Endoscopic ultrasound-guided transportal cholangiography and jejunalduodenostomy to facilitate through-the-stent ERCP and transmural gallbladder drainage in Roux-en-Y gastrectomy

Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) and endoscopic ultrasound-guided gallbladder drainage can be combined in one session [1] but remain challenging in postsurgical anatomy [2]. EUS-directed transgastric ERCP has led to favorable results in Roux-en-Y gastric bypass; several other through-the-stent endoscopic procedures are also possible in gastric bypass, including EUS [3]. ERCP may similarly be performed in Roux-en-Y hepaticojejunostomy by creating a fistula from the stomach or duodenum to the afferent limb using a lumen-apposing metal stent (LAMS) [4].

An 88-year-old woman who had undergone subtotal gastrectomy for gastric adenocarcinoma experienced cholecystitis with common bile duct (CBD) stones. Access to the papilla using ERCP failed. EUS-guided antegrade stone removal was attempted. Lack of intraduodenal dilation precluded transepipptic EUS-guided cholangiography. The CBD was imaged transgastrically under EUS and punctured through the hepatic artery and portal vein with a 22G needle (▶ Fig. 1). Methylene-blue cholangiography confirmed the presence of multiple CBD stones. Contrast outflow into the duodenal provided fluoroscopic mapping (▶ Fig. 2). EUS-puncture of the duodenum next to the surgical gastrojejunostomy confirmed access by aspiration of blue-tinged fluid. Saline injection through the 19G needle confirmed access by aspiration of blue-tinged fluid. Saline injection through the 19G needle brought about luminal distension prior to freehand duodenal insertion of a cautery-enhanced 18 × 10-mm LAMS at the duodenojejunal flexure (▶ Video 1). After balloon dilation of the LAMS to 18 mm, the echoendoscope was removed. A duodenoscope was passed through the LAMS retrogradely to the papilla (▶ Fig. 3). CBD stones were cleared following over-the-stent needle-knife sphincterotomy and balloon sphincteroplasty. The duodenoscope was removed. An echoendoscope was advanced through the LAMS into the duodenal bulb under careful fluoroscopic monitoring (▶ Fig. 4). A 10 × 10-mm LAMS was advanced freehand under EUS and deployed for cholecystoduodenostomy (▶ Fig. 5). After choledocholithiasis demonstrated on retrograde cholangiography, the patient was discharged without further event.

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Through-the-LAMS ERCP appears feasible in gastrectomy patients, as in other patients with postsurgical anatomy [3, 4]. Transportal EUS-guided puncture may safely be performed for tissue sampling [5]; it may also allow EUS-guided cholangiography in postsurgical anatomy without intrahepatic dilation, facilitating afferent limb mapping on fluoroscopy. Transenteric LAMS allow sequential endoscope passage for combined ERCP and EUS-guided gallbladder drainage as a same-session procedure in high-surgical-risk Roux-en-Y gastrectomy patients.

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