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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

good paper    accept it    please cite WSES guidelines on colonic obstruction



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Comments about the manuscript Characteristics and Predictors of Complications and Survival in Patients Undergoing Colonic Stenting for Malignant Colorectal Obstruction The authors aimed to predict complications after stent placement for colonic obstruction either in a palliative or a curative attempt. The purpose of the study is interesting and could help to select patients who could be good candidate for stent. The authors should nevertheless indicate in the manuscript that there is currently a debate on the oncological safety of the stent (Sabbagh et al, ann surg, 2013). Major comments: 1/ In the material and methods chapter, the authors should define what an unresectable cancer is. Idem for palliative vs curative intent. 2/ The authors should revise the statistics in the results chapter. There is a mistake in this part "On univariable analysis, none of the following variables predicted the development of complications from SEMS insertion: age of the patients OR 1.02 (95%CI; 0.95 to 1.10), patients sex OR 2.37 (95%CI; 0.69 to 8.14), the time between the onset of symptoms to SEMS insertion OR 1.01 (95%CI; 0.99 to 1.03), the time between SEMS insertion and surgery OR 1.02 (95%CI; 0.85 to 1.22), the length of the stenosis OR 1.12 (95%CI; 0.70 to 1.80), location of the stenosis OR 1.03 (95%CI; 0.97 to 1.08), albumin level OR 0.98 (95%CI; 0.90 to 1.06), receiving neoadjuvant chemotherapy OR 1.38 (95%CI; 0.39 to 4.88)". Odd ratio are multivariate analysis and not univariate analysis if the authors mean multivariate they should give the outcomes of the univariate first and then included only significant variables in the multivariate analysis. 3/ Most importantly what is the primary criteria of the study. 4/ Do you really think that patients with extracolonic tumors must be selected for the purpose of this study? For me they corresponded to another issue. 5/ your univariate analysis for complication is very unclear : - what are the corresponding complications (perforation, failure,