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# **HIGH BLEEDING RISK PATIENS**

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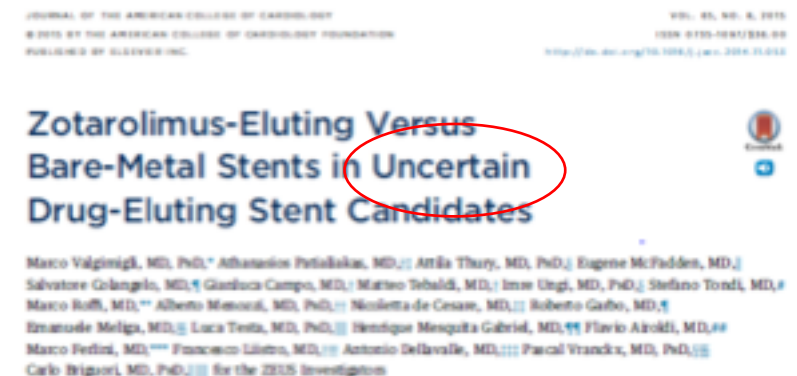
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## Who are HBR PATIENTS ? Definition:

- Clinical indications for treatment with oral anti-coagulant agents
- Recent bleeding episodes requiring medical attention or previous hospitalization for bleeding
- Older than 80 years
- Systemic conditions associated with increased bleeding (e.g. hematological disorders)
- Known anemia
- Long term treatment with steroids of NSAIDs



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- Clinical indications for treatment with oral anti-coagulant agents
- Recent bleeding episodes requiring medical attention or previous hospitalization for bleeding
- Older than **75 years**
- Systemic conditions associated with increased bleeding (e.g. hematological disorders)
- Known anemia
- Long term treatment with steroids or NSAIDs
- **Cancer in previous three years**
- **CKD or Chronic LIVER disease**
- **Planned surgery**

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## Polymer-free Drug-Coated Coronary Stents in Patients at High Bleeding Risk

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**Table 2** Long-term risk factors for bleeding after percutaneous coronary intervention

Procedural factors	Patient characteristics	Pharmacological factors
Short-term risk factors: Femoral access, Large sheath size No vascular closure device	Age History of bleeding Low body weight Acute coronary syndrome Thrombocytopenia	Prolonged dual antiplatelet therapy Concomitant use of oral anticoagulation
Long-term risk factors: Unknown	Gastro-intestinal disease Impaired kidney function Liver disease Cerebrovascular accident Malignancy	



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## Duration of dual antiplatelet therapy after coronary artery stenting: where is the sweet spot between ischaemia and bleeding?

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Bleeding Score  
Calculator

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**CALCULATOR**

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Last Updated:  
March 2008

Enter values in drop-down boxes below:

Baseline Hematocrit <sup>?</sup>

HCT (%)

Prior Vascular Disease <sup>?</sup>

-Select-

GFR: Cockcroft-Gault <sup>?</sup>

mL/min   
Calculate GFR

Diabetes Mellitus

-Select-

Heart rate on admission

bpm

Signs of CHF on admission <sup>?</sup>

-Select-

Systolic blood pressure  
on admission

mmHg

Sex

-Select-

[Clear Selections](#)

**CRUSADE  
Bleeding Score <sup>?</sup>**

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**Enter all fields above**

**Risk of In-Hospital  
Major Bleeding <sup>?</sup>**

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**Enter all fields above**

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## DAPT Risk Calculator

Reset

### Patient Characteristics

Age \*

Years

Must be between 18-100

Select all that apply

- Diabetes Mellitus
- Cigarette Smoking Within Last Two Years
- Prior Myocardial Infarction or Percutaneous Coronary Intervention
- History of Congestive Heart Failure or Left Ventricular Ejection Fraction < 30%
- Hypertension ⓘ
- Renal Insufficiency ⓘ
- Peripheral Arterial Disease ⓘ

### Procedure Characteristics

Select all that apply

- Myocardial Infarction at Presentation
- Stenting of Vein of Graft
- Stent Diameter < 3mm

## PRECISEDAPT

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Haemoglobin ⓘ unit  
  
 g/dl  
 mmol/L

Age (years)

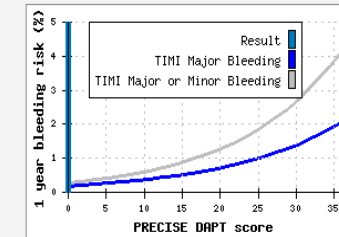
White blood cells ⓘ unit  
  
 u/mcL  
 10<sup>9</sup>/L

Creatinine Clearance (mL/min) ⓘ

Prior Bleeding ⓘ

CALCULATE

RESET



RESULT:

Cluster of risk:

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Score Calculated

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12 months risk of TIMI  
major or minor  
Bleeding

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12 months risk of TIMI  
Major Bleeding

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Yeh, JAMA 2016

Costa P. et al., PRECISE-DAPT Study Investigators, Lancet 2017

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## ORIGINAL INVESTIGATIONS

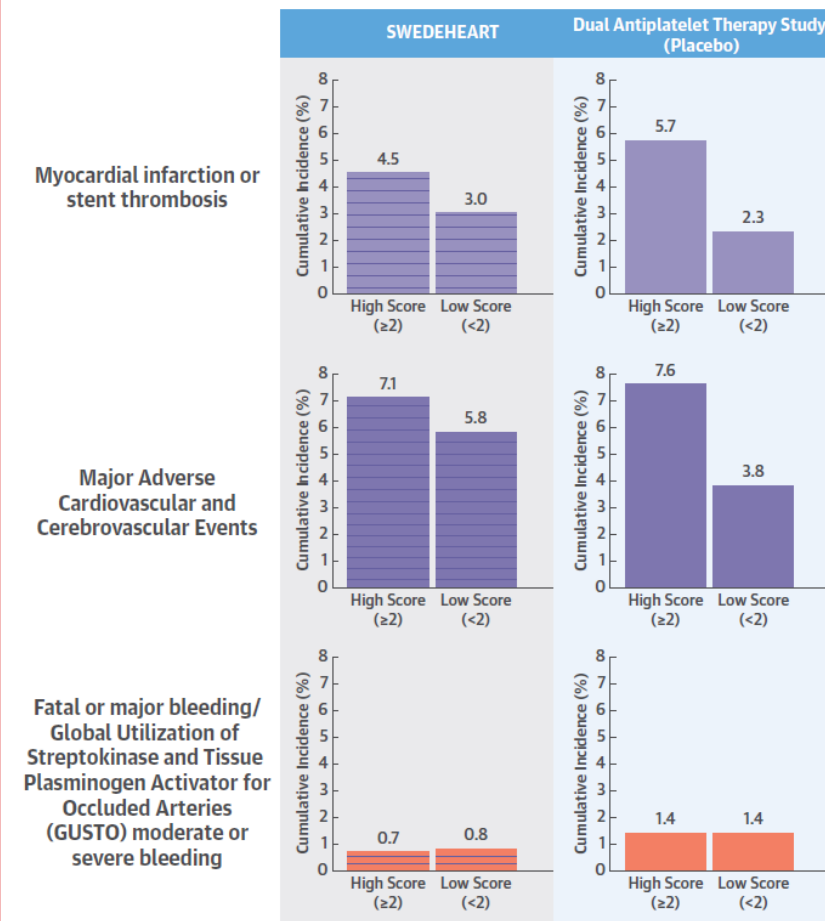
### External Validation of the DAPT Score in a Nationwide Population



Peter Ueda, MD, PhD,<sup>a</sup> Tomas Jernberg, MD, PhD,<sup>b</sup> Stefan James, MD, PhD,<sup>c,d</sup> Joakim Alfredsson, MD, PhD,<sup>e,f</sup>  
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41101 pts followed beyond  
12-months of event free  
DAPT

#### CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION Ischemic and Bleeding Event Rates in the SWEDEHEART Registry and the DAPT Study



Ueda, P. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2018;72(10):1069-78.

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## Stent Thrombosis and Bleeding Complications After Implantation of Sirolimus-Eluting Coronary Stents in an Unselected Worldwide Population

A Report From the e-SELECT (Multi-Center Post-Market Surveillance) Registry

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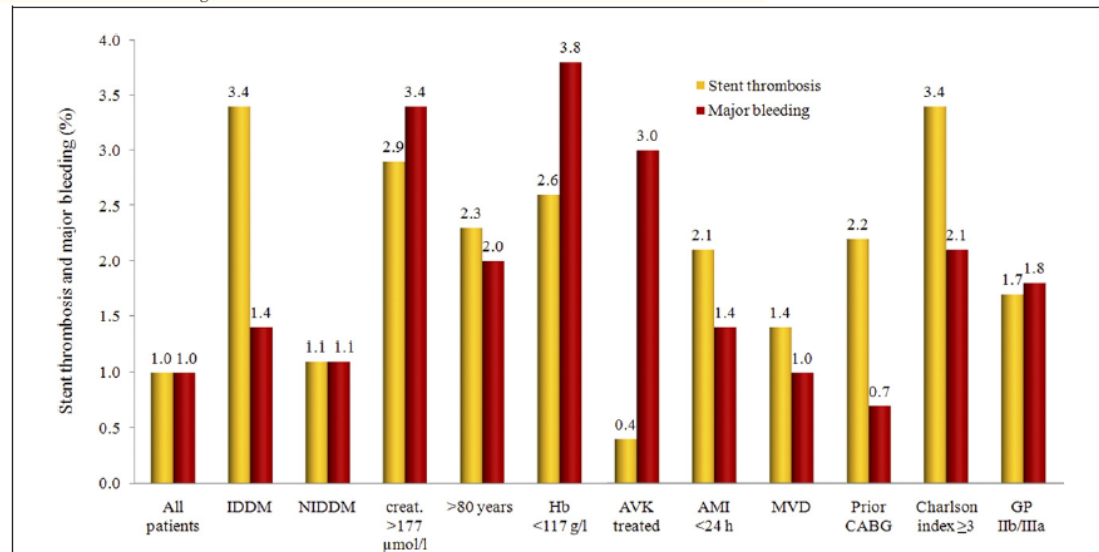
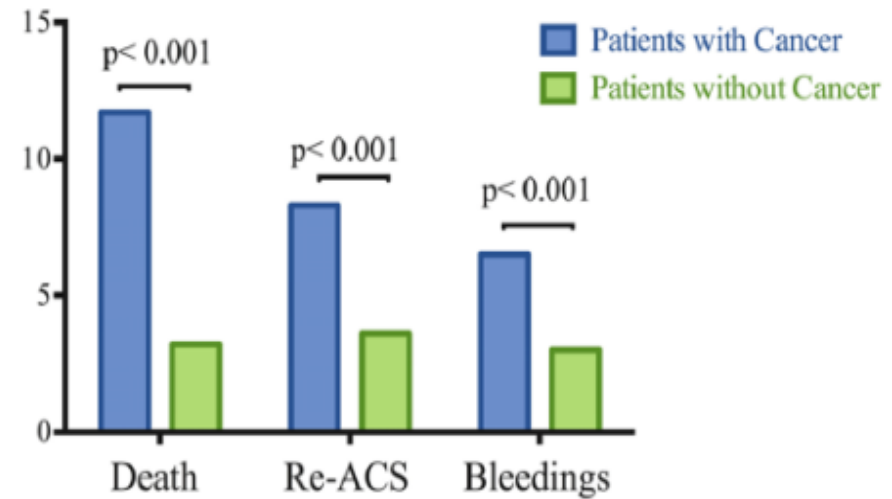


Figure 2 Stent Thrombosis and Major Bleeding In Selected Patient Subgroups

## One-year Outcome



## Prevalence and outcome of patients with cancer and acute coronary syndrome undergoing percutaneous coronary intervention: a BleeMACS substudy

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## WHY IS HBR SUCH A MEDICAL CONCERN ?

" Bleedings events after succesful PCI are indipendently associated with increased mortality and morbidity...".

2017, ESC focused update on DAPT

"Compared with patients without bleeding, patients who experience bleeding are more likely to die not only early in-hospital but also late after discharge..."

2011, ESC position paper on bleeding in ACS and PCI

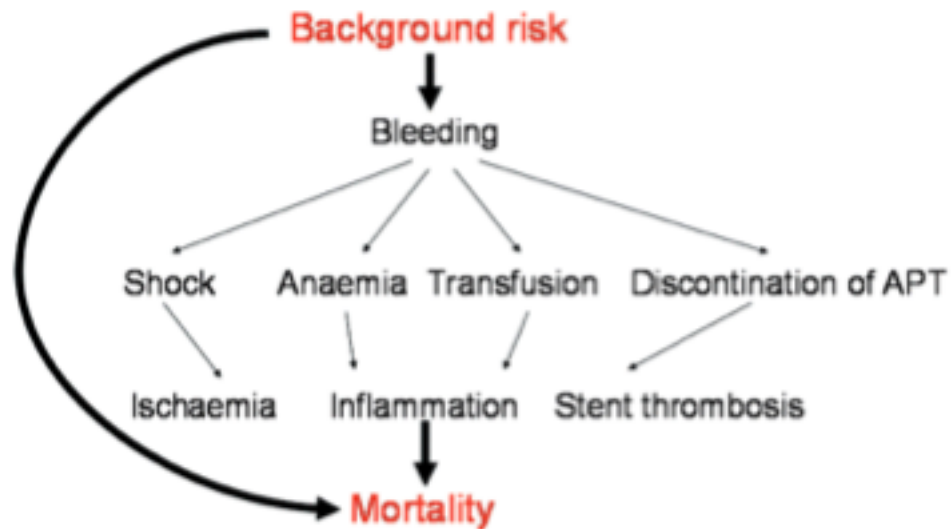
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## WHY IS HBR SUCH A MEDICAL CONCERN ?

Why increased mortality?



	Major bleeding, <i>n</i> (%)	No bleeding, <i>n</i> (%)	HR (95% CI)	<i>P</i> -value
30 days	<i>n</i> = 771	<i>n</i> = 18851		
Death/MI/Stroke	168 (21.8%)	1160 (6.2%)	3.99 (3.30-4.82)	<0.0001
180 days	<i>n</i> = 937	<i>n</i> = 18665		
Death/MI/Stroke	276 (29.7%)	1940 (10.6%)	2.97 (2.55-3.45)	<0.0001
MI	79 (9.2%)	1022 (5.7%)	2.63 (2.13-3.25)	<0.0001
Stroke	42 (4.9%)	212 (1.2%)	4.25 (2.93-6.15)	<0.0001
Death	132 (14.3%)	985 (5.4%)	3.11 (2.55-3.79)	<0.0001



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Coronary heart disease

Improving clinical outcomes by reducing bleeding in patients with non-ST-elevation acute coronary syndromes

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## HOW TO MINIMIZE THE RISK OF BLEEDING?

1. The Patient and peri-PCI

### Measures to minimize bleeding while on dual antiplatelet therapy

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
Radial over femoral access is recommended for coronary angiography and PCI if performed by an expert radial operator. <sup>43,44</sup>	I	A
In patients treated with DAPT, a daily aspirin dose of 75 - 100 mg is recommended. <sup>45-47,51,52</sup>	I	A
A PPI in combination with DAPT <sup>c</sup> is recommended. <sup>70,79,80,84,87</sup>	I	B
Routine platelet function testing to adjust antiplatelet therapy before or after elective stenting is not recommended. <sup>58-60</sup>	III	A

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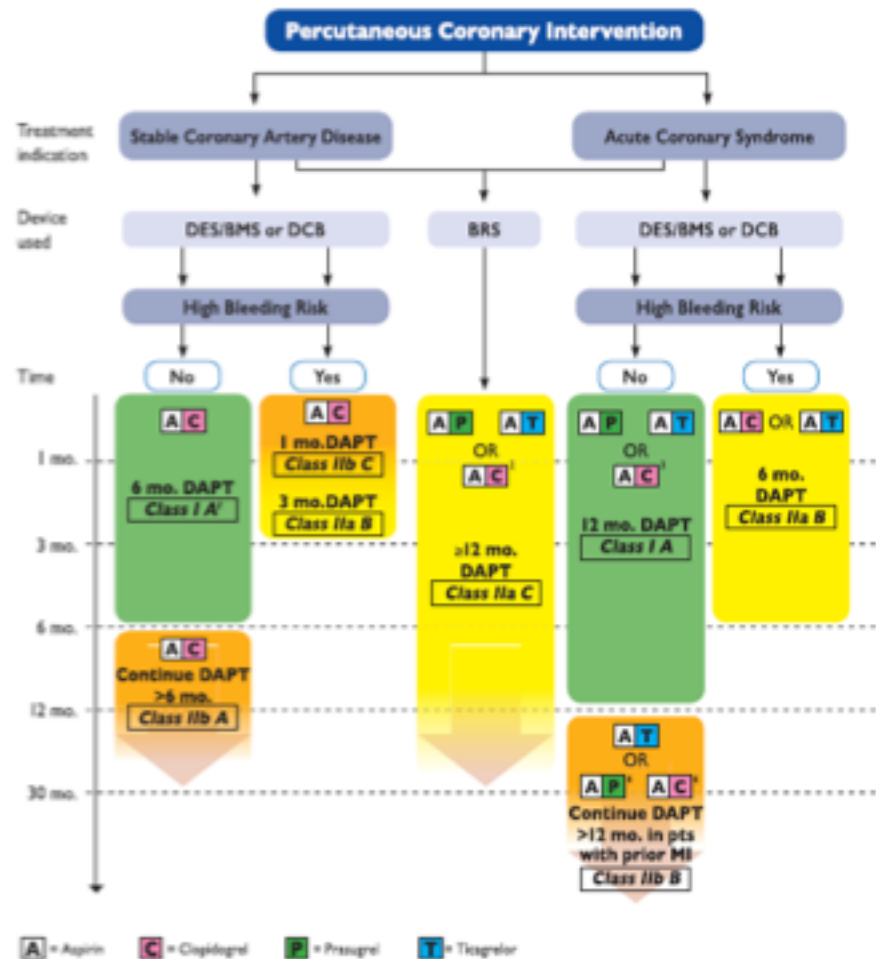
3. The Stent

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## 2. The DAPT and its duration



### Dual antiplatelet therapy duration and related stent choices in patients with stable coronary artery disease treated with percutaneous coronary intervention

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
In patients with stable CAD treated with coronary stent implantation, DAPT consisting of clopidogrel in addition to aspirin is generally recommended <sup>c</sup> for 6 months, irrespective of the stent type. <sup>100,101,104,126-130</sup>	I	A
Irrespective of the intended DAPT duration, DES <sup>c</sup> is the preferred treatment option. <sup>129-132</sup>	I	A
In patients with stable CAD considered at high bleeding risk (e.g. PRECISE-DAPT ≥25), DAPT for 3 months <sup>d</sup> should be considered. <sup>105,106</sup>	IIa	B

### Dual antiplatelet therapy duration in patients with acute coronary syndrome treated with percutaneous coronary intervention

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
In patients with ACS treated with coronary stent implantation, DAPT with a P2Y <sub>12</sub> inhibitor on top of aspirin is recommended for 12 months unless there are contraindications such as excessive risk of bleeding (e.g. PRECISE-DAPT >25). <sup>102,140</sup>	I	A
In patients with ACS and stent implantation who are at high risk of bleeding (e.g. PRECISE-DAPT ≥25), discontinuation of P2Y <sub>12</sub> inhibitor therapy after 6 months should be considered. <sup>11,10,143</sup>	IIa	B



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IIa

B

- **RESET TRIAL (RCT)**, [Byeong-KeukKim](#) et al. JACC 2012 : "E-ZES+3-month DAPT was noninferior to the standard therapy (12 months) with respect to the occurrence of the primary endpoint (CV death, MI, TVR, ST and bleeding).

- **OPTIMIZE TRIAL (RCT)**, Feres F et al. JAMA 2013: "In patients with stable coronary artery disease or low-risk ACS treated with zotarolimus-eluting stents, 3 months of dual antiplatelet therapy was noninferior to 12 months for NACCE, without significantly increasing the risk of stent thrombosis."

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## 2. The DAPT and its duration

### RESET and OPTIMIZE trial, LIMITATIONS

- **LOW EVENTS RATES OBSERVED** ( Underpowered to detect small differences in ischemic and bleeding events)
- **PATIENTS WITH LOW ISCHEMIC RISK** (Previous ST **excluded**; Bifurcations with two stents **excluded**; mean stent length 22 / 32 mm; mean number of stent per patient 1.3-1.6; total length of stents > 60 mm **excluded**; CKD 6%; multivessel 24-26%; CTO excluded)
- **PATIENTS WITH LOW BLEEDING RISK** (**HBR RISK PATIENTS completely excluded** from RESET trial)

**Table 5** High-risk features of stent-driven recurrent ischaemic events

• Prior stent thrombosis on adequate antiplatelet therapy
• Stenting of the last remaining patent coronary artery
• Diffuse multivessel disease especially in diabetic patients
• Chronic kidney disease (i.e. creatinine clearance <60 mL/min)
• At least three stents implanted
• At least three lesions treated
• Bifurcation with two stents implanted
• Total stent length >60 mm
• Treatment of a chronic total occlusion

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Ila

B

"By network meta-analysis, 3-month DAPT, but not 6-month DAPT, was associated with higher rates of MI or ST in ACS, whereas no significant differences were apparent in stable patients..."



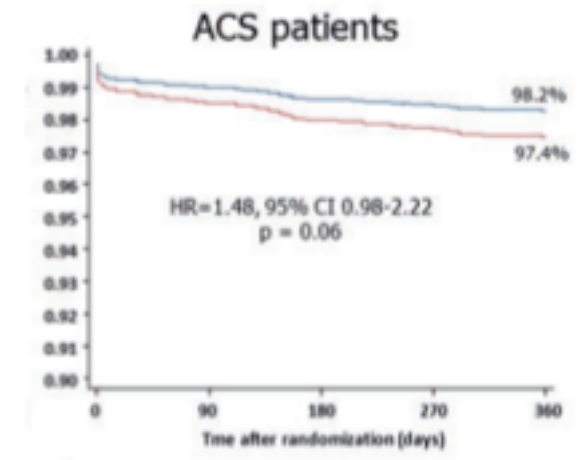
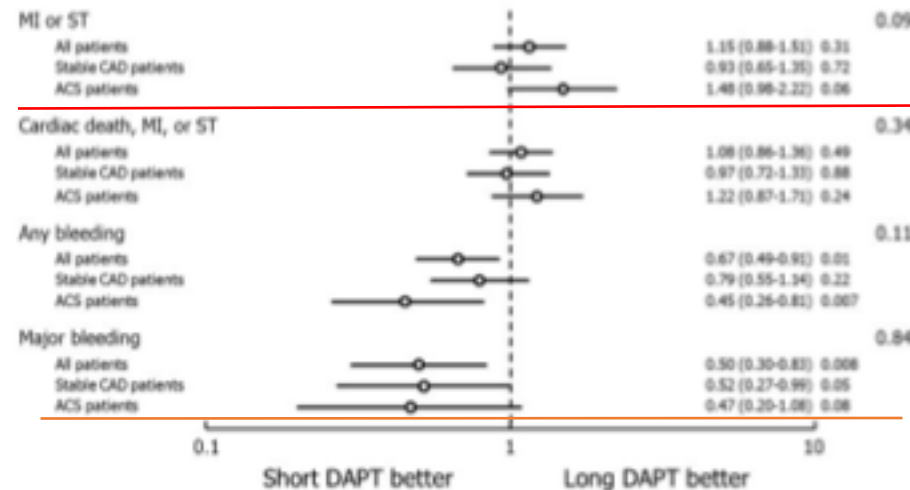
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### Three, six, or twelve months of dual antiplatelet therapy after DES implantation in patients with or without acute coronary syndromes: an individual patient data pairwise and network meta-analysis of six randomized trials and 11 473 patients

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### Which DAPT?

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#### Ticagrelor versus Clopidogrel in Patients with Acute Coronary Syndromes

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Secondary safety end points — no./total no. (%)

Non-CABG-related major bleeding, study criteria	362/9235 (4.5)	306/9186 (3.8)	1.19 (1.02–1.38)	0.03
Non-CABG-related major bleeding, TIMI criteria	221/9235 (2.8)	177/9186 (2.2)	1.25 (1.03, 1.53)	0.03
CABG-related major bleeding, study criteria	619/9235 (7.4)	654/9186 (7.9)	0.95 (0.85–1.06)	0.32
CABG-related major bleeding, TIMI criteria	446/9235 (5.3)	476/9186 (5.8)	0.94 (0.82–1.07)	0.32
Major or minor bleeding, study criteria	1339/9235 (16.1)	1215/9186 (14.6)	1.11 (1.03–1.20)	0.008
Major or minor bleeding, TIMI criteria†	946/9235 (11.4)	906/9186 (10.9)	1.05 (0.96–1.15)	0.33

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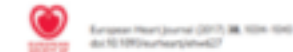
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#### Prasugrel versus Clopidogrel in Patients with Acute Coronary Syndromes

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“Key exclusion criteria included an increased risk of bleeding”

Major or minor TIMI bleeding	303 (5.0)	231 (3.8)	1.31 (1.11–1.56)	0.002
Bleeding requiring transfusion§	244 (4.0)	182 (3.0)	1.34 (1.11–1.63)	<0.001
CABG-related TIMI major bleeding¶	24 (13.4)	6 (3.2)	4.73 (1.90–11.82)	<0.001



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6 trials included with DAPT consisting of Aspirin and Clopidogrel



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Dual antiplatelet therapy duration and related stent choices in patients with stable coronary artery disease treated with percutaneous coronary intervention

Recommendations	Class	Level
In patients with stable CAD treated with <u>bioresorbable</u> vascular scaffolds, DAPT for at least 12 months should be considered.	<b>IIa</b>	C
In patients with stable CAD who have tolerated DAPT without a bleeding complication and who are at low bleeding but high thrombotic risk, continuation of DAPT with <u>clopidogrel</u> for >6 months and ≤30 months may be considered.	<b>IIb</b>	A
In patients with stable CAD in whom 3-month DAPT poses safety concerns, DAPT for 1 month may be considered*.	<b>IIb</b>	C

\*;1-month DAPT after implantation of zotarolimus-eluting **Endeavour sprint stent** or drug coated **BioFreedom stent** reduced risks of adverse events compared to BMS under similar DAPT duration.  
**It is unclear if this evidence applies to other contemporary DES.**

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## 2. DAPT, focus on (N)OAC

Guidelines ESC 2014

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>	Ref <sup>c</sup>
In patients with a firm indication for oral anticoagulation (e.g. atrial fibrillation with CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score $\geq 2$ , venous thromboembolism, LV thrombus, or mechanical valve prosthesis), oral anticoagulation is recommended in addition to antiplatelet therapy.	I	C	
New-generation DES are preferred over BMS among patients requiring oral anticoagulation if bleeding risk is low (HAS-BLED $\leq 2$ ).	IIa	C	
In patients with SCAD and atrial fibrillation with CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score $\geq 2$ at low bleeding risk (HAS-BLED $\leq 2$ ), initial triple therapy of (N)OAC and ASA (75–100 mg/day) and clopidogrel 75 mg/day should be considered for a duration of at least 1 month after BMS or new-generation DES followed by dual therapy with (N)OAC and aspirin 75–100 mg/day or clopidogrel (75 mg/day) continued up to 12 months.	IIa	C	
DAPT should be considered as alternative to initial triple therapy for patients with SCAD and atrial fibrillation with a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score $\leq 1$ .	IIa	C	
In patients with ACS and atrial fibrillation at low bleeding risk (HAS-BLED $\leq 2$ ), initial triple therapy of (N)OAC and ASA (75–100 mg/day) and clopidogrel 75 mg/day should be considered for a duration of 6 months irrespective of stent type followed by (N)OAC and aspirin 75–100 mg/day or clopidogrel (75 mg/day) continued up to 12 months.	IIa	C	
In patients requiring oral anticoagulation at high bleeding risk (HAS-BLED $\geq 3$ ), triple therapy of (N)OAC and ASA (75–100 mg/day) and clopidogrel 75 mg/day should be considered for a duration of 1 month followed by (N)OAC and aspirin 75–100 mg/day or clopidogrel (75 mg/day) irrespective of clinical setting (SCAD or ACS) and stent type (BMS or new-generation DES).	IIa	C	
Dual therapy of (N)OAC and clopidogrel 75 mg/day may be considered as an alternative to initial triple therapy in selected patients.	IIb	B	865,870
The use of ticagrelor and prasugrel as part of initial triple therapy is not recommended.	III	C	

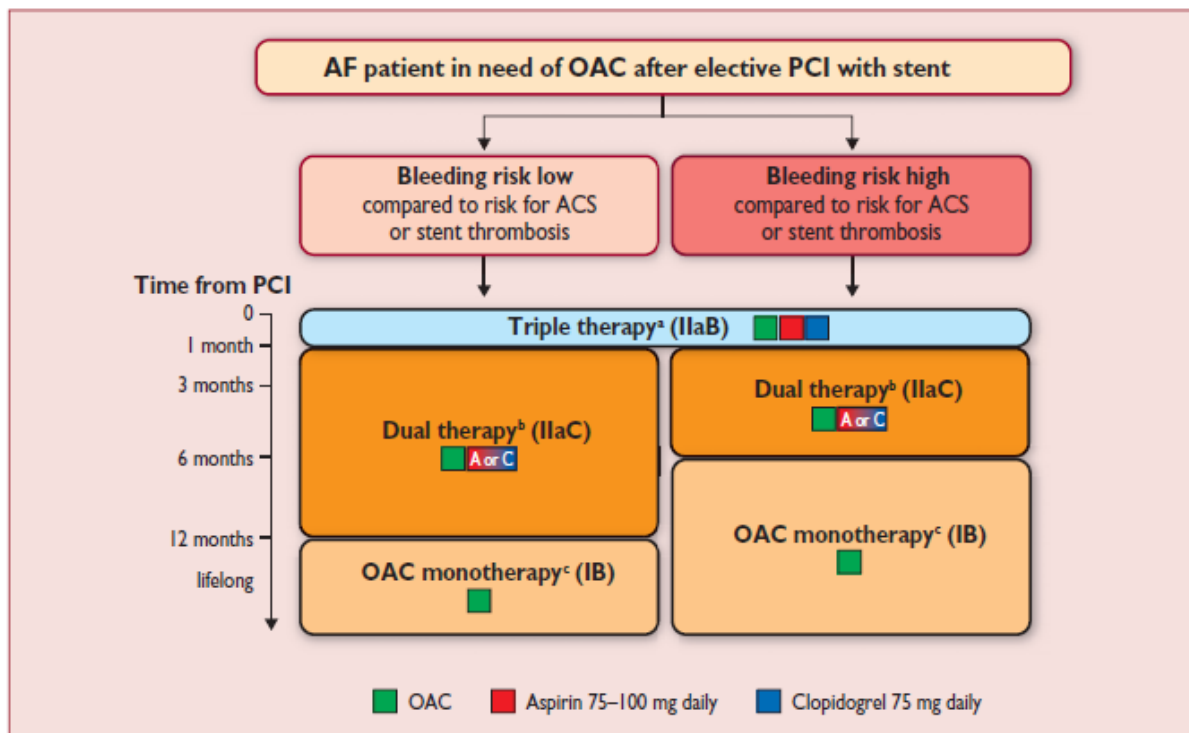
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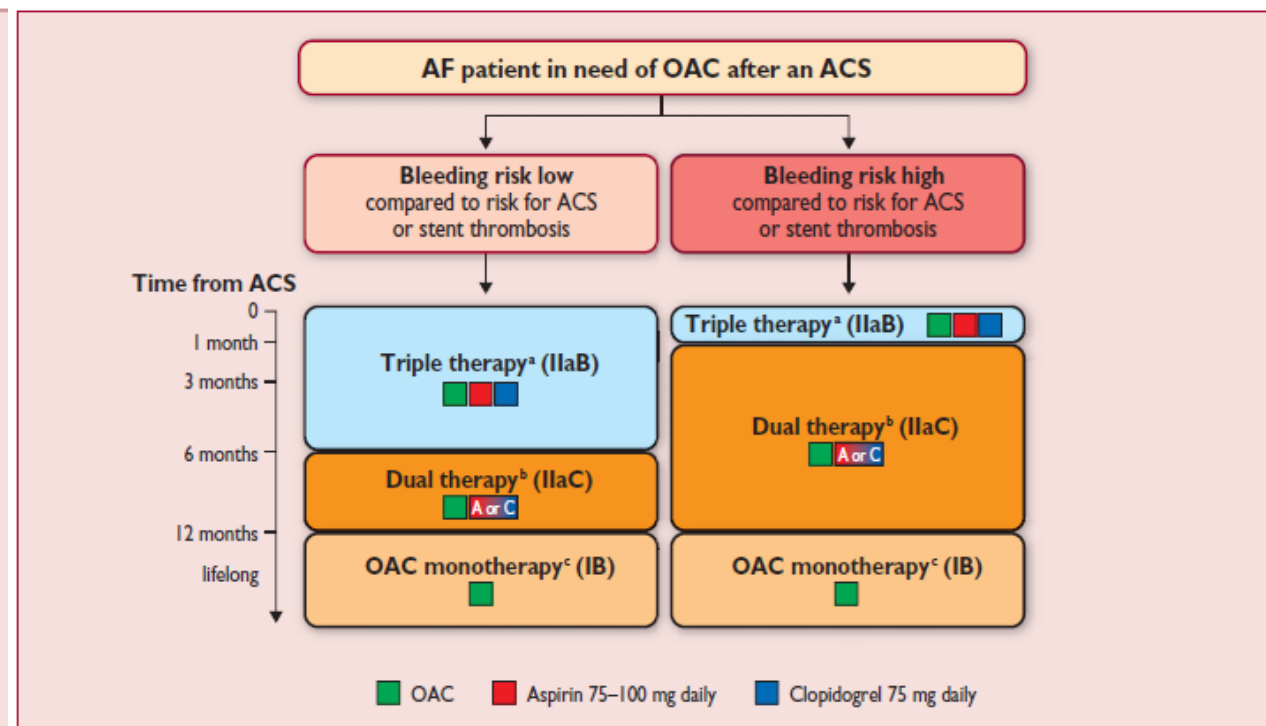


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ZES drug fast-release profile (15 days) vs BMS in  
**HBR patients**

MEAN DAPT DURATION : **1 months**

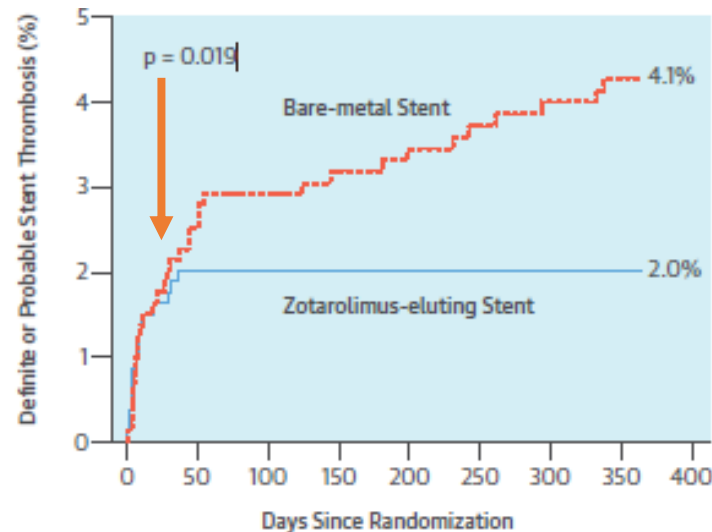
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### Zotarolimus-Eluting Versus Bare-Metal Stents in Uncertain Drug-Eluting Stent Candidates



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No. at Risk	
BMS	804 763 739 723 712 701 692 685
ZES	802 767 758 741 733 721 713 708



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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## Polymer-free Drug-Coated Coronary Stents in Patients at High Bleeding Risk

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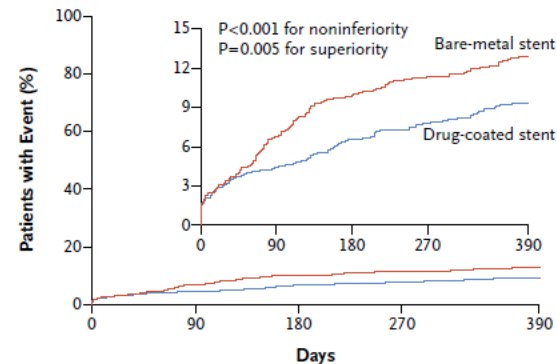


polymer-free biolimus-9  
stent vs BMS

#### Inclusion criteria — no. (%)§

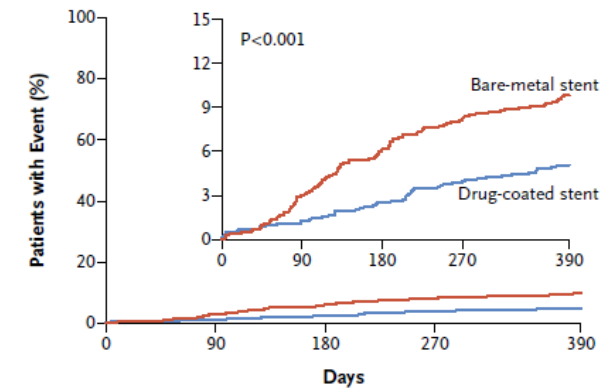
Age ≥75 yr	788 (64.5)	776 (64.1)
Oral anticoagulation planned to continue after PCI	448 (36.7)	431 (35.6)
Hemoglobin <11 g/liter or transfusion within 4 wk before random-ization	185 (15.2)	194 (16.0)
Platelet count <100,000/mm <sup>3</sup>	20 (1.6)	18 (1.5)
Hospital admission for bleeding in previous 12 mo	46 (3.8)	33 (2.7)
Stroke in previous 12 mo	15 (1.2)	24 (2.0)
Previous intracerebral hemorrhage	14 (1.1)	19 (1.6)
Severe chronic liver disease	11 (0.9)	10 (0.8)
Creatinine clearance <40 ml/min	219 (17.9)	245 (20.2)
Cancer in previous 3 yr¶	119 (9.7)	120 (9.9)
Planned major surgery in next 12 mo	187 (15.3)	211 (17.4)
Glucocorticoids or NSAID planned for >30 days after PCI	38 (3.1)	34 (2.8)
Expected nonadherence to >30 days of dual antiplatelet therapy	41 (3.4)	47 (3.9)

#### A Primary Safety End Point



No. at Risk	0	90	180	270	390
Drug-coated stent	1221	1146	1105	1081	1045
Bare-metal stent	1211	1115	1066	1037	1000

#### B Primary Efficacy End Point



No. at Risk	0	90	180	270	390
Drug-coated stent	1221	1167	1130	1098	1053
Bare-metal stent	1211	1131	1072	1034	984

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End Point	Drug-Coated Stent (N = 1221) <i>no. of events (% of patients)</i>	Bare-Metal Stent (N = 1211) <i>no. of events (% of patients)</i>	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	P Value
Stent thrombosis <sup>‡</sup>				
Definite or probable	24 (2.0)	26 (2.2)	0.91 (0.53–1.59)	0.75
Definite	16 (1.3)	17 (1.4)	0.93 (0.47–1.84)	0.84
Probable	8 (0.7)	9 (0.8)	0.88 (0.34–2.28)	0.80
Possible	25 (2.2)	27 (2.3)	0.91 (0.53–1.57)	0.74
Acute	5 (0.4)	5 (0.4)	0.99 (0.29–3.43)	0.99
Subacute	7 (0.6)	10 (0.8)	0.69 (0.26–1.82)	0.45
Early: acute + subacute	12 (1.0)	15 (1.2)	0.79 (0.37–1.70)	0.55
Late	13 (1.1)	11 (1.0)	1.17 (0.52–2.61)	0.70

→ After DAPT discontinuation

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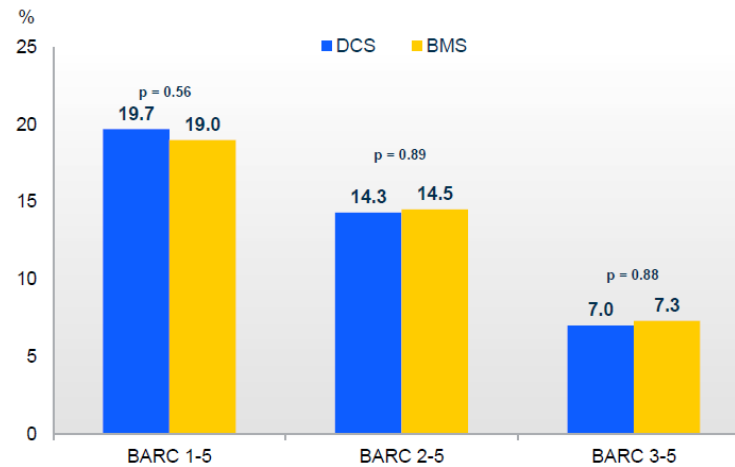
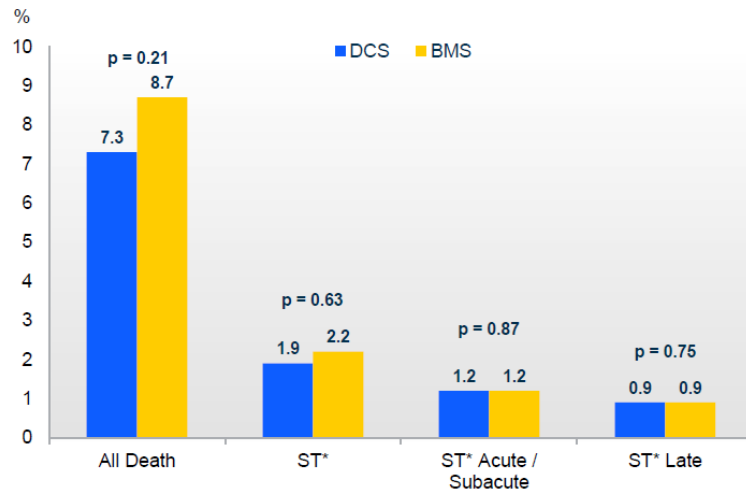
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### LEADERS FREE II

Pivotal Study of the Biolimus A9™  
Drug-Coated Stent in  
High Bleeding Risk Patients:  
Primary Report

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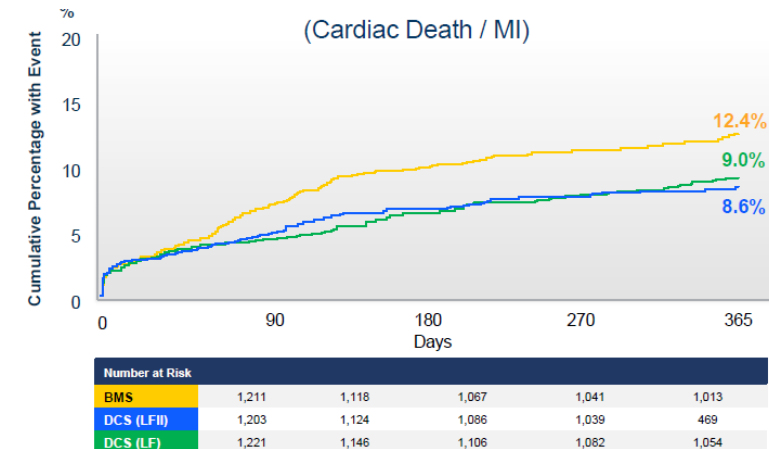
#### Pivotal results



Confronto indiretto con  
popolazione BMS Europea,  
2424 pts HBR →

polymer-free biolimus-9  
stent vs BMS

	DCS	BMS	p-value
Mean age (years)	74.6 ± 9.7	75.7 ± 9.3	0.0086
Female gender (%)	31.3	30.9	0.8093
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	28.7 ± 5.8	27.2 ± 4.6	<0.0001
Diabetes (%)	34.5	32.3	0.2614
All ACS (%)	45.2	43.1	0.2953
STEMI presentation (%)	2.3	4.0	0.0213
Prior MI (%)	24.1	21.4	0.1166
Prior PCI (%)	38.1	21.9	<0.0001
Prior CABG (%)	15.5	10.1	<0.0001
Congestive heart failure (%)	19.7	12.4	<0.0001
Atrial fibrillation (%)	35.0	34.6	0.8379
Peripheral vascular disease (%)	17.4	15.8	0.2850
Chronic obstructive lung disease (%)	14.0	11.7	0.0983



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### Drug-eluting stents in elderly patients with coronary artery disease (SENIOR): a randomised single-blind trial



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Age > 75 yo  
Diabetes 26%  
CKD 17%  
Anaemia 15%

DAPT:  
6 months in ACS  
1 month in Stable CAD

ACS 45%  
MVD 32%  
Bifurcation 15%  
Total stent length 31 mm

### RCT 1:1 Synergy stent vs BMS

	Drug-eluting stent (n=596)	Bare-metal stent (n=604)	Relative risk	p value
<b>Primary endpoint</b>				
All-cause mortality, myocardial infarction, stroke, or ischaemia-driven target lesion revascularisation				
1 year	68 (12%)	98 (16%)	0.71 (0.52-0.94)	0.02
<b>BARC 3-5</b>				
30 days	10 (2%)	8 (1%)	1.26 (0.43-4.37)	0.62
180 days	15 (3%)	14 (2%)	1.08 (0.48-2.47)	0.83
1 year	20 (3%)	21 (4%)	0.95 (0.49-1.81)	0.86
<b>Definite and probable stent thrombosis</b>				
30 days	2 (<1%)	7 (1%)	0.28 (0.00-1.36)	0.09
180 days	3 (1%)	8 (1%)	0.38 (0.00-1.48)	0.13
1 year	3 (1%)	8 (1%)	0.38 (0.00-1.48)	0.13

*“ A strategy of combination of a DES to reduce the risk of subsequent repeat revascularizations with a short BMS-like DAPT regimen to reduce the risk of bleeding event is an attractive option for elderly patients who have PCI. ”*



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### Randomized All-Comers Evaluation of a Permanent Polymer Zotarolimus-Eluting Stent Versus a Polymer-Free Amphilimus-Eluting Stent: (ReCre8) A Multicenter, Non-Inferiority Trial

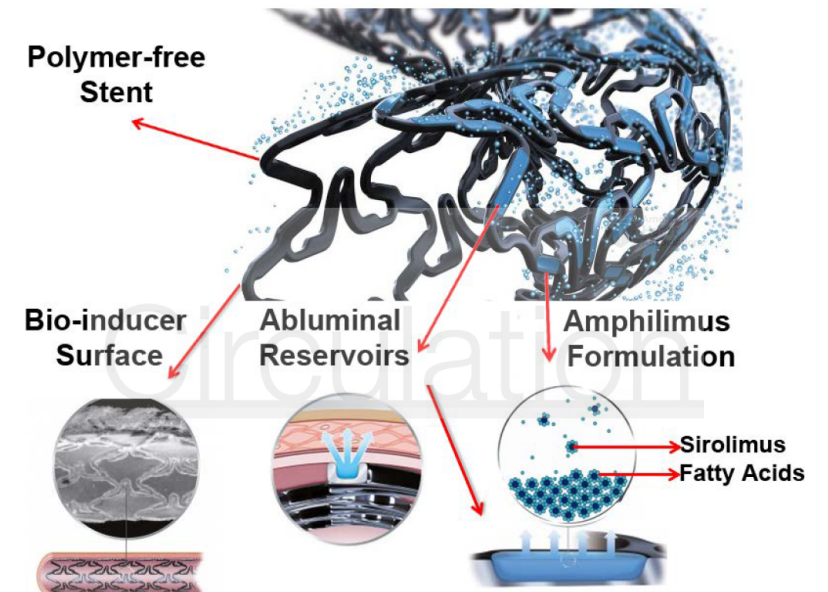
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1502 pts, all-comers population, 3 European sites  
Mean age 64 yo, 24% female, 16% CKD, 48% ACS, 58% complex lesions  
Mean total stent length 47 mm



Tnt + → 12 months DAPT  
Tnt - → 1 month DAPT

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	Overall (n=1491)	PP-ZES (n=744)	PF-AES (n=747)	p-value
<b>Device-oriented primary endpoint*</b>	88 (5.9)	42 (5.6)	46 (6.2)	0.67
<b>Patient-oriented secondary endpoint†</b>	177 (11.9)	86 (11.6)	91 (12.2)	0.69
<b>Any death</b>	35 (2.3)	18 (2.4)	17 (2.3)	0.86
<b>Cardiac death</b>	20 (1.3)	10 (1.3)	10 (1.3)	1.00
<b>Myocardial infarction</b>	53 (3.6)	24 (3.2)	29 (3.8)	0.49
<b>Target-vessel myocardial infarction</b>	35 (2.3)	17 (2.3)	18 (2.4)	0.87
<b>Stent thrombosis (definite, or probable)‡</b>	15 (1.0)	6 (0.8)	9 (1.2)	0.61
<b>Acute (&lt; 24 h)</b>	4 (0.3)	0	4 (0.5)	0.12
<b>Subacute (24 h to 30 days)</b>	5 (0.3)	2 (0.3)	3 (0.4)	1.00
<b>Late (31 days to 12 months)</b>	6 (0.4)	4 (0.5)	2 (0.3)	0.45
<b>Any unplanned revascularization</b>	73 (4.9)	38 (5.1)	35 (4.7)	0.71
<b>Target-lesion revascularization</b>	42 (2.8)	20 (2.6)	22 (2.9)	0.75
<b>Stroke</b>	12 (0.8)	6 (0.8)	6 (0.8)	1.00
<b>Major Bleeding (BARC ≥ 3)</b>	25 (1.7)	13 (1.7)	12 (1.6)	0.84

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## ONGOING STUDIES LEADERS FREE-LIKE

Study	Device	DAPT Duration	Inclusion	Major Exclusion	Status
COBRA REDUCE	Cobra PzF vs Xcience/Resolute	2 weeks	OAC	Staging PCI, DAPT > 2 weeks, Major surgery within 1y	recruiting
MASTER-DAPT	Ultimaster	1 mos vs 12 mos	HBR criteria	BARC > 2	recruiting
POEM	Synergy Registry	1 month	HBR criteria	Cardiogenic shock, major active bleeding	recruiting
ONYX ONE-MONTH DAPT	Resolute vs Biofreedom	1 month	HBR criteria	Planned surgery within 1 month	recruiting
SHORT DAPT 90	Xcience Registry	3 months	HBR criteria	Planned surgery within 1 month, ACS	recruiting
XIENCE 28	Xcience Registry	1 month	HBR criteria	STEMI, LVEF < 30	announced
EVOLVE Short DAPT	Synergy Registry	3 months	HBR criteria	ACS	recruiting
STOP-DAPT 2	CoCr-EES	1 mos vs 12 mos	Not only HBR	OAC, Intracranial hemorrhage	announced

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Ongoing...**POEM trial**

1. Età ≥75 anni
2. Necessità di terapia anticoagulante orale
3. Emoglobina <11 g/l
4. Emotrasfusione nelle 4 settimane precedenti
5. Piastrinopenia (<100'000/ml)
6. Ricovero per sanguinamento nei 12 mesi precedenti
7. Ictus nei 12 mesi precedenti
8. Storia di sanguinamento intracranico
9. Epatopatia severa
10. Clearance creatinina <40 ml/min
11. Storia di neoplasia nei 3 anni precedenti
12. Programma di chirurgia maggiore nei 12 mesi successivi
13. Terapia con glucocorticoidi o antiinfiammatori non steroidei per >30 giorni dopo l'angioplastica
14. Prevista non adesione a una doppia terapia antiaggregante per oltre 30 giorni

“PERFORMANCE OF BIORESORBABLE POLYMER-COATED EVEROLIMUS-ELUTING **SYNERGY® STENT** IN PATIENTS AT HIGH BLEEDING RISK UNDERGOING PERCUTANEOUS CORONARY REVASCULARIZATION FOLLOWED BY 1-MONTH DUAL ANTIPLATELET THERAPY” – 012017POEM

N of patients 1023

**Endpoint primario:** composito di mortalità per cause cardiovascolari, infarto del miocardio e trombosi di stent (definita/probabile secondo la definizione ARC) a 1 anno di follow-up.

**Endpoint secondary:** ...Sanguinamenti maggiori (tipo 3-5 secondo la definizione BARC) a 30 giorni e 1 anno



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## CONCLUSION

- **HBR patients are an increasing medical concern**
- Identification (clinical judgment vs Scores / Age and OAC = main factors in daily practice)
  - Ischemic risk to be considered and balanced to bleeding risk
- **HBR patients are exposed to an higher risk of death**
  - Even after successful PCI
- **Antithrombotic strategies to be tailored in HBR patients**
  - Less potent drugs and shorter duration
- GL recommendations often based on low ischemic and bleeding risk patients
- **PCI strategies and device selection specific to HBR patients**
  - New stent generation (current evidences for BIOFREEDOM/SYNERGY)
    - Avoid complex procedures (whenever possible)
  - **Future scenarios?**
    - New stents and tailored DAPT models

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