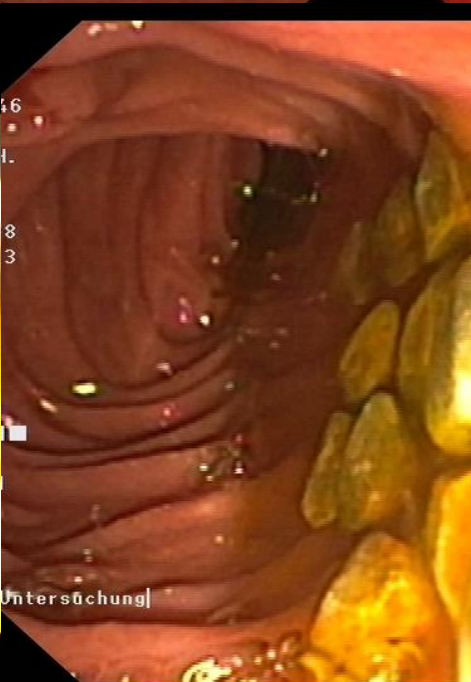
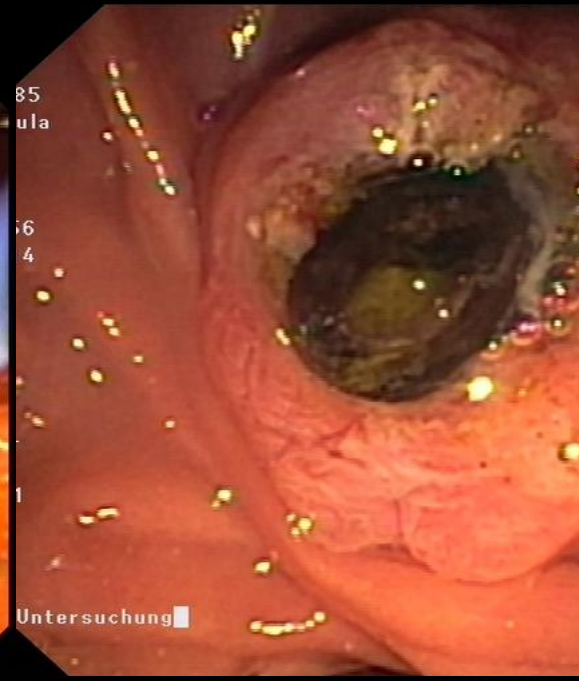
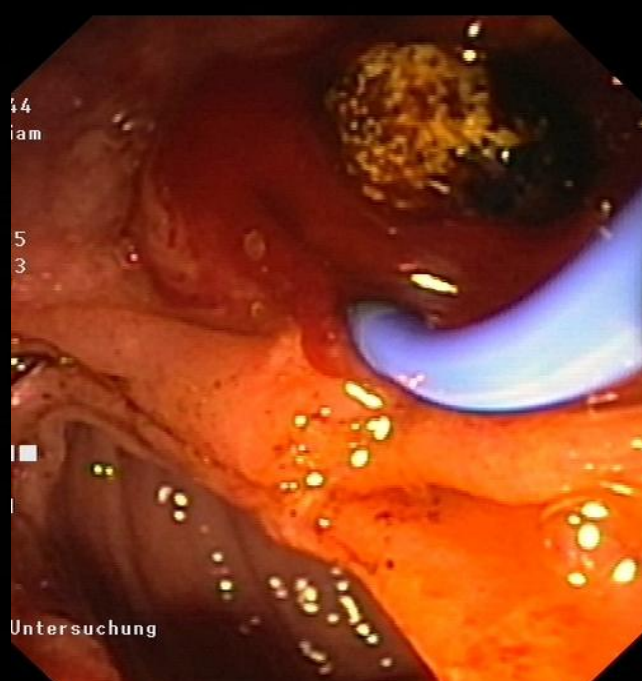




ERC-Steinbehandlung: Cholangioskopie mit Lithotrypsie

Sylvia Müller, Reiner Wiest



What the patient wants....

Goal –

**Safe
Comfort
Low cost
Effective
Durable**

Aim in Treatment

**no complications, side-effects
short hospitalization
economic burden low
successful treatment «at once»
no recurrence
Longterm success
.....
No development of malignancy**

Muss wirklich jeder Stein im Gallengang via ERCP entfernt werden ?

Cholesterin-



Bilirubin/Pigment-



Mikrolithiasis



.....

Gemischte.....

***weiche
kleine
glatte***

.....



Natural course of choledocholithiasis- Can one leave stones Treatment ?

Gallriks study

3969 patients with CBDs on IOC; 594 stones left in place

25% developed complications (inert 30 days)

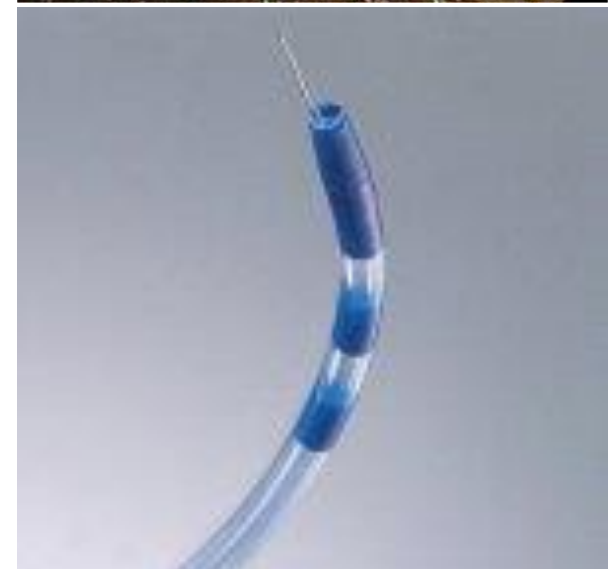
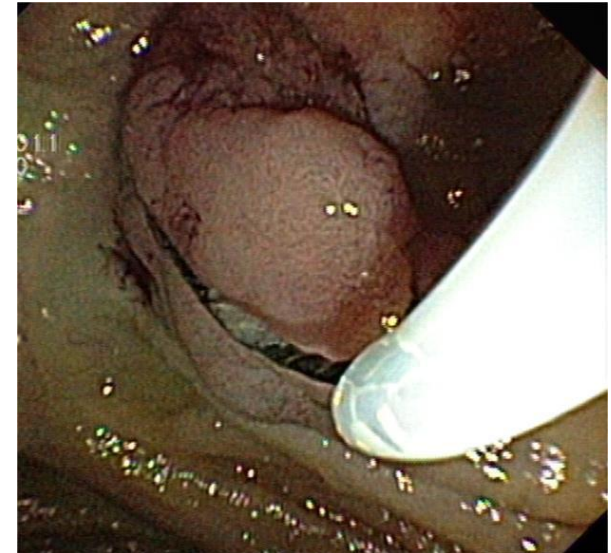
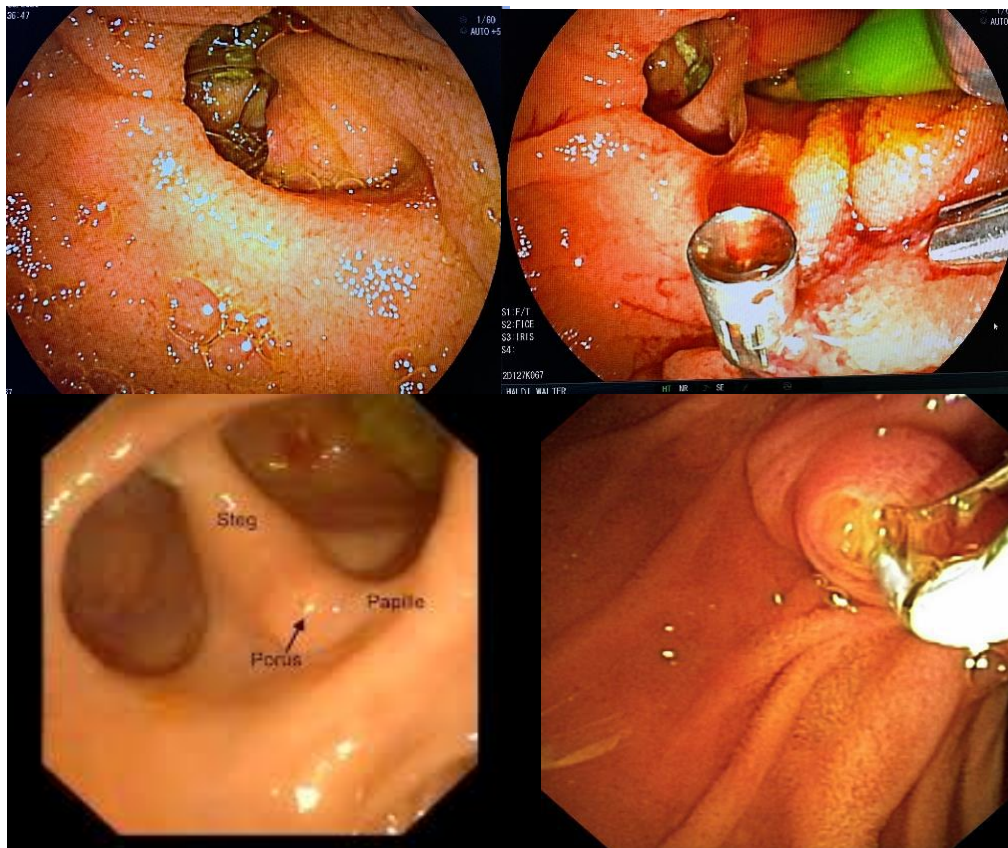
ESGE and ASGE recommends stone extraction to all patients with common bile duct stones, symptomatic or not

Likelihood increases with stone size but even 4 mm or less: 5.9% vs. 8.9% OR 0.52 (0.34-0.79)

Moller et al. JAMA Surg 2014

Bile duct access- First Step

Some approach does carry higher risks than others....

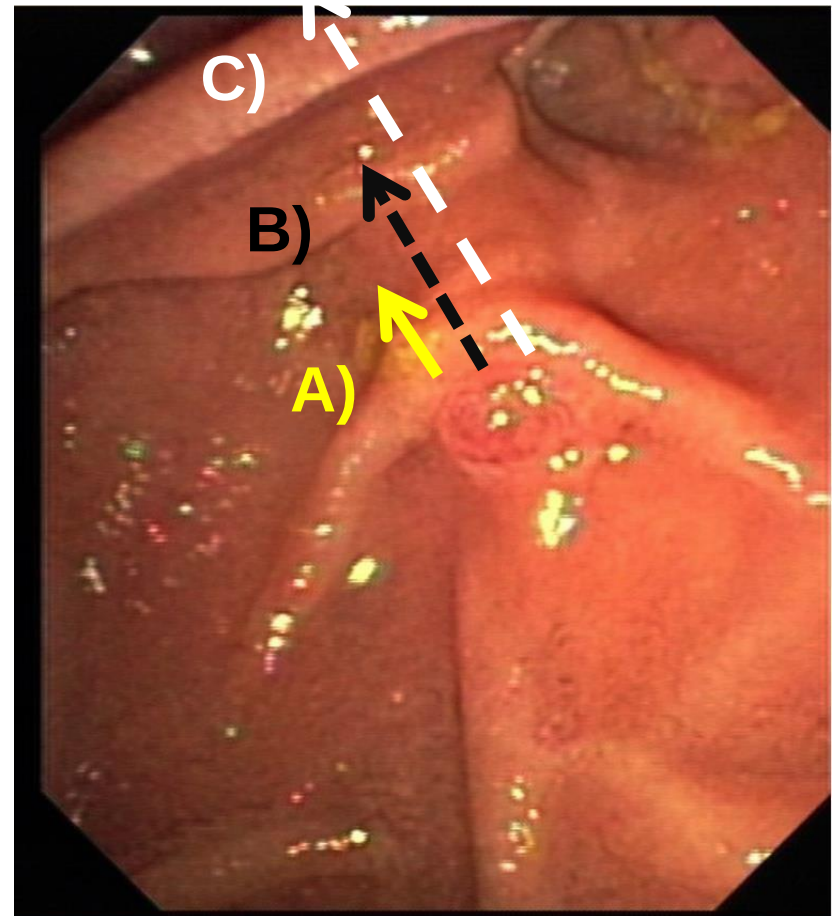


Sphincterotomy: you like a bit more ?

**small or mid-sized
(1/3 to 1/2 distance to roof)
rather than large one**

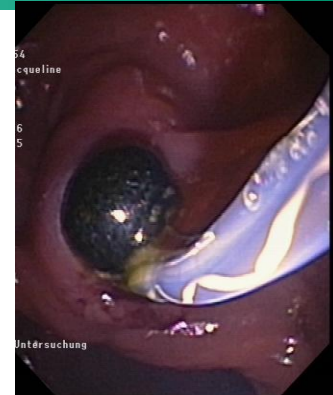
**which independently
Associates with increase in AE
OR 3.4 (1.8-6.6)
Particularly bleeding
OR 6.2 (2.4-16.3)**

SAFETY FIRST





Was definiert einen «schwierigen» **Was einen «easy» Stein ?**



Steine < 10 mm und nicht impaktiert

sind nicht schwierig = «easy»

Steine < 6-8 mm benoetigen i.R. kein Koerbchen

Nach Sphinkterotomie

Extraktions-balloon in Grösse des DHC

**90% of
CBD-stones**

Common bile duct stones

Not "difficult"

Extraction by sphincterotomy +
balloon and/or basket

"Difficult"

Predicted failed extraction by sphincterotomy + balloon and/or basket
(stone size > 1.5 cm, multiple stones, narrow distal common bile duct,
angled common bile duct)

Limited sphincterotomy* + EPLBD
(same session)

EPLBD of a previous
sphincterotomy

Failed extraction

Consider mechanical lithotripsy or cholangioscopy-assisted lithotripsy or ESWL

Failed extraction or above
procedures not readily available

Insert temporary plastic stent and refer to
tertiary care center or consider surgery

Endoscopic papillary large *Balloon-Dilatation (EBD)*

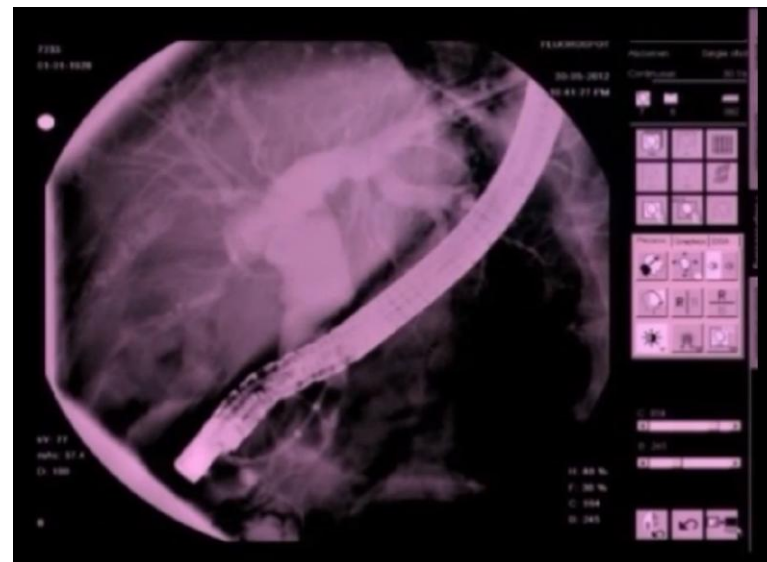
RECOMMENDATION

ESGE recommends that an adequate exit for the stones that are to be removed should be provided according to the papilla and common bile duct anatomy and the stone size.

Strong recommendation, low quality evidence.

**Niedrige Hemmschwelle
(persönl. Anmerkung)**

**Balloongrösse < DHC-diameter
Mit Sphinkterotomie (ausser KI)
Mind. 30 (-60) Sekunden Dauer
sonst erhöhtes Komplikationsrisiko**



System. Review (30 Studien)

Sphinkterotomie mit vs. ohne EBD
Geringer AE-, Komplikationsrate
8.3% vs 12.7%, OR 1.6, $p < 0.001$

Reduziert Bedarf an Lithotripsie
um 30-50%, $p < 0.001$

Give stone (extraction balloon) splace/place to work

Kim et al. WJG 2013; Karsenti Endoscopy 2017; ESGE-guidelines 2019

ORIGINAL ARTICLE: Clinical Endoscopy

Covered self-expanding metal stents for the management of common bile duct stones

Karen Hartery, MD,¹ Chung Sen Lee, MD,¹ Glen A. Doherty, MD,¹ Frank E. Murray, MD,²
Garret Cullen, MD,¹ Stephen E. Patchett, MD,² Hugh E. Mulcahy, MD¹

Dublin, Ireland



44 patients received covered SEMSs (10mm, length 60mm)

After a median in-stent duration of 8 weeks

36/42 stents (82%) removed with successful duct clearance

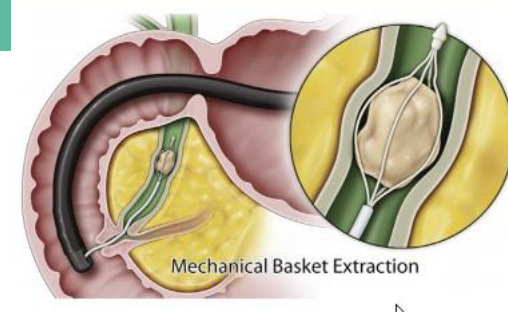
By simple balloon-extraction-maneuver (no lithotripsy)

10/44 (23%) stent migration (without clinical consequence)

**Prefer stenting and sequential approach
(in absence of cholangioscopy) – easing stone
extraction due to fragmentation by stents**



Mechanical Lithotripsy: when and how ?

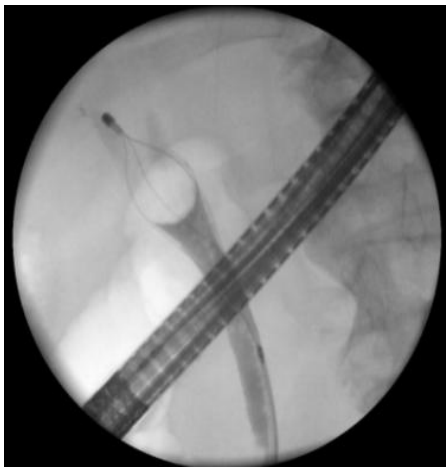


**60 mm gastric
bezoar basket**

No Cholangioscope available, hence basket-approach
To do or Not to Do ?

Yung et al. WJG 2012

Entrapped basket: what now ? emergency lithotripsy orrescue



Stubborn stones: breakages of a mechanical lithotripter by an exceptionally hard gallstone

Natalie Allen,¹ Stephen Pettit,² Abid Ali²

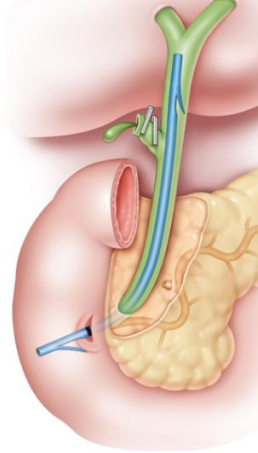
BMJ Case Rep. 2014

Laparotomy for surgical removal



Notfall-Lithotrypsie – Wie geht das ?





Mechanical Lithotripsy: predictors of failure and alternative.....

- Stone size: > 25 mm (> CBD)
- Impactation/ wall adherent
- Unusual hardness, shape
- Anatomy: stricture

**Biliary endoprosthesis
does impact on size of
large difficult stones**

- **Majority (40-80%) of large stones are fragmented by stenting easing stone clearance during second ERCP**
- Retrospective data: double plastic stenting (maybe) superior to single stenting in maintaining stent patency rate
but: similar rate of fragmentation

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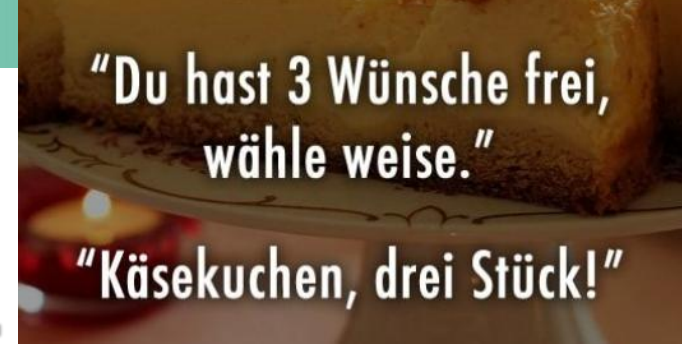
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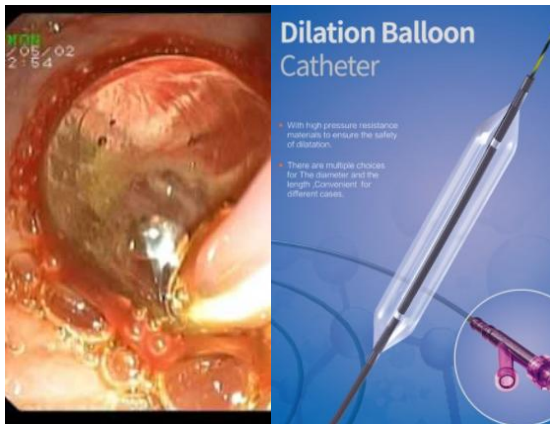
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tertiary care center or consider surgery

Material, devices to be used for difficult stones.....



Make your wish – 3 wishes free..... To success

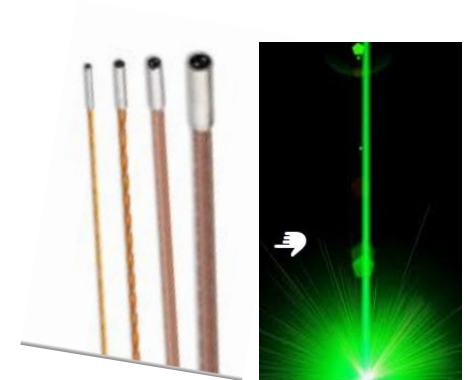
Exit (open)



Vision/control



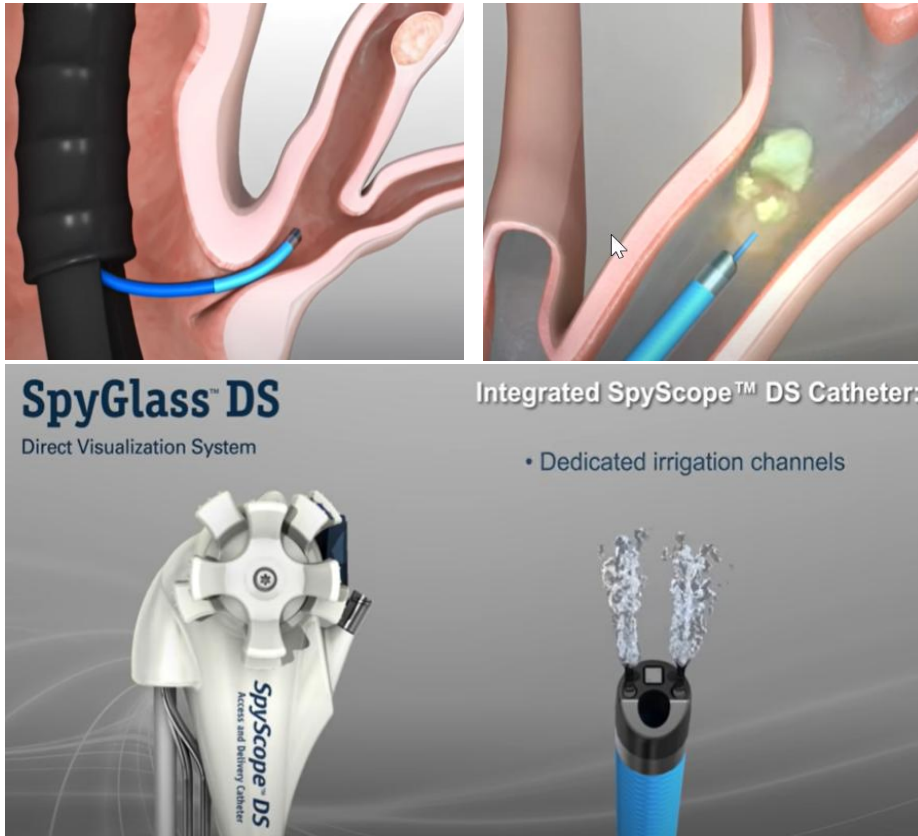
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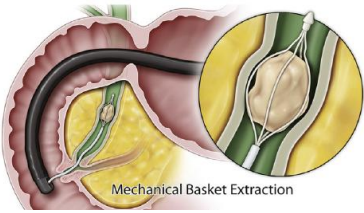
EHL Laser

Handling difficult stones

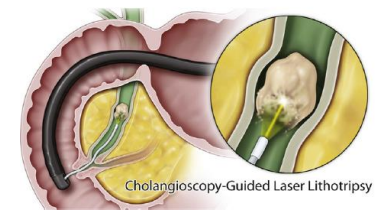
Advantage and use of Cholangioscopy



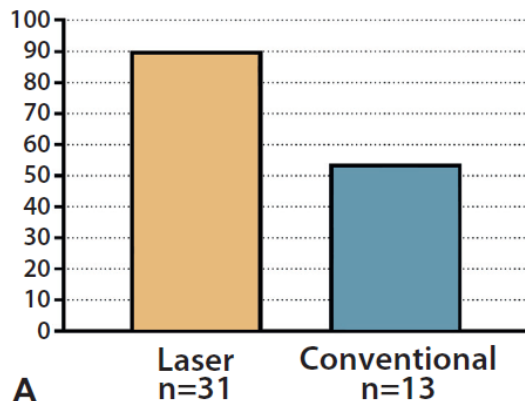
- 10.5 Fr sheath
- 4 way maneuverability
- Magnification X4
- Aqua-irrigation
- High-resolution optic
- working channel 1.2 mm



Cholangioscopy-assisted lithotripsy



	Conventional-Basket n=18	Cholangioscopy - (laser) n=42
Mean stone diameter (mm)	19 + 9	18 + 6
Total stone volume (cm ³)	3.2 (0.9+5.3)	3.4 (1.7-6.5)
Multiple stones	12 (66.7%)	25 (59.3%)

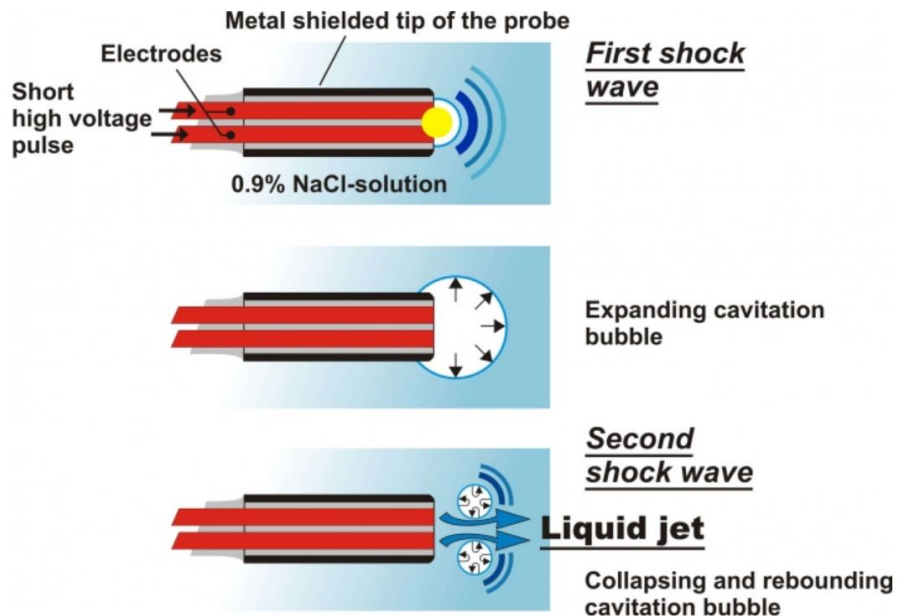


stones > 10 mm
greater clearance by cholangioscopy
than conventional (basket) treatment

Buxbaum J et al. GIE 2018

Cholangioscopy-assisted Lithotripsy

Electro-hydraulic (EHL) probe- technique



Laser method- types-sonde

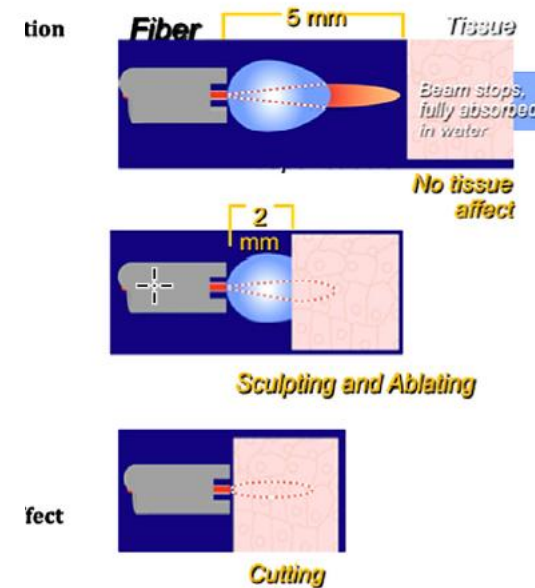
Pulsed laser causes instantaneous fluid evaporation

This induces formation of Cavitation bubble

Collapse of bubble leads To shock wave

Photomechanical effect

Bigger the bubble stronger the mechanical effect





Handling difficult stones Cholangioscopic - Lithotripsy



*Majority > 15 mm, multiple > 3 stones
40% impacted stones*

407 cases in 22 centres utilizing Spy-DS-device

	EHL	Laser	P-value
Technical success (complete stone clearance)	96.7%	99%	n.s.
Single session achieved	74.5%	86.1%	n.s.

**EHL and Laser-Lithotripsy equally effective
use by preference, availability, expertise**



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- 85% fragments removed by extraction balloon
- Stent placement: each group 30% (> 85% plastic)
 - **Failure-rate: overall only 11 (2.7%)**
 - **Adverse events: 15 (3.7%)**
mainly cholangitis, 1 CBD perforation (SEMS-treated)
all conservative, no mortality (90 day FU)

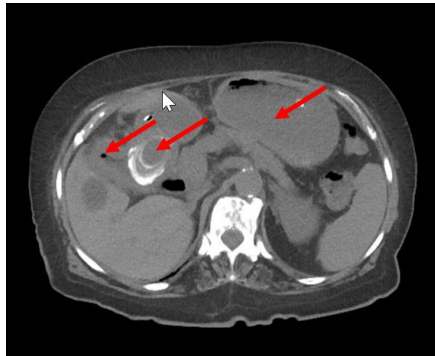


Cholangioscopic - Lithotripsy

What if the stone does not break ?

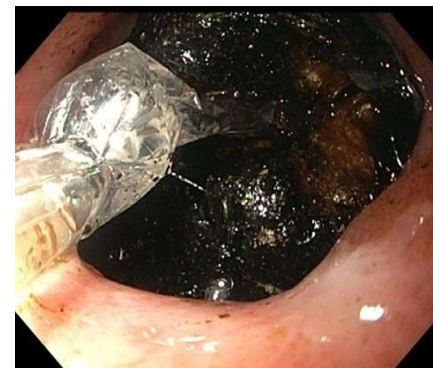
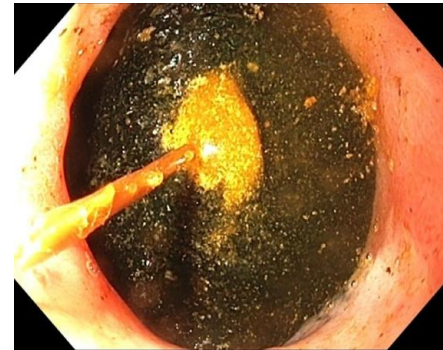


Bouveret-Syndrome and «Drill and Blast»-Methode



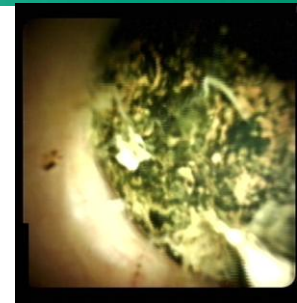
«Rigler-Triad»
ectopic gallstone
Aerobilia,
gastric retention

Kukiolka et al. Z.Gastro 2020





Cholangioscopy-assisted lithotripsy



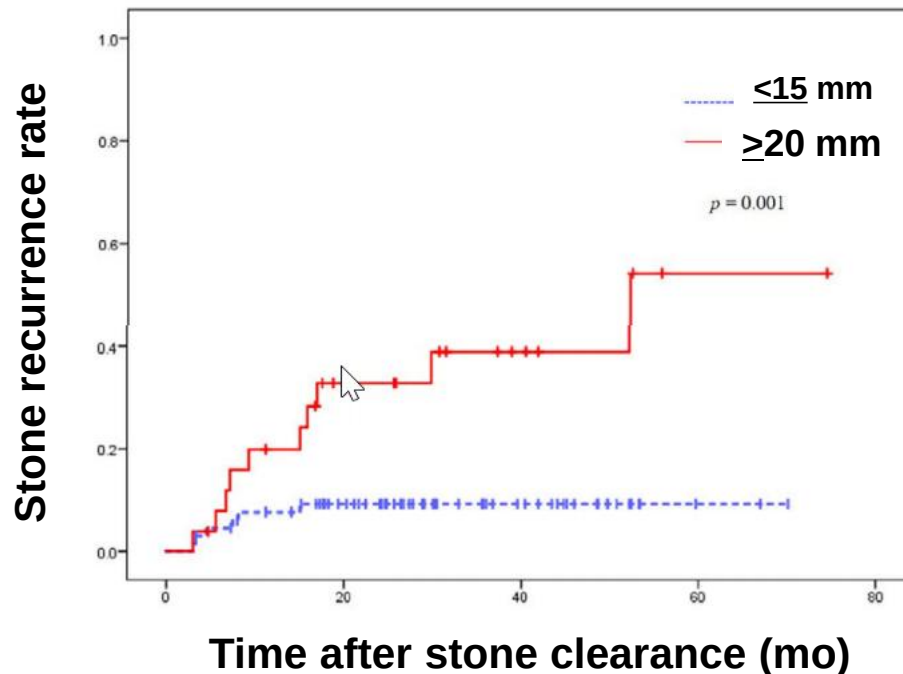
**Clear add-on value =
low threshold if available due to**

- **enabling visualized targeted lithotripsy (EHL or laser)**
 - **end control for stone clearance**
- large CBD: contrast unreliable for definite clearance
 - **reduces radiation exposure**
- **eases ERC in pregnant women (without radiation)**

**Cholangioscopy-guided lithotripsy is very efficient
a safe procedure – treating difficult bile stones**

Stone-Recurrence: When to call the surgeon?

Discuss biliodig. anastomosis ?



Risk factor
for recurrence:
CBD diameter > 20 mm

Restoration of
CBD-diameter=
Shrinkage within 2 weeks
by at least 3 mm
71% diagnostic accuracy
Lack of recurrent stones

Irreversible CBD-dilation
 > 20 mm
with repeated recurrent stones
(e.g. within 1 year)

Murabayashi Intern Med 2019

Choledocho-



Hepaticolithiasis



Zusammenfassung – Take-Home-Messages – [www.erc](http://www.erc.eu)

