

Significant heterogeneity in [dual antiplatelet therapy](#) regimens following [Pipeline Embolization Device \(PED\)](#) placement and associated costs, exists at major academic [neurovascular centers](#). The most commonly used first line dual antiplatelet regimen consists of [aspirin](#) and [clopidogrel](#). Two major alternate protocols involving [ticagrelor](#) and [prasugrel](#), are administered to clopidogrel hypo-responders. The optimal dual antiplatelet regimen for patients with cerebrovascular conditions has not been established, given limited prospective data within the neurointerventional literature <sup>1)</sup>.

<sup>1)</sup>

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