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# ERCP

**ERCP is the endoscopic examination of bile ducts and the pancreatic duct. The test is required for removing stones from the common bile duct, identifying tumours of the bile ducts/pancreas and treating complications (taking a biopsy, stenting).**

The test may have serious complications – more commonly acute pancreatitis and bleeding, cholangitis. Therefore, this test is only performed for treatment purposes, if the illness has been diagnosed with a different method beforehand. We perform the study almost always under inpatient conditions.