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Complicaties van ERCP

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Complications of ERCP

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- Complications
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Complications

Definition

- All negative outcomes for the patient that:
 - Prevent completion of the planned procedure (i.e. sedation)
 - Cause any deviation from the standard post-procedural course
- A complication in the preparation phase should also be recorded



1. Pancreatitis

- Abdominal pain +/- Raised amylase/lipase +/- Imaging (2 out of 3)
- Incidence 8%
- Patient factors & procedure factors

Patient-related risk factors

➔ Prior post-ERCP pancreatitis	8.7 (3.2-23.86)
➔ Female sex	3.5 (1.1-10.6)
Previous recurrent pancreatitis	2.46 (1.93-3.12)
Suspected sphincter of Oddi dysfunction	1.91 (1.37-2.65)
➔ Younger patient age (<40 years old) ¹⁴ 30 vs 70 years old ⁷	1.8 (1.27-2.59) 2.14 (1.413.25)
Absence of chronic pancreatitis	1.87 (1.003.48)
➔ Normal serum bilirubin	1.89 (1.222.93)

Procedure-related risk factors

➔ Difficult cannulation (>10 minutes)	1.76 (1.13-2.74)
➔ Repetitive pancreatic guidewire cannulation	2.77 (1.79-4.30)
➔ Pancreatic injection	2.2 (1.60-3.01)
Pancreatic sphincterotomy	3.07 (1.64-5.75)
Endoscopic papillary large-balloon dilation of an intact sphincter	4.51 (1.51-13.46)



Pancreatitis: Risk reduction

- Not doing the procedure (yourself?)
- EUS or MRCP before all ERCP's for suspected stone disease
- Guidewire cannulation
- Pancreatic duct stents
- NSAIDs - Diclofenac or Indomethacin suppository (NNT 11-17)
- IV hydration - Ringer's lactate or saline
 - Large Dutch multicentre study does not show protection (unpublished data)



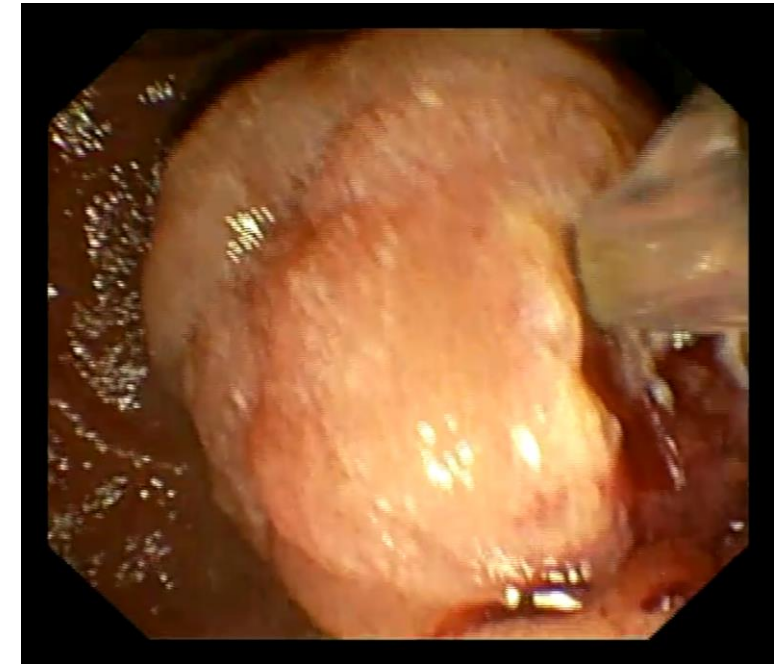
2. Bleeding

- Mostly related to sphincterotomy
- Incidence 1-2 %
- Risk factors
 - Coagulopathy / Anticoagulants < 3days of procedure (before AND after)
 - Endoscopist volume \leq 1/week
 - Bleeding observed during procedure



Bleeding: Risk reduction & therapy

- Avoiding unnecessary sphincterotomy (i.e. pre-lapchol, metal stent, ...)
- Endoscopic papillary (large) balloon dilation vs. large sphincterotomy
- Non-invasive therapy (fluid resuscitation etc)
- Epinephrin injection
- Thermal therapy & clips
- Fully covered metal stents (tamponade)
- Interventional radiology





3. Infectious complications

- Cholangitis in 0.5-3% of patients
- Riskfactors: Incomplete drainage or stone removal, stent migration
- Therapy: antibiotics, confirm adequate drainage

- Cholecystitis in 0,5% of patients
- Riskfactors - SEMS covering cystic duct opening (*no diff. Covered vs. Uncovered*)
- Therapy: antibiotics / GB drainage* / cholecystectomy / stent removal?



* Endoscopic gallbladder drainage

- EUS-guided GB drainage vs. percutaneous cholecystostomy in very high risk surgical patients with cholecystitis - RCT with 80 pts

	EUS-GBD n=39	PT-GBD n=40	P value
→ 1-year adverse events (%)	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
→ Reinterventions after 30 days (%)	1 (2.6)	12 (30)	0.001
Reinsertion of PT-GBD	0	12	
Clearing blocked stent	1	0	
→ Unplanned admissions (%)	6 (15.4)	20 (50)	0.002
30-day adverse events (%)	5 (12.8)	19 (47.5)	0.001

Teoh AYB, et al. Gut 2020,





Infectious complications

- Endoscope related infections

High prevalence rate of digestive tract bacteria in duodenoscopes: a nationwide study

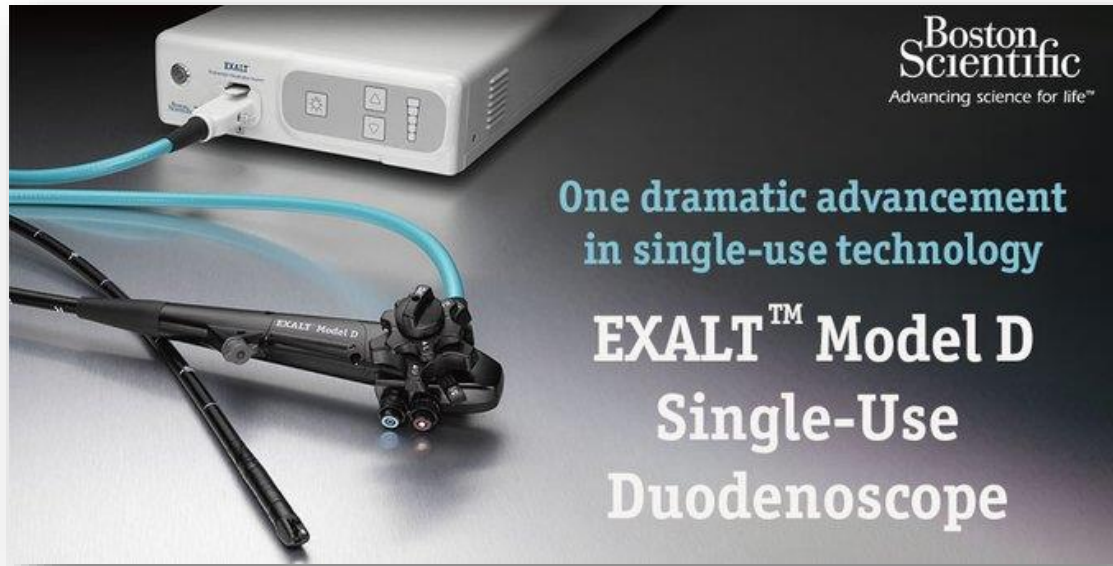
Rauwers AW, et al. Gut 2018;

- In 39% of all Dutch ERCP centres ≥ 1 contaminated patient-ready duodenoscope was identified.
- 15% per cent of the duodenoscopes harboured MGO (failing of disinfection)
- Reprocessing is often inadequate, we should adhere strictly to protocols



Infectious complications

- Endoscope related infections - Should this be the next step?



- Huge costs (€3000 per procedure), big push from biomedical industry
- Towards a risk-free life?



4. Perforations

- Incidence of perforations is relatively rare (0,08 - 0,6%)
- Early detection critical for prognosis
- Retroperitoneal (bile) leaks difficult to manage
- Diagnosis used to be with abdominal X-rays
- Nowadays CT-scan with oral contrast is gold standard





Perforations

Different types require different therapy

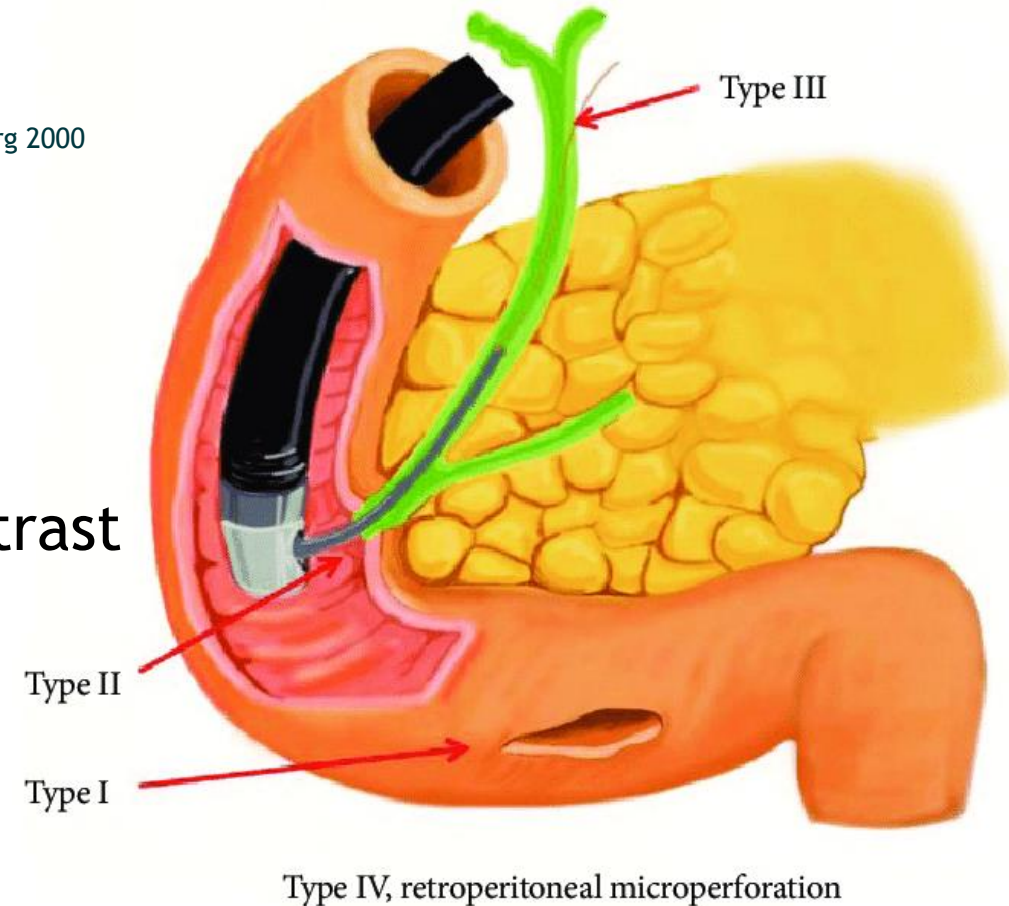
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Type 1 - Luminal (endoscope) perforations

Type 2 - Sphincterotomy perforations

Type 3 - Extramural passage of guidewires/contrast

Type 4 - Retroperitoneal air





Perforations

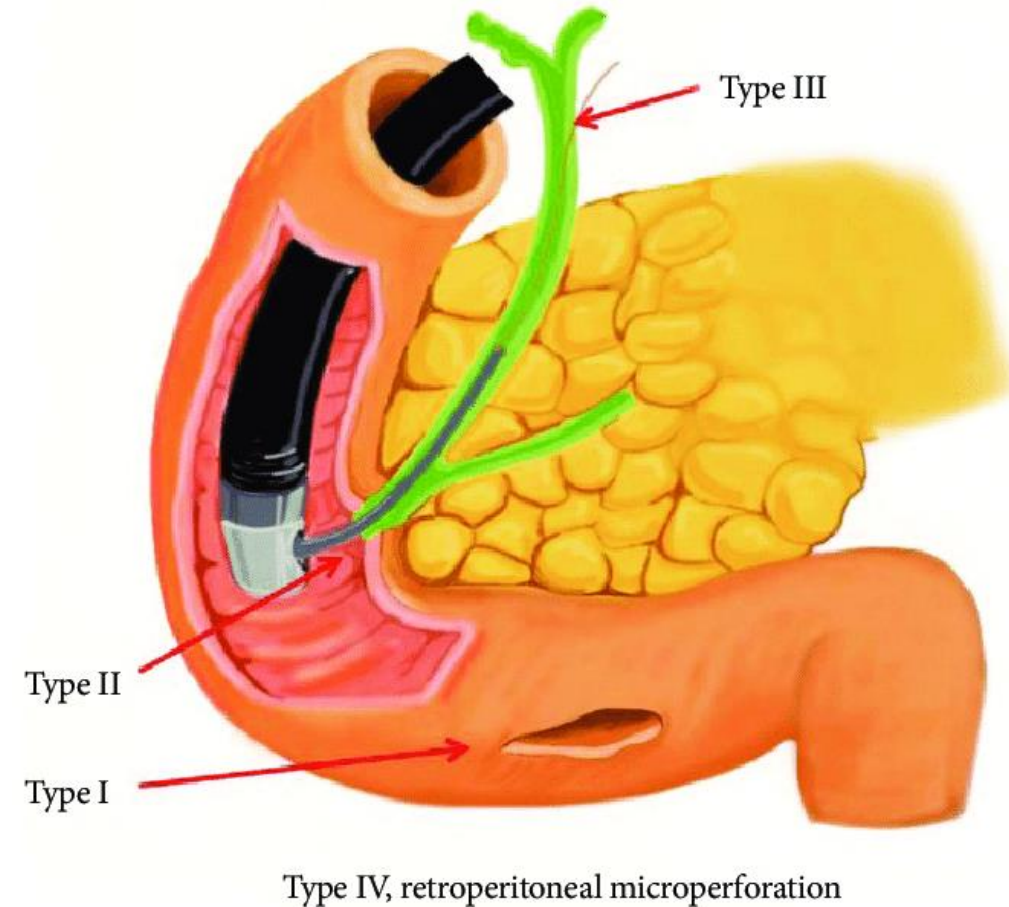
Therapy: surgery, endoscopy or conservative

Type 1 - Surgery

Type 2 - Endoscopic stenting, NPO (+CT ?)

Type 3 - Antibiotics

Type 4 - ??? NPO + AB ???





5. Miscellaneous: Pancreatic Fluid Collections (PFC)

- Endoscopic PFC drainage has proven advantages over radiology and surgery
- Transgastric/transduodenal drainage is current procedure of choice
- Plastic and metal stents (AXIOS, SPAXUS etc)
- Endoscopic Transmural Necrosectomy often necessary

- Frequent complications : Infection, bleeding, perforation



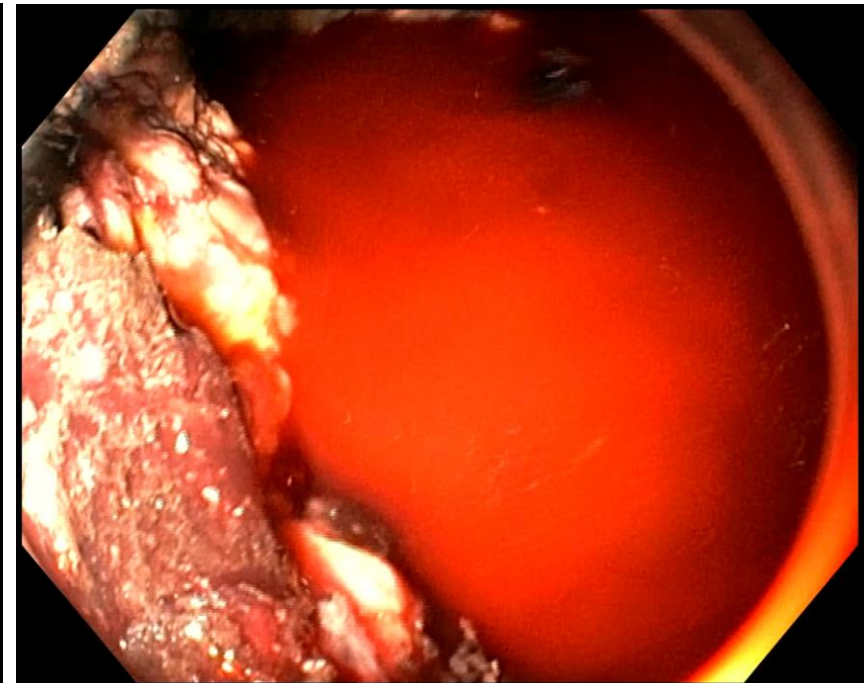
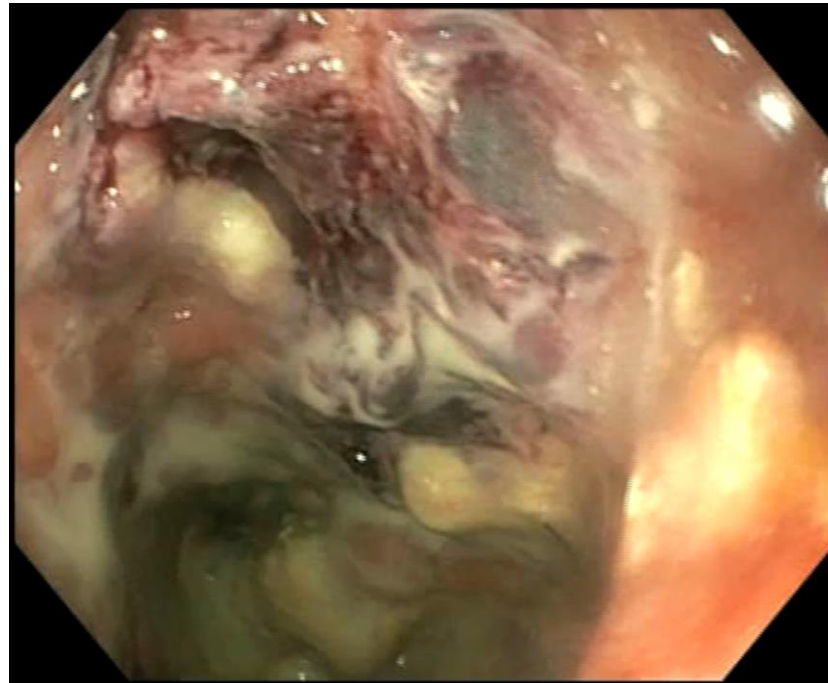
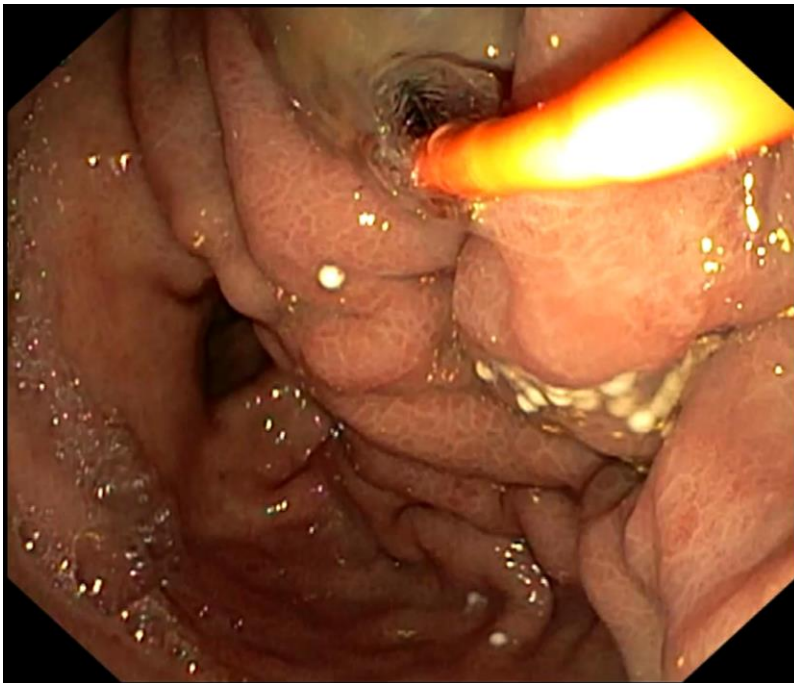
Pancreatic Fluid Collections (PFC)

- Re-infection after drainage in ~ 20-50%
- Presentation often with mild fever and some abdominal discomfort
- CT-scan typically shows unchanged (!!!) collection

→ Re-intervention



PFC - Infection & Bleeding





Summary & conclusions

- Every patient undergoing ERCP is at high-risk for complications
- Strict indication setting is key in preventing complications
 - EUS/MRCP should be generously used before ERCP
- Pancreatitis is most feared complication (incidence 8%, mortality 1%)
- Advanced transmural procedures require 24/7 availability of surgeon and interventional radiologist
- Scope cleaning and disinfection is important to prevent transmission
- Centralization of ERCP's in NL is happening too slow



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