, 1.28]
Ghazal 2013	4	30	15	30	9.3%	0.27 [0.10, 0.71]
Ho 2012	7	20	11	19	12.6%	0.60 [0.30, 1.23]
Pirlet 2011	15	30	17	30	16.2%	0.88 [0.55, 1.42]
van Hooff 2011	25	47	23	51	17.2%	1.18 [0.79, 1.77]
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>		<b>281</b>		<b>286</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.61 [0.41, 0.91]</b>
Total events	92		138			
Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = 0.20; Chi <sup>2</sup> = 23.15, df = 8 (P = 0.003); I <sup>2</sup> = 65%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 2.41 (P = 0.02)						



**Overall postoperative complications during the hospital stay**

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<b>Total (95% CI)</b>		<b>45</b>		<b>43</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.26 [0.12, 0.58]</b>
Total events	6		22			
Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = 0.00; Chi <sup>2</sup> = 0.01, df = 1 (P = 0.93); I <sup>2</sup> = 0%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 3.30 (P = 0.0010)						



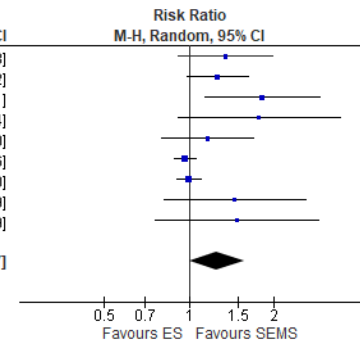




**Success of primary anastomosis**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS		ES		Weight	Risk Ratio	
	Events	Total	Events	Total		M-H, Random, 95% CI	M-H, Random, 95% CI
Alcantara 2011	14	15	9	13	11.1%	1.35	[0.92, 1.98]
Arezzo 2017	43	56	36	59	13.9%	1.26	[0.98, 1.62]
Cheung 2009	20	24	11	24	9.6%	1.82	[1.14, 2.91]
Cui 2011	18	29	7	20	6.7%	1.77	[0.92, 3.44]
Elwan 2020	21	30	18	30	11.4%	1.17	[0.80, 1.70]
Ghazal 2013	29	30	30	30	16.4%	0.97	[0.88, 1.06]
Ho 2012	20	20	19	19	16.3%	1.00	[0.91, 1.10]
Pirlet 2011	16	30	11	30	7.9%	1.45	[0.82, 2.59]
van Hoof 2011	15	47	11	51	6.6%	1.48	[0.76, 2.89]
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>		<b>281</b>		<b>276</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.26</b>	<b>[1.01, 1.57]</b>
Total events	196		152				

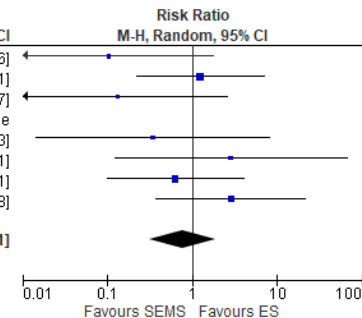
Heterogeneity: Tau<sup>2</sup> = 0.08; Chi<sup>2</sup> = 57.87, df = 8 (P < 0.00001); I<sup>2</sup> = 86%  
Test for overall effect: Z = 2.02 (P = 0.04)



**Anastomotic  
Leakage**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS		ES		Weight	Risk Ratio	
	Events	Total	Events	Total		M-H, Random, 95% CI	M-H, Random, 95% CI
Alcantara 2011	0	14	4	13	9.7%	0.10	[0.01, 1.76]
Arezzo 2017	3	43	2	36	24.9%	1.26	[0.22, 7.11]
Cheung 2009	0	20	2	13	8.9%	0.13	[0.01, 2.57]
Elwan 2020	0	21	0	18		Not estimable	
Ghazal 2013	0	29	1	30	7.8%	0.34	[0.01, 8.13]
Ho 2012	1	20	0	19	7.9%	2.86	[0.12, 66.11]
Pirlet 2011	2	22	2	14	22.2%	0.64	[0.10, 4.01]
van Hoof 2011	5	21	1	12	18.5%	2.86	[0.38, 21.68]
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>		<b>190</b>		<b>155</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.78</b>	<b>[0.32, 1.91]</b>
Total events	11		12				

Heterogeneity: Tau<sup>2</sup> = 0.05; Chi<sup>2</sup> = 6.23, df = 6 (P = 0.40); I<sup>2</sup> = 4%  
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.55 (P = 0.58)

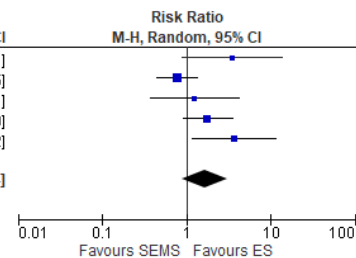




**Overall Recurrence**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS		ES		Weight	Risk Ratio	
	Events	Total	Events	Total		M-H, Random, 95% CI	M-H, Random, 95% CI
Alcantara 2011	8	15	2	13	13.4%	3.47	[0.89, 13.51]
Arezzo 2020	15	53	20	55	28.8%	0.78	[0.45, 1.35]
Ghazal 2013	5	30	4	30	15.4%	1.25	[0.37, 4.21]
Sloothaak 2014	13	26	9	32	25.9%	1.78	[0.91, 3.49]
Tung 2013	11	24	3	24	16.5%	3.67	[1.17, 11.52]
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>	<b>148</b>		<b>154</b>		<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.63</b>	<b>[0.88, 3.04]</b>
Total events	52		38				

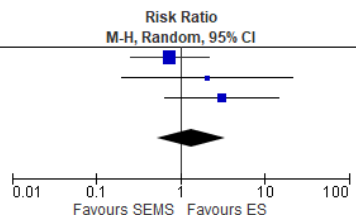
Heterogeneity: Tau<sup>2</sup> = 0.27; Chi<sup>2</sup> = 9.35, df = 4 (P = 0.05); I<sup>2</sup> = 57%  
Test for overall effect: Z = 1.55 (P = 0.12)



**Local Recurrence rate**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS		ES		Weight	Risk Ratio	
	Events	Total	Events	Total		M-H, Random, 95% CI	M-H, Random, 95% CI
Arezzo 2020	5	53	7	55	54.4%	0.74	[0.25, 2.19]
Ghazal 2013	2	29	1	30	14.9%	2.07	[0.20, 21.60]
Sloothaak 2014	5	26	2	32	30.8%	3.08	[0.65, 14.58]
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>	<b>108</b>		<b>117</b>		<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.34</b>	<b>[0.52, 3.43]</b>
Total events	12		10				

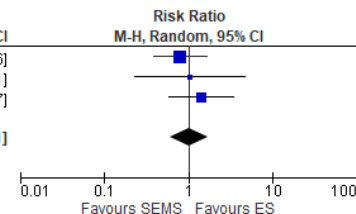
Heterogeneity: Tau<sup>2</sup> = 0.12; Chi<sup>2</sup> = 2.36, df = 2 (P = 0.31); I<sup>2</sup> = 15%  
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.61 (P = 0.54)



**Systemic recurrence rate**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS		ES		Weight	Risk Ratio	
	Events	Total	Events	Total		M-H, Random, 95% CI	M-H, Random, 95% CI
Arezzo 2020	10	53	13	55	51.6%	0.80	[0.38, 1.66]
Ghazal 2013	3	29	3	30	12.0%	1.03	[0.23, 4.71]
Sloothaak 2014	8	26	7	32	36.4%	1.41	[0.59, 3.37]
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>	<b>108</b>		<b>117</b>		<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.01</b>	<b>[0.60, 1.71]</b>
Total events	21		23				

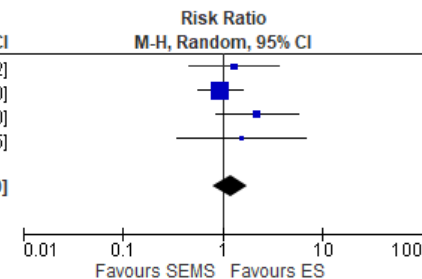
Heterogeneity: Tau<sup>2</sup> = 0.00; Chi<sup>2</sup> = 0.95, df = 2 (P = 0.62); I<sup>2</sup> = 0%  
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.04 (P = 0.96)





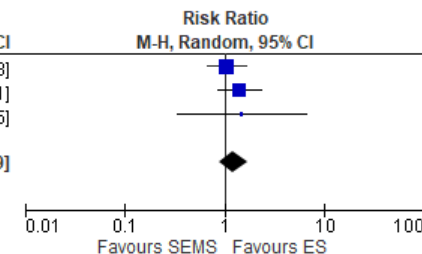
**Three years overall survival**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS		ES		Weight	Risk Ratio
	Events	Total	Events	Total		M-H, Random, 95% CI
Alcantara 2011	6	15	4	13	15.5%	1.30 [0.47, 3.62]
Arezzo 2020	18	56	20	59	59.7%	0.95 [0.56, 1.60]
Sloothaak 2014	9	26	5	32	17.5%	2.22 [0.85, 5.80]
Tung 2013	5	21	2	13	7.3%	1.55 [0.35, 6.85]
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>		<b>118</b>		<b>117</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.20 [0.80, 1.79]</b>
Total events	38		31			
Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = 0.00; Chi <sup>2</sup> = 2.49, df = 3 (P = 0.48); I <sup>2</sup> = 0%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.88 (P = 0.38)						



**Three years disease free survival**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS		ES		Weight	Risk Ratio
	Events	Total	Events	Total		M-H, Random, 95% CI
Arezzo 2017	22	56	22	59	50.7%	1.05 [0.66, 1.68]
Sloothaak 2014	16	26	14	32	44.3%	1.41 [0.86, 2.31]
Tung 2013	5	22	2	13	4.9%	1.48 [0.33, 6.55]
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>		<b>104</b>		<b>104</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.22 [0.87, 1.69]</b>
Total events	43		38			
Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = 0.00; Chi <sup>2</sup> = 0.77, df = 2 (P = 0.68); I <sup>2</sup> = 0%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 1.17 (P = 0.24)						





## Critical appraisal of oncological safety of stent as bridge to surgery in left-sided obstructing colon cancer; a systematic review and meta-analysis

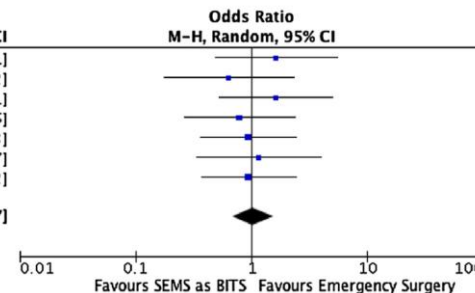
Five-year overall survival rate was retrievable from seven studies (230 vs. 283 patients)

Five-year disease-free survival in six studies (206 vs. 306 patients)



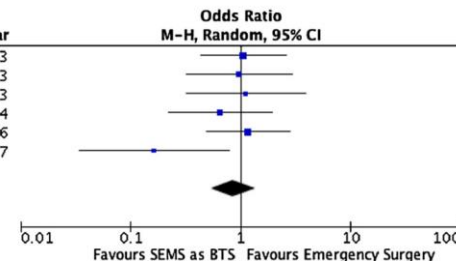
**Five-year overall survival rate**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS as BTS		Emergency Surgery		Weight	Odds Ratio M-H, Random, 95% CI
	Events	Total	Events	Total		
Amelung, 2016	14	38	5	19	11.7%	1.63 [0.48, 5.51]
Flor, 2017	4	24	10	42	10.4%	0.64 [0.18, 2.32]
Gibor 2017	12	19	20	39	13.7%	1.63 [0.53, 5.01]
Kim, 2013	6	18	26	67	14.4%	0.79 [0.26, 2.36]
Kim, 2016	16	80	8	38	19.0%	0.94 [0.36, 2.43]
Quereshy, 2013	13	18	27	39	11.3%	1.16 [0.34, 3.97]
Saïda, 2003	19	33	23	39	19.5%	0.94 [0.37, 2.42]
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>		<b>230</b>		<b>283</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.04 [0.68, 1.57]</b>
Total events	84		119			
Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = 0.00; Chi <sup>2</sup> = 2.05, df = 6 (P = 0.92); I <sup>2</sup> = 0%						
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.17 (P = 0.86)						



**Five-year disease-free survival**

Study or Subgroup	SEMS as BTS		Emergency Surgery		Weight	Odds Ratio M-H, Random, 95% CI	Year
	Events	Total	Events	Total			
Saïda, 2003	17	40	16	39	23.0%	1.06 [0.43, 2.60]	2003
Kim, 2013	7	18	19	48	15.7%	0.97 [0.32, 2.95]	2013
Quereshy, 2013	21	26	30	38	12.6%	1.12 [0.32, 3.90]	2013
Choi, 2014	5	23	29	97	16.4%	0.65 [0.22, 1.92]	2014
Kim, 2016	24	79	10	37	24.1%	1.18 [0.49, 2.81]	2016
Flor, 2017	2	20	19	47	8.2%	0.16 [0.03, 0.79]	2017
<b>Total (95% CI)</b>		<b>206</b>		<b>306</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.86 [0.54, 1.36]</b>	
Total events	76		123				
Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = 0.03; Chi <sup>2</sup> = 5.53, df = 5 (P = 0.35); I <sup>2</sup> = 10%							
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.66 (P = 0.51)							





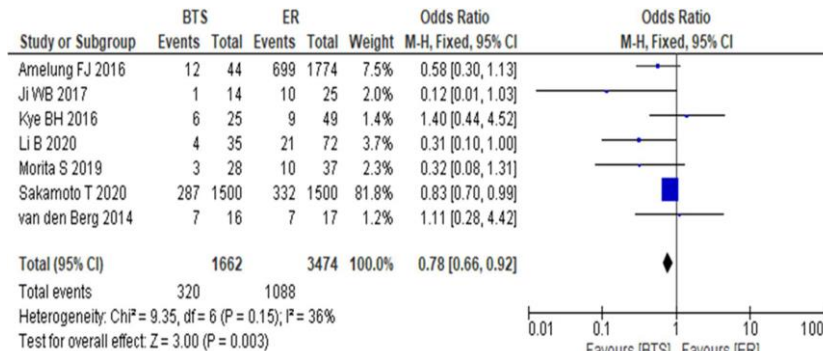
## Colonic stent as a bridge to surgery versus emergency resection for right-sided malignant large bowel obstruction: a meta-analysis

Seven studies were included, comprising 5136 patients, of whom 1662 (32.4%) underwent BTS and 3474 (67.6%) underwent ER.

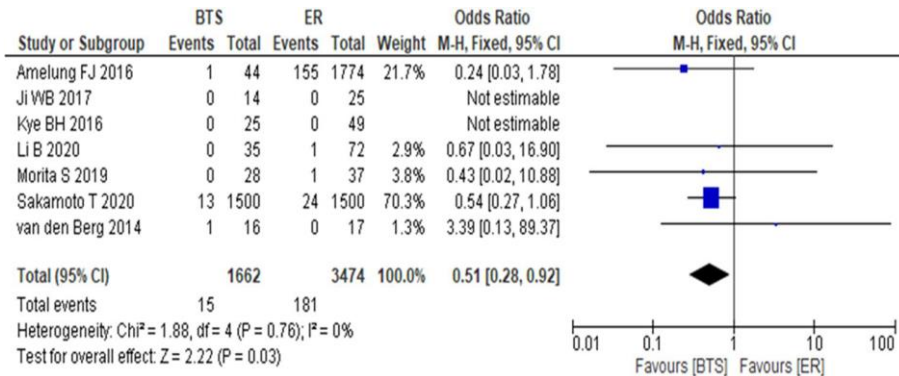
	No. of studies	Rates % (BTS <sup>a</sup> : ER <sup>b</sup> )	ORs <sup>c</sup>	95% CI <sup>d</sup>	P value	Heterogeneity		
						$\chi^2$	I <sup>2</sup> (%)	P value
Primary anastomosis	5	97.8: 85.9	0.31	0.10–0.96	0.04	0.11	0	0.95
Stoma construction	6	2.0: 11.0	0.45	0.25–0.83	<0.01	5.09	21	0.28
Laparoscopic surgery	7	48.5: 15.7	0.21	0.10–0.42	<0.01	18.36	67	<0.01
Anastomotic leakage	6	2.6: 5.6	0.66	0.45–0.96	0.03	0.55	0	0.99
Surgical site infection	6	4.6: 5.8	0.62	0.46–0.82	<0.01	4.37	0	0.50
Ileus	6	6.7: 3.1	1.28	0.96–1.71	0.09	4.87	0	0.43



**Postoperative complications**

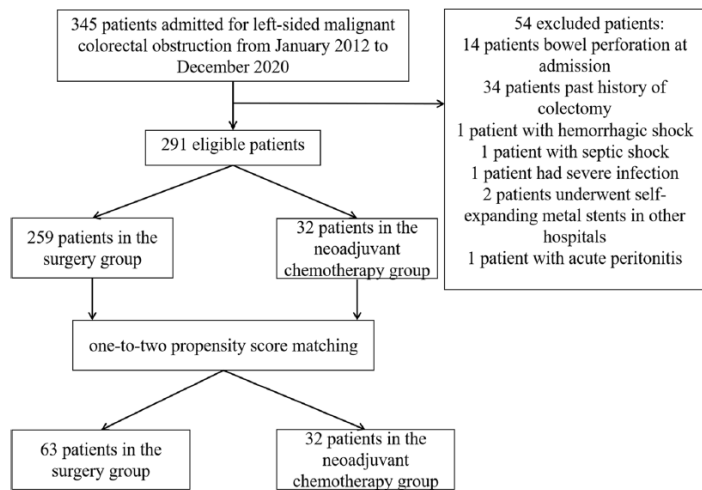


**Postoperative mortality**





# Safety and feasibility of neoadjuvant chemotherapy as a surgical bridge for acute left-sided malignant colorectal obstruction: a retrospective study



23 patients FOLFOX: median of 4 courses (IQR, 3-6 courses)  
 7 patients FOLFOXIRI: median of 8 courses (IQR, 6-10 courses)  
 2 patients XELOX: median of 2 courses (IQR, 2-2 courses)

	Surgery* (n = 63)	Neoadjuvant chemotherapy*(n = 32)	P value
Postoperative CEA, N%			0.692
Normal	33 (63.5)	21 (67.7)	
Elevated	19 (36.5)	10 (32.3)	
Postoperative complication, N%			<b>0.001</b>
No	46 (73.0)	32 (100.0)	
Yes	17 (27.0)	0 (0.0)	
ICU, N%			<b>0.042</b>
No	53 (84.1)	32 (100.0)	
Yes	10 (15.9)	0 (0.0)	
Stoma, N%			0.198
No	21 (33.3)	15 (46.9)	
Yes	42 (66.7)	17 (53.1)	
1-year locoregional recurrence, N%			0.660
No	58 (92.1)	31 (96.9)	
Yes	5 (7.9)	1 (3.1)	
1-y Mortality, N%			0.439
No	51 (82.3)	29 (90.6)	
Yes	11 (17.7)	3 (9.4)	
1-y with stoma, N%			<b>0.047</b>
No	46 (73.0)	29 (90.6)	
Yes	17 (27.0)	3 (9.4)	
Postoperative bowel function (days), median, (IQR)	5.00 (3.00-6.00)	3.00 (2.00-3.00)	<0.001
Postoperative hospital stay (days), median, (IQR)	13.00 (10.00-19.00)	8.00 (7.25-11.75)	<0.001
Total Hospital stay (days), median, (IQR)	20.00 (16.00-25.00)	15.50 (13.00-18.75)	<b>0.002</b>
Surgery time (min), median, (IQR)	230.00 (180.00-300.00)	213.00 (188.50-270.00)	0.428
Intraoperative blood loss (ml), median, (IQR)	100.0 (50.0-200.0)	100.00 (50.00-187.50)	0.209





## **Long-term outcomes of palliation for unresectable colorectal cancer obstruction in patients with good performance status: endoscopic stent versus surgery**

**114 patients with unresectable CRC obstruction**

**SEMS n = 73 or palliative surgery n = 41**

**28/41 (68.3 %) primary resection with anastomosis**

**4/41 (9.8 %) Hartmann's operation**

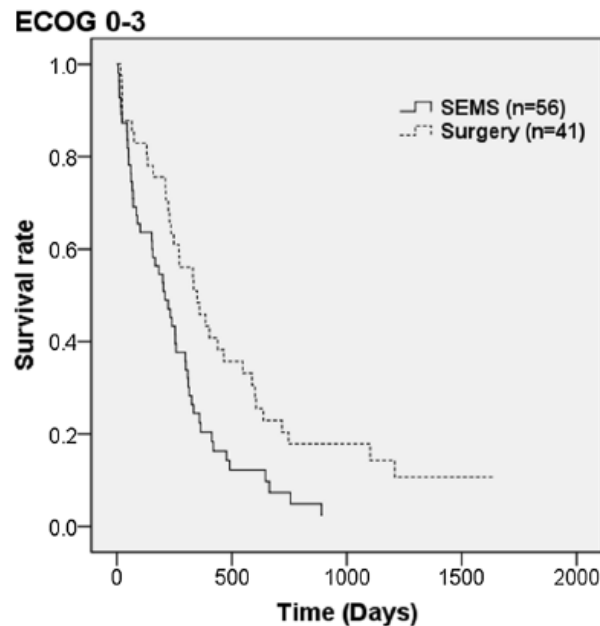
**4/41 (9.8 %) colostomy or ileostomy**

**5/41 (12.2 %) bypass**



## Long-term outcomes of palliation for unresectable colorectal cancer obstruction in patients with good performance status: endoscopic stent versus surgery

The median survival was shorter after SEMS placement than after surgery (209 vs. 349 days;  $P = .005$ ).

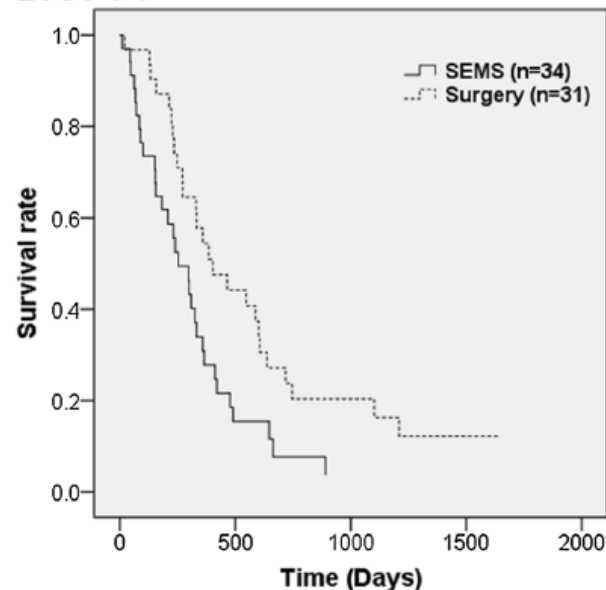




## Long-term outcomes of palliation for unresectable colorectal cancer obstruction in patients with good performance status: endoscopic stent versus surgery

In patients with an Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) 0 or 1, the median survival was 253 days (95 % CI 160 – 346 days) in the SEMS group and 403 days (95 % CI 230 – 576 days) in the surgery group (P = .016).

ECOG 0-1

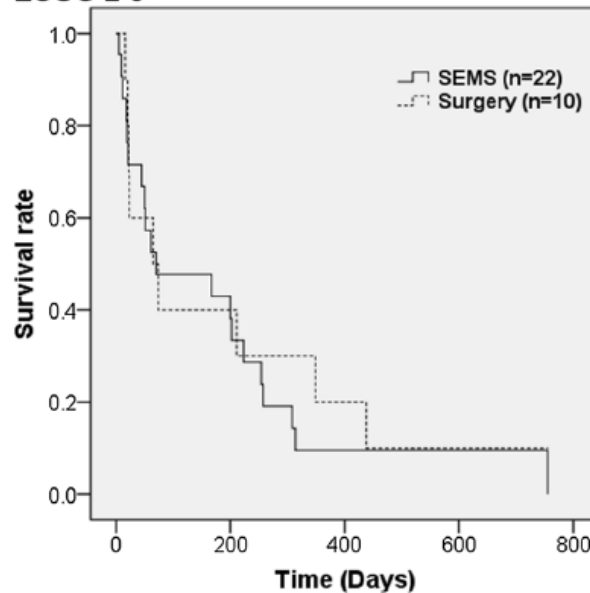




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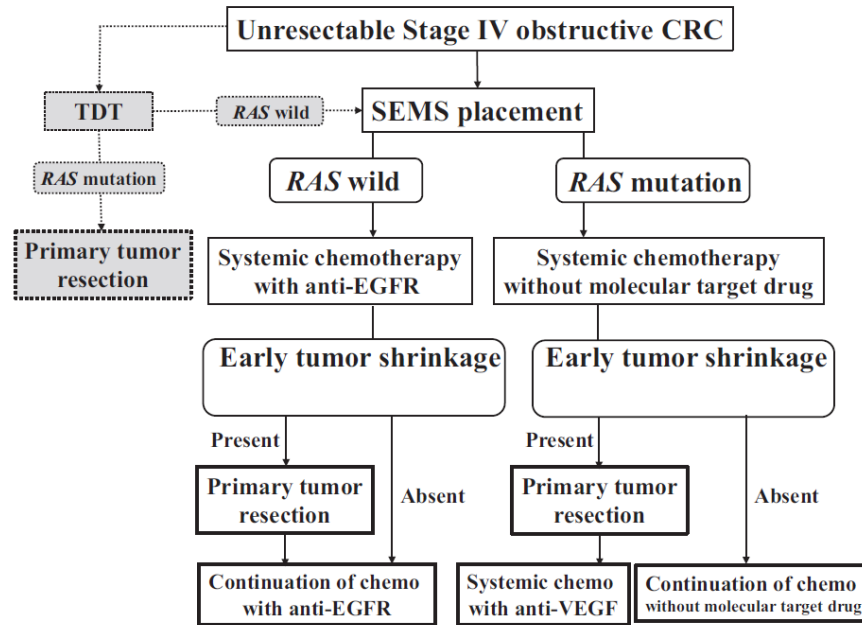
In patients with an ECOG performance status of 2 or 3, the median survival did not differ between groups (70 vs. 65 days, respectively;  $P = .487$ )

ECOG 2-3





## Systemic Chemotherapy is a Promising Treatment Option for Patients with Colonic Stents: A Review





“Nella vita possono toglierti tutto,  
ma non quello che hai imparato studiando.  
Ecco perché non dovrai mai smettere  
di studiare e migliorarti”

**Gioacchino Cartabellotta**

Medico di un piccolo paese  
che pensava in grande

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