	Stepdown strategy		Abrupt stopping		Risk Ratio		Risk Ratio						
Study or Subgroup	Events	Total	Events	Total	Weight	M-H, Random, 95% CI	M–H, Random, 95% CI						
Badlee, 2015	2	44	3	44	6.8%	0.67 [0.12, 3.60]	_						
H Abdel-Hady, 2011	7	30	6	30	22.1%	1.17 [0.44, 3.06]			-	-			
O'Donnell, 2013	16	39	12	39	56.8%	1.33 [0.73, 2.44]			_		-		
Soonsawad, 2016	6	51	4	50	14.2%	1.47 [0.44, 4.90]				+ •		-	
Total (95% CI)		164		163	100.0%	1.25 [0.79, 1.97]			-				
Total events	31		25										
Heterogeneity: Tau2 =	0.00 ; $Cht^2 = 0$.64. df =	3 (P = 0.89)	$); t^2 = 0;$	4					1 1			10
Test for overall effect: $Z = 0.97$ (P = 0.33)								0.1 0.2 0.5 1 2 5 1 Favours Stepdown strategy Favours Abrupt stopping					