

Supplementary file

Supplementary Table 1

| | | follow-up | | lost to follow-up | | Total | |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------|------|-------------------|---------|-------|------|
| CDP | | + | - | + | - | + | - |
| PD discontinuation or death | + | 8 | 47 | (1)* | (4)* | 9 | 51 |
| | - | 22 | 60 | (2)* | (4)* | 24 | 64 |
| number of patients | | 30 | 107 | 3 | 8 | 33 | 115 |
| occurrence rate | | 0.27 | 0.44 | (0.27)* | (0.44)* | 0.27 | 0.44 |
| odds ratio | | 0.46 | | | | 0.47 | |

*: estimated or calculated based on the result of follow-up subgroup

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| CDP | | + | - | + | - | + | - |
| PD discontinuation or death | + | 8 | 47 | (1)** | (3)** | 9 | 50 |
| | - | 22 | 60 | (2)** | (5)** | 24 | 65 |
| number of patients | | 30 | 107 | 3 | 8 | 33 | 115 |
| occurrence rate | | 0.27 | 0.44 | (0.40)** | (0.40)** | 0.27 | 0.44 |
| odds ratio | | 0.46 | | | | 0.49 | |

** : estimated or calculated based on an earlier study

To evaluate the effect of bias because of lost to follow-up, we created a two-by-two contingency table of two groups depending on traceability at 4 years from PD initiation. Three of 33 patients in the CDP group and eight of 115 patients in the non-CDP group were classified into a lost to follow-up subgroup. The odds ratio (OR) calculated for the follow-up subgroup was 0.46. If the occurrence rate of outcome in the lost to follow-up subgroup was estimated based on that observed in the follow-up subgroup (0.27 for CDP, 0.44 for non-CDP group) and the NEXT-PD study (0.4 in both

groups)³, then ORs calculated from the “Total” two by two table were 0.47 and 0.49, respectively.

Because each value of calculated OR was similar, the impact of lost to follow-up patients against the relation between CDP and PD catheter survival might be weak.