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SUMMARY

Three cases presenting with obstructive jaundice are reported. At operation in each case a large gall stone was found to be lodged in a diverticulum of the lower end of the common bile duct. Two of the cases required further surgical intervention as the stone was overlooked at the initial operation. Operative cholangiography was a helpful diagnostic aid in all three cases. In every case transduodenal exploration of the common bile duct was necessary in order to remove the gall stone. One of the reasons at least why stones are overlooked during exploration of the common bile duct is that they are situated in diverticula of the duct.

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