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## Delayed Bleeding Following Percutaneous Endoscopic Gastrostomy Successfully Treated with PuraStat<sup>®</sup>

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Picture 1.



Picture 2.



Picture 3.



Picture 4.

A 64-year-old man was referred for percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy (PEG). He had been on antiplatelet therapy with cilostazol. PEG was performed with cilostazol withdrawn. Hematemesis occurred the next day with evi-

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dence of mild anemia. After compression hemostasis using the gastrostomy button, emergency esophagogastroduodenoscopy revealed a coagulum between the stomach wall and the inner bumper (Picture 1) and fistula bleeding upon its removal (Picture 2). As the point of bleeding was not identifiable with a water jet, PuraStat<sup>®</sup> (3 mL) was applied to the bleeding site using a dedicated catheter (Picture 3), which led to immediate hemostasis (Picture 4). Cilostazol was resumed the following day, and the patient's course was uneventful thereafter. PuraStat<sup>®</sup> is a novel peptide-based hemostat (1) reported to be effective for acute gastrointestinal bleeding (2). The hemostasis technique described here should illustrate how PuraStat<sup>®</sup> may be readily used for hemostasis in patients undergoing PEG during antithrombotic therapy.

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