

***Optimal Antithrombotic Therapy After PCI in Japan:  
Why We Are Going Our Own Way?***

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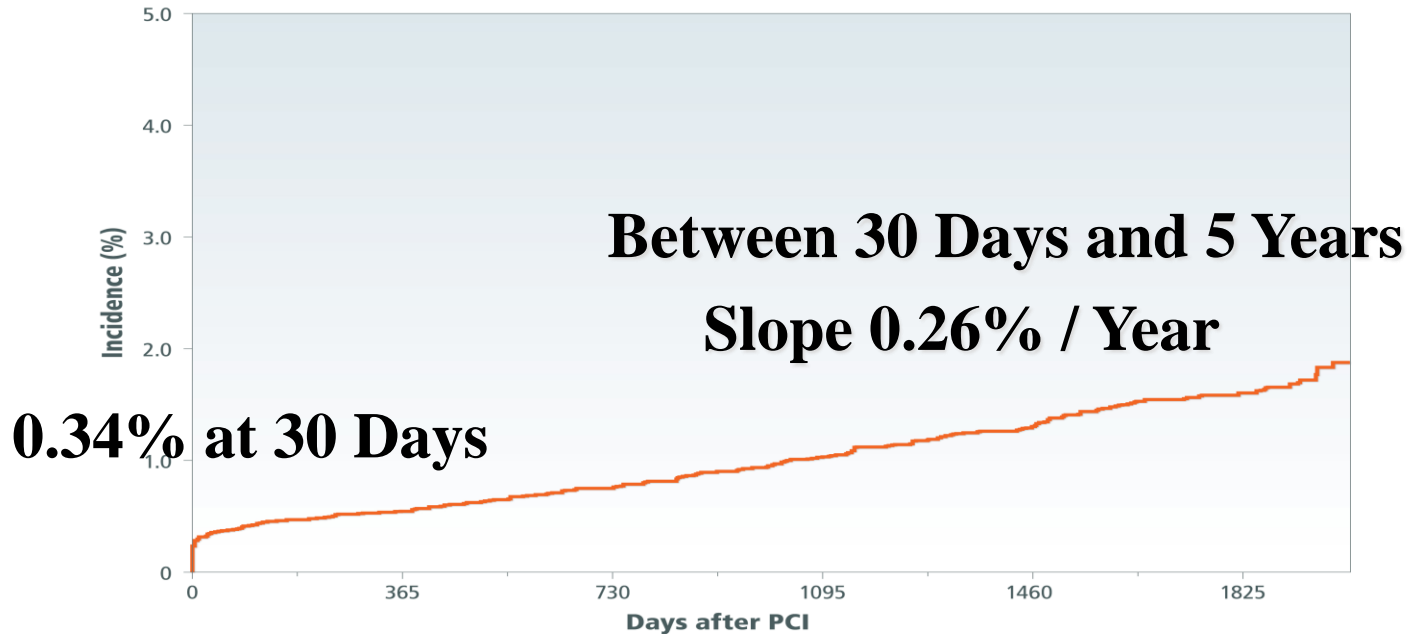
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# Stent Thrombosis of SES

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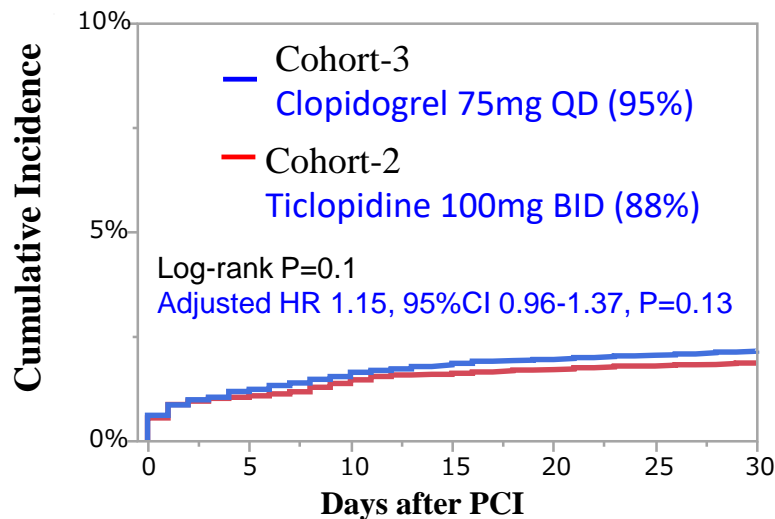
J-CYPHER Registry



	30 Days	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
Cumulative incidences	0.34%	0.55%	0.76%	1.03%	1.33%	1.6%
N of events	44	70	93	121	146	164
N of patients at risk	12812	12627	11967	10813	9244	7640

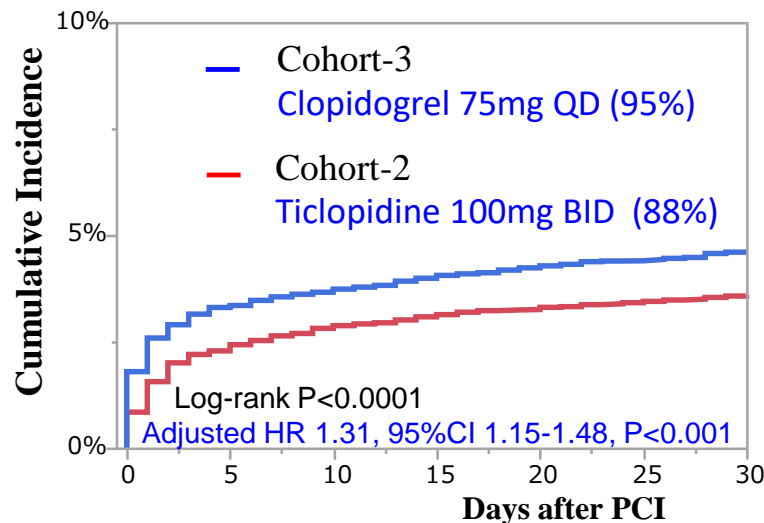
# Historical Comparison of the 30-day Outcomes in PCI patients between CREDO-Kyoto Registry Cohort-2 and Cohort-3

## Myocardial Infarction/Ischemic Stroke



Interval	0-day	7-day	14-day	30-day
Cohort-3				
N of patients at risk	13258	12857	12744	12602
Cumulative incidence		1.4%	1.8%	2.2%
Cohort-2				
N of patients at risk	12161	11843	11742	11638
Cumulative incidence		1.2%	1.6%	1.9%

## Major Bleeding (GUSTO moderate/severe)



Interval	0-day	7-day	14-day	30-day
Cohort-3				
N of patients at risk	13258	12631	12531	12382
Cumulative incidence		3.6%	4.0%	4.6%
Cohort-2				
N of patients at risk	12161	11709	11614	11499
Cumulative incidence		2.6%	3.1%	3.6%

**Adjusted for those factors affecting bleeding:**  
demographic factors, radial approach, bare-metal stent use, aspirin dose, oral anticoagulants use, cilostazole use, PPI/H2 blocker use, and DAPT discontinuation.

**Not adjusted for the P2Y12 inhibitors**

Japanese dose ticlopidine compared with global dose clopidogrel was associated with lower risk for major bleeding without increased ischemic risk.

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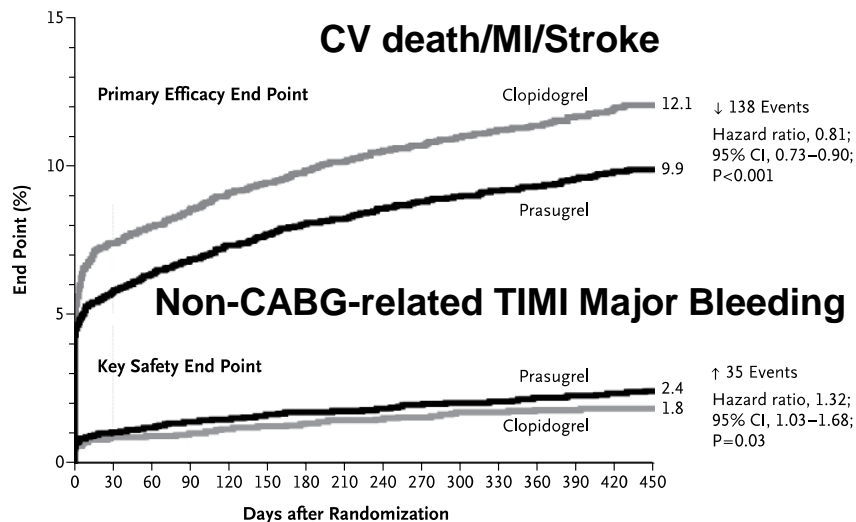
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Ticagrelor

# Prasugrel: Global dose versus Japanese dose

## TRITON-TIMI 38

Prasugrel: 60mg loading and 10mg maintenance



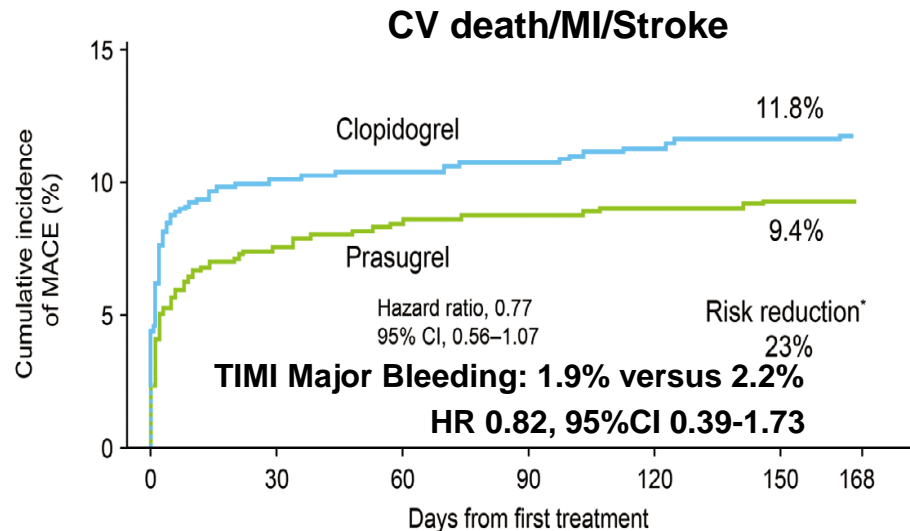
No. at Risk  
Clonidogrel  
Prasugrel

Days after Randomization	0	30	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	300	330	360	390	420	450
Clonidogrel	6795	6169	6036	5835	5043	4369	3017									
Prasugrel	6813	6305	6177	5951	5119	4445	3085									

Wiviott SD, et al. NEJM 2007.

## PRASFIT-ACS

Prasugrel: 20mg loading and 3.75mg maintenance



No. at Risk:  
Prasugrel  
Clonidogrel

Days from first treatment	0	30	60	90	120	150	168
Prasugrel	685	624	617	615	613	611	609
Clonidogrel	678	604	599	597	592	588	584

Saito S, et al. Circ J 2014.

Japanese dose prasugrel compared with global dose prasugrel was associated with similar efficacy in reducing CV events without increased bleeding risk, although the PRASFIT-ACS was an underpowered study.

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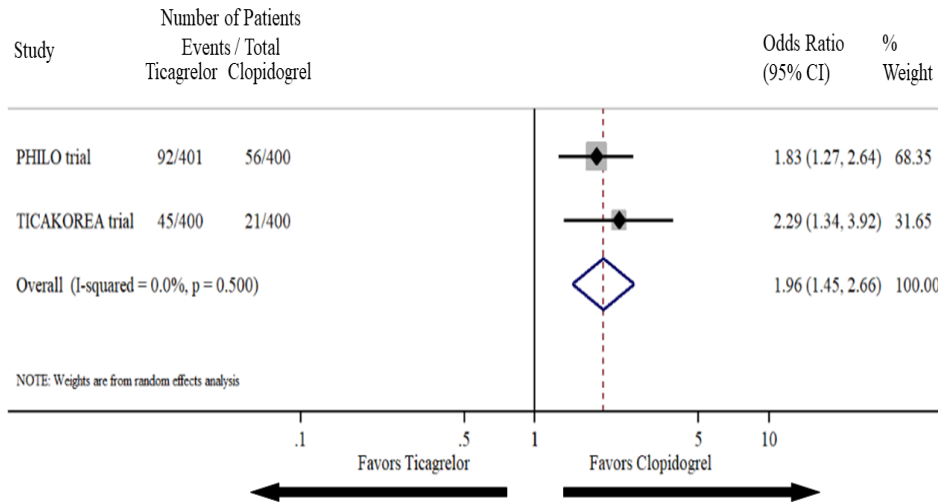
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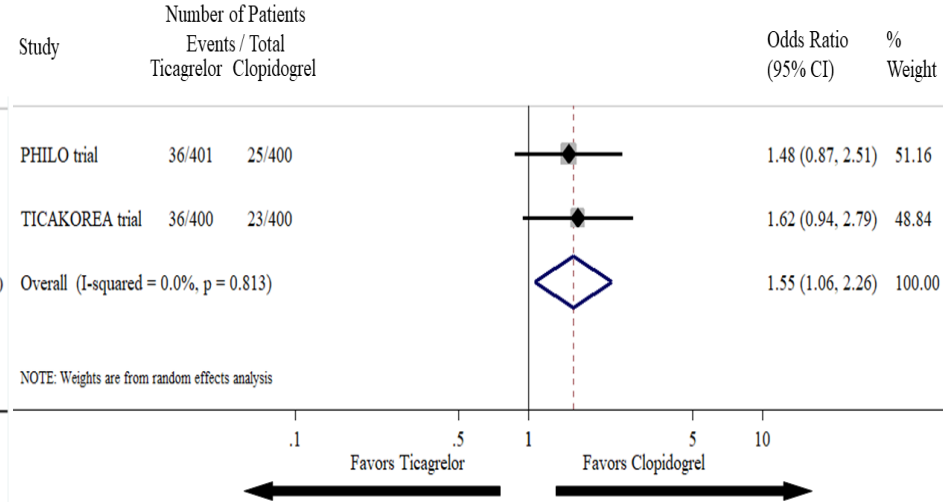
# Pooled Analysis of PHILO and TICAkOREA

## Ticagrelor versus Clopidogrel in ACS Patients

### PLATO Major / Minor Bleeding



### Composite of Cardiac Death, MI, or Stroke

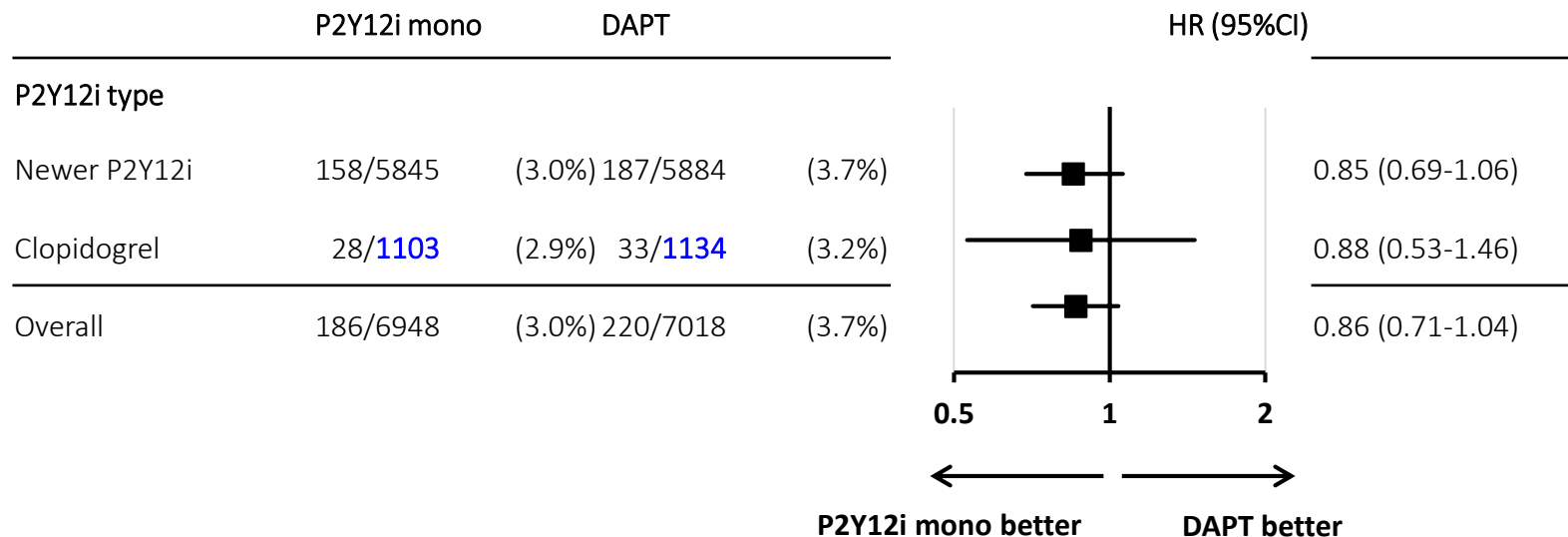


Goto S, et al. Circ J 2015.

Park DW, et al. Circulation 2019.

# Metaanalysis including 5 short DAPT studies, ACS subset

## Death, MI and Stroke (1-year)

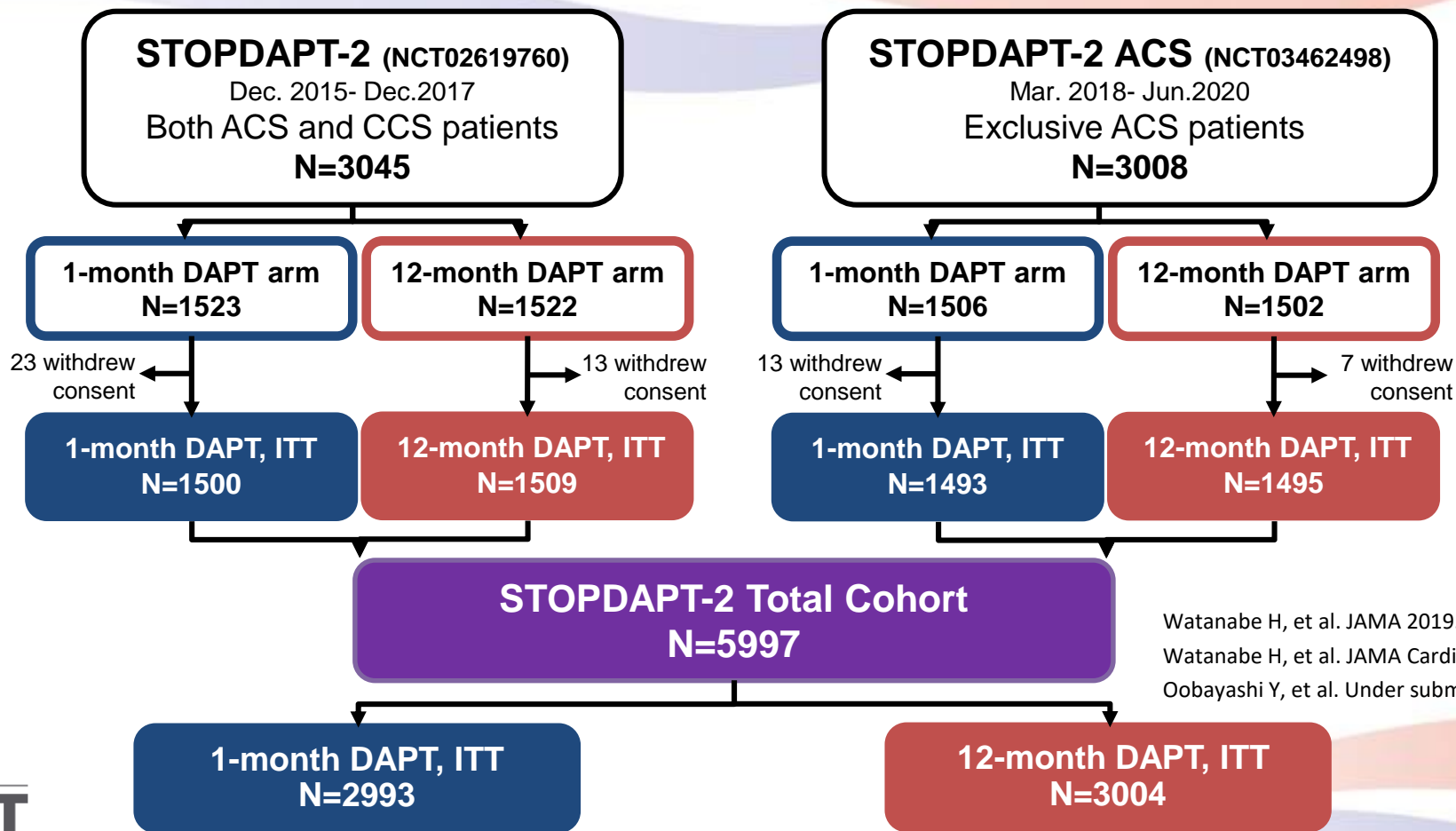


However, monotherapy with newer P2Y12i was the dominant strategy in ACS patients in these very short DAPT studies.

Global doses of newer P2Y12i are never used in Japan, and therefore, we have to generate our own data

supporting further de-escalation of antithrombotic therapy to guide the practice in Japan.

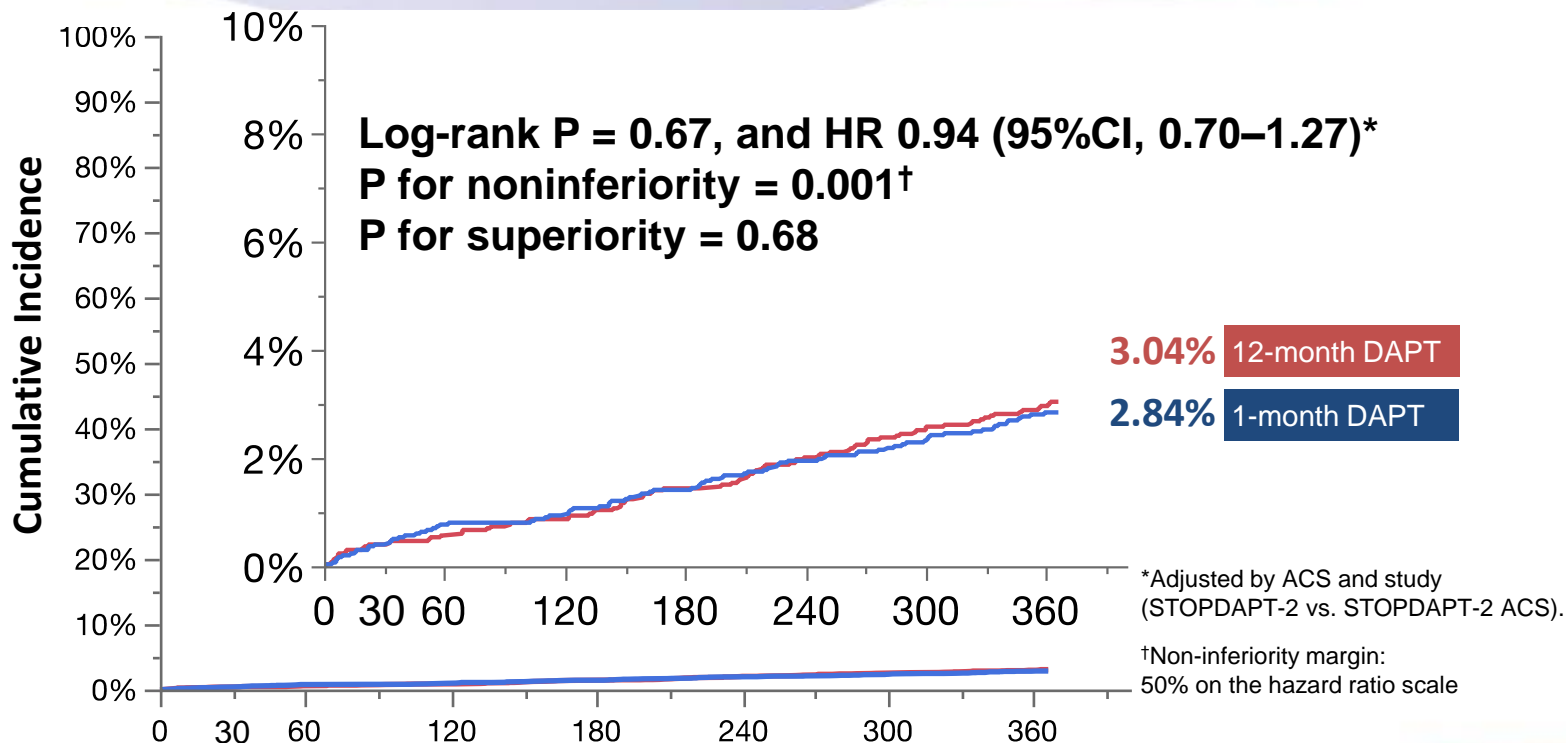
# STOPDAPT-2 Total Cohort



Watanabe H, et al. JAMA 2019.  
Watanabe H, et al. JAMA Cardiol (In-press).  
Oobayashi Y, et al. Under submission.

# Primary Endpoint

**CV death/MI/ST/Stroke/TIMI major/minor bleeding**

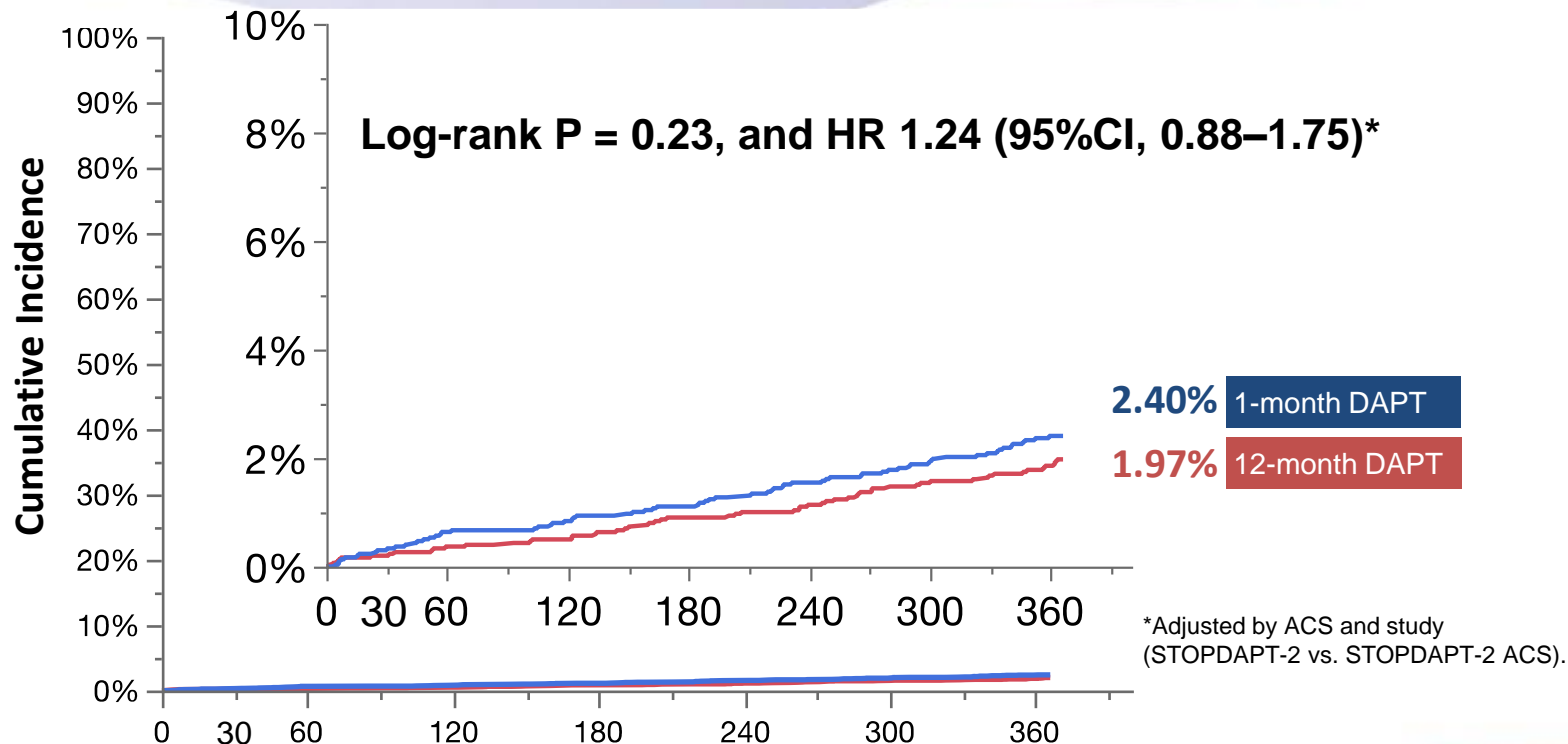


**Number of patients at risk**

12-month DAPT	3004	2991	2970	2959	2941	2922	2902	2327
1-month DAPT	2993	2980	2956	2946	2928	2905	2885	2357

# Major Secondary CV Endpoint

## CV death/MI/ST/Stroke

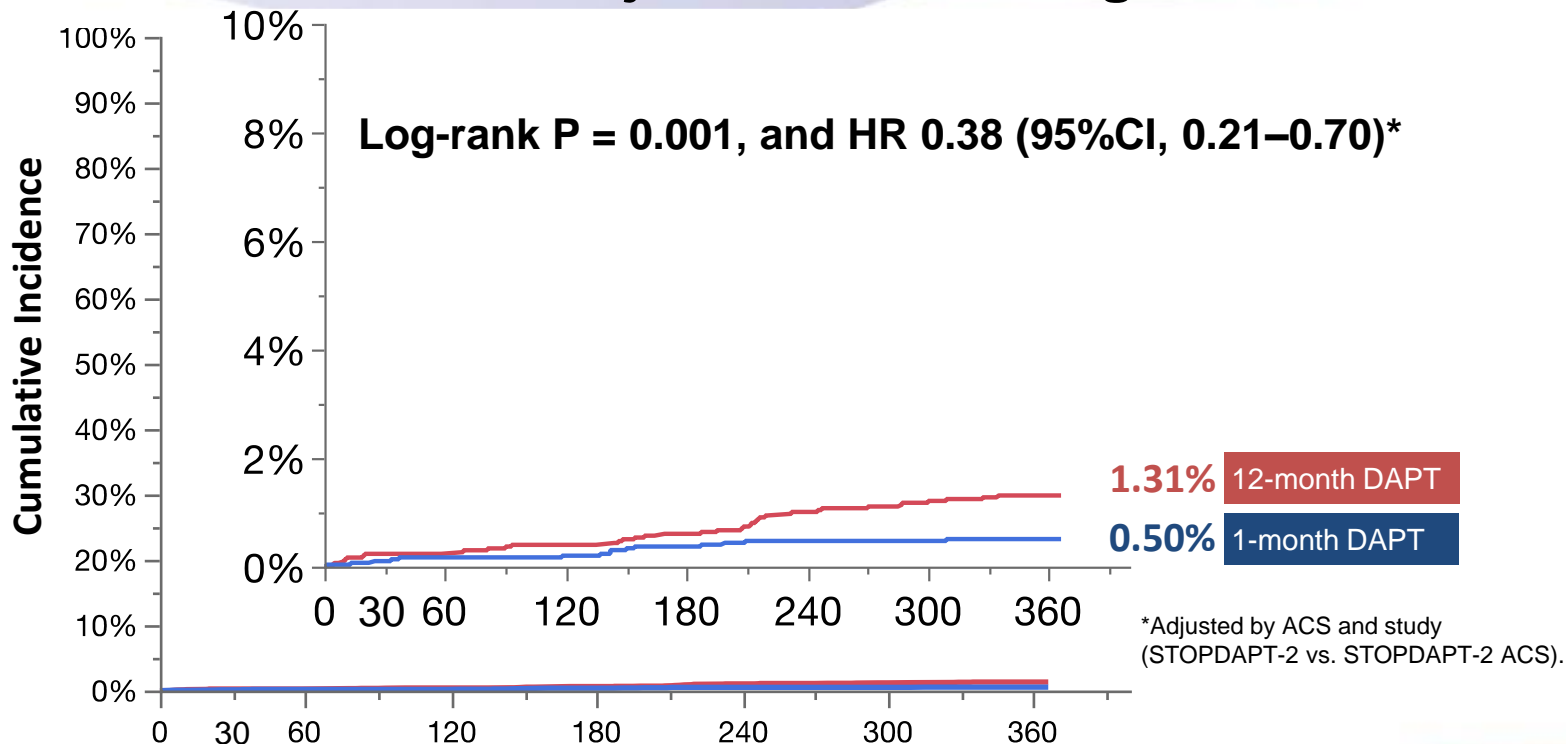


### Number of patients at risk

	0	30	60	120	180	240	300	360
12-month DAPT	3004	2997	2977	2970	2957	2947	2930	2352
1-month DAPT	2993	2983	2960	2950	2937	2917	2897	2369

# Major Secondary Bleeding Endpoint

## TIMI major/minor bleeding



### Number of patients at risk

12-month DAPT	3004	2995	2977	2968	2957	2941	2929	2360
1-month DAPT	2993	2985	2970	2965	2955	2941	2927	2400

# ACS/CCS Subgroup Analysis

1-year incidence  
(N with event/subtotal N)

1-month DAPT 12-month DAPT Absolute difference Hazard Ratio  
(N=2993) (N=3004) (95%CI) (95%CI)

P value P<sub>interaction</sub>

## Primary Endpoint

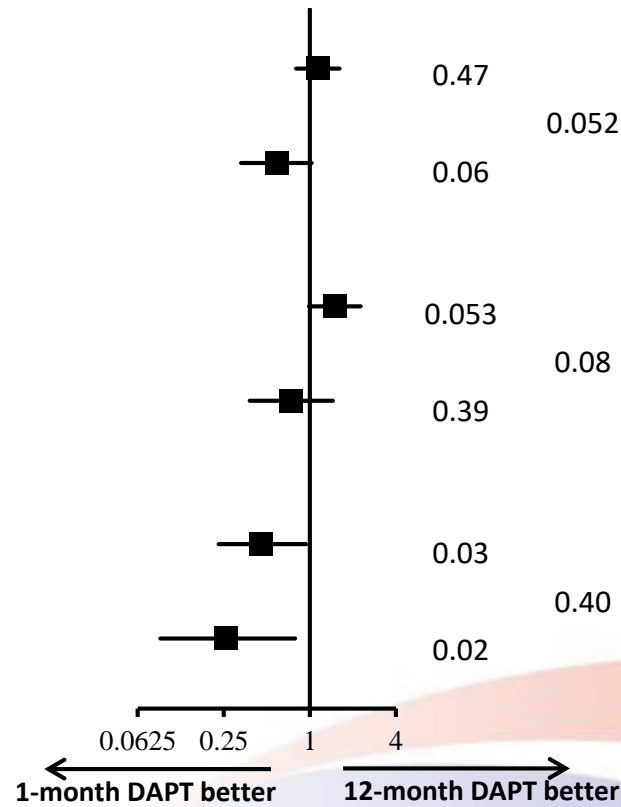
ACS	3.20%	2.83%	0.40%	1.14
	65/2058	58/2078	(-0.68% to 1.42%)	(0.80-1.62)
CCS	2.05%	3.49%	-1.44%	0.59
	19/935	32/926	(-2.95% to 0.07%)	(0.33-1.03)

## Major Secondary Cardiovascular Endpoint

ACS	2.76%	1.86%	0.90%	1.50
	56/2058	38/2078	(-0.02% to 1.82%)	(0.99-2.27)
CCS	1.62%	2.21%	-0.59%	0.74
	15/935	20/926	(-1.85% to 0.67%)	(0.38-1.45)

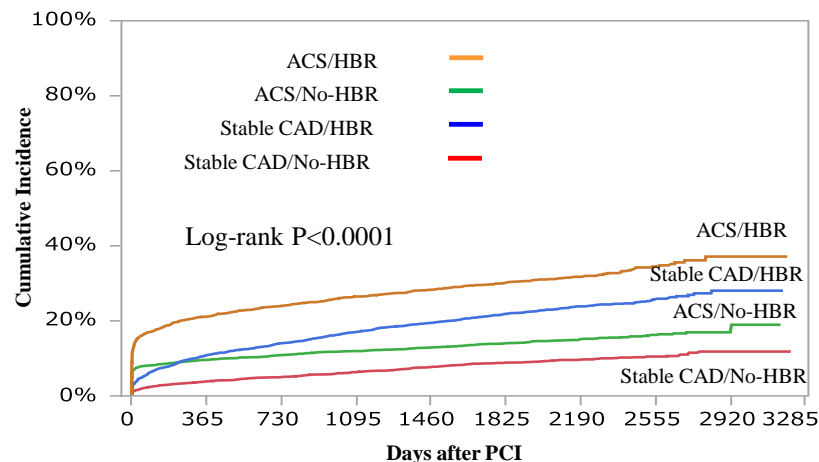
## Major Secondary Bleeding Endpoint

ACS	0.54%	1.17%	-0.63%	0.46
	11/2058	24/2078	(-1.20% to -0.06%)	(0.23-0.94)
CCS	0.43%	1.63%	-1.20%	0.26
	4/935	15/926	(-2.13% to -0.27%)	(0.09-0.79)

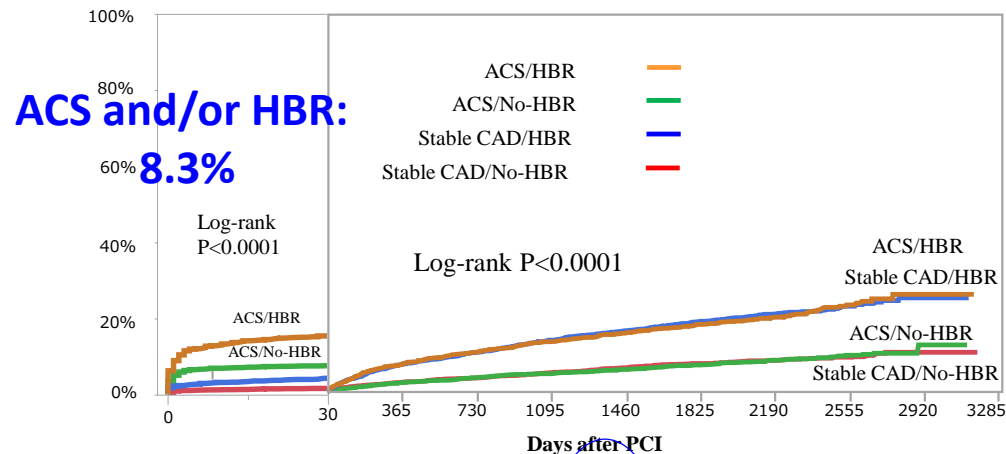


# CREDO-Kyoto PCI/CABG Registry Cohort-3 ACS/HBR Analysis

## Major Bleeding (BARC type 3 or 5)



Interval	0-day	30-day	1-year	3-year	5-year
<b>ACS/HBR group</b>					
N of patients with event		377	504	608	668
N of patients at risk	2502	1965	1639	1339	973
Cumulative incidence		15.4%	21.2%	26.5%	30.1%
<b>ACS/No-HBR group</b>					
N of patients with event		230	287	354	408
N of patients at risk	3019	2738	2616	2445	2007
Cumulative incidence		7.7%	9.6%	12.0%	14.0%
<b>Stable CAD/HBR group</b>					
N of patients with event		168	415	628	770
N of patients at risk	3905	3692	3246	2691	1952
Cumulative incidence		4.3%	10.9%	17.1%	21.9%
<b>Stable CAD/No-HBR group</b>					
N of patients with event		62	148	239	326
N of patients at risk	3832	3760	3606	3394	2784
Cumulative incidence		1.6%	3.9%	6.4%	8.8%



Interval	0-day	7-day	30-day	1-year	3-year	5-year
<b>ACS/HBR group</b>						
N of patients with event		313	377	127	231	291
N of patients at risk	2502	2088	1965	1639	1339	973
Cumulative incidence		12.7%	15.4%	6.9%	13.2%	17.4%
<b>ACS/No-HBR group</b>						
N of patients with event		206	230	57	124	178
N of patients at risk	3019	2783	2738	2616	2445	2007
Cumulative incidence		6.8%	7.7%	2.1%	4.7%	6.9%
<b>Stable CAD/HBR group</b>						
N of patients with event		116	168	247	460	602
N of patients at risk	3905	3768	3692	3246	2691	1952
Cumulative incidence		3.0%	4.3%	6.9%	13.3%	18.3%
<b>Stable CAD/No-HBR group</b>						
N of patients with event		45	62	86	177	264
N of patients at risk	3832	3782	3760	3606	3394	2784
Cumulative incidence		1.2%	1.6%	2.3%	4.8%	7.3%



# STOPDAPT-3 Trial Exploring Completely Aspirin-free Strategy

## <Entry Criteria>

1. PCI with planned exclusive use of CoCr-EES (XIENCE)
2. ARC-HBR or ACS presentation
3. Eligible for DAPT (Aspirin/P2Y<sub>12</sub> inhibitor) for 1 month

No Exclusion Criteria

Informed Consent Before Angiography

Randomization After Angiography, but Before PCI

**No aspirin Group**  
1500 Patients

Loading: Prasugrel 20mg

Prasugrel Monotherapy for 1M

Primary Analysis  
at 1-Month

**1-month DAPT Group**  
1500 Patients

Loading Aspirin also,  
if Aspirin naïve

DAPT (Aspirin and Prasugrel) for 1M

Co-primary Bleeding Endpoint : BARC 3 or 5 bleeding at 1M (Superiority)  
Co-primary Cardiovascular Endpoint : CV death/MI/Ischemic Stroke/ST at 1M (Non-inferiority)

Clopidogrel Monotherapy  
Between 1M and 12 M

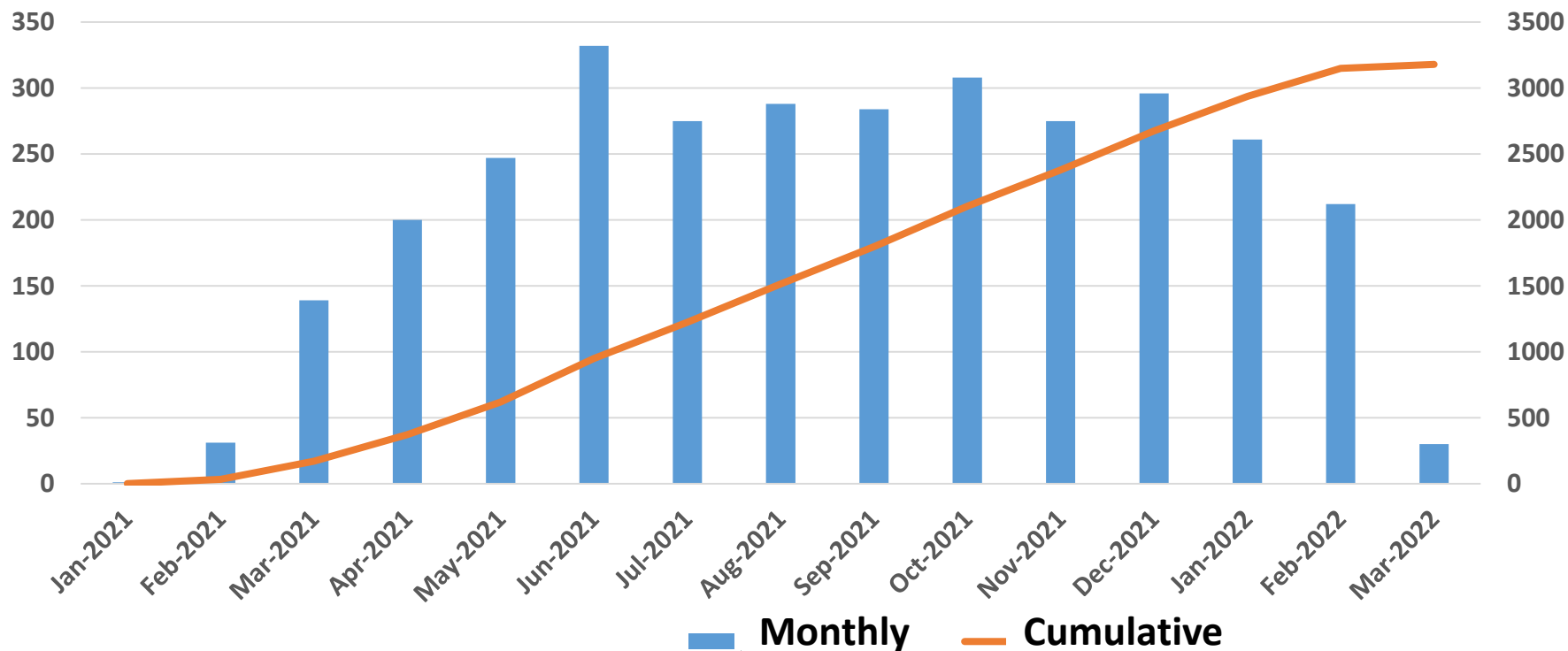
Exploratory  
Analysis

Aspirin Monotherapy  
Between 1M and 12 M

# STOPDAPT-3 Enrollment Status (Target: 3110 patients)

2022. 3. 4    **3179 patients (ACS N=2248, Non-ACS HBR N=931)**

2021/1/29 ~ 2022/3/4



# STOPDAPT-3: Event rates at 30-day in the initial 1200 patients

## (Blinded evaluation, Adjudicated)

Outcome	N (%)	Assumed event rate
Co-primary bleeding endpoint (BARC 3 or 5 Bleeding)	50 (4.2%)	5.8%
Co-primary CV endpoint (CVD, MI, Definite ST, Ischemic Stroke)	39 (3.3%)	6.2%
Death	23 (1.9%)	
CVD	23 (1.9%)	
MI	9 (0.8%)	
Definite ST	3 (0.3%)	
Stroke	9 (0.8%)	
Ischemic	7 (0.6%)	
Hemorrhagic	2 (0.2%)	
BARC 3	45 (3.8%)	
BARC 5	5 (0.4%)	

# Conclusions

Antithrombotic therapy in ACS patients in Japan as compared with outside Japan has already been de-escalated with use of low intensity P2Y<sub>12</sub> inhibitor. Therefore, we have to generate our own data supporting further de-escalation of antithrombotic therapy to guide the clinical practice in Japan.

The STOPDAPT-2 trial has suggested safety and efficacy of 1-month DAPT followed by clopidogrel monotherapy after PCI in Japanese patients.

We are currently conducting the STOPDAPT-3 trial, which would be an adequately powered trial exploring completely aspirin-free strategy without any DAPT background in an attempt to reduce major bleeding early after PCI in ACS and/or HBR patients.