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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript deals with an important issue, however relevant changes have to be made: before the manuscript can be evaluated some important information has to be provided: What are the definitions used for "severe PEP" "mild PEP" etc. What is the difference to mere hyperamylasemia? Please provide legends for the tables/figures - are the numbers patients or %?



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Well written paper, good analysis. The authors have to mention the definition of Post-ERCP pancreatitis in these studies. Table 2 is missing a column for the numbers of the non-stent groups. The authors need to have a more critical section on the limitations of the study including sampling bias, evaluators' bias and geographical bias.



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Dear authors, my comments for you would consist suggestions about adding data about indications for any surgical treatment after the placement of prophylactic pancreatic stent. Then, the paper would be of greater value for surgeons practitioners.