

**Supplementary Table 3. Prevalence of constipation in patients on hemodialysis**

Total number of prescription laxatives for 1 year	No. of patients (%)
≥90	10,808 (30.7)
and more than two kinds of laxatives prescribed	3,800 (10.8)
≥120	10,171 (28.9)
and more than two kinds of laxatives prescribed	3,656 (10.4)
≥180	9,133 (25.9)
and more than two kinds of laxatives prescribed	3,382 (9.6)
≥360	7,040 (20.0)
and more than two kinds of laxatives prescribed	2,807 (8.0)