Use of over-the-scope clips (OTSC) for hemostasis in gastrointestinal bleeding in patients under antithrombotic therapy
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In patients taking different regimens of antithrombotic and/or anticoagulant therapy, endoscopic management of gastrointestinal bleeding represents a major challenge due to failing endogenous hemostasis. In this retrospective study Lamberts et al. report on success rates with the over-the-scope clip (OTSC) system in upper and lower gastrointestinal bleeding in this high-risk patient population.

Per-oral endoscopic myotomy for achalasia cardia: outcomes in over 400 consecutive patients
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Per-oral endoscopic myotomy (POEM) has emerged as an efficacious treatment modality for the management of achalasia cardia (AC) and non-achalasia spastic esophageal motility disorders. Initial results are encouraging. In this study, Nabi et al. analyzed the safety and efficacy of POEM in a large cohort of patients with AC at a single tertiary care center.

Comparative quality assessment of esophageal examination with transnasal and sedated endoscopy
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Unsedated transnasal esophagoscopy (TNE) may offer a less expensive, mobile alternative to sedated esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD) for evaluations of reflux related complications. Comparisons of imaging quality by these methods are lacking. In this study, Crews et al. aimed to compare the endoscopic examination quality of TNE (performed in two different settings) with EGD from this recent trial and assessed TNE imaging quality based on procedural setting.