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<b>Conclusion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Early and late post-ERCP complications should be discussed

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The authors compared the efficacy and safety of plastic stent (PS) versus self-expanding metal stent (SEMS) placement using the systematic review and meta-analysis and showed that SEMS presents a higher duration of patency, lower reintervention rate, and lower dysfunction rate when compared to the use of PS. I think this paper is well written and very useful.

1. The authors described pancreatic cancer and bile duct cancer were caused of malignant distal biliary obstruction. Is it necessary to separate the analysis according to the type of cancer?

2. The authors stated "In five included RCTs the main factors for choosing between PS and SEMS were tumors larger than 30 mm and the presence of hepatic metastasis. According to these studies, these factors may significantly reduce the patient's survival, favoring the deployment of PS, because of its lower initial cost." I recognized that PS were shorter survival than SEMS. But the authors described "With regard to mean survival analysis, there was no difference between SEMS vs PS placement." I was confused the conclusion. Why was the survival no difference between SEMS vs PS placement?

## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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<b>Language quality</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
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The manuscript has been revised well. I think this manuscript will be acceptable