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Title: Comparison between Uncovered and Covered SEMS Placement in Malignant Duodenal Obstruction

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Thank you for allowing the revision of our manuscript NO 12719.

We have revised and formatted our manuscript according to the editor's and reviewers' suggestions.

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The changes by the editor's comments were written in blue color. The changes by the reviewers' comments were written in red color. Finally, the changes by the American Journal Expert were written in green color. We also attached several memos in our manuscript for response to the editor's and reviewers' suggestions to help your editing .

Changes by editor's comments

Comments on language certificate:

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Reply :

We revised our manuscript by professional English language editing companies as you suggested.

Comment 1:

Material AND METHODS section in ABSTRACT is too short. Please add it to 80 words.

Thank you!

Reply:

We revised our manuscript as you suggested.

Comment 2:

RESULTS should be no less than 120 words: You should present *P* value where necessary and must provide relevant data to illustrate how it is obtained, e.g. 6.92 ± 3.86 vs 3.61 ± 1.67 , $P < 0.001$

Reply:

We revised our manuscript as suggested.

Comment 3:

CONCLUSION should be no more than 26 words, please revise it, thank you!

Reply:

We revised our manuscript carefully, following the comments.

Comment 4:

Please provide all authors abbreviation names here. The abbreviation names should be the same as the copyright.

Reply:

We added authors abbreviation names and manuscript title as you suggested. We also changed the order of abbreviation name from “first name-surname” into “surname-first name with abbreviation” For example, we changed Ji Won Kim into Kim JW.

Comment 5:

Don't need blank space between reference numbers. Please check throughout. Thank you!

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Please revise your Heading 2 like this.

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Comment 7:

Please provide clean pictures without A or B on it. Thank you!

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We provided clean picture without A or B according to your comments.

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You recommend to revise minor errors in our manuscript.

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We revised minor errors in our manuscript according to your recommendation.

Changes by reviewers' comments

Comment of reviewer A:

In this study the authors examined the technical success rate, clinical success rate, complication rate, and stent patency compared between uncovered and covered stents. Their results indicated that the technical and clinical success rates did not differ between two groups. However, stent migration occurred more frequently with covered than uncovered stents. Moreover, the overall median duration of stent patency was longer in uncovered than in covered stents. According to their results, uncovered stent may be preferred when SEMS placement in patients with malignant duodenal obstruction is performed. Although this study was retrospective and the sample size was relatively small in the covered stent group, this study certainly have practical value in the treatment of malignant duodenal obstruction since a limited number of clinical studies have compared the clinical outcomes between uncovered and covered metal stents. Discussion section should be more concise.

Reply:

Thank you very much for your valuable comment. We revised the discussion section in our manuscript.

Comment of reviewer B:

This paper lacks novelty, however, data shown in this paper is clinically useful. There are several errors in words and grammar. Please revise them after native speaker checked it.

Reply:

Thank you very much for your kind comment. Our article was reviewed by American Journal Expert for the English language review.

Comment of reviewer C:

This is a study to clarify the usefulness of the stent for duodenal obstruction by comparing between covered and uncovered stent. The limitation is this is a retrospective study, but it is valuable for mentioning the usefulness of uncovered stent in complication. Please check word and grammatical errors.

Reply:

Spelling and grammatical mistakes have been corrected by American Journal Expert for the English language review. Thank you for your meticulous review.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.
Sincerely yours,

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