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Outline

- ▶ Updated/Consolidating Evidence
 - ▶ EUS-GJ
 - ▶ GB Drainage
 - ▶ Glue-coil embolization as primary prophylaxis
 - ▶ Anti-Reflux Therapy - cTIF
 - ▶ Post-ERCP Pancreatitis
- ▶ Innovations in Interventional Endoscopy
 - ▶ POEM Applications
 - ▶ C-POEM
 - ▶ Underwater Z-POEM
 - ▶ Post-POEM GERD
 - ▶ POEF
 - ▶ Subserosal dissection

Consolidating Evidence EUS-guided gastroenterostomy

- ▶ Technique - oroenteric catheter-assisted, wire-free puncture
- ▶ Retrospective analysis, n=42 (37 benign, 5 malignant)
- ▶ 98% technical success
- ▶ Mean procedure time 36 min (SEM 3 min)
- ▶ No serious adverse events
- ▶ 93% clinical success (non-liquid diet) @ 5.7 mo f/u (SEM 2.6 mo)

VIDEO 1

EUS-guided gastroenterostomy

- ▶ Comparison of EUS-GE and open surgical gastrojejunostomy (2021)
 - ▶ Retrospective, clinical outcomes and cost-effective analysis
 - ▶ N=66, benign and malignant etiologies of GOO
 - ▶ 60% EUS-GE, 40% OGJ

EUS-GE versus OGJ Outcomes

Outcome	EUS-GE	OGJ	P-value
Technical Success	92.5%	100%	0.15
Clinical Success	85%	84%	0.97
Time to PO intake (days)	1.3 +/- 0.95	4.7 +/- 2.7	<0.001
Solid diet tolerated	50%	81.85%	0.02
LOS (days)	5	14.5	<0.001
Chemo resumption (days)	17.7+/-11.8	31.3 +/- 11.2	0.033
Procedure time (mean, min)	57	227.5	P<0.001

EUS-GE versus OGJ

- ▶ Lower adverse events with EUS-GE
 - ▶ Infection
 - ▶ Post-procedure ileus
 - ▶ AKI
- ▶ No difference:
 - ▶ Symptom recurrence
 - ▶ Reintervention
 - ▶ Death within 30 days
 - ▶ 30 day readmission

EUS-GE versus OGJ

- ▶ Cost Analysis
 - ▶ Total costs
 - ▶ OGJ - \$124,192
 - ▶ EUS-GE - \$49,387 (p<.0001)
 - ▶ Mean inpatient costs
 - ▶ OGJ - \$42,716
 - ▶ EUS-GE - \$19,785 (p,<0.001)

EUS-GE versus Enteral Stent versus Surgical GJ

- ▶ EUS-GE versus duodenal stent placement and surgical GJ for palliation of malignant GOO
- ▶ 2021 systematic review/meta-analysis
- ▶ 7 studies, n=513

EUS-GE v SGJ for Malignant GOO

- ▶ Lower technical success (91.41% v 100%, $p < 0.01$)
- ▶ Equivalent clinical success (86.71% v 90.21%, $p = 0.48$)
- ▶ Decreased LOS – mean difference of 5.11 days, $p < 0.01$
- ▶ Comparable reintervention, 30 day mortality, severe adverse events

EUS-GE v Enteral Stent for Malignant GOO

- ▶ Comparable Technical Success (93.33% v 98.35%, $p=0.68$)
- ▶ Higher Clinical Success (88.3% v 78.02%, $p = 0.01$)
- ▶ Fewer SAEs (11.66% v 31.32%, $p = 0.002$)
- ▶ Decreased stent obstruction (3.33% v 24.17%, $p < 0.02$)
- ▶ Decreased tumor ingrowth (1.66% v 16.48%, $p < 0.01$)
- ▶ Decreased need for reintervention (6.67% v 28.57%, $p < 0.01$)

EUS-guided gallbladder drainage versus percutaneous cholecystostomy

- ▶ Percutaneous cholecystostomy versus EUS-guided GB drainage for acute cholecystitis in very high-risk surgical patients
- ▶ 2020. Teoh et al – multicenter, international, superiority RCT
- ▶ Very high risk
 - ▶ Age \geq 80 yo
 - ▶ American Society of Anesthesiology grade 3 or above
 - ▶ Age-adjusted Charlson Comorbidity Index > 5 and/or Karnofsky score < 50
 - ▶ Elderly patients refusing cholecystectomy
- ▶ No subsequent cholecystectomy

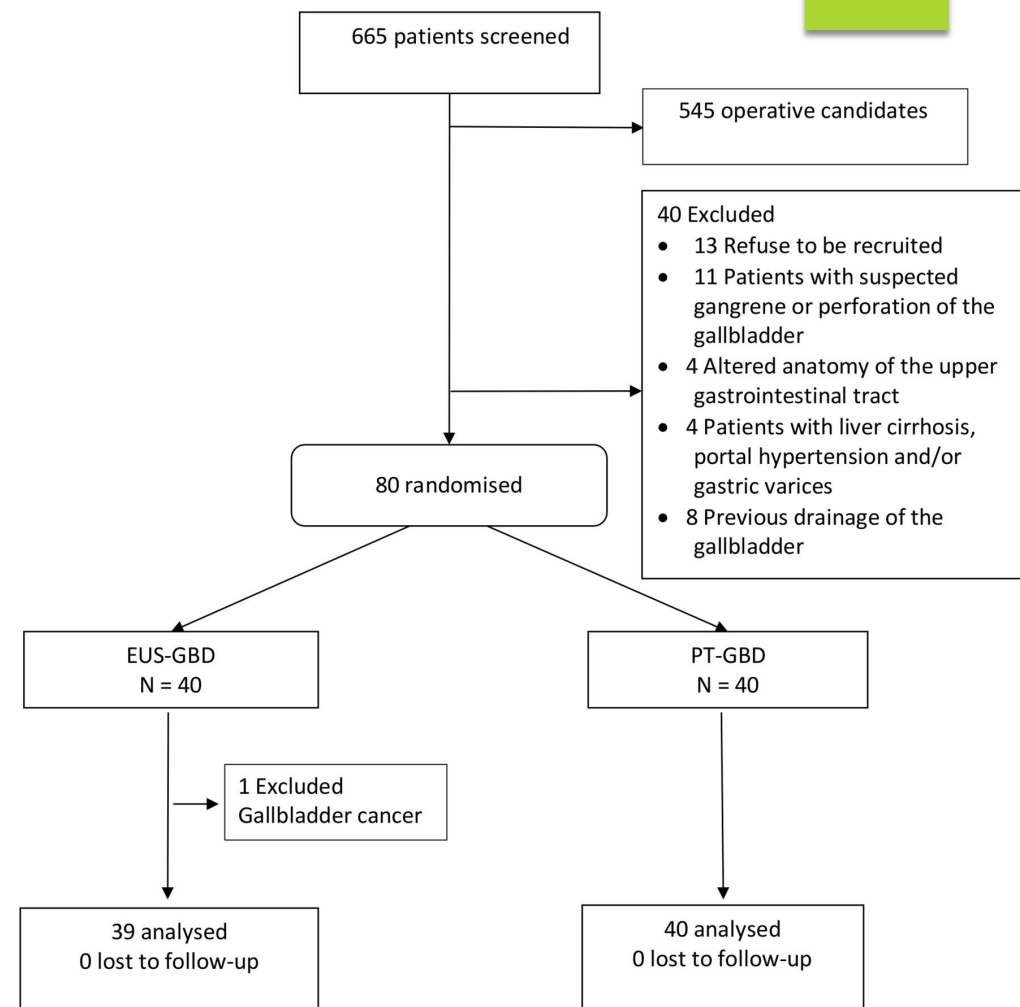
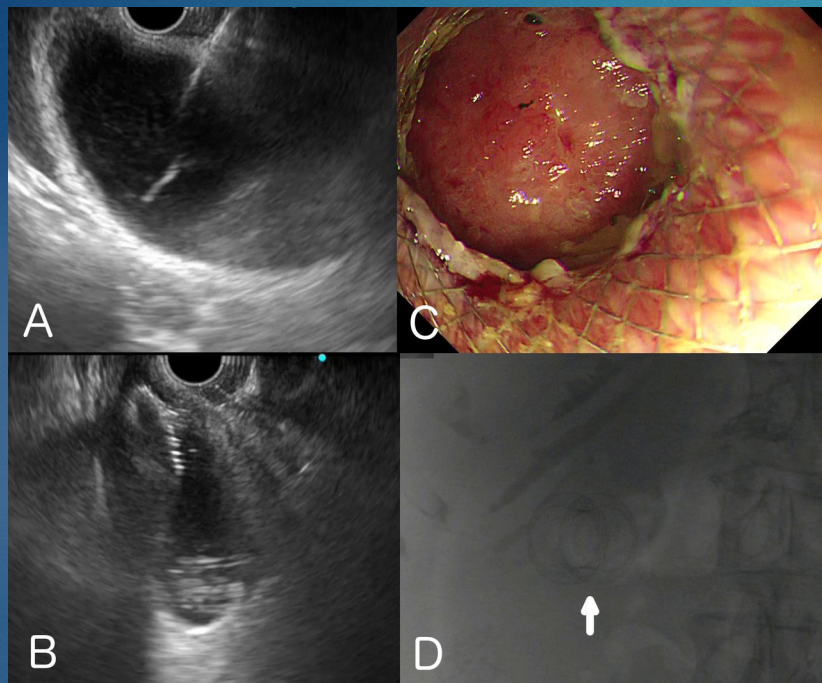
EUS-GBD v Percutaneous Cholecystostomy

- ▶ Procedure Protocol
 - ▶ EUS-GBD - 10mm x 10 mm or 15mm x 10 mm LAMS depending on size of largest gallstone (</> 10mm)
 - ▶ Additional DPS placed through LAMS at endoscopist discretion
 - ▶ EUS-GBD – f/u peroral cholecystoscopy 1 mo to assess for stone clearance
 - ▶ If cleared → LAMS exchanged for permanent 7Fr DPS,
 - ▶ If not cleared → q 1 mo cholecystoscopy until stones and LAMS removed
 - ▶ If too old or frail for additional endoscopies → GB stents (LAMS +/- DPS) left permanently
 - ▶ PT-GBD – tube cholecystogram 1 mo post-procedure
 - ▶ If cystic duct patent, cholecystostomy capped and left in-situ or removed
 - ▶ If cystic duct obstructed, long-term cholecystostomy drainage

EUS-GBD v Percutaneous Cholecystostomy

▶ Video 2

EUS-GBD v PT-GBD



EUS-GBD v PT-GBD

- ▶ No difference in technical success
 - ▶ EUS-GBD 38/39 (97.4%) v 40/40 (100%), p=0.494
- ▶ No difference in clinical success
 - ▶ EUS-GBD 36/39 (92.3%) v 37/40 (92.5%), p=1
- ▶ Significantly less recurrent acute cholecystitis at 1 year in EUS-GBD group (2.6% v 20%, p=0.029)
- ▶ EUS-GBD → Lower reinterventions for acute cholecystitis after 30 days, lower number of unplanned admissions

Table 2

Comparison of the clinical outcomes between the two groups

	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
Grading 1/2/3/4/5	0/1/2/0/2	6/4/5/0/4	
30-day mortality (%)	3 (7.7)	4 (10)	1
Technical success (%)	38 (97.4)	40 (100)	0.494
Clinical success (%)	36 (92.3)	37 (92.5)	1
Procedure time (minutes)	22.7 (13.0)	27.4 (12.0)	0.108
Analgesic requirements (total paracetamol in mg)	3345 (5663)	5165 (5068)	0.034
Hospital stay (days)*	8 (4–13)	9 (7–14)	0.181

EUS-GBD v PT-GBD

- ▶ EUS-GBD → reduced 30 day adverse events (12.8% v 47.5%, p = 0.01)
- ▶ EUS-GBD → reduced 1 year adverse events (25.6% v 77.5%, p<0.001)
- ▶ Most adverse events in PT-GBD group due to tube dislodgements, 8 were recurrent acute cholecystitis

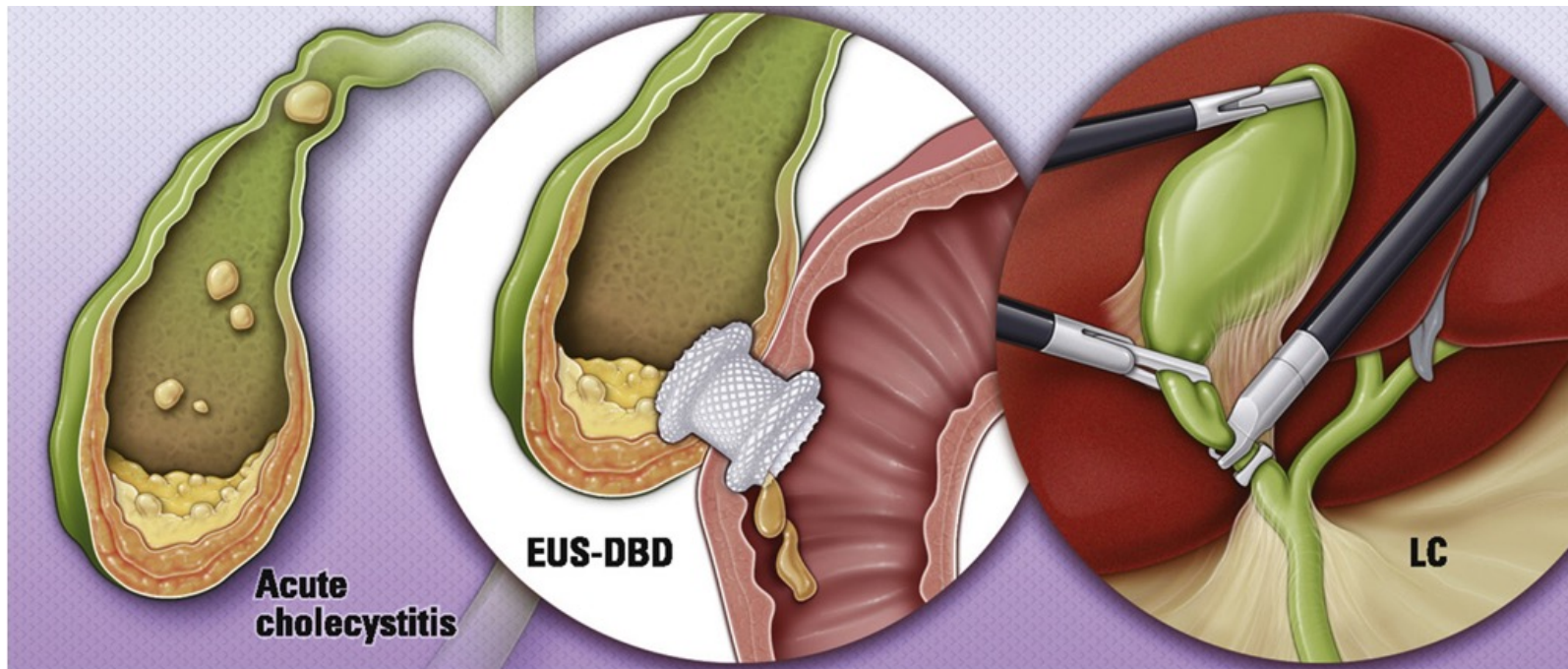
Table 3

The 30-day and 1-year adverse events in both groups

	EUS-GBD n=39	PT-GBD n=40	P value
30-day adverse events (%)	5 (12.8)	19 (47.5)	0.010
Tube dislodgement	0	15 (0/3/12/0/0)	
Blocked stent	2 (0/1/1/0/0)	0	
Perforation	1 (0/0/1/0/0)	0	
Multiorgan failure	0	3 (0/0/0/0/3)	
Pericholecystic collection	0	1 (0/0/1/0/0)	
Acute myocardial infarction	0	1 (0/1/0/0/0)	
Atrial fibrillation	1 (0/1/0/0/0)	1 (0/1/0/0/0)	
Pneumonia	3 (0/1/0/0/2)	1 (0/1/0/0/0)	
Bleeding	0	1 (0/1/0/0/0)	
Decompensated liver cirrhosis	0	1 (0/0/0/0/1)	
Urinary tract infection	0	1 (0/2/0/0/0)	
1-year adverse events (%)	10 (25.6)	31 (77.5)	<0.001
30-day adverse events*	5	19	
Recurrent acute cholecystitis	1 (0/0/1/0/0)	8 (0/5/3/0/0)	
Tube dislodgement	0	18 (4/5/9/0/0)	
Blocked stent / tube	1 (0/0/1/0/0)	2 (0/2/0/0/0)	
Common bile duct stones requiring ERCP	3 (0/0/3/0/0)	1 (0/0/1/0/0)	

EUS-GB vs Lap Cholecystectomy for Acute Cholecystitis

- ▶ Propensity score matching → compare very high risk patients undergoing EUS-GBD and surgical candidates undergoing LC during study period
- ▶ Covariates age, sex, age-adjusted Charlson score, matched 1:1 basis



EUS-GB vs Lap Cholecystectomy for Acute Cholecystitis

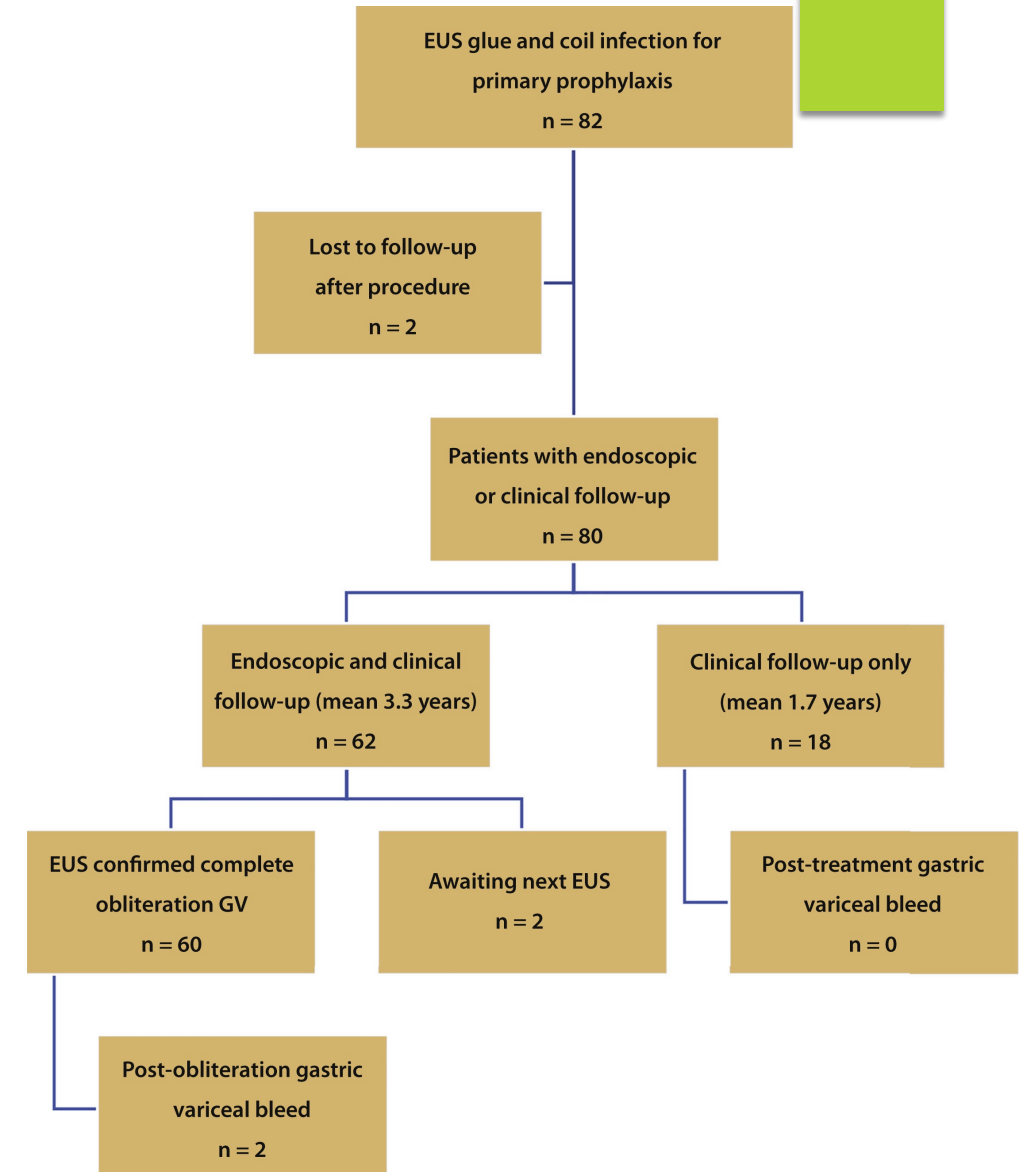
- ▶ 1 year f/u

Comparison on clinical outcomes of the two procedures

	EUS-GBD n = 30	LC n = 30	P value
Technical success (%)	30 (100)	30 (100)	-
Clinical success (%)	28 (93.3)	30 (100)	1
Length of hospital stay (days)	6.8 (8.1)	5.5 (2.7)	1
30-day adverse events (%)	4 (13.3)	4 (13.3)	1
30-day mortality (%)	2 (6.7)	0 (0.0)	1
Recurrent cholecystitis (%)	1 (3.3)	0 (0.0)	0.168
Recurrent biliary events (%)	3 (10.0)	3 (10.0)	0.784
Re-interventions (%)	4 (13.3)	3 (10.0)	1
Unplanned readmissions (%)	3 (10.0)	3 (10.0)	0.784

EUS-guided glue coil embolization for gastric variceal bleed primary prophylaxis

- ▶ Single center, retrospective study
- ▶ n=82
- ▶ 88.7% cirrhosis (mean MELD 12.3 +/- 3.7), 11.3% non-cirrhotic portal HTN
- ▶ NSBB use 51.3%



EUS-GC for GV primary prophylaxis

- ▶ Mean variceal size 22.5 +/- 9.4 mm
- ▶ 86.3% IGV1 (IGV1 bleed rate of 78% per Sarin et al. Hepatology. 1992)
- ▶ Mean length f/u – 3 +/- 2.4 yrs
- ▶ Mean 1.5 coils (1-3), 2mL glue (0.5-5)
- ▶ Technical success 100%
- ▶ 96.7% EUS confirmed GV obliteration
- ▶ Overall highly effective with low adverse event rate

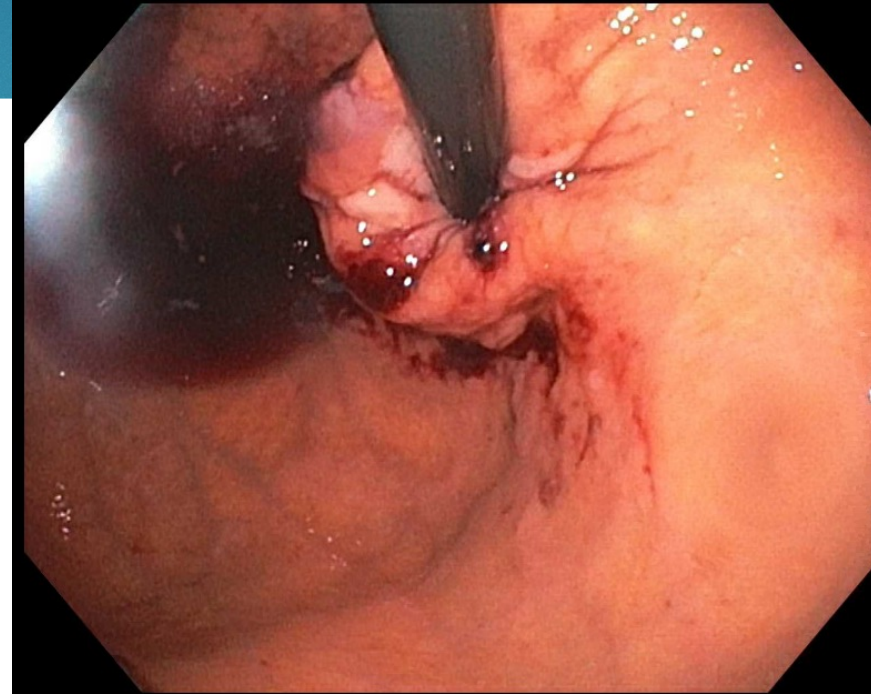
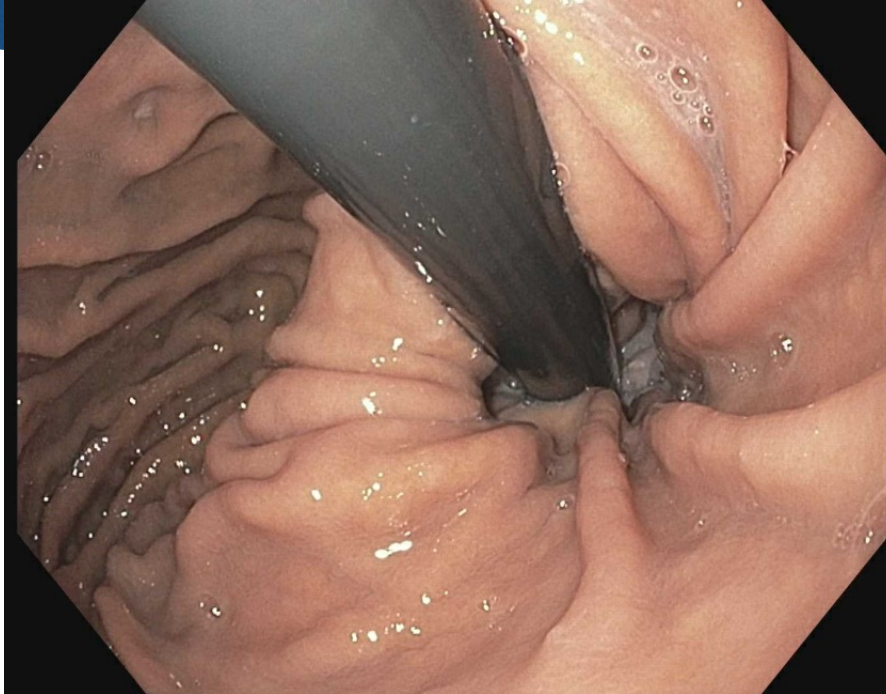
EUS-GC for GV primary prophylaxis

Endoscopic and clinical follow-up	62 (77.5)
EUS-confirmed obliteration	60/62 (96.7)
EUS glue-coil encounters to obliteration	
1	43
2	14
3	0
4	2
5	1
Clinical follow-up only	18 (22.5)

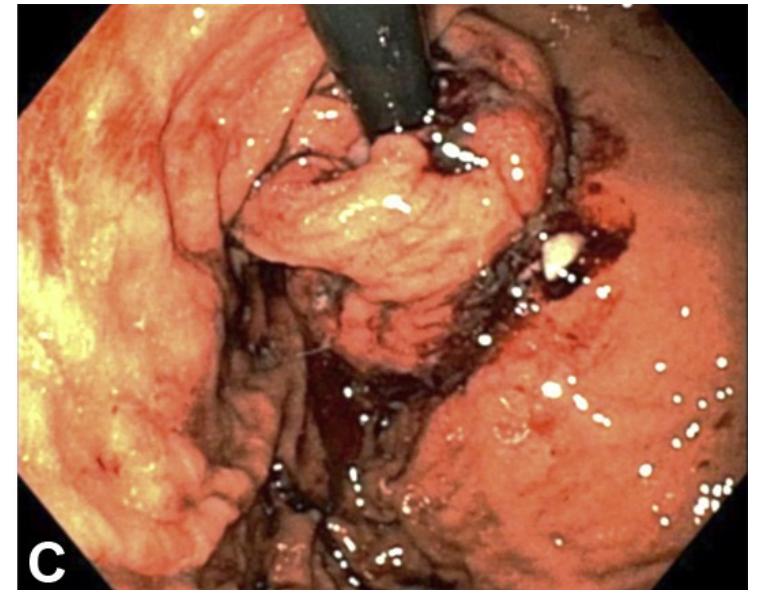
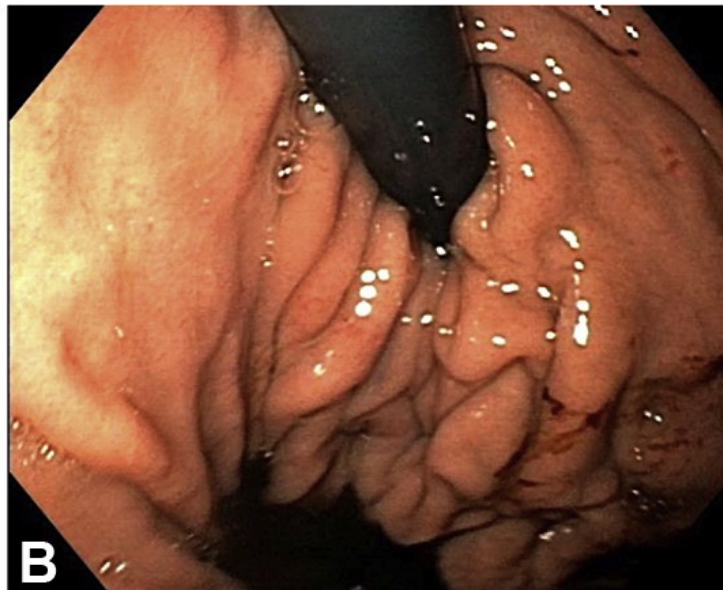
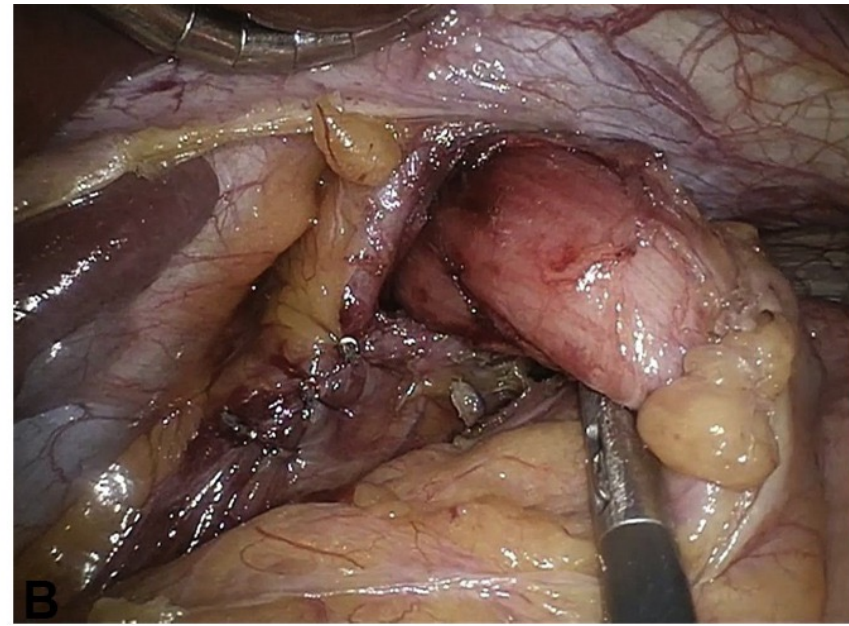
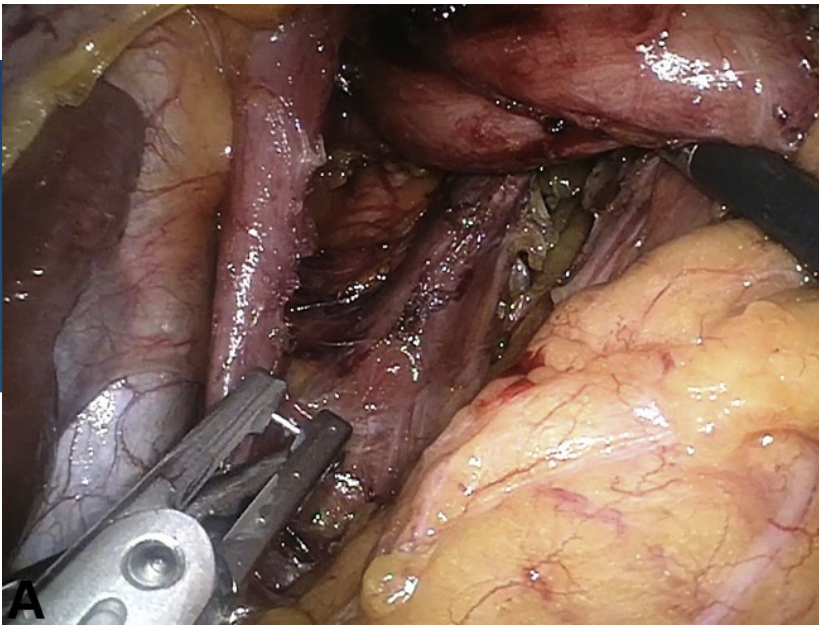
EUS-GC for GV primary prophylaxis

- ▶ Adverse events, n-4 (4.9%)
 - ▶ Two – self-limited postprocedural abdominal pain with 1d hospital admission
 - ▶ 6 patients – GI bleed (7.5%)
 - ▶ 2 (2.5%) – GVB after prior confirmation of obliteration (1.1 and 5.3 yrs later), treated successfully with EUS-glue/coil, no TIPS, no death
 - ▶ Others were esophageal varices, n-3, 3.7%, gastric ulcer, n-1, 1.3%
- ▶ 2 PE within 2 wks of treatment
 - ▶ One attributed to glue embolization
 - ▶ One attributed to DVT
 - ▶ Medically managed all on NSBB

Lap HHR + TIF (c-TIF)



C-TIF



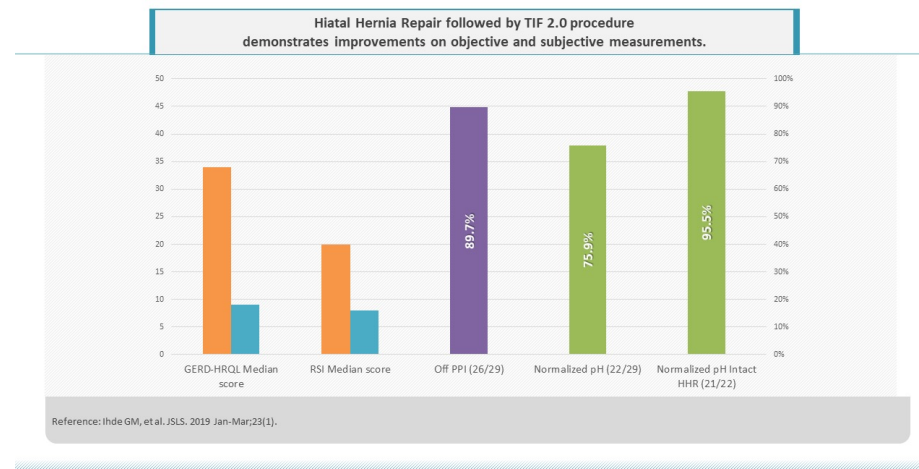
c-TIF → Janu et al. 2019.

- **N=99**
- **PPI usage**
 - **At baseline – 63.6% daily PPI, 29.3% twice daily PPI**
 - **6 months – 70% never PPI (11.4% daily, 3% twice daily)**
 - **12 months – 74.1% never PPI**
- **No laparoscopic or endoscopic complications**
- **No increased rates of gas-bloat, inability to eructate or vomit**

c-TIF → Ihde et al. 2019.

- N=55, mean f/u = 296 days
- Significant ↓ mean GERD HRQL, RSI scores
- pH score improved significantly
- 95% normalized pH (EAE) when HHR/TIF remained intact (75.9% overall)

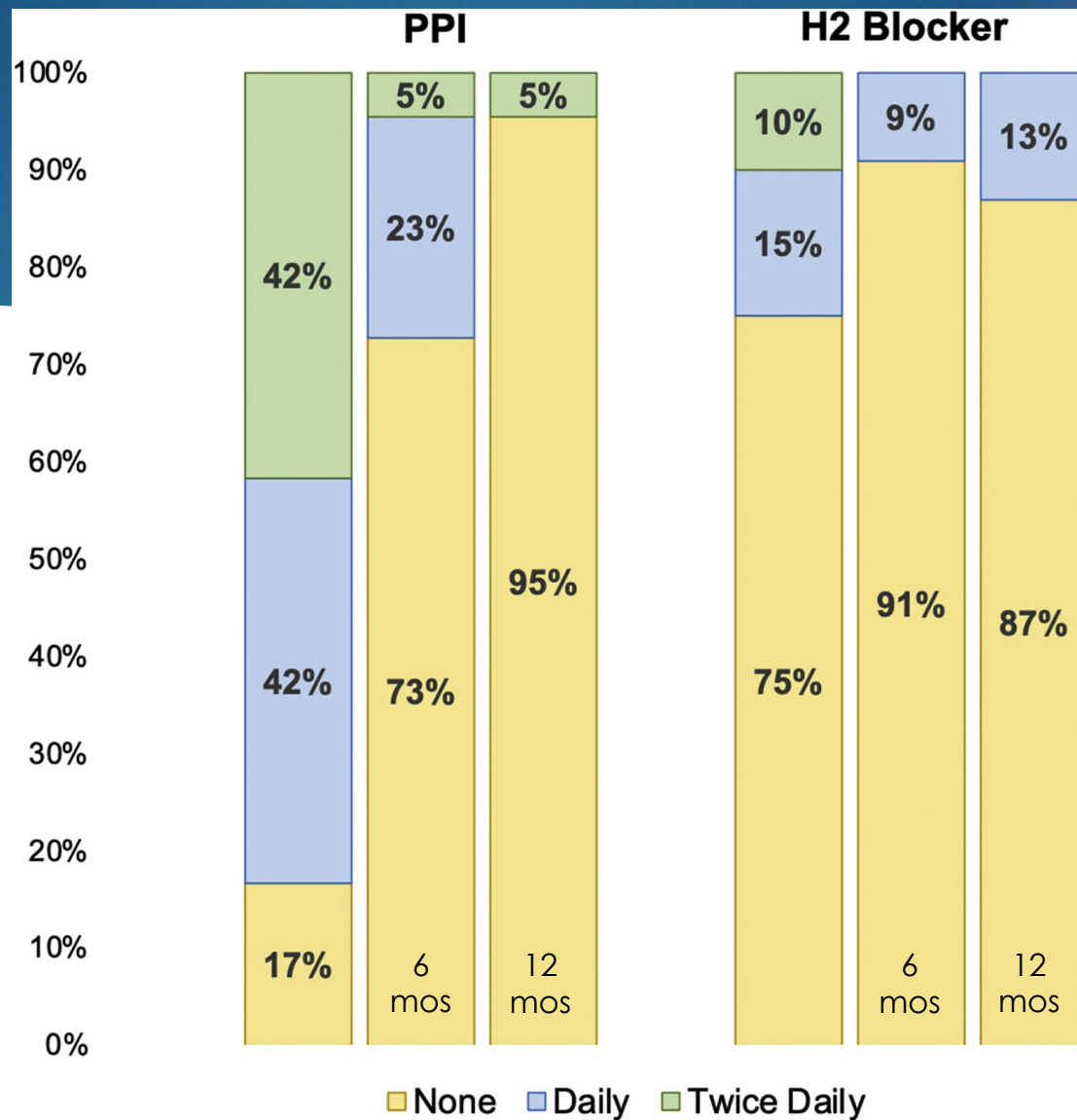
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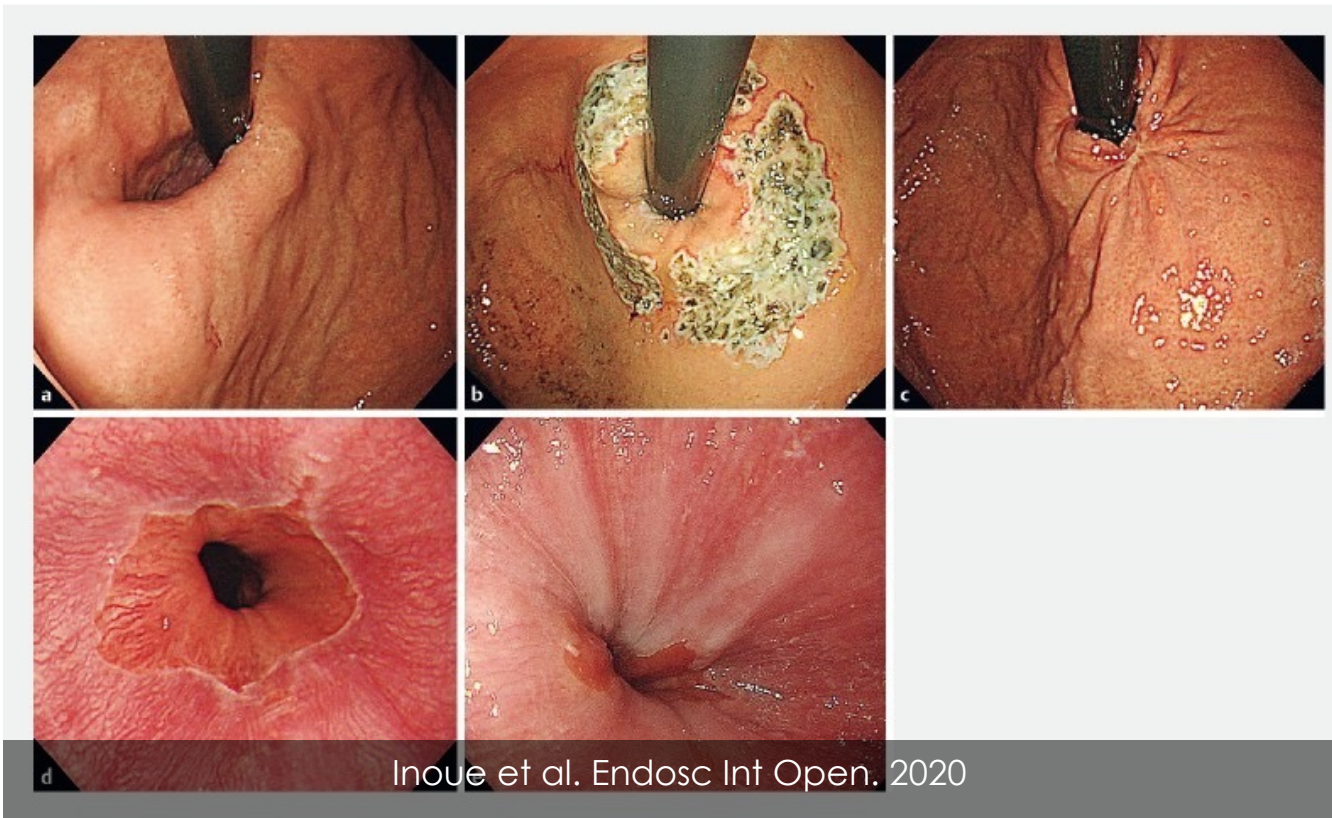


c-TIF → Choi et al

- ▶ N = 60,
 - ▶ clinically significant GERD (DeMeester > 14.7, BE, LA C or D esophagitis)
 - ▶ HH > 2 cm or Hill Grade > 2
- ▶ Mean HH 2.9 +/- 1.5 cm
- ▶ 100% technical success
- ▶ GERD HRQL, RDQ, RSI scores improved significantly
- ▶ Mean DeMeester 43.7 to 4.9, EAE 12.7 to 1.28%, p = 0.06

C-TIF



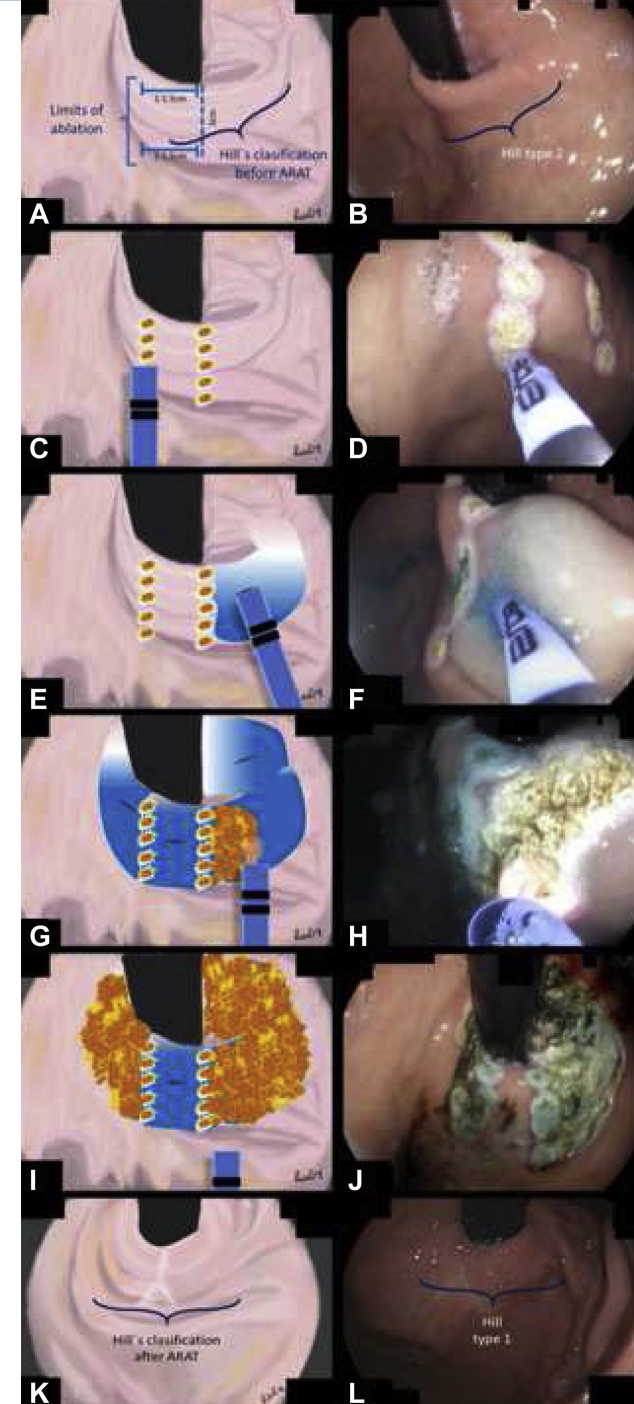


Anti-Reflux Ablation

- N=12, f/u 9 mos
 - Refractory GERD Sx despite bid PPI x 6 mos
 - Abnl acid (DeMeester or EAE)
 - 92% Hill Grade III
- Submucosal injection + 50W spray coag
- @2 mo, improved GERD-HRQL, FSSG, DeMeester score
- 8.3% (n=1) – esoph stenosis with dysphagia, dilated over 2 sessions

Anti-Reflux Ablation

- ▶ Hill Grade II or III without hiatal hernia
- ▶ Persistent GERD despite bid PPI >12 wks, DeMeester > 14.7 or EAE > 6%, erosive esophagitis, and abnl GERD-HRQL
- ▶ Hybrid APC, Effect 2, 40W
- ▶ N-180
- ▶ 12.9% developed stenosis responsive to balloon dilation (<5 sessions), 19.4% had dysphagia to some solid food
- ▶ At 3 mos, significant decrease in DeMeester, EAE, GERD-HRQL
- ▶ Clinical success (EAE <4%) = 89% at 3 mos, 72.2% at 36 mos



Post-ERCP Pancreatitis Prophylaxis – Role for IV hydration?

- ▶ Survey of endoscopists involved in advanced endoscopy fellowships - 83% of responders report use of IVF to prevent PEP¹
 - ▶ Is there benefit?
- ▶ Multicenter, open-label, RCT²
 - ▶ N=826, moderate to high risk of PEP
 - ▶ Aggressive hydration = 20mL/kg LR within 60 min + 3ml/kg/h for 8 hours
 - ▶ Rectal NSAID = 100mg diclofenac or indomethacin

1. Avila et al. GIE. 2020.

2. Weiland et al. Lancet Gastroenterol Hepatol. 2021

PEP Prophylaxis – Role for IV Hydration?

- ▶ Excluded low PEP risk patients
 - ▶ chronic calcific pancreatitis, prior sphincterotomy, pancreatic head mass, routine biliary stent exchange
- ▶ Excluded patients with active acute pancreatitis, contraindications to aggressive hydration or rectal NSAIDs
- ▶ PEP Definition
 - ▶ new onset of upper abd pain
 - ▶ extension of hospitalization for 2 nights
 - ▶ elevation of lipase/amylase > 3 x ULN 24 h after ERCP
- ▶ PD stent placement 6% in both study groups

PEP Prophylaxis – Role for IV hydration?

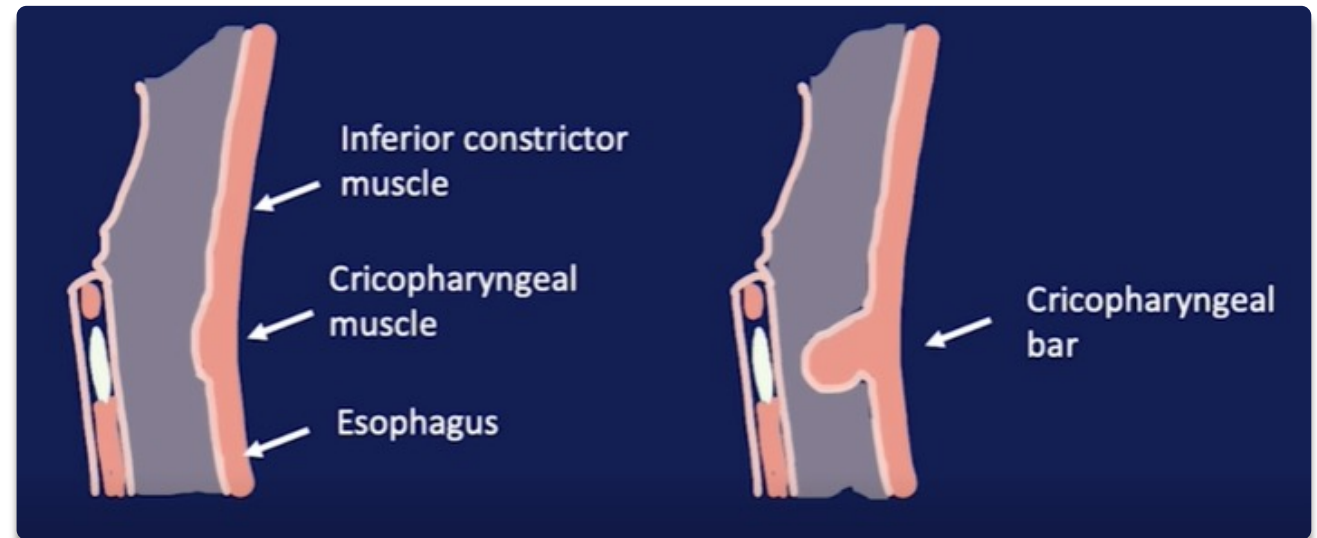
- ▶ No difference in PEP
 - ▶ 8% in aggressive hydration + rectal NSAID group
 - ▶ 9% in rectal NSAID alone group (p=0.53)
- ▶ No difference in SAE
- ▶ No difference in hydration-related complications, ERCP-related complications, ICU admission, 30 day mortality

POEM Innovations – CP-POEM

► CP-POEM

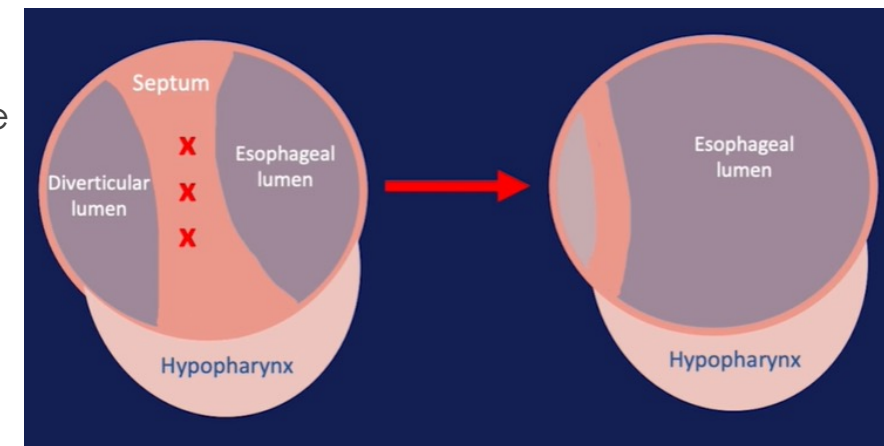
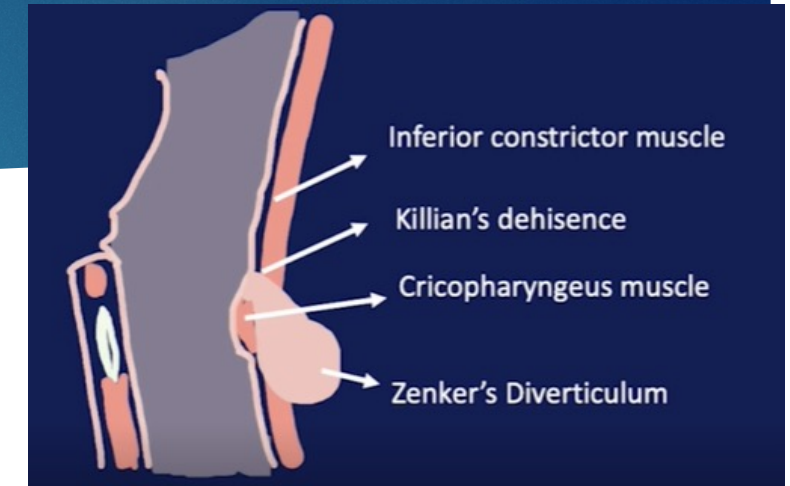
- Al Ghamdi SS et al. DDW 2021. Multicenter study, n=27 (05/15-12/20)
- Technical success: 100%
- AE: 7.4% (n=2 – mucosotomy, leak)
- Symptom recurrence: 1 patient (median f/u 3.5 years)
- Clinical success 100% (decrease in dysphagia score >2)

VIDEO 3



Z-POEM Variations

- ▶ Multicenter comparison Z-POEM (n=52) versus endoscopic septotomy (n=42)¹
 - ▶ Z-POEM → significantly fewer adverse events (p=0.017)
- ▶ Traditional ZPOEM tunnel starts in hypopharynx proximal to esophagus/septum
- ▶ POES (Peroral endoscopic septotomy) – tunnel entry overlying the septum
 - ▶ Easier tunnel closure, decreased procedure duration, decreased foreign body sensation
 - ▶ Repici et al.² n=20 → Clinical success 95%, no adverse events, Mean procedure time 13.8, 16 patients discharged same day, no recurrence (f/u mean 12 mos)
- ▶ Multicenter Retrospective comparison of standard Z-POEM v POES (n=174)³
 - ▶ Similar clinical success - 93.5 versus 94.1%
 - ▶ POES (Septal mucosotomy) – shorter procedure time
 - ▶ No difference in adverse events, LOS, symptom recurrence



1. Kahaleh et al. DDW 2021
2. Repici et al. Endoscopy 2020
3. Al Ghamdi et al. DDW 2021.

Underwater Z-POEM

VIDEO 4

- ▶ Binmoeller KF et al. DDW 2021
 - ▶ n=31, 29% prior treatment
 - ▶ Procedure time 40 +/- 17 min
 - ▶ Tech success 100%, No immediate adverse events
 - ▶ 3% delayed adverse event (contained leak)
 - ▶ Median f/u 21 pts (41 wks) – Eckardt score = 0 at final f/u
 - ▶ 1 patient with stricture treated with dilation

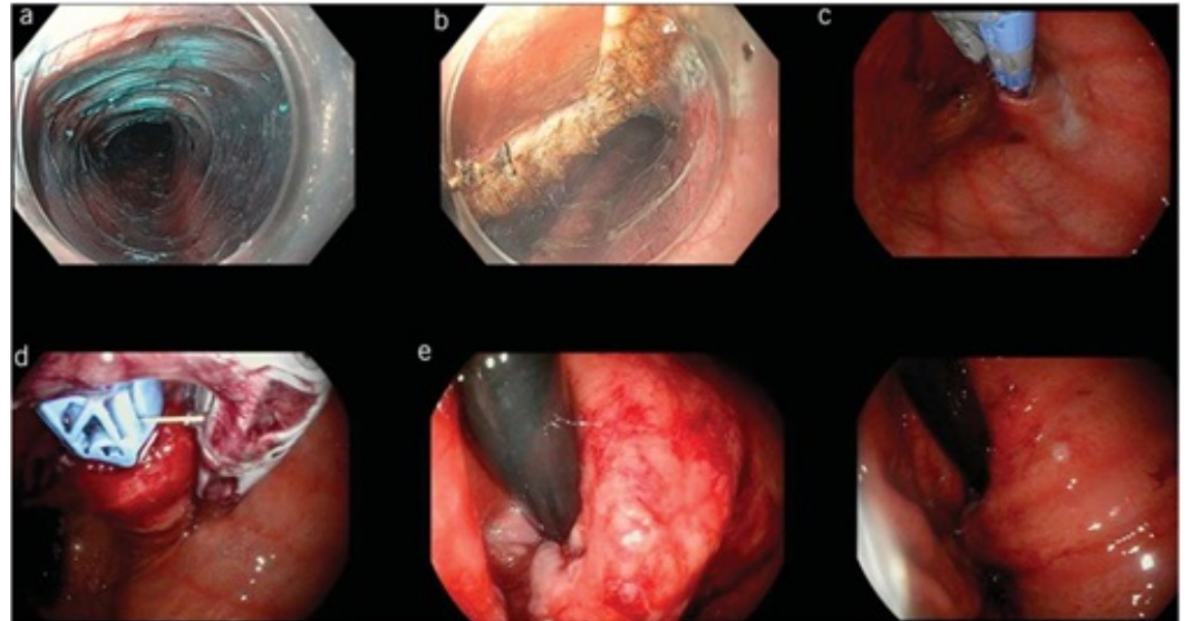
GERD after POEM

- ▶ Stavropolous et al. DDW 2021, n=704

GERD Sx Frequency	Rate (at 38 mo f/u)
Never	51.8%
</= 1time/week	32.3%
2-4 times/week	8.7%
>4 times /week	7.2%

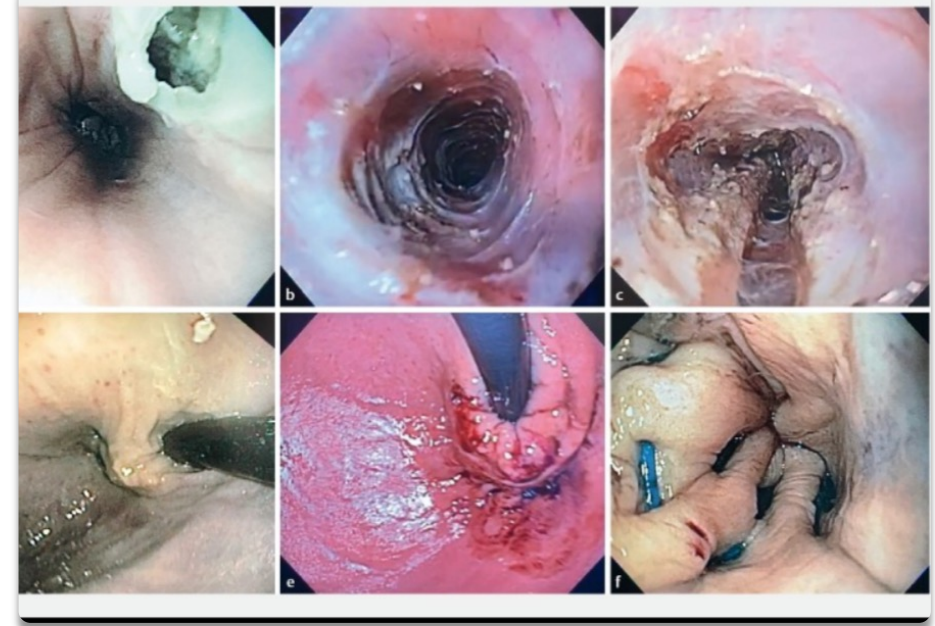
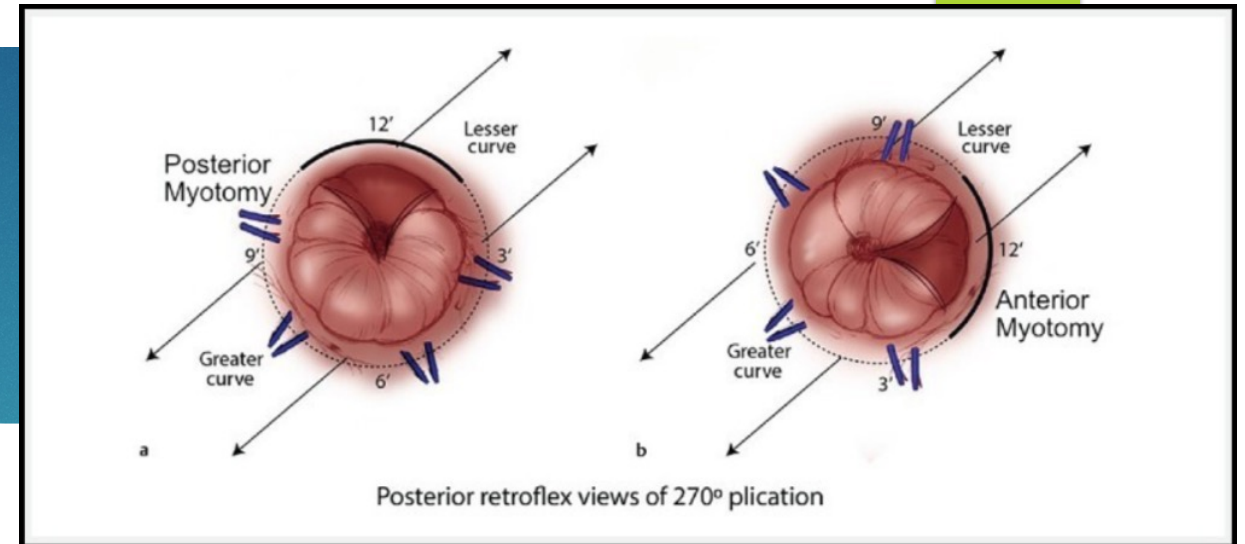
TIF after POEM

- ▶ TIF after POEM, n=12 pts
 - ▶ 75% daily GERD sx, 91.7% on bid PPI
 - ▶ 100% technical success
 - ▶ 2/12 adverse events
 - ▶ Significant decreases:
 - ▶ Bid PPI ($p=0.03$)
 - ▶ Daily Sx frequency, RSI, GERD-HRQL $p=0.03$
 - ▶ Mean DeMeester ($p=0.05$)
 - ▶ Mean % acid exposure time ($p=0.04$)

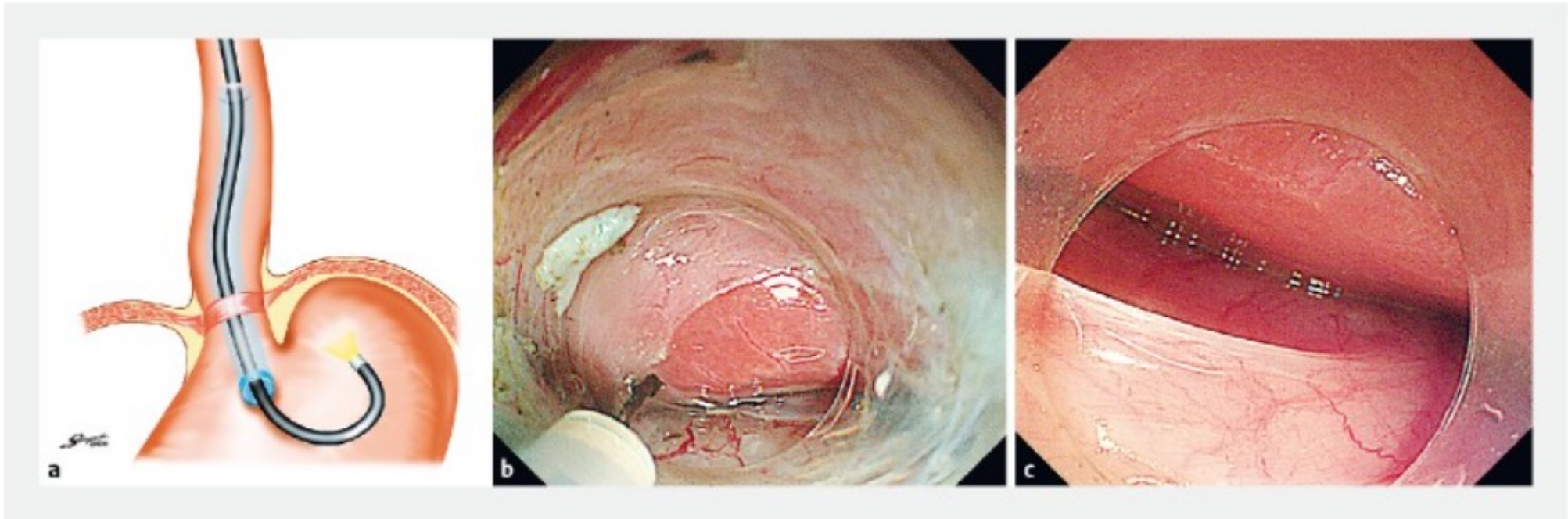


POEM + TIF

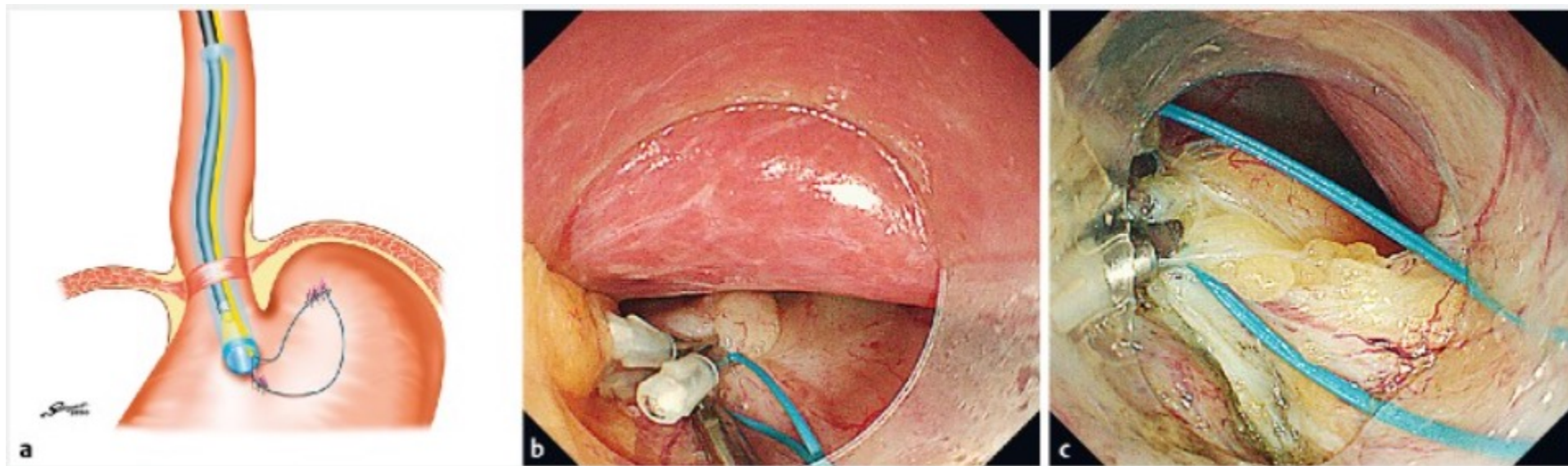
- ▶ Single session POEM + TIF safe and feasible
- ▶ Initial animal series – canine model
 - ▶ 3 anterior myotomy, 3 posterior
- ▶ Next performed in 5 patients
- ▶ No intraoperative or delayed complications including mucosal injury or leak, 38 min added for TIF
- ▶ Normal DeMeester (<14.72) in 4/5 patients at 6 months
- ▶ 1/5 – esophagitis
- ▶ Added benefit to lengthening/straightening the esophagus in achalasia patients with improved esophageal clearance?



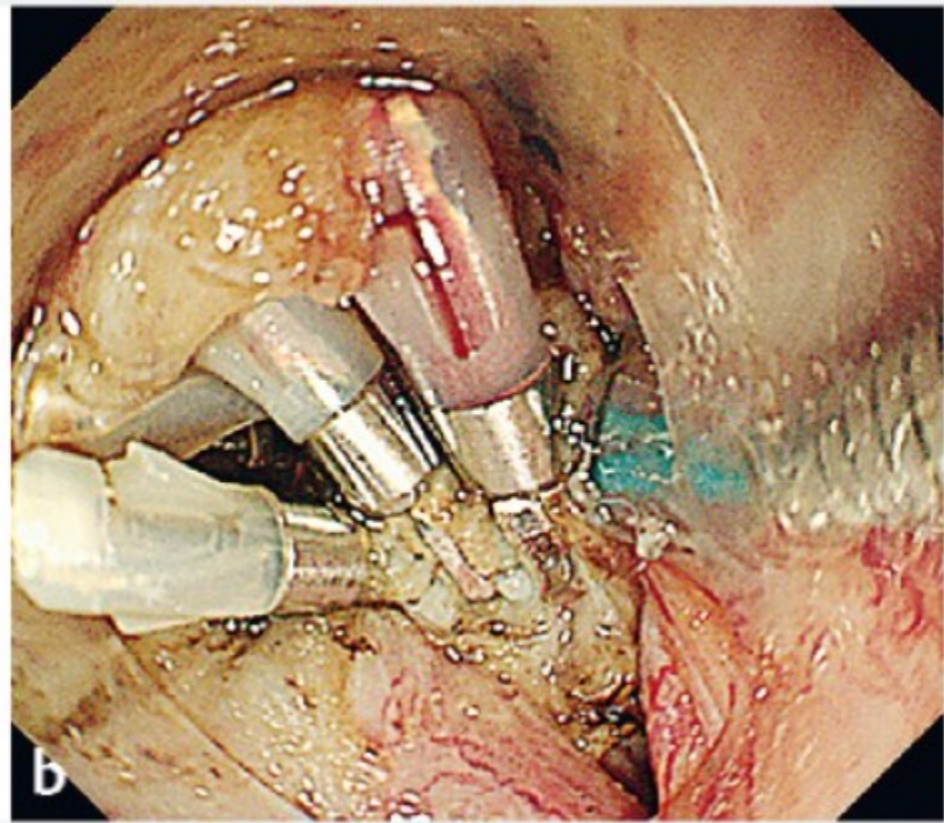
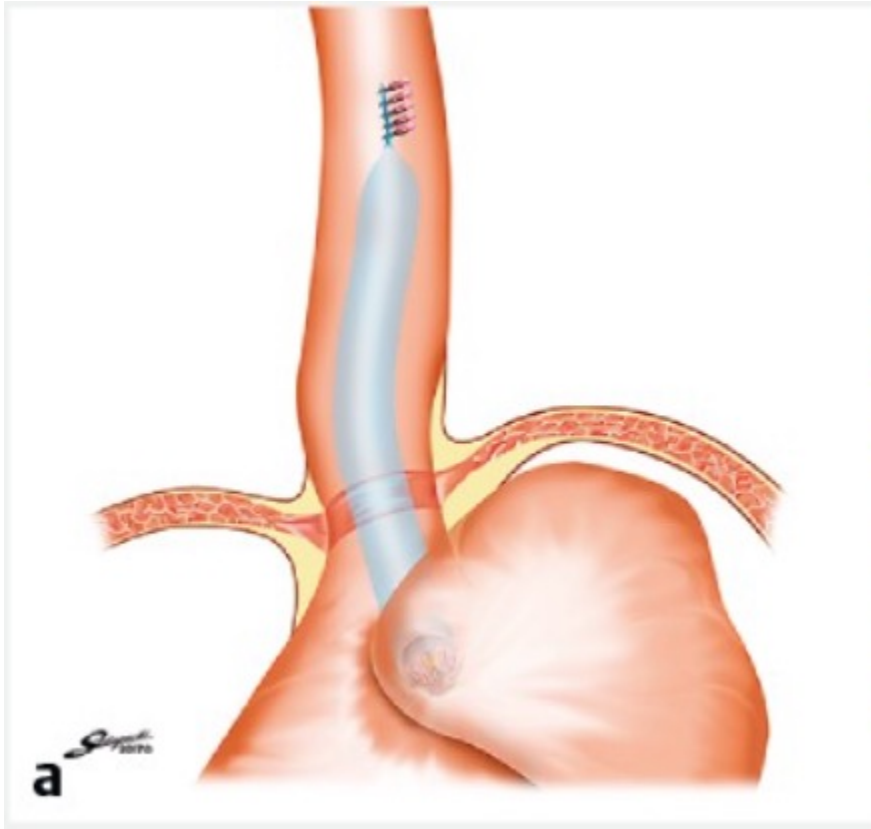
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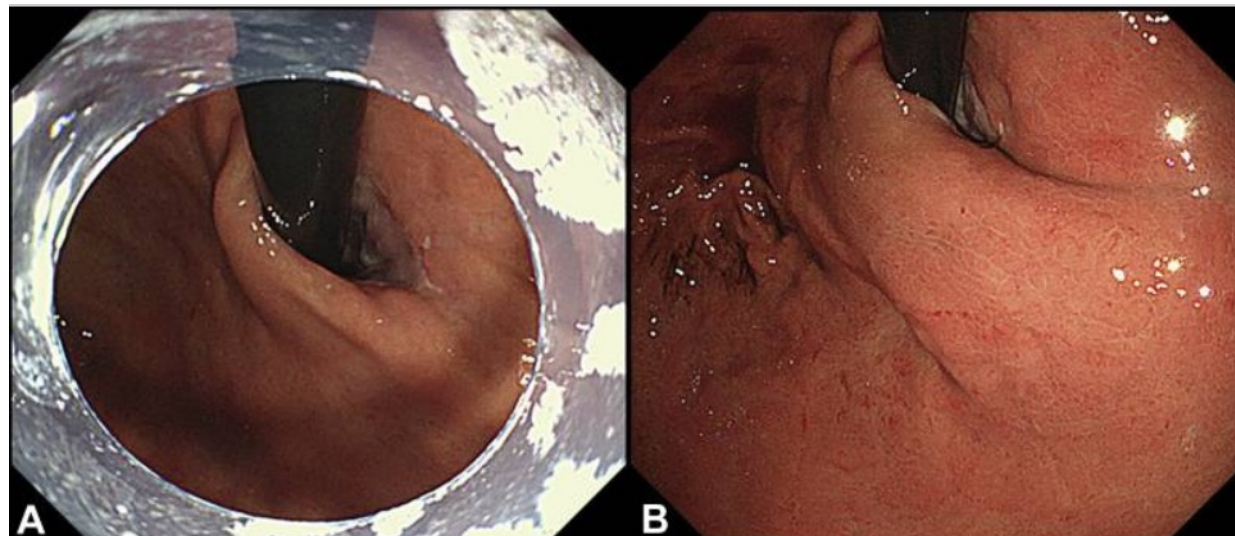
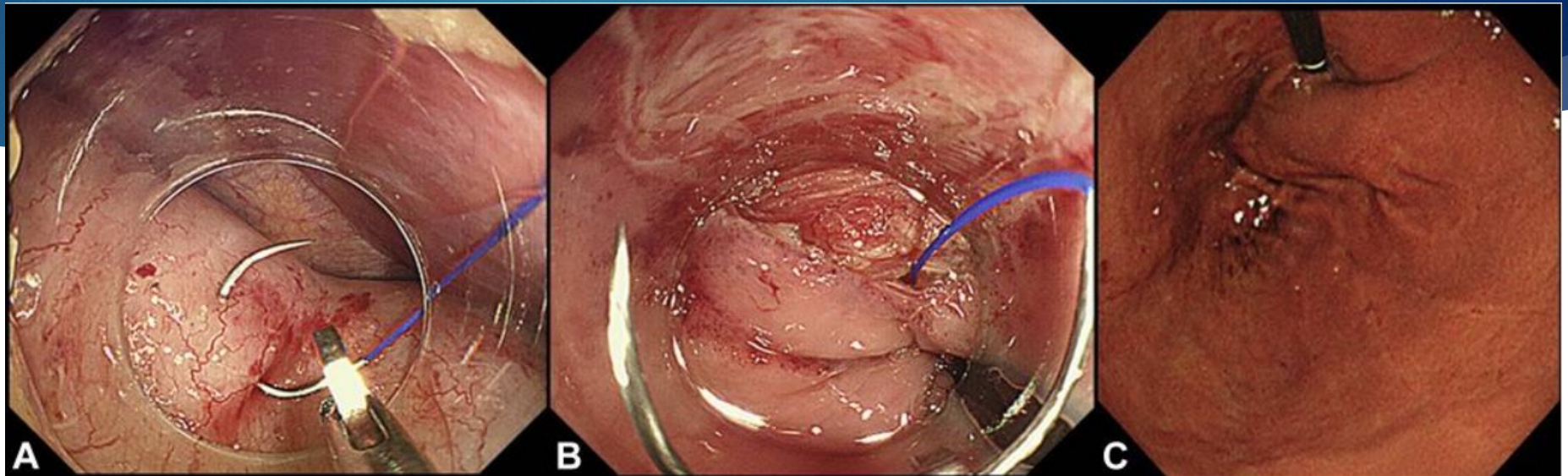
Inoue et al. Endoscopy. 2019.

POEM + F

- ▶ Inoue et al. Endoscopy 2019. N=21
 - ▶ 100% Technical Success
 - ▶ Mean total procedure time 118.9 min
 - ▶ Mean fundoplication time 51.3 min
 - ▶ 0 adverse events
 - ▶ 95.2% retained wrap structure at 2 mo f/u EGD

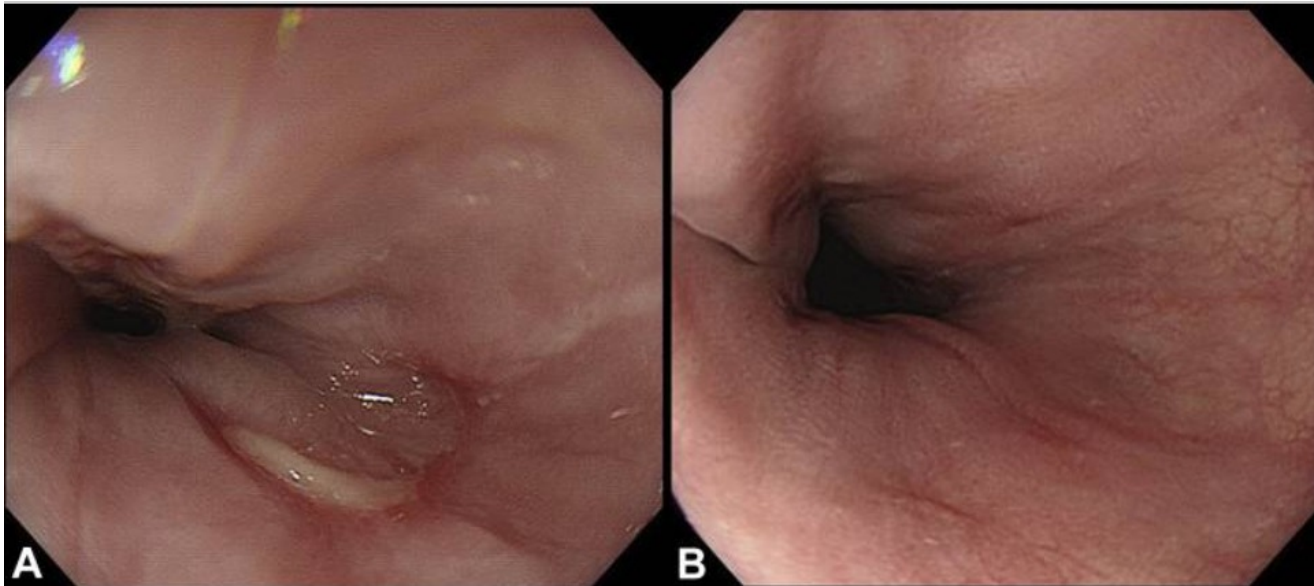
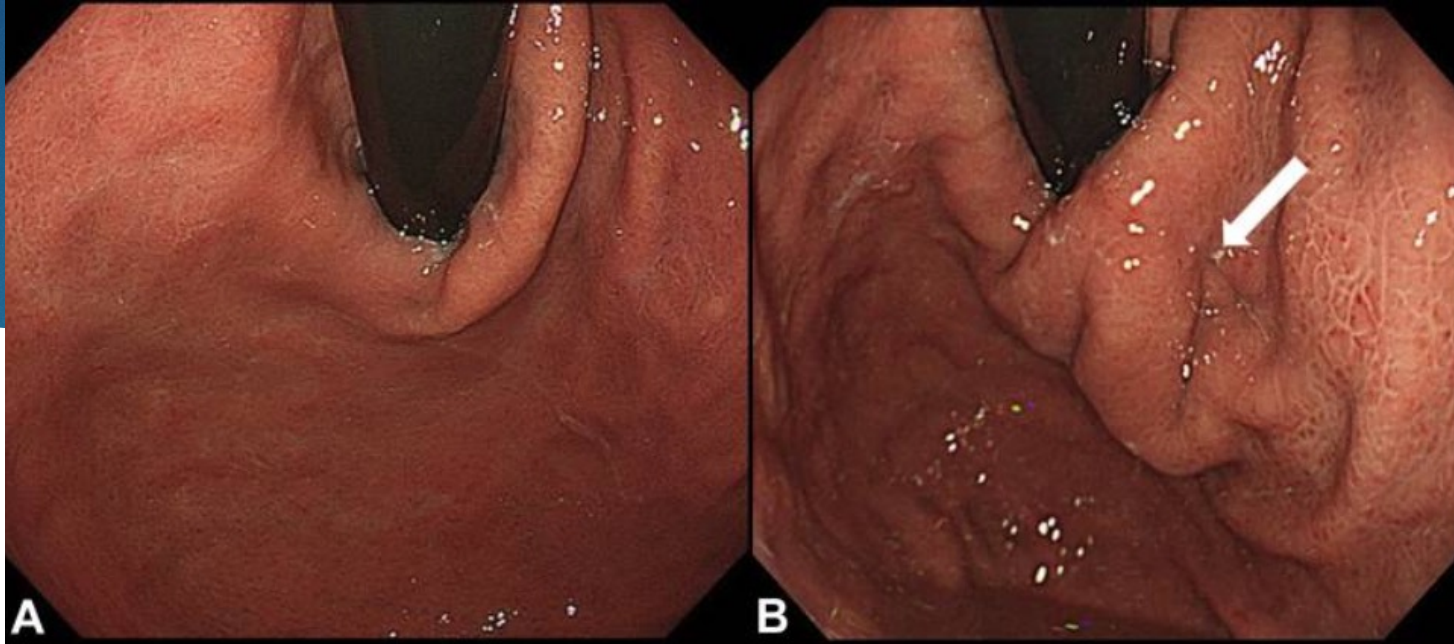
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POEF



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