

Applying novel antithrombotic therapy in the secondary prevention of chronic CVD

COMPASS CAD & PAD

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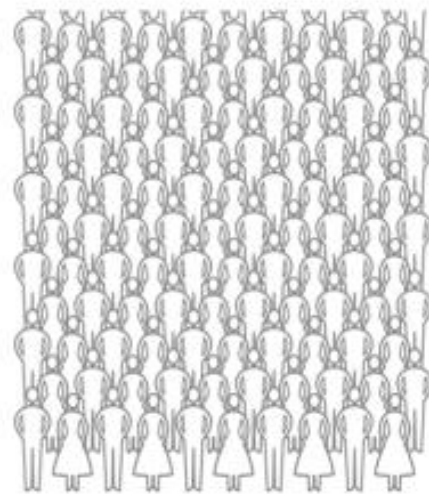
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Dual pathway inhibition in Stable Cardiovascular Disease

(Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg BD + Aspirin 75-100 mg OD)





**154 MILLION
PATIENTS WITH CAD**

**120 MILLION
PATIENTS WITH PAD**



Key trials of anti-thrombotic therapy in chronic coronary syndrome patients

Dual Anti platelet therapy extension after 1 year

DAPT Trial

ASA vs ASA + Clopidogrel

PEGASUS Trial

ASA vs ASA + Ticagrelor

Dual pathway inhibition after 1 year

FDA APPROVED

COMPASS Trial

ASA vs ASA + Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg BD

Important points:

Only in COMPASS Trial:

- ✓ The study was completed earlier
- ✓ Patients had chronic CAD & PAD
- ✓ 27% of Patients had PAD
- ✓ 22% of patients had heart failure (EF > 30)
- ✓ **COMPASS Trial had Less Discontinuation Rate**





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COMPASS trial

Rivaroxaban with or without Aspirin in Stable Cardiovascular Disease



Inclusion Criteria

- Presence of CAD or PAD
 - CAD defined as any of:
 - MI within the last 20 years
 - Multivessel CAD with symptoms or with history of stable or unstable angina
 - Multivessel PCI/CABG
 - PAD defined as any of:
 - Previous limb bypass surgery or PTCA
 - Previous limb or foot amputation for arterial vascular disease
 - History of claudication (with either of ABI < 0.90 or $\geq 50\%$ stenosis of peripheral artery by angio. or US
 - Previous carotid revascularization or asymptomatic carotid stenosis $\geq 50\%$ by angio. or US
- If included for CAD, also requires either of:
 - Age ≥ 65 years
 - Age < 65 years with documented atherosclerosis or revascularization involving at least 1 additional vascular bed or presence of at least 2 of:
 - Current smoker / Diabetes / eGFR < 60mL/min/ Heart failure/ Non-lacunar stroke ≥ 1 month



COMPASS trial

Rivaroxaban with or without Aspirin in Stable Cardiovascular Disease



Exclusion criteria

- high bleeding risk
- a recent stroke or previous hemorrhagic or lacunar stroke
- severe heart failure
- advanced stable kidney disease (estimated GFR <15 ml per minute)
- the use of dual antiplatelet therapy, anticoagulation, or other antithrombotic therapy
- Non cardiovascular conditions deemed by the investigator to be associated with a poor prognosis.

BLEEDING RISK



Table 7 Major and minor criteria for high bleeding risk according to the Academic Research Consortium for High Bleeding Risk at the time of percutaneous coronary intervention (bleeding risk is high if at least one major or two minor criteria are met)

| Major | Minor |
|---|---|
| ● Anticipated use of long-term OAC ^a | ● Age \geq 75 years |
| ● Severe or end-stage CKD (eGFR $<$ 30 mL/min) | ● Moderate CKD (eGFR 30–59 mL/min) |
| ● Haemoglobin $<$ 11 g/dL | ● Haemoglobin 11–12.9 g/dL for men or 11–11.9 g/dL for women |
| ● Spontaneous bleeding requiring hospitalization and/or transfusion in the past 6 months or at any time, if recurrent | ● Spontaneous bleeding requiring hospitalization and/or transfusion within the past 12 months not meeting the major criterion |
| ● Moderate or severe baseline thrombocytopenia ^b (platelet count $<$ $100 \times 10^9/L$) | ● Chronic use of oral non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs or steroids |
| ● Chronic bleeding diathesis | ● Any ischaemic stroke at any time not meeting the major criterion |
| ● Liver cirrhosis with portal hypertension | |
| ● Active malignancy ^c (excluding non-melanoma skin cancer) within the past 12 months | |
| ● Previous spontaneous intracranial haemorrhage (at any time) | |
| ● Previous traumatic intracranial haemorrhage within the past 12 months | |
| ● Presence of a brain arteriovenous malformation | |
| ● Moderate or severe ischaemic stroke ^d within the past 6 months | |
| ● Recent major surgery or major trauma within 30 days prior to PCI | |
| ● Non-deferrable major surgery on DAPT | |

Rivaroxaban with or without Aspirin in Stable Cardiovascular Disease (PAD, CAD)

Prospective, multi-center, double-blind,
3-by-2 partial factorial design, randomized controlled trial,
N=27,395, 602 centers in 33 countries

Aspirin alone

ASA₁₀₀ + Rivaroxaban_{2.5} BID

RvRx₅ BID

- Rivaroxaban and aspirin (n=9152)
- Rivaroxaban alone (n=9117)
- Aspirin alone (n=9126)
- **Mean follow-up:** 3-4 years
- **Primary outcome:** Cardiovascular death, stroke, or nonfatal MI



**MAJOR
CARDIOVASCULAR
EVENTS[†]**

24%

RELATIVE RISK REDUCTION

HR (95% CI): 0.76 (0.66-0.86)

P<0.001

[†]Major cardiovascular events were a composite of stroke, myocardial infarction (MI), and cardiovascular (CV) death.



STROKE[‡]

42%

RELATIVE RISK REDUCTION

HR (95% CI): 0.58 (0.44-0.76)



**MYOCARDIAL
INFARCTION[‡]**

14%

RELATIVE RISK REDUCTION

HR (95% CI): 0.86 (0.70-1.05)



**CARDIOVASCULAR
DEATH^{‡§}**

22%

RELATIVE RISK REDUCTION

HR (95% CI): 0.78 (0.64-0.96)

Bleeding Events



| Outcome | Rivaroxaban plus Aspirin (N=9152) | Rivaroxaban Alone (N=9117) | Aspirin Alone (N=9126) | Rivaroxaban plus Aspirin vs. Aspirin Alone | |
|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--|---------|
| | <i>number (percent)</i> | | | Hazard Ratio (95% CI) | P Value |
| Major and minor bleeding | | | | | |
| Major bleeding | 288 (3.1) | 255 (2.8) | 170 (1.9) | 1.70 (1.40–2.05) | <0.001 |
| Fatal bleeding† | 15 (0.2) | 14 (0.2) | 10 (0.1) | 1.49 (0.67–3.33) | 0.32 |
| Nonfatal symptomatic ICH† | 21 (0.2) | 32 (0.4) | 19 (0.2) | 1.10 (0.59–2.04) | 0.77 |
| Nonfatal, non-ICH, symptomatic bleeding into critical organ† | 42 (0.5) | 45 (0.5) | 29 (0.3) | 1.43 (0.89–2.29) | 0.14 |
| Other major bleeding† | 210 (2.3) | 164 (1.8) | 112 (1.2) | 1.88 (1.49–2.36) | <0.001 |
| Fatal bleeding or symptomatic ICH | 36 (0.4) | 46 (0.5) | 29 (0.3) | 1.23 (0.76–2.01) | 0.40 |
| Fatal bleeding or symptomatic bleeding into critical organ | 78 (0.9) | 91 (1.0) | 58 (0.6) | 1.34 (0.95–1.88) | 0.09 |

NET Clinical benefit



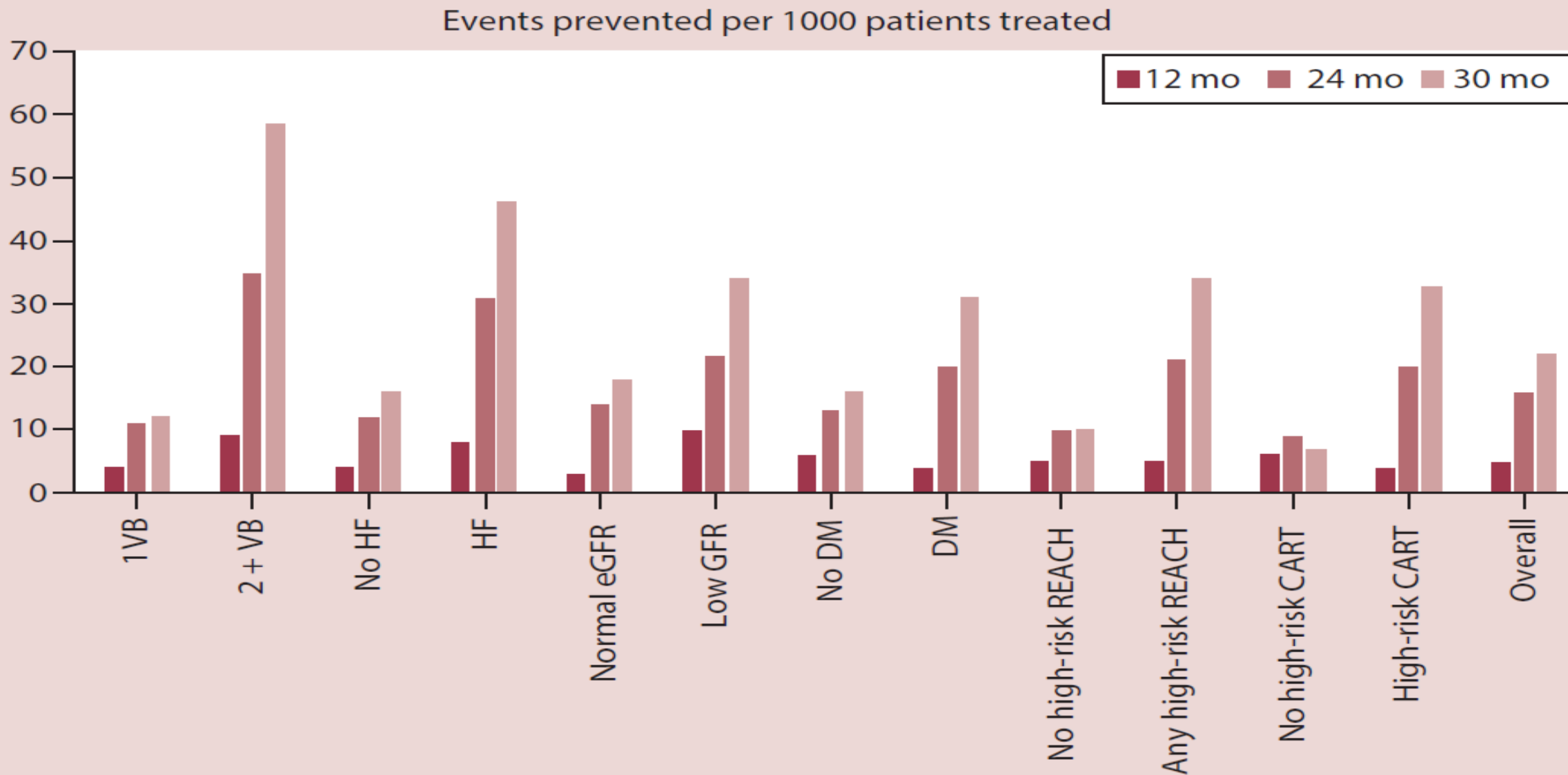
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|---|----------|----------|----------|------------------|--------|------------------|------|
| Cardiovascular death, stroke, myocardial infarction, fatal bleeding or symptomatic bleeding into a critical organ | 392 (5%) | 462 (6%) | 494 (6%) | 0.78 (0.69-0.90) | 0.0003 | 0.94 (0.82-1.06) | 0.31 |
|---|----------|----------|----------|------------------|--------|------------------|------|



22%

A large dark blue downward-pointing arrow with the text '22%' centered inside it.

Net clinical benefit per 1000 patients



2020 ESC Guidelines



Prolonging antithrombotic treatment duration

Adding a second antithrombotic agent to aspirin for extended long-term secondary prevention should be considered in patients with a **high risk of ischaemic events** and without increased risk of major or life-threatening bleeding (see *Tables 9 and 11* for options).^{162,212,213,214,223}

IIa

A

Adding a second antithrombotic agent to aspirin for extended long-term secondary prevention may be considered in patients **with moderately increased risk of ischaemic events** and without increased risk of major or life-threatening bleeding (see *Tables 9 and 11* for options).^{162,212,213,214,223}

IIb

A

2020 ESC Guideline

High thrombotic risk (Class IIa)

Complex CAD and at least 1 criterion

Risk enhancers

Diabetes mellitus requiring medication

History of recurrent MI

Any multivessel CAD

Polyvascular disease (CAD plus PAD)

Premature (<45 years) or accelerated (new lesion within a 2-year time frame) CAD

Concomitant systemic inflammatory disease (e.g. human immunodeficiency virus, systemic lupus erythematosus, chronic arthritis)

CKD with eGFR 15–59 mL/min/1.73 m²

Technical aspects

At least 3 stents implanted

At least 3 lesions treated

Total stent length >60 mm

History of complex revascularization (left main, bifurcation stenting with ≥2 stents implanted, chronic total occlusion, stenting of last patent vessel)

History of stent thrombosis on antiplatelet treatment

Moderate thrombotic risk (Class IIb)

Non-complex CAD and at least 1 criterion

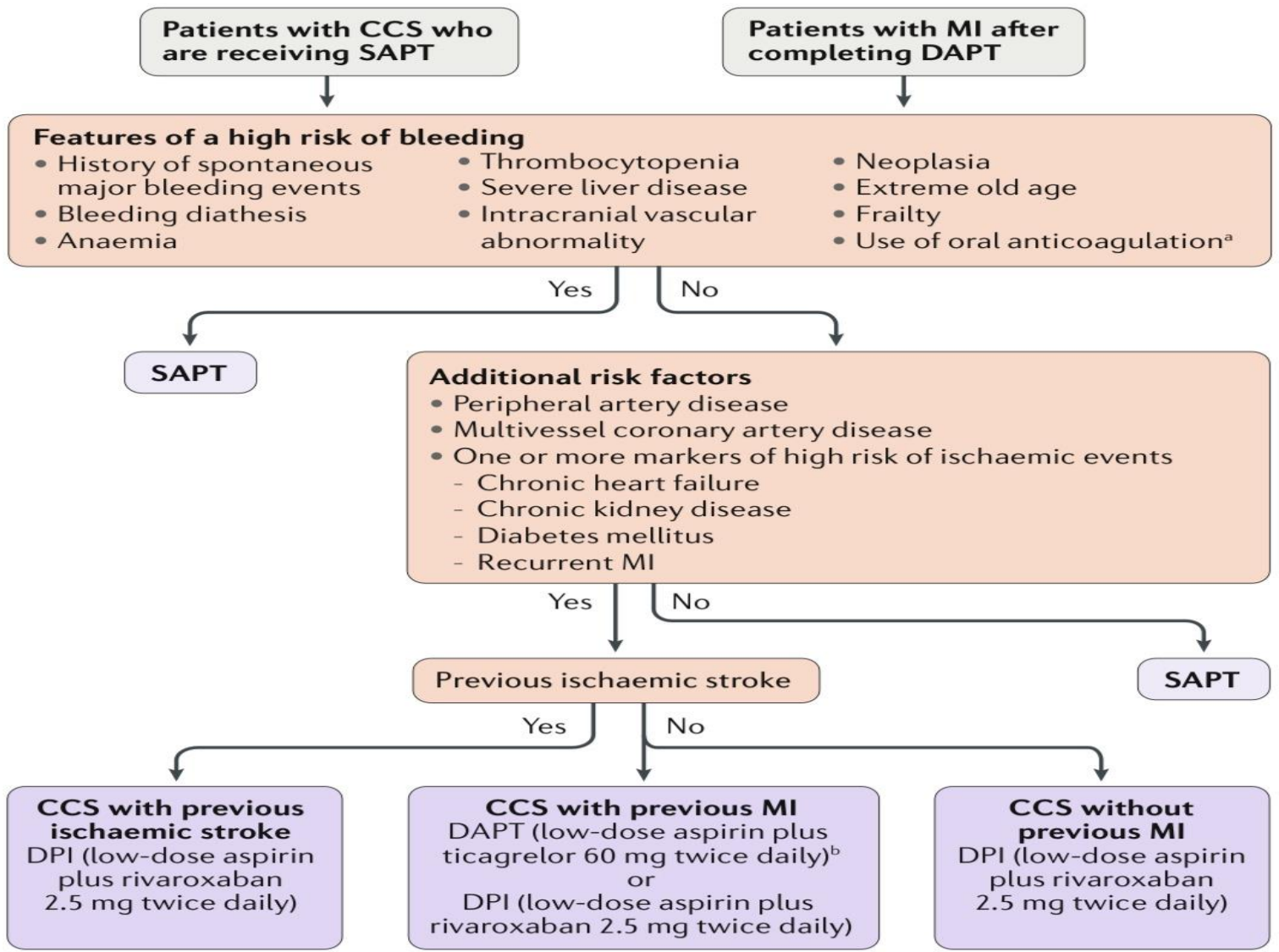
Diabetes mellitus requiring medication

History of recurrent MI

Polyvascular disease (CAD plus PAD)

CKD with eGFR 15–59 mL/min/1.73 m²

complex vs. non-complex CAD is based on individual clinical judgement with knowledge of patients' cardiovascular history and/or coronary anatomy.



ADA 2021

Combination therapy with aspirin plus low-dose rivaroxaban should be considered for patients with stable coronary and/or peripheral artery disease and low bleeding risk to prevent major adverse limb and cardiovascular events. **A**



Dual pathway inhibition in Peripheral Artery Diseases

(Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg BD + Aspirin 75-100 mg OD)



Current Challenges in PAD

- Under-recognized and underdiagnosed
- Little progress in management during the last few decades
- High burden of disease and complications in patients with PAD
 - Increased risk of all-cause mortality, CV mortality, and morbidity (MI, stroke)



Global Burden of PAD



Global Prevalence^[a]

- 120,000,000
 - 25.6% global burden of CV disease

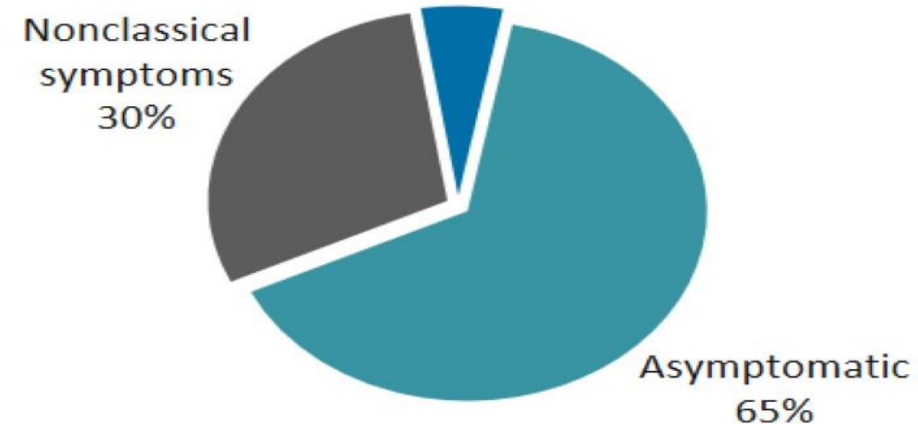
1999–2000 US NHNE Survey^[b]

- PAD (ABI < 0.90) prevalence
 - ≥ 40 years: 4.3%
 - ≥ 70 years: 14.5%

US Healthcare Insurer Database^[c]

- Mean annual prevalence
 - 10.7%

~ 5% of patients with PAD have classical symptoms of intermittent claudication^[d]



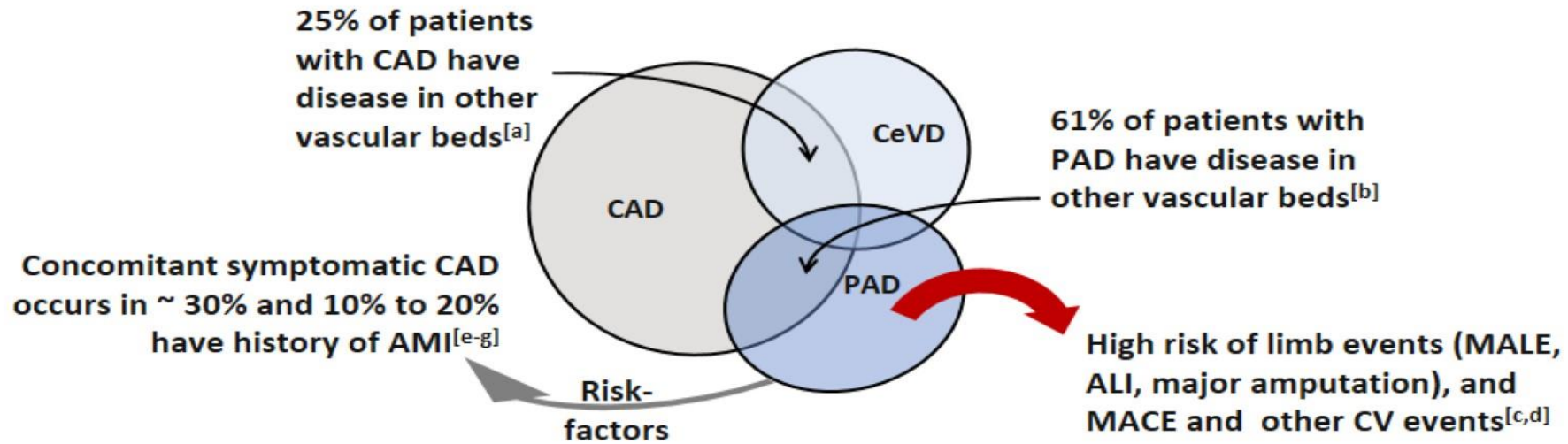
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Polyvascular Disease

Substantial Overlap Between CAD and PAD



REACH registry: enrolled 67,888 patients with CAD, PAD, and CeVD^[a]



a. Bhatt DL, et al. *JAMA*. 2006;295:180-189; b. Cacoub PP, et al. *Atherosclerosis*. 2009;204:e86-e92; c. Bonaca MP, et al. *Circulation*. 2013;127:1522-1529; d. Kumbhani DJ, et al. *Eur Heart J*. 2014;35:2864-2872; e. Hiatt WR, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2017;376:32-40; f. Mega JL, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2012;366:9-19; g. Yusuf S, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2001;345:494-502.

Current Treatment Strategies For Patients With PAD



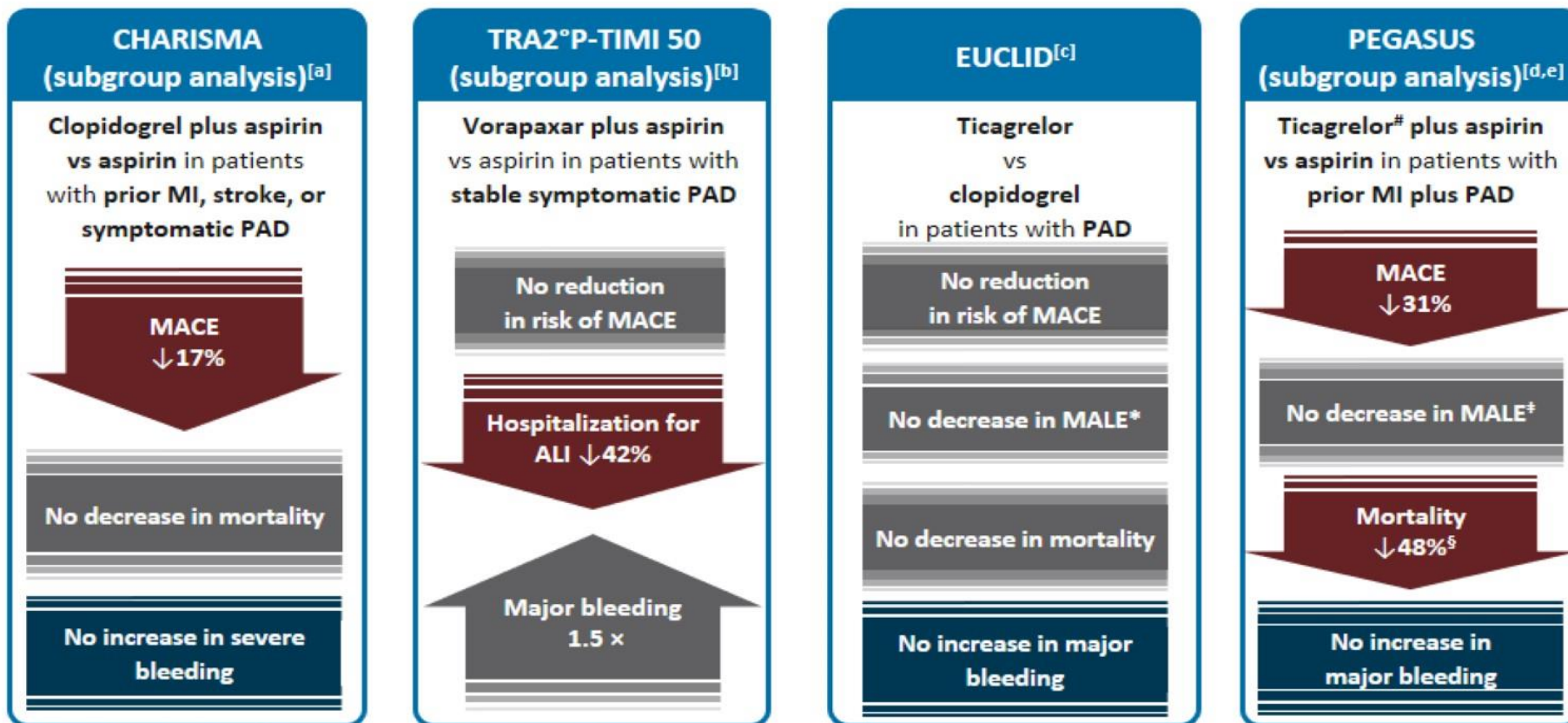
Symptom Improvement

- Exercise training
- Pharmacologic treatments (eg, cilostazol)
- Endovascular intervention (eg, stent placement)
- Surgery (eg, revascularization)

CV Risk Reduction

- Lipid-lowering drugs (eg, statin)
- Antihypertensive drugs (eg, ACE inhibitor)
- Diabetes therapies
- Smoking cessation
- Antiplatelet drugs (eg, aspirin, clopidogrel)

Trials on Intensified Antiplatelet Therapy in Patients With PAD Showed Mixed Results



IN PEGASUS 5% of patients had PAD

Not intended for direct cross-study comparison

*Hospitalization for ALI or lower limb revascularization (individual endpoints); [#]Results presented are for the 60 mg twice daily dose;

[‡]Composite of ALI or peripheral revascularization; [§]No mortality benefit in the overall trial population^[e]

a. Bhatt DL et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol.* 2007;49:1982-1988; b. Bonaca MP, et al. *Circulation.* 2013;127:1522-1529;

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Rivaroxaban with or without aspirin in patients with stable peripheral or carotid artery disease: an international, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial

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- Multicentre, double-blind, randomised placebo-controlled trial
- 7470 patients with peripheral artery disease from 558 centers

PAD Patients in COMPASS



| PAD Groups | Number of patients |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| All Patients | 7,470 |
| Symptomatic PAD Limbs | 4,129 |
| Carotid Disease | 1,919 |
| CAD + Low ABI (<0.90) only | 1,422 |

Mean Follow-up: 21 months

eligible for trial inclusion (COMPASS-PAD)

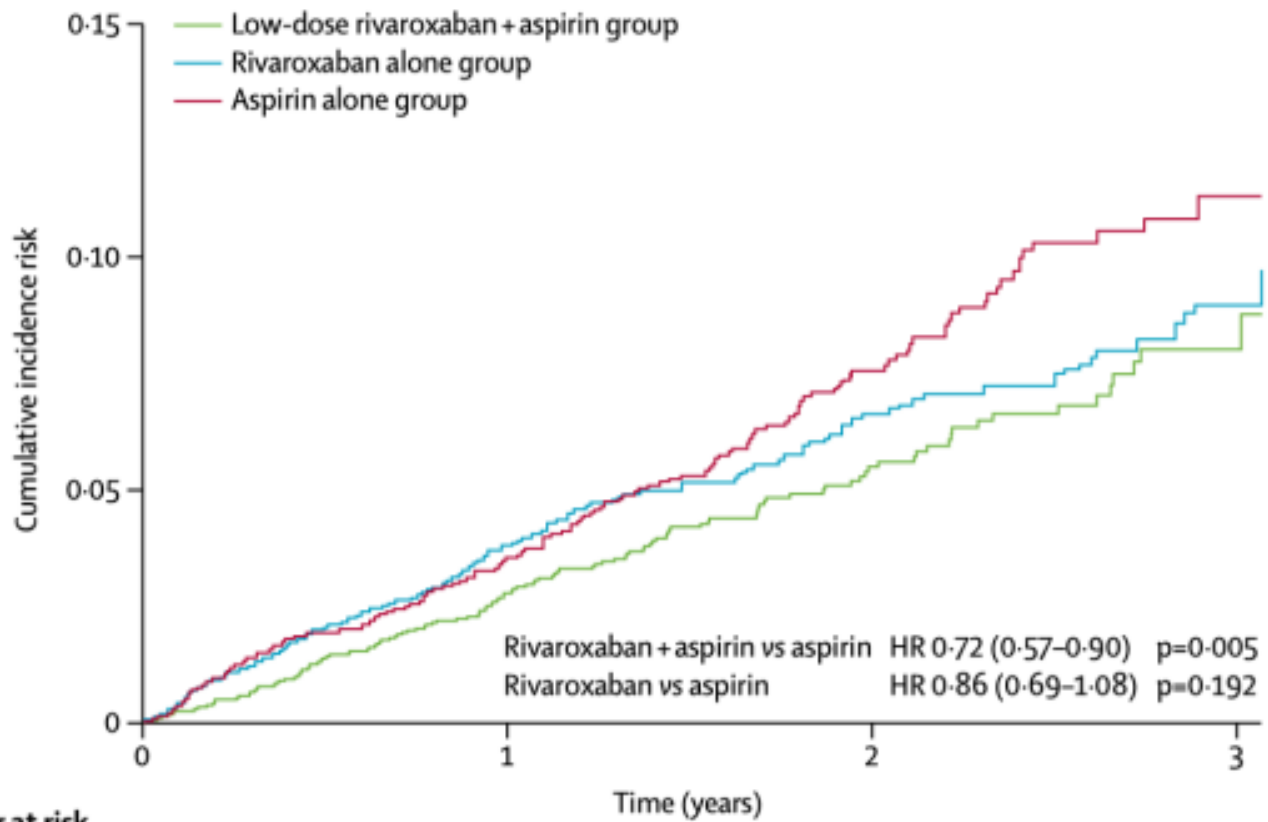


were required to have one of the following:

- 1) **Previous revascularization of peripheral arteries**
- 2) **limb or foot amputation** for arterial vascular disease
- 3) **Intermittent claudication** and one or more of either an **ABI < 0.90** or a **peripheral artery stenosis (≥50%)**
- 4) **Asymptomatic carotid artery stenosis of at least 50%** diagnosed by duplex ultrasound or
- 5) **Previous revascularization of carotid artery**

Rivaroxaban peripheral randomise

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| Number at risk | | | | |
|-----------------------|------|------|-----|-----|
| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Rivaroxaban + aspirin | 2492 | 2086 | 907 | 127 |
| Rivaroxaban | 2474 | 2044 | 870 | 147 |
| Aspirin | 2504 | 2065 | 930 | 119 |

Figure 2: Cumulative incidence of the primary efficacy outcome

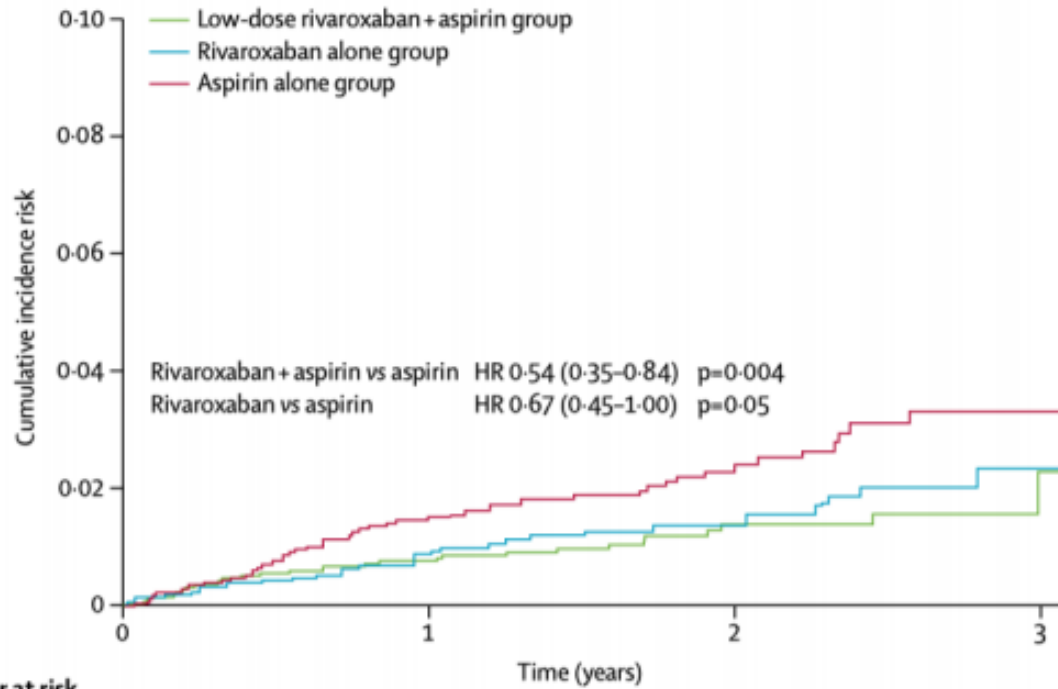
Primary Efficacy Outcome:
Cardiovascular Death,
Myocardial Infarction,
Stroke





Rivaroxaban for prevention of peripheral arterial disease in a randomised trial

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| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|-----------------------|------|------|-----|-----|
| Number at risk | | | | |
| Rivaroxaban + aspirin | 2492 | 2099 | 919 | 129 |
| Rivaroxaban | 2474 | 2071 | 902 | 151 |
| Aspirin | 2504 | 2072 | 951 | 120 |

Figure 3: Cumulative incidence of individual components of major adverse limb events including major amputation

Major adverse limb events: acute or chronic limb ischemia over the course of the trial follow-up

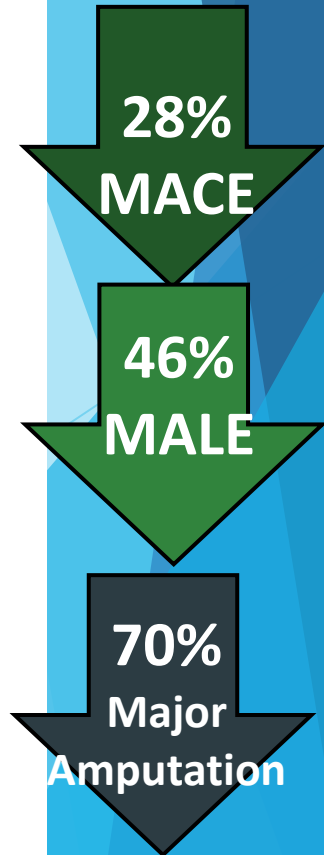


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PAD Subgroup



| | Rivaroxaban + Aspirin n = 2492 | Aspirin n = 2504 | Rivaroxaban + Aspirin vs Aspirin | |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Primary Outcomes | % | % | HR (95% CI) | P |
| MACE ^[a] | 5 | 7 | 0.72 (0.57, 0.90) | < .005 |
| MALE including major amputation ^[a] | 1 | 2 | 0.54 (0.35, 0.82) | .005 |
| Vascular intervention ^[b] | n = 2139 5.5 | n = 2123 7.1 | 0.76 (0.60, 0.97) | .03 |



a. Anand SS, et al. *Lancet*. 2018;391:219-229; b. Anand SS, et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol*. 2018;71:2306-2315.

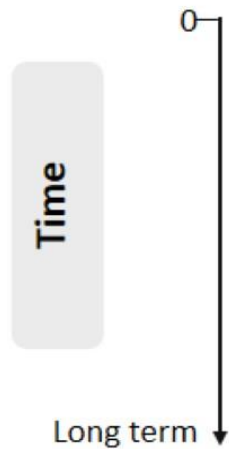


Rivaroxaban with or without aspirin in patients with stable peripheral or carotid artery disease: an international, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial

| | Low-dose rivaroxaban plus aspirin group (n=2492) | Rivaroxaban alone group (n=2474) | Aspirin alone group (n=2504) | Low-dose rivaroxaban plus aspirin versus aspirin alone | | Rivaroxaban alone versus aspirin alone | |
|--|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--|---------|--|---------|
| | | | | HR (95% CI) | p value | HR (95% CI) | p value |
| Major bleeding* | 77 (3%) | 79 (3%) | 48 (2%) | 1.61 (1.12–2.31) | 0.0089 | 1.68 (1.17–2.40) | 0.0043 |
| Fatal bleeding | 4 (<1%) | 5 (<1%) | 3 (<1%) | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Non-fatal symptomatic intracranial haemorrhage | 4 (<1%) | 3 (<1%) | 8 (<1%) | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Non-fatal, non-intracranial haemorrhage symptomatic bleeding into a critical organ | 13 (1%) | 18 (1%) | 8 (<1%) | 1.55 (0.64–3.74) | 0.33 | 2.15 (0.94–4.96) | 0.065 |
| Other major bleeding (surgical site bleeding requiring reoperation or bleeding leading to hospitalisation) | 56 (2%) | 53 (2%) | 29 (1%) | 1.94 (1.24–3.04) | 0.0031 | 1.86 (1.18–2.92) | 0.0064 |
| Fatal or symptomatic bleeding into a critical organ | 21 (1%) | 26 (1%) | 19 (1%) | 1.10 (0.59–2.05) | .. | 1.39 (0.89–3.09) | .. |
| Fatal or symptomatic bleeding into a critical organ or surgical site bleeding leading to re-operation | 25 (1%) | 29 (1%) | 22 (1%) | 1.13 (0.64–2.01) | .. | 1.34 (0.77–2.52) | .. |
| ISTH major bleeding | 64 (3%) | 53 (2%) | 40 (2%) | 1.61 (1.08–2.39) | .. | 1.34 (0.89–2.02) | .. |

New Antithrombotic Therapy Option for Stable PAD

Patients with Stable PAD *not* undergoing revascularization



Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg twice daily
+
Aspirin 100 mg once daily





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ESVM Guideline on Peripheral Arterial Disease

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ESC GUIDELINES



2019 ESC Guidelines on diabetes, pre-diabetes, and cardiovascular diseases developed in collaboration with the EASD

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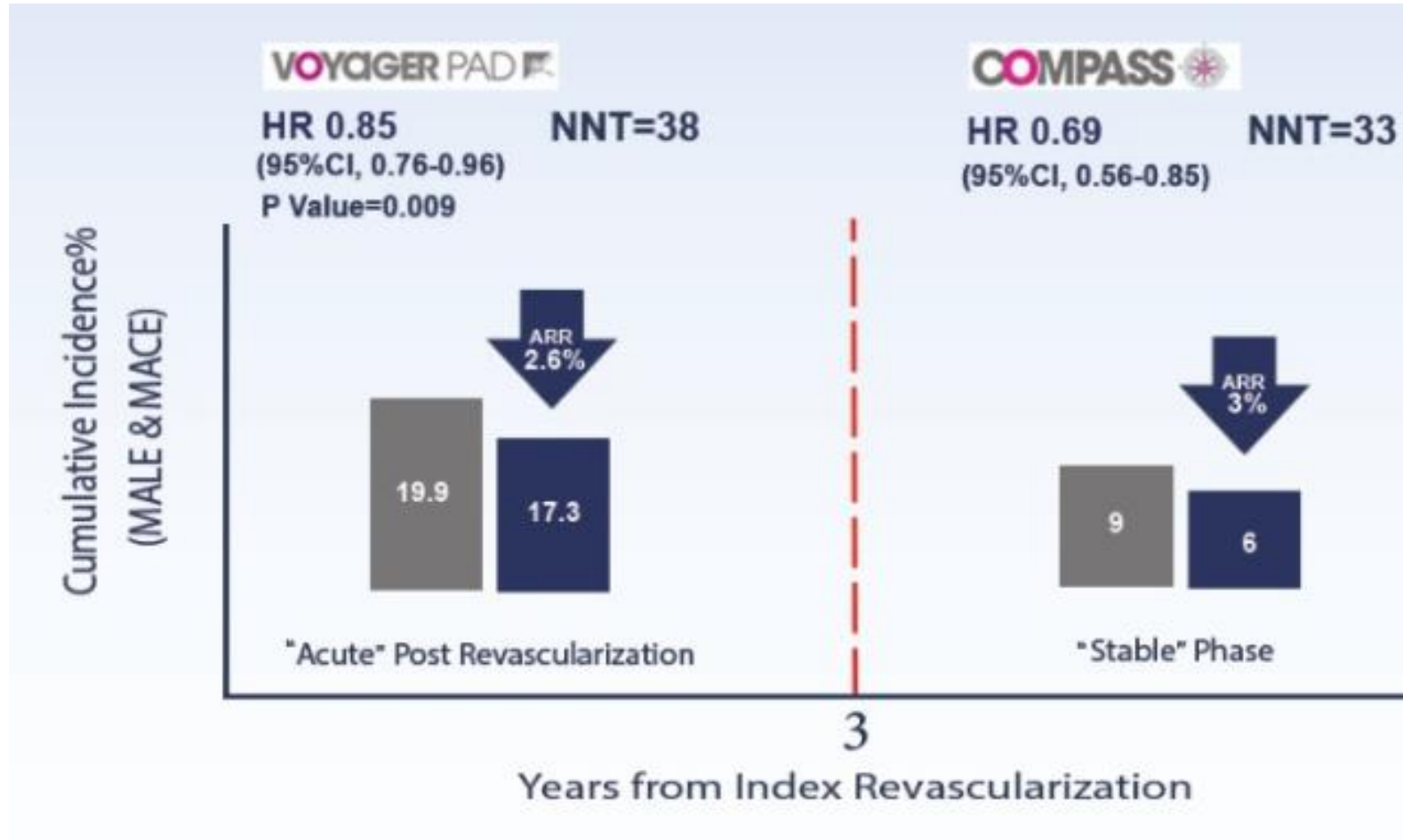
| RECOMMENDATIONS | CLASS | EVIDENCE LEVEL |
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| 2019 ESVM guidelines on the management of PAD The combined therapy of aspirin 100 mg od and rivaroxaban 2.5 mg bid should be considered in PAD patients without a high risk of bleeding or other contraindications | IIa | B |
| 2019 ESC-EASD guidelines on diabetes, pre-diabetes and CVD In patients with diabetes and chronic symptomatic LEAD without high bleeding risk, a combination of low-dose rivaroxaban (2.5 mg bid) and aspirin (100 mg od) should be considered | IIa | B |

Concluding Remarks

- Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg twice daily + aspirin 100 mg once daily is a more efficient antithrombotic strategy than current options for patients with PAD
- The efficacy of this combination is consistent during the different periods of the disease course
- There is no need to change this combination or its dose for the different periods of the disease, which is important for long-term treatment adherence



Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg in PAD CLINICAL TRIAL



Not eligible for **AXABIN 2.5 mg**:

1. High risk of bleeding
2. Stroke within 1 month
3. Any history of haemorrhagic stroke
4. Any history of lacunar stroke
5. Severe heart failure with a known ejection fraction of less than 30%
6. eGFR of less than 15 mL/min
7. Need for dual-antiplatelet therapy or for any nonaspirin antiplatelet therapy



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Thanks for your attention

