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Figure 1 A 67-year-old man with cancer of the pancreatic head was admitted to our endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) unit for biliary decompression. The biliary system was canalized using a guide wire (0.021-inch Black Wire, Bard Angiomed, Germany), and endoscopic sphincterotomy was then performed over the same guide wire. At the end of the sphincterotomy, it was noted that the guide wire had been cut in the common bile duct.

Figure 2 The tip of guide wire, which was in the common bile duct, was brought out through the papilla with the help of a stone extraction balloon catheter.

Figure 3 The tip of the guide wire in the duodenum was grasped with a snare loop and removed.

Figure 4 The tip of the guide wire in the duodenum was grasped with a snare loop and removed.