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

The authors report a case of ileocecal obstruction by a neoplasm, that was successfully treated by placement of an endoscopic stent. This is a subject that is of scientific interest, as an increasing number of colonic neoplasms are treated with the use of SEMS. Writing in the english language is adequate, and the description of the procedure is well-detailed, with highly illustrative images. However, there are a number of issues that must be addressed by the authors: 1- In the article title, using the expression "self-expanding" or "self-expandable" metallic stent would be more accurate than "self-expanded"; 2- A major issue is that the authors state in different sections of the manuscript that there are no previous reports of this procedure. However, there are at least two articles available in Pubmed that describe similar procedures, and should be acknowledged (DOI:10.1055/s-0043-113560 and DOI:10.1155/2014/372918); 3- The history of past illness, personal and family history, physical examination, laboratory examination and conclusion sections are blank. These sections must be filled out with relevant data to the case (Was there a previous history of weight loss, abdominal pain or change in bowel habits? Was there a family history of cancer? Was the abdominal mass palpable? Did the patient had leukocytosis or anemia at presentation?) 4- Describing what was the nature of the patient's contraindication to general anesthesia would be of primary importance in this case report; 5- The patient is said to have been stabilized prior to the procedure - was he hemodinamically unstable at presentation? 6- Were there any signs of metastatic disease in the imaging exams? 7- While the authors state that the usual surgical treatment for this case would be a jejunostomy, it would actually be an ileostomy; 8- All abbreviations must be written in full the first time they appear in the text (DSA: digital



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substraction angiography - this is also missing in the abbreviation list at the end of the manuscript); 9- There are some minor corrections in the treatment section (the catheter should be said to be "too short for reaching" the obstruction; vertebral catheter instead of vertebral cater); 9- Finally, in previous descriptions SEMS are used in colon cancer as a temporary treatment before definitive surgery. In the case reported, it was used as a definitive palliative treatment, and while not mandatory, it would be of great scientific interest if the authors could provide medium- and long-term information on the patient follow-up.



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Thank you for the opportunity to review this informative article. I enjoyed reading it and I hope my comments would aid you in improving the research article.

1. Title : Suggest to expand the abbreviation DSA and state in the list of abbreviations (not completed). Also suggest to use the universally accepted terms for SEMS - expandable/expanding.
2. Introduction : despite mentioning several times in abstract that this is the first reported case of stenting in proximal bowel, this has indeed been written in several articles. One article even mentioned stenting done at TI. Suggest to omit or write as "few studies" (reference : DOI: 10.29271/jcpsp.2019.12.S89 and 10.1155/2012/296347)
3. Case presentation : Many important pertinent history and clinical examination findings were not included. (e.g. family history, constitutional symptoms, any colonoscopy/biopsy etc.). Why was this patient planned for palliative care? Did CT staging revealed any mets? Any oncology referral? Was it the patient's wish? Despite the age of 88 years old, ECOG status should be stated to support the decision for palliative care.
4. Discussion : suggest to summarize as it is unnecessary to describe again what was done. Instead, previous studies documenting outcomes with statistical data to support the good outcomes of such procedure would be much more valuable. (eg. Post op death avoided, period of immobilization or length of hospital stay comparing stenting and surgery. etc.)
5. Conclusion? Maybe the last paragraph of the discussion can be used as the conclusion.
6. language used is acceptable with some minor corrections to be made (eg vertebral cater -->catheter)



## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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Thank you for the revised manuscript. As most of the comments have been addressed based on your article, I have no further comments to make. Thank you.