

RADIOLOGISTS AND THEIR STENTS OF
CHOICE:
WHY ARE BARE METAL STENTS STILL
USED?

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Statement of Problem:

- ▣ Recently drug-eluting stents have been introduced to replace bare metal stents, but some physicians still refuse to use them

Research Questions:

- ▣ Why do radiologists continue to use bare metal stents when they have the option of drug-eluting stent?
- ▣ Does either stent produce immediate adverse effects upon placement?

Methodology:

- ▣ Background research was done to see the benefits of bare metal stents and drug-eluting stents respectively
- ▣ Surveys will be completed to see what effects each does to a patient in a head on comparison to determine a reason to continue/discontinue use of bare metal stents