

Clinical Role of Platelet Function Testing: Short Overview of Recent European and American Expert Consensus Papers



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CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS

- **CONSULTING/RESEARCH GRANTS:**
 - Verum Diagnostica
- **LECTURE FEES:**
 - Roche
 - Verum Diagnostica
 - DSI/Lilly
 - AstraZeneca
 - Krka
 - Bayer
 - Pfizer

BACKGROUND

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CURRENT OPINION

Expert position paper on the role of platelet function testing in patients undergoing percutaneous coronary intervention

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BACKGROUND

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Accepted Manuscript

Consensus and Update on the Definition of On-Treatment Platelet Reactivity to ADP Associated with Ischemia and Bleeding

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GUIDELINE RECOMMENDATIONS

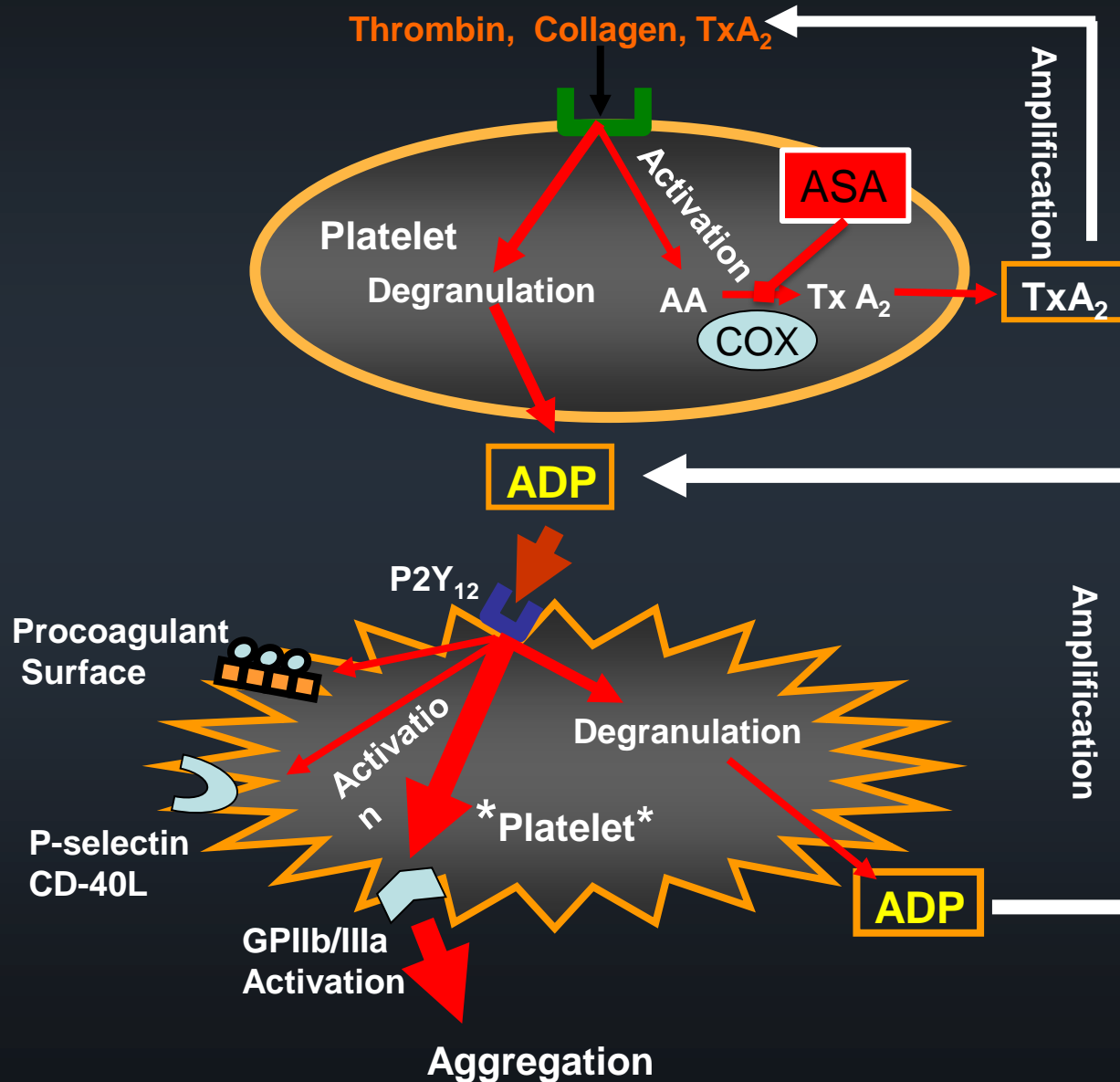
Clinical guideline recommendations regarding platelet function testing

ESC guidelines on myocardial revascularization 2010	<i>Monitoring of antiplatelet response by platelet function assays is currently used for clinical research, but not in daily clinical practice.</i>	III	C
ESC NSTEMI-ACS guidelines 2011	<i>Platelet function testing may be considered in selected cases when clopidogrel is used. Several trials currently under way may clarify the impact of adapting therapy on the basis of the results of platelet reactivity assays, but, so far, the routine clinical use of platelet function tests in clopidogrel-treated patients with ACS cannot be recommended.</i>	IIb	B
ACC/AHA/SCAI PCI guidelines 2011	<i>Platelet function testing may be considered in patients at high risk for poor clinical outcomes. In patients treated with clopidogrel with high platelet reactivity, alternative agents, such as prasugrel or ticagrelor, might be considered. The routine clinical use of platelet function testing to screen patients treated with clopidogrel who are undergoing PCI is not recommended.</i>	IIb	C
ACCF/AHA UA/NSTEMI guidelines 2012	<i>Platelet function testing to determine platelet inhibitory response in patients with UA/NSTEMI (or, after ACS and PCI) on P2Y₁₂-receptor inhibitor therapy may be considered if results of testing may alter management.</i>	IIb	B
ESC STEMI guidelines 2012	<i>No specific recommendation.</i>	-	-
ACCF/AHA STEMI guidelines 2013	<i>The roles of platelet function testing and genetic screening for clopidogrel metabolism in the acute phase of STEMI care are uncertain.</i>	-	-

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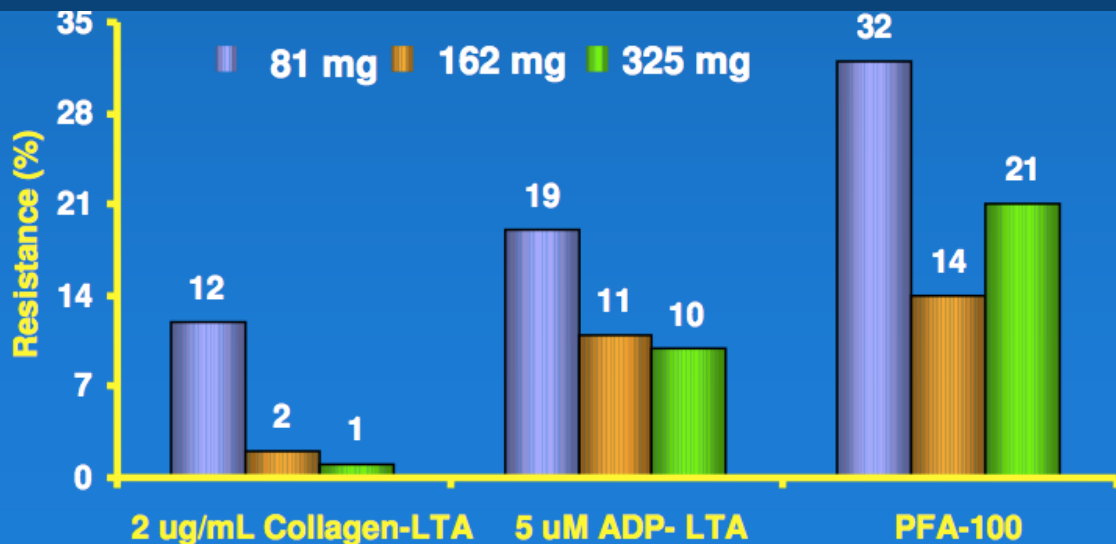
- What parameter should we measure?
- What device should we use?
- What should we do based on results?
- What patients should we measure?

What parameter should we measure: ASA



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Aspirin-Induced Platelet Effects- ASPECT Study



Definitions of "Resistance"

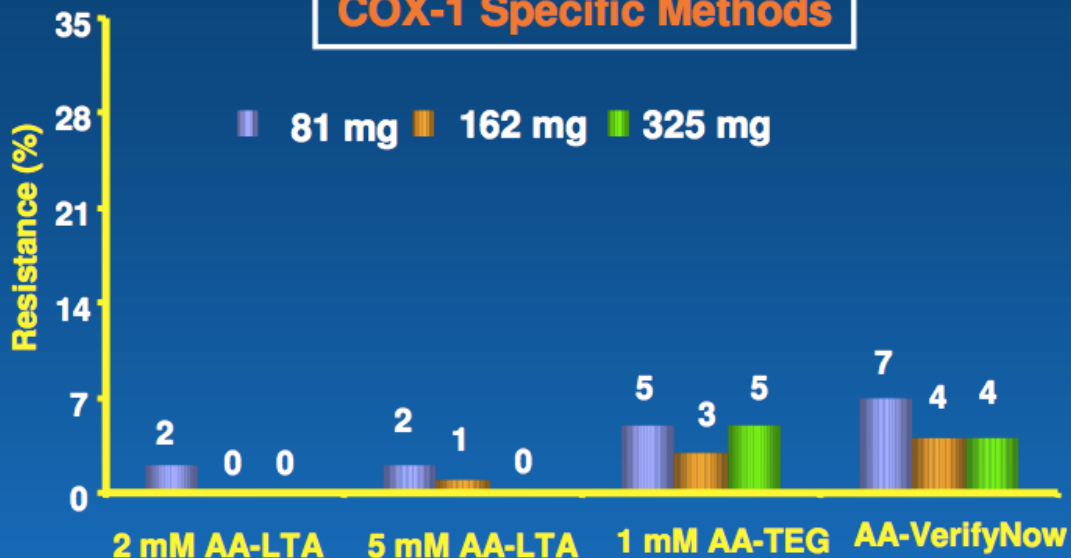
5 uM ADP- LTA (>70% Agg)

2 ug/mL Collagen-LTA (>70% Agg)

PFA-100 (<193 Secs)

(Gurbel PA et al. *Circulation*. 115: 3156-64, 2007)

COX-1 Specific Methods



Definitions of "Resistance"

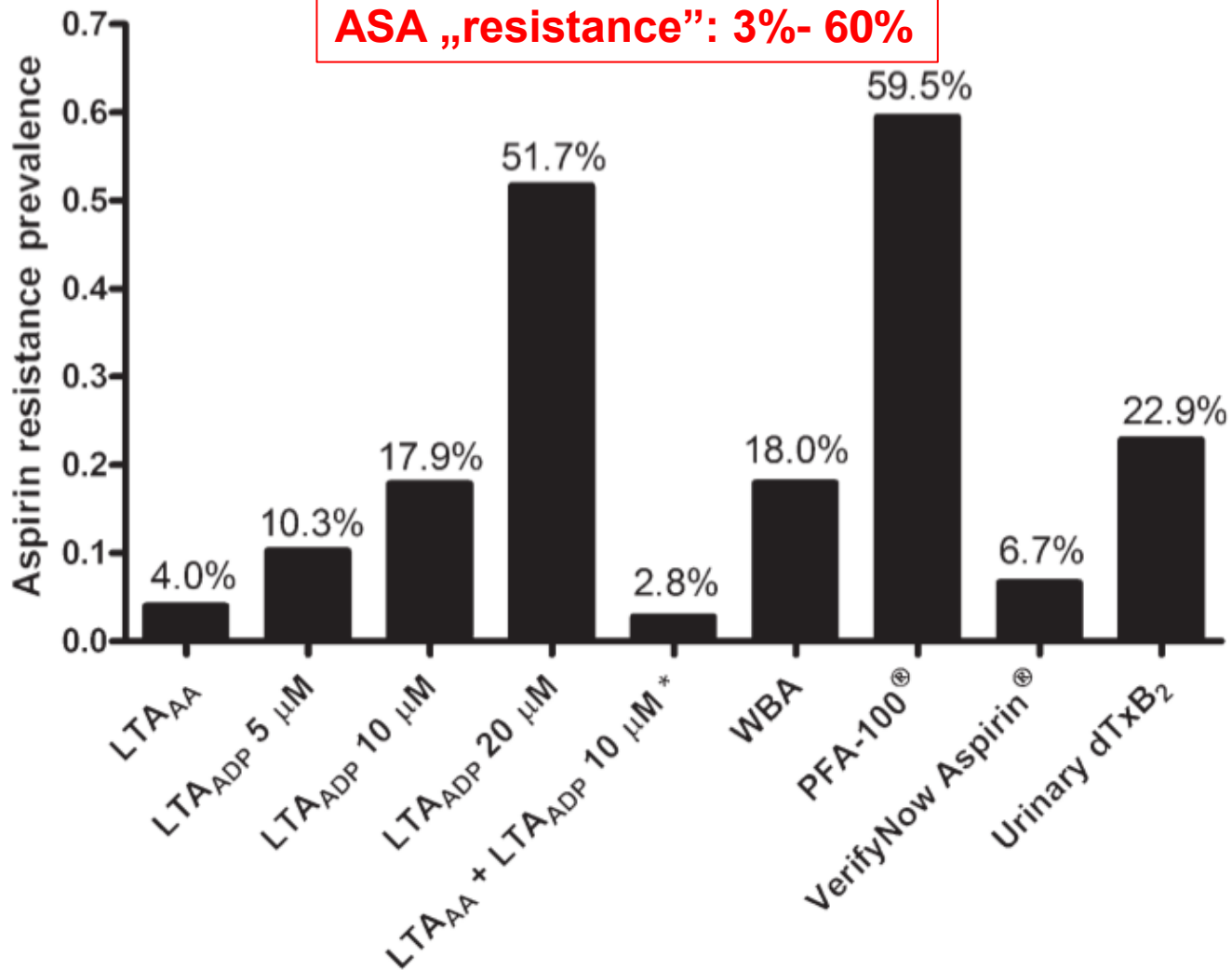
2 mM AA- LTA (>20% Agg)

5 mM AA- LTA (>20% Agg)

1 mM AA- TEG (>50% Agg)

AA- VerifyNow (>550 ARU)

What parameter should we measure: ASA



What parameter should we measure: **ASA**

ADAPT-DES

Assessment of **D**ual **A**nti**P**latelet Therapy with **D**rug-**E**luting **S**tents

11,000 DES pts prospectively enrolled

No clinical or anatomic exclusion criteria

11 sites in US and Germany



PCI with ≥ 1 non-investigational DES

Successful and uncomplicated

(IVUS/MH substudy; Up to 3000 pts enrolled)



Assess platelet function after adequate DAPT loading and GPI washout: Accumetrics VerifyNow Aspirin, VerifyNow P2Y12, and VerifyNow IIb/IIIa assays (results blinded)



Clinical FU at 30 days, 1 year and 2 years

Angio core lab assessment all STs w/1:2 matching controls

What parameter should we measure: **ASA**

ADAPT-DES: Relationship between VerifyNow platelet response to DAPT and subsequent 1-year def/prob stent thrombosis (n=8,583)

VerifyNow test	Def/prob ST (n=70)	No def/prob ST (n=8,513)	P
Aspirin ARU	426 ± 58	419 ± 55	0.30
- ARU ≥550	7.2%	5.6%	0.54

What parameter should we measure: ASA

Measuring the response to aspirin by platelet function testing is not recommended in patients after PCI.

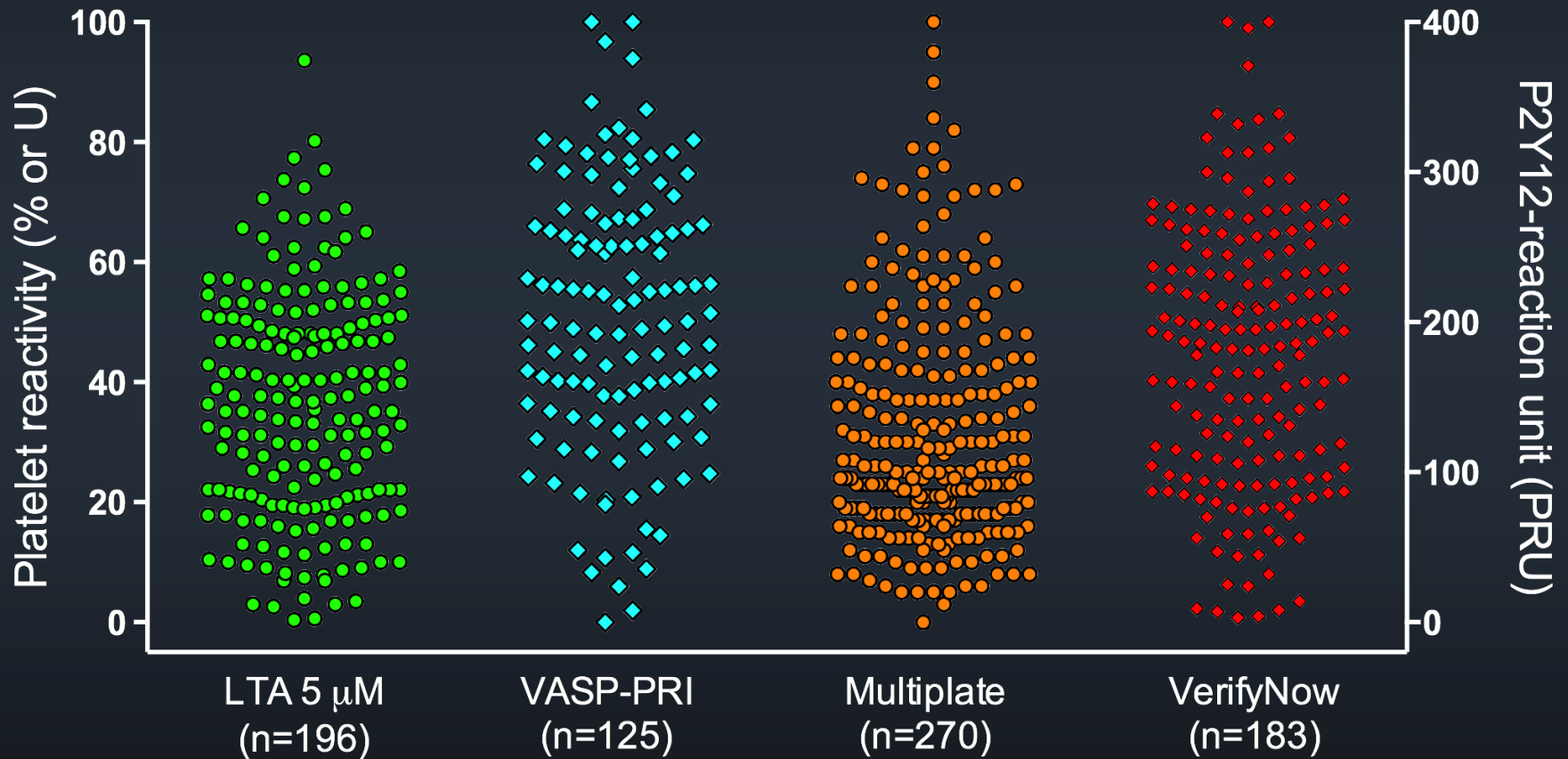
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- It is highly complicated to measure ASA effect specifically (serum TxA₂), no point-of-care assays
- True aspirin “resistance” is very rare <5%
- Most assays that measure “aspirin response”, rather assess general platelet reactivity due to inflammation, hyperactivation (COX-1 independent pathways)
- ASA response is NOT a predictor of ischemic events, including ST

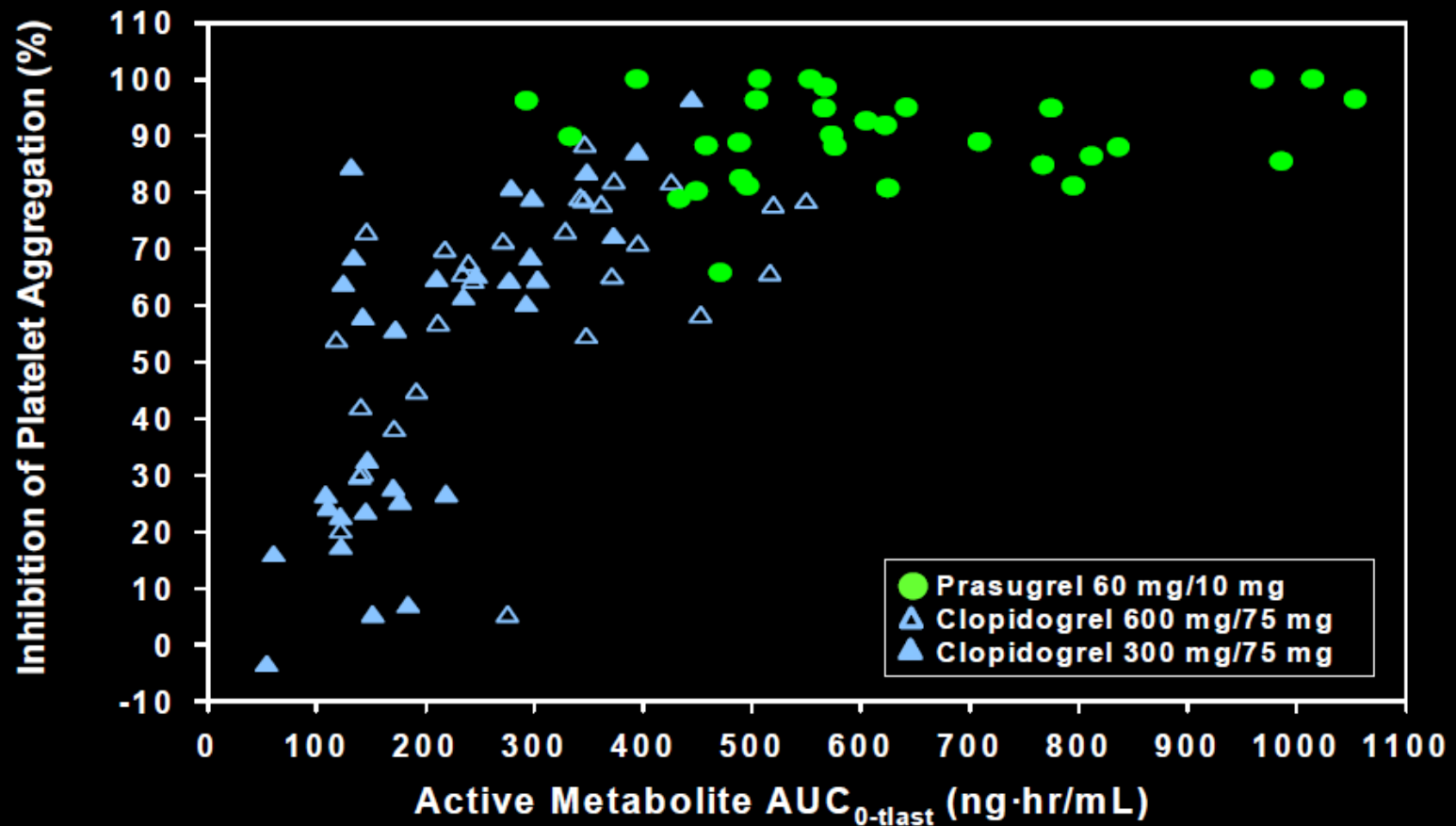
What parameter should we measure: P2Y₁₂ inhibitors

After 600 mg clopidogrel loading dose, in patients with stable angina undergoing PCI



What parameter should we measure: P2Y₁₂ inhibitors

Good correlation between platelet function and active metabolite cc



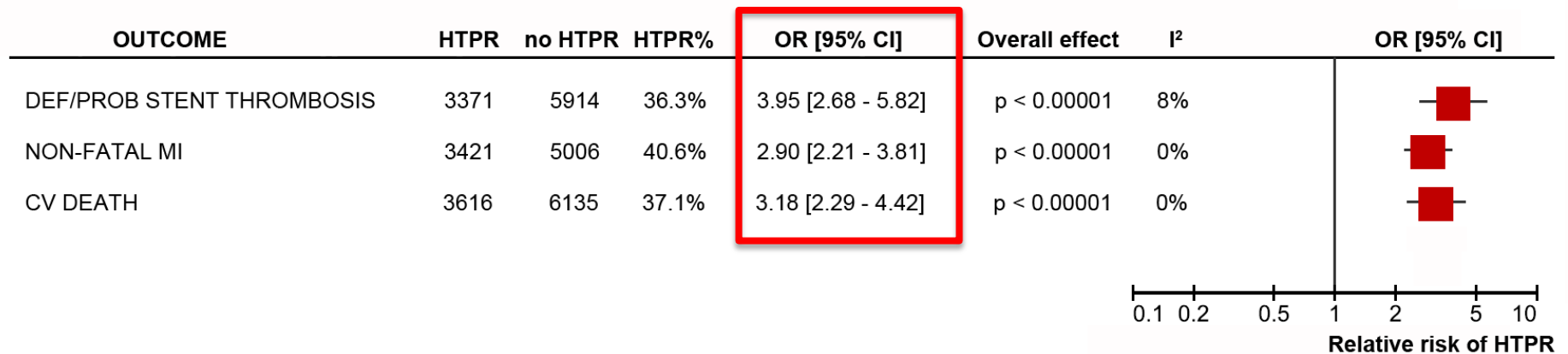
AUC=area under the curve; IPA=inhibition of platelet aggregation

Payne et al., J Cardiovasc Pharmacol 2007; 50: 555

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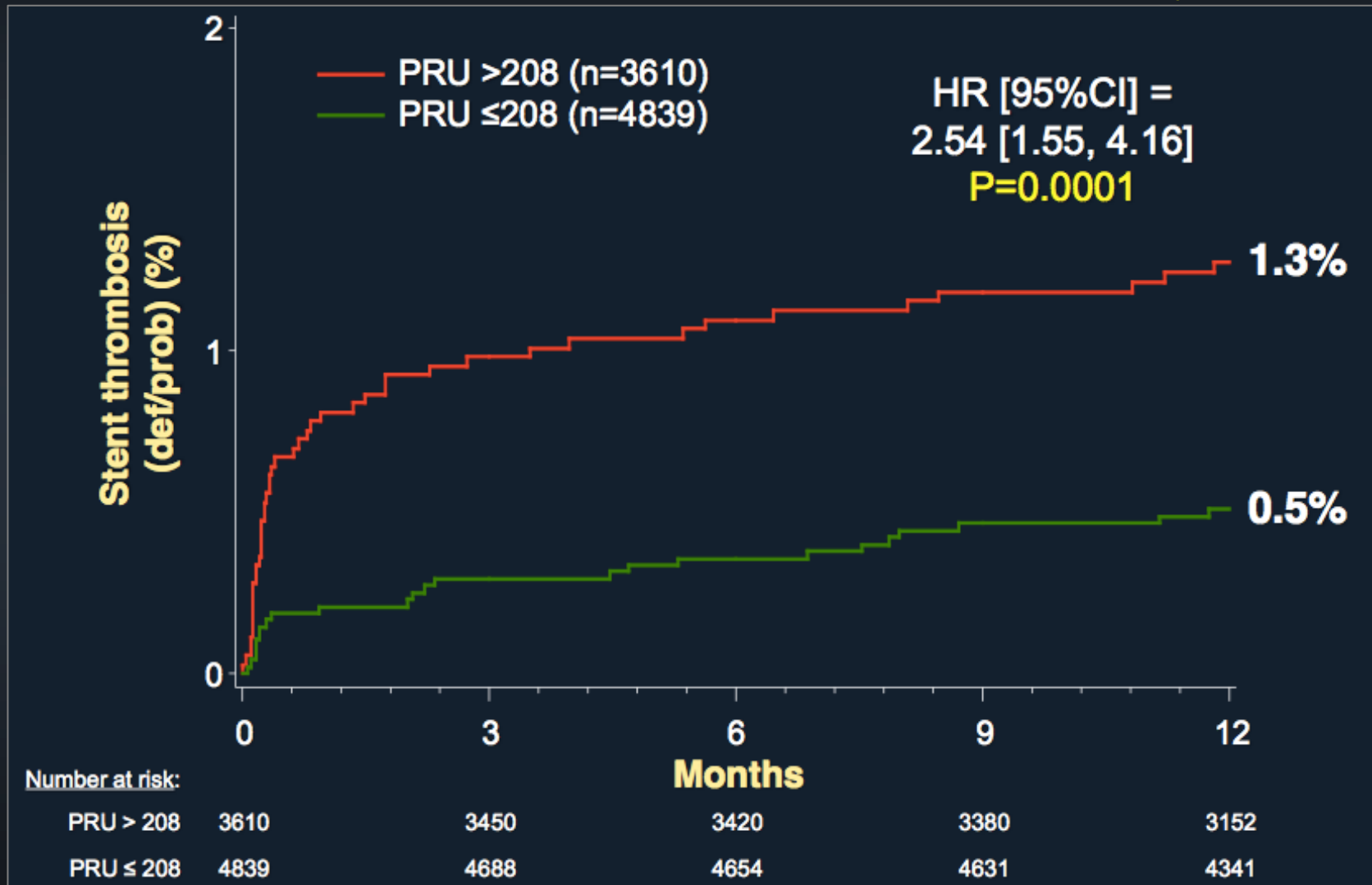
Meta-analysis on the clinical relevance of high on-clopidogrel platelet reactivity (HPR)

13 507 patients, 21 studies



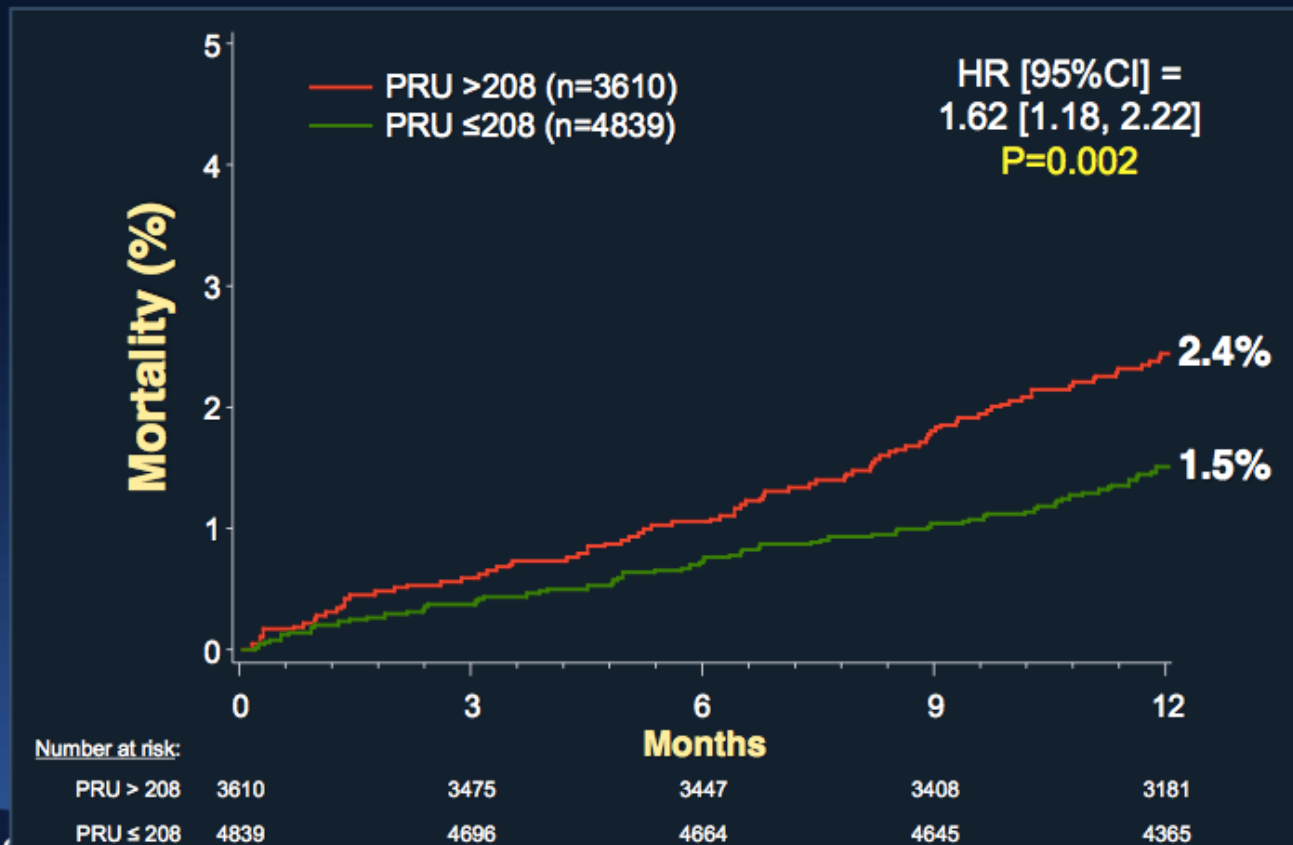
What parameter should we measure: P2Y₁₂ inhibitors

ADAPT-DES: DEFINITE / PROBABLE ST @ 1 year



What parameter should we measure: P2Y₁₂ inhibitors

ADAPT-DES: Mortality according to post-PCI PRU



What parameter should we measure: P2Y₁₂ inhibitors

In clopidogrel-treated patients, measuring ADP-dependent platelet reactivity with platelet function assays may be considered to predict the risk of ST.

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- ADP-stimulated platelet reactivity is a good measure of the PD effect of P2Y₁₂-inhibitors
- High platelet reactivity (HPR) on clopidogrel varies around 20-30% according to the patients studied
- HPR on clopidogrel is a strong (HR>3.00) and independent predictor (p<0.001 in multivariate model) of ST
- ADP-stimulated platelet reactivity is not only a marker of P2Y₁₂-inhibitor effect, but also a integrator of patient comorbidities (age, STEMI, renal insuff., DM)

WHAT DEVICE SHOULD WE USE?

Methods for platelet function assessment

3 MAJOR CRITERIA:

- Predict clinical outcomes? (ST and bleeding)
- Standardized? (universal cutoffs may be applied)
- Point-of-care, easy-to use, bedside available?

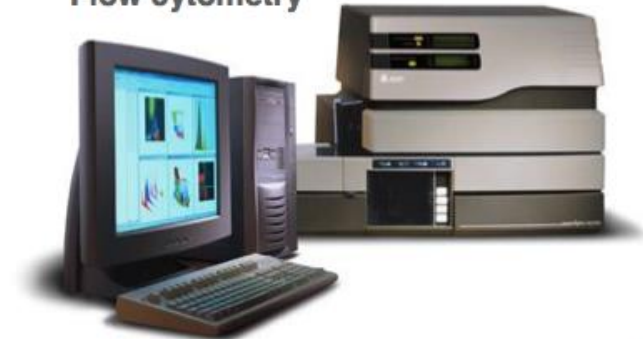
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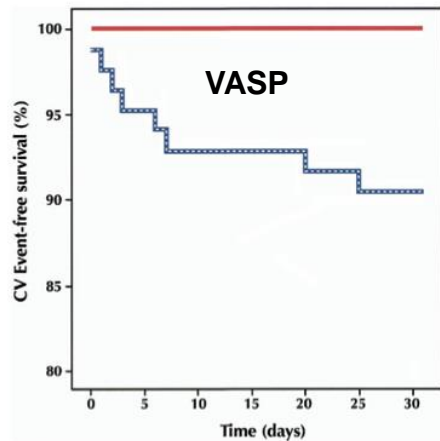
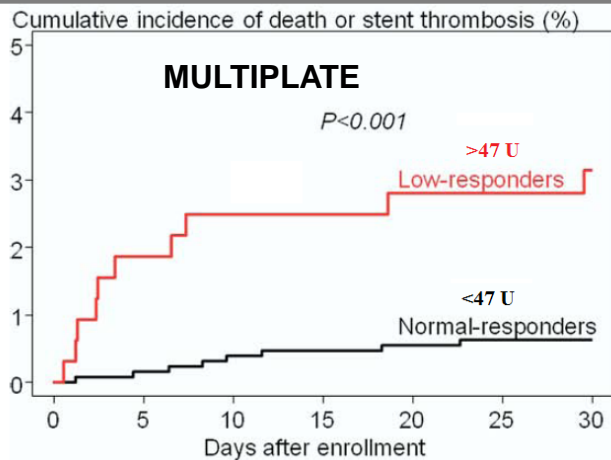
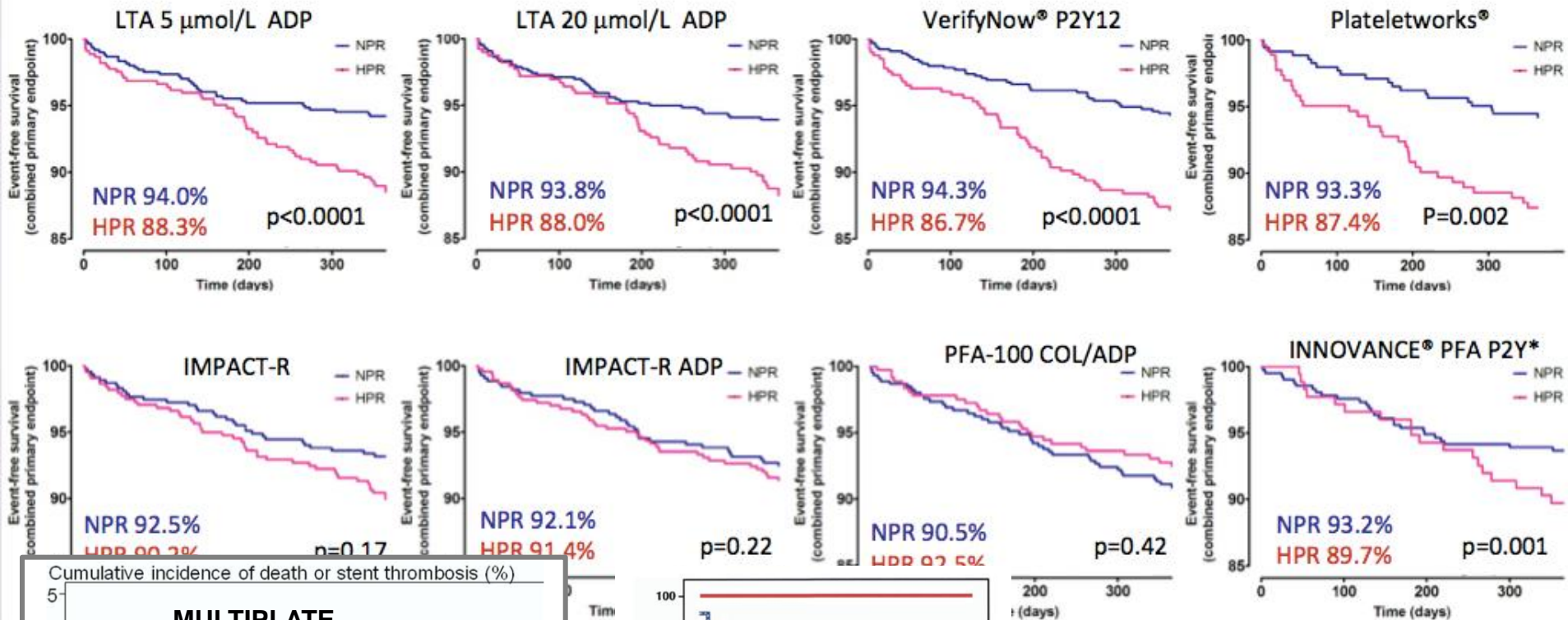


Flow cytometry



Badimon L -2008- ICCC

WHAT DEVICE SHOULD WE USE?



Breet et al. JAMA. 2010;303:754-62.
Sibbing et al. JACC 2009;53:849-56.
Bonello JACC 2008;51:1404-11.

WHAT DEVICE SHOULD WE USE?

Methods for platelet function assessment

VerifyNow™



VERIFYNOW:

- Predict clinical outcomes? ✓
- Standardized? ✓
- Easy-to-use? ✓

LTA:

- Predict clinical outcomes? ✓ **Born aggregation**
- Standardized? ✗
- Easy-to-use? ✗



VASP:

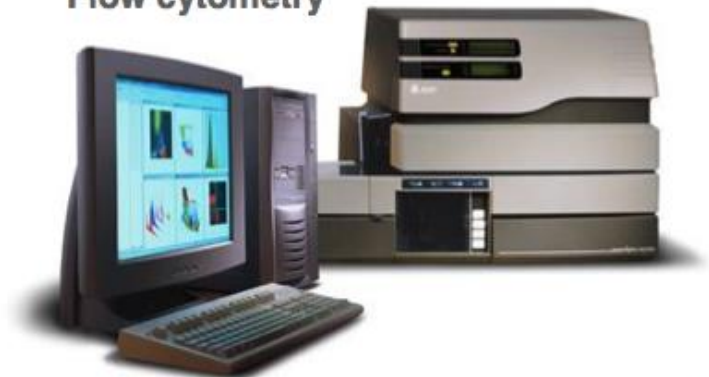
- Predict clinical outcomes? ✓
 - Standardized? ✓
 - Easy-to-use? ✗
- Flow cytometry

Multiplate®



MULTIPLATE:

- Predict clinical outcomes? ✓
- Standardized? ✓
- Easy-to-use? ✓



WHAT DEVICE SHOULD WE USE?

Based on the currently available evidence, the recommended assays for monitoring platelet inhibition during P2Y₁₂-inhibitors are the **VerifyNow P2Y12** assay, the **Multiplate** device with the ADP kit and the **VASP** assay.

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Although the optimal thresholds to define a higher risk for thrombotic events may depend on the clinical situation and are still under investigation, available evidence suggests **208 PRU** with the **VerifyNow**, **46 U** with the **Multiplate** assay and **50%** with the **VASP** assay.

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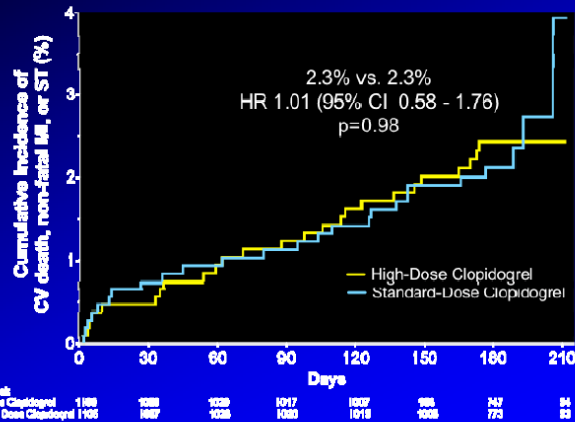
LTA is only recommended when no standardized assays are available.

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WHAT PATIENTS SHOULD WE MEASURE? WHAT SHOULD WE DO BASED ON RESULTS?

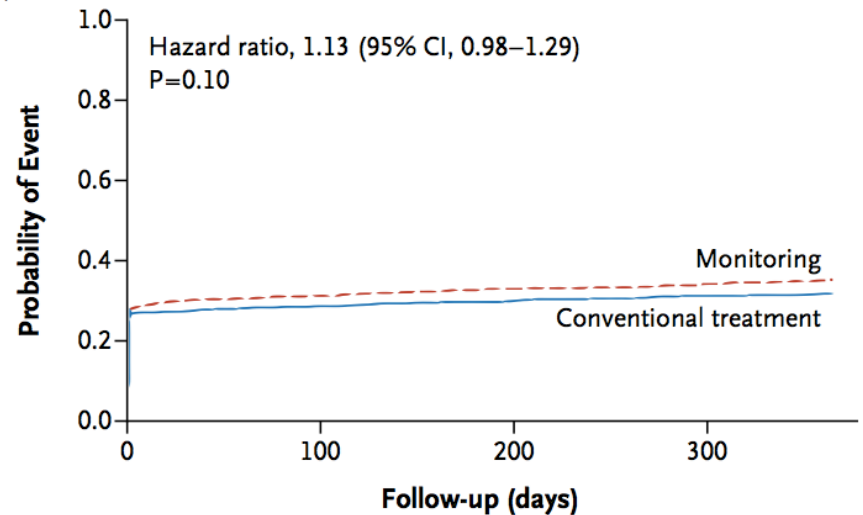
Primary Endpoint: CV Death, MI, Stent Thrombosis



Observed event rates are listed; P value by log rank test.

GRAVITAS

A Primary End Point



Price MJ et al. JAMA 2011; 305: 1097-105.

Collet et al. N Engl J Med. 2012;367:2100-9.



Summary of primary and secondary CEC-adjudicated efficacy endpoints

	Prasugrel N=212	Clopidogrel N=211	p HR (95% CI)
Days on study treatment (median)	174	174	-
Primary composite efficacy EP:			
CV death or MI	0	1 (0.5%)	-
Key secondary efficacy EPs:			
MI	0	1 (0.5%)	-
Rehospitalization for cardiac ischemic event	2 (0.9%)	4 (1.9%)	0.992 0.99 (0.14-7.03)
Urgent TVR	2 (0.9%)	1 (0.5%)	-
Definite ST	0	0	-
Stroke	0	1 (0.5%)	-
CV death	0	0	-
All cause death	0	1 (0.5%)	-

Trenk D et al. J Am Coll Cardiol 2012;59:2159-64.

WHAT PATIENTS SHOULD WE MEASURE? WHAT SHOULD WE DO BASED ON RESULTS?

	GRAVITAS	ARCTIC	TRIGGER PCI
n (study population)	2,214	2,440	423
<i>Patient risk profile</i>			
AMI (%)	10%	27%	0%
STEMI (%)	0.4%	0%	0%
Shock (%)	0%	0%	0%
All-cause mortality	0.8%	2%	0%
<i>Intervention</i>			
High-dose clopidogrel	100%	80%	-
High-dose ASA	-	45%	-
Prasugrel	-	12%	100%
PFT Assay	VerifyNow	VerifyNow	VerifyNow
<i>Results</i>			
1° Endpoint	2.3% vs. 2.3%	31.1% vs. 34.6%	0.0% vs. 0.5%

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WHAT PATIENTS SHOULD WE MEASURE? WHAT SHOULD WE DO BASED ON RESULTS?

.....NO RANDOMIZED STUDY ON THE USE OF PLATELET FUNCTION TESTING IN HIGH-RISK ACS PATIENTS APPLYING PRASUGREL/TICAGRELOR IN HPR SUBJECTS

In patients with acute coronary syndrome undergoing PCI, prasugrel and ticagrelor should be the preferred choices over clopidogrel unless contraindications exist and routine platelet function testing is not recommended.

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In stable angina patients after uncomplicated PCI, standard-dose clopidogrel should be preferred and routine platelet function testing is not recommended.

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BUT: there is a REGISTRY....

PFT-GUIDED ANTIPLATELET THERAPY

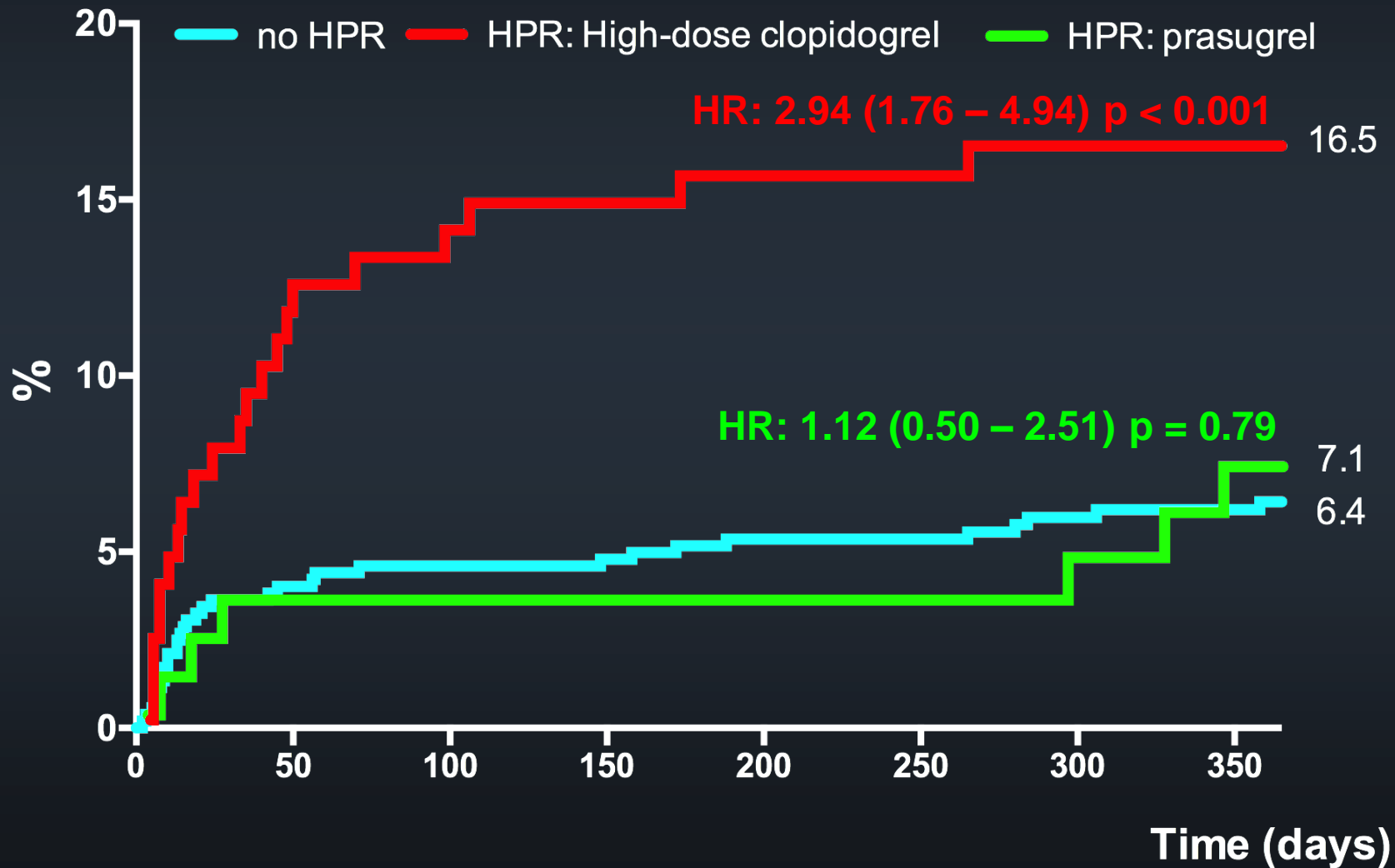
	GRAVITAS	ARCTIC	TRIGGER PCI	PÉCS REGISTRY
n (study population)	2,214	2,440	423	741
<i>Patient risk profile</i>				
AMI (%)	10%	27%	0%	84%
STEMI (%)	0.4%	0%	0%	48%
Shock (%)	0%	0%	0%	4.5%
All-cause mortality	0.8%	2%	0%	8.2%
<i>Intervention</i>				
High-dose clopidogrel	100%	80%	-	58%
High-dose ASA	-	45%	-	-
Prasugrel	-	12%	100%	42%
PFT Assay	VerifyNow	VerifyNow	VerifyNow	Multiplate

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Collet et al. N Engl J Med. 2012;367:2100-9.

Trenk D et al. J Am Coll Cardiol 2012;59:2159-64.

CLINICAL RESULTS: MORTALITY OR STENT THROMBOSIS



WHAT PATIENTS SHOULD WE MEASURE? WHAT SHOULD WE DO BASED ON RESULTS?

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Where the availability of prasugrel and ticagrelor is restricted or limited to certain indications, platelet function testing may be considered to identify patients with HPR, who are at heightened risk for thrombotic complications on clopidogrel and require a potent P2Y12- inhibitor (prasugrel or ticagrelor).

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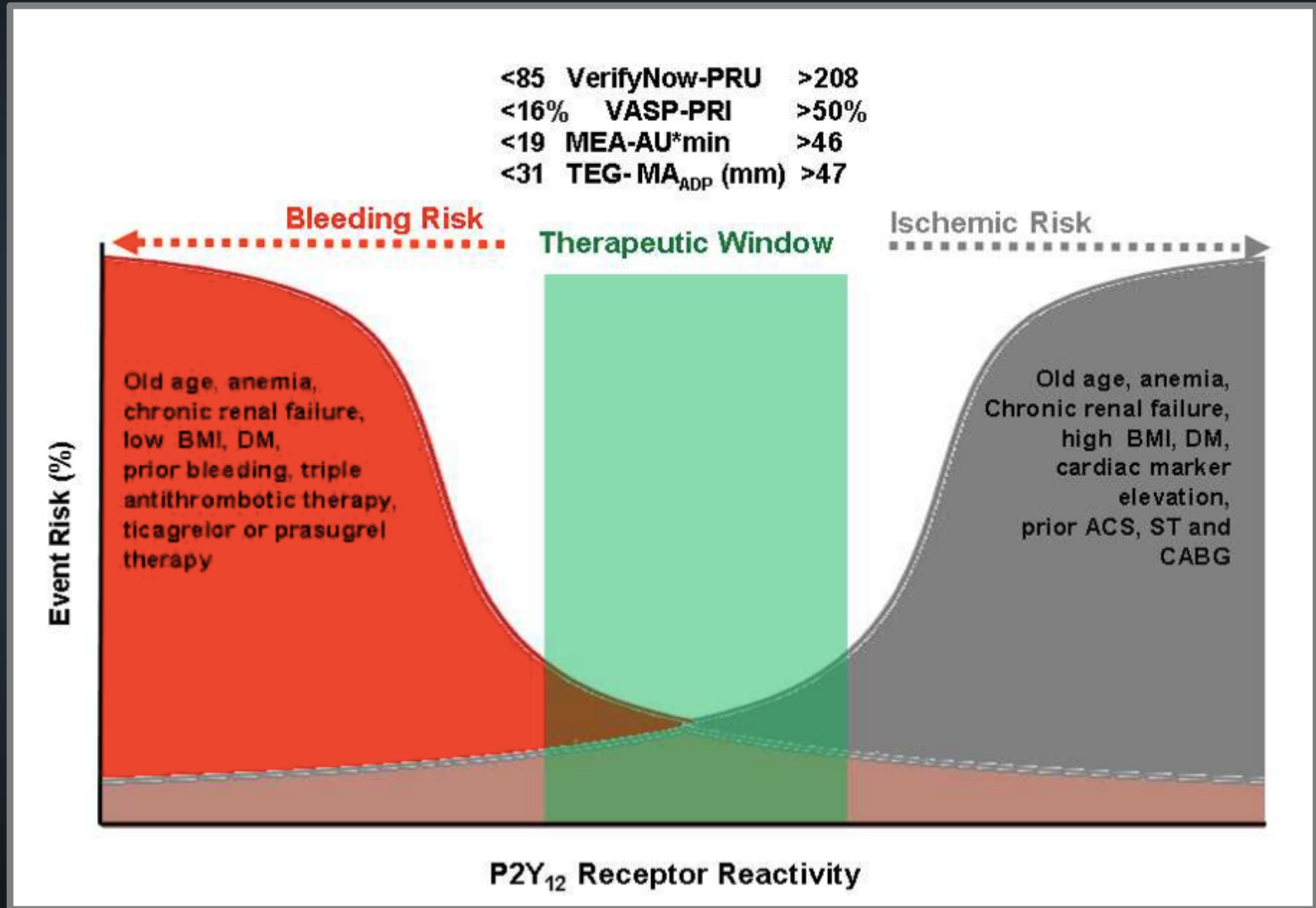
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Administration of high-dose clopidogrel in ACS patients with HPR is not recommended.

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THERAPEUTIC WINDOW: CONSENSUS DOCS



CONCLUSIONS: KEY TAKE-HOME MESSAGES

- ASA testing is **not** recommended
- HPR during P2Y₁₂-inhibitors is a **strong** predictor of ST
- LPR during P2Y₁₂-inhibitor Rx **may** predict major bleeding
- VerifyNow, VASP, Multiplate are **recommended** assays
- LTA **downgraded** due to lack of standardization
- When evaluating the clinical impact of platelet function assays, PROGNOSTIC (HR, OR, NRI) rather than DIAGNOSTIC tests (ROC, PPV, NPV) are recommended

CONCLUSIONS: KEY ELEMENTS

- In ACS, prasugrel and ticagrelor are recommended in routine, routine PFT is not recommended
- If prasugrel/ticagrelor are not available or in case of planned clopidogrel treatment in ACS, PFT to test platelet reactivity to ADP may be considered
- Patients with HPR should be switched to prasugrel/ticagrelor, high-dose clopidogrel is not recommended
- In stable angina patients, clopidogrel is recommended and routine PFT is not recommended
- In stable angina patients after ST while being compliant to clopidogrel or who are at high risk for ST may be tested with a PFT

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND ATTENTION!

