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# Chronic gastrocutaneous fistula after sleeve gastrectomy

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# Case presentation

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- Female, 39 years
- History:
  - 02-2022: Sleeve gastrectomy: Weight 93 kg, **BMI 34 kg/m<sup>2</sup>**
  - POD2: Relaparoscopy: **leak**: suturing, drainage
- 03-2022: **gastrocutaneous fistula**:
  - Drainage liquids => drainage food
- 12-2022: **OTSC-clip**



# Case presentation: Current status

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January 2023: arrival in our hospital

- **Gastrocutaneous fistula:** low outflow
- Several changes of bandage depending on drinking liquids
- Eating small amounts food
- No dysphagia, No vomiting, No GERD

Weight 54 kg, Length: 165 cm, **BMI: 20 kg/m<sup>2</sup>**



# Technical investigations

## Lab test:

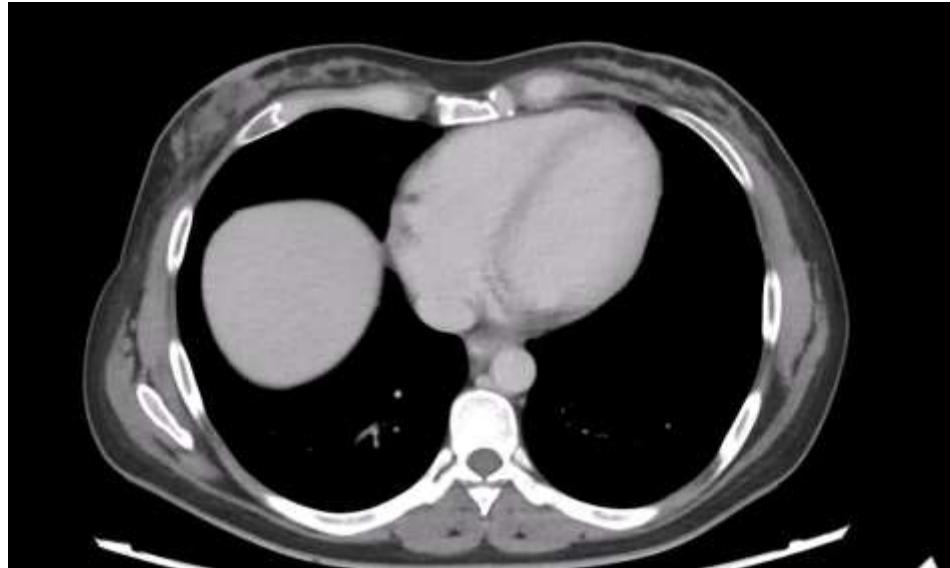
- **Hb 8,6 g/dL**
- **MCV 59 %**
- WBC 5,8 10<sup>9</sup>/L
- CRP 6,5 mg/L
- **Protein 79 g/L**
- **Albumine 42 g/L**
- Iron 29 µg/dL
- Ferritine 11%
- Transferrine 226 µg/L
- Normal kidney function
- Normal liver function
- Normal cholesterol
- Nomal Folic acid, Vit A, Vit E, zinc



# Technical investigations

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## Abdominal CT



- Gastrocutaneous fistula
- Perisplenic fluid with air bubbels
- No general abdominal fluid or air

# Technical investigations

## Upper GI-series





# Treatment

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## Gastroscopy

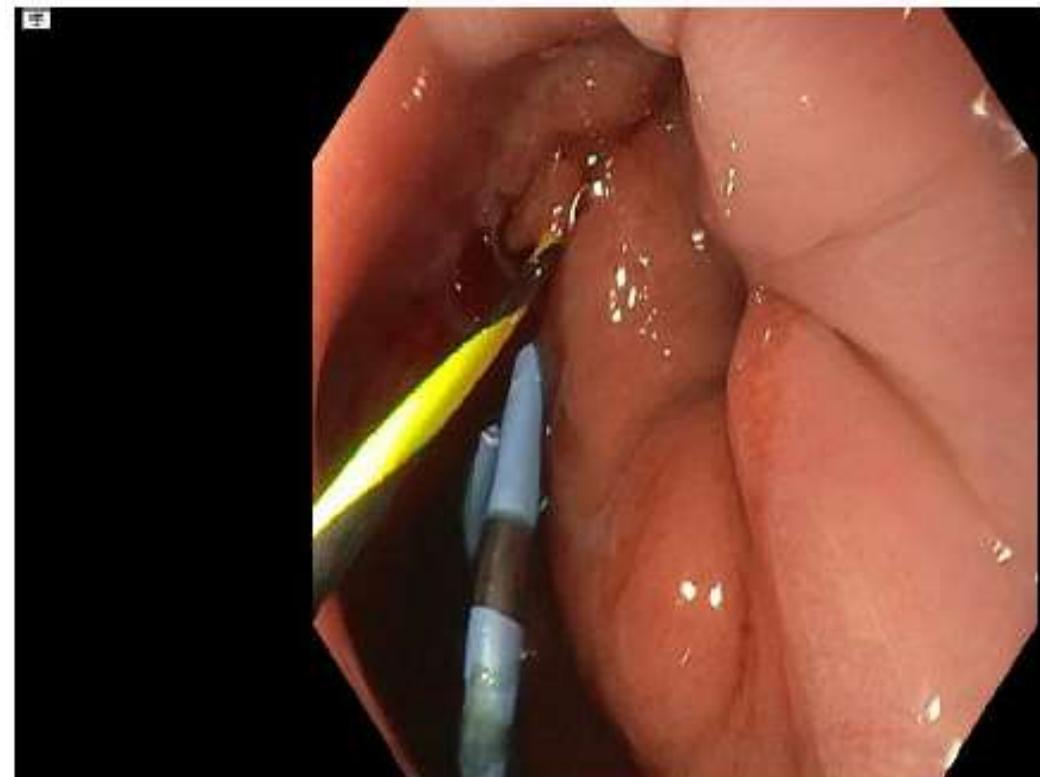
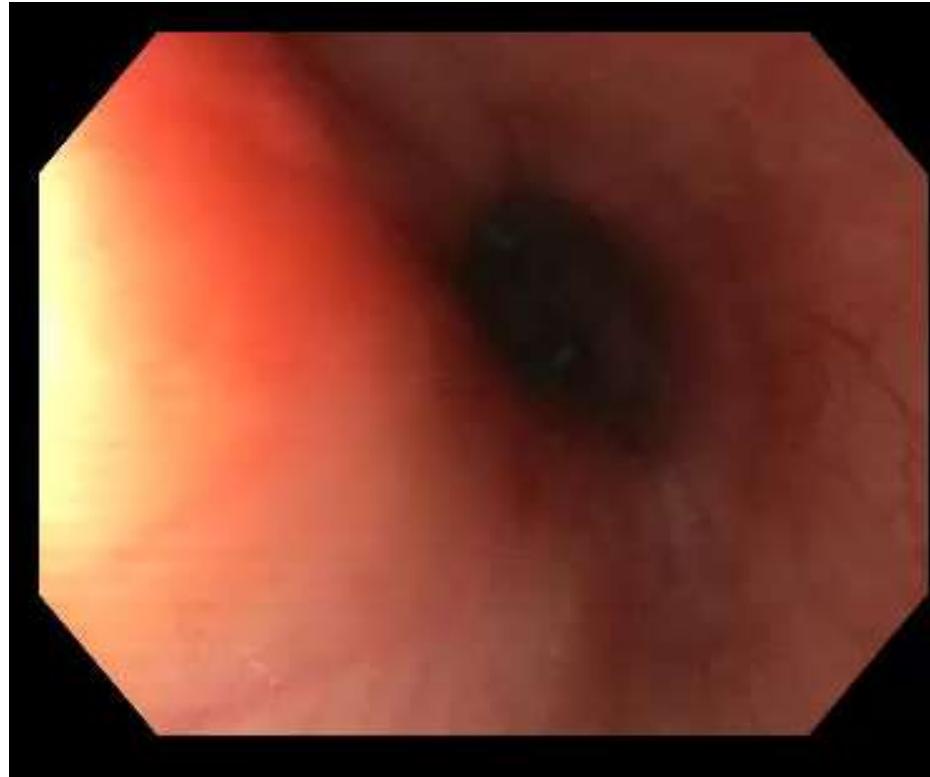




# Treatment

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## Gastroscopy





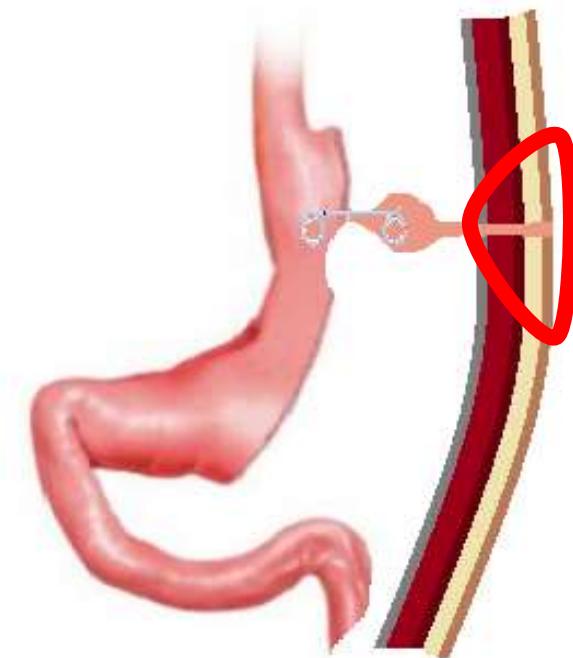
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**Excision of the wound and outer fistula tract**

Closure of the fascia and skin

Antibiotics 2 weeks





# Follow-up

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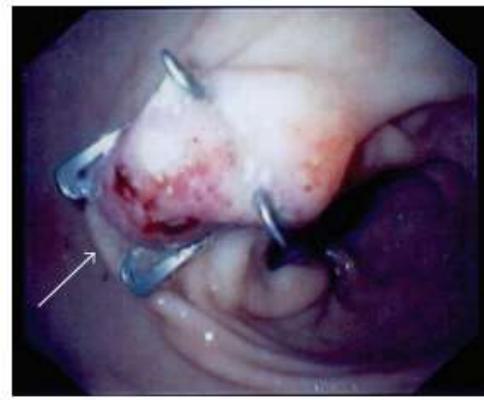
2 months

- No fistula, No drainage
- No fever
- Healing of the skin
- Good oral intake
- Stable weight: 56 kg, BMI: 20,6 kg/m<sup>2</sup>



# Literature

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## Case Report

### **Endoscopic Treatment of a Gastrocutaneous Fistula Using the Over-The-Scope-Clip System: A Case Report**

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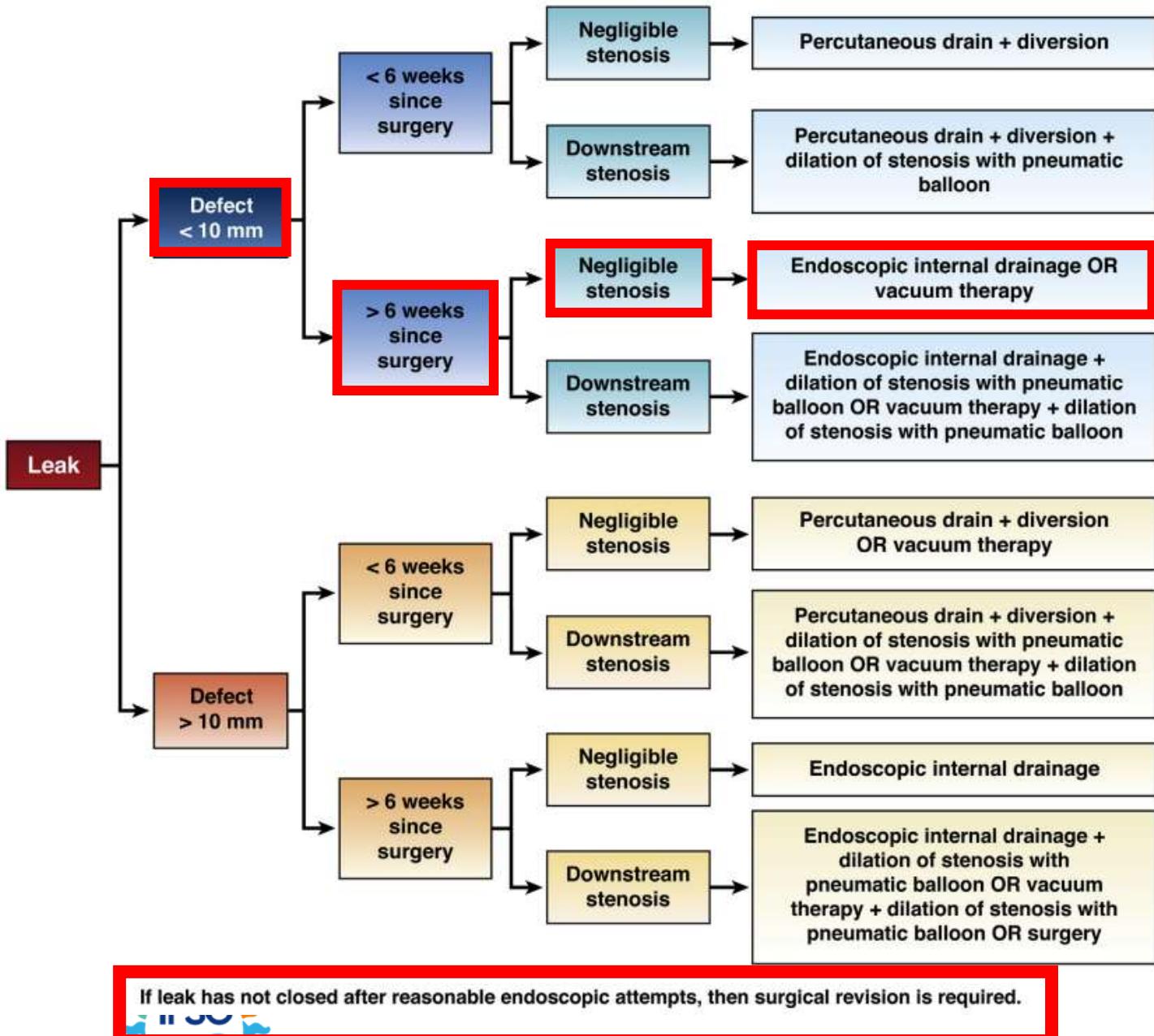
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## CLINICAL PRACTICE UPDATE

### AGA Clinical Practice Update on Evaluation and Management of Early Complications After Bariatric/Metabolic Surgery: Expert Review

Vivek Kumbhari,\*# David E. Cummings, ‡§ Anthony N. Kalloo,\*

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# Conclusion

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## Patient tailored approach

- Conservative
- Fistula Size
- Early vs chronic fistula
- Stenosis, high pressure zone
- Endoscopic vs surgical treatment



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