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**SANTA MARIA NUOVA:  
DALL'OSPEDALE DEL CENTRO  
DI FIRENZE ALLA  
USL TOSCANA CENTRO**

*Condivisione di percorsi gestionali  
comuni e di peculiarità assistenziali*

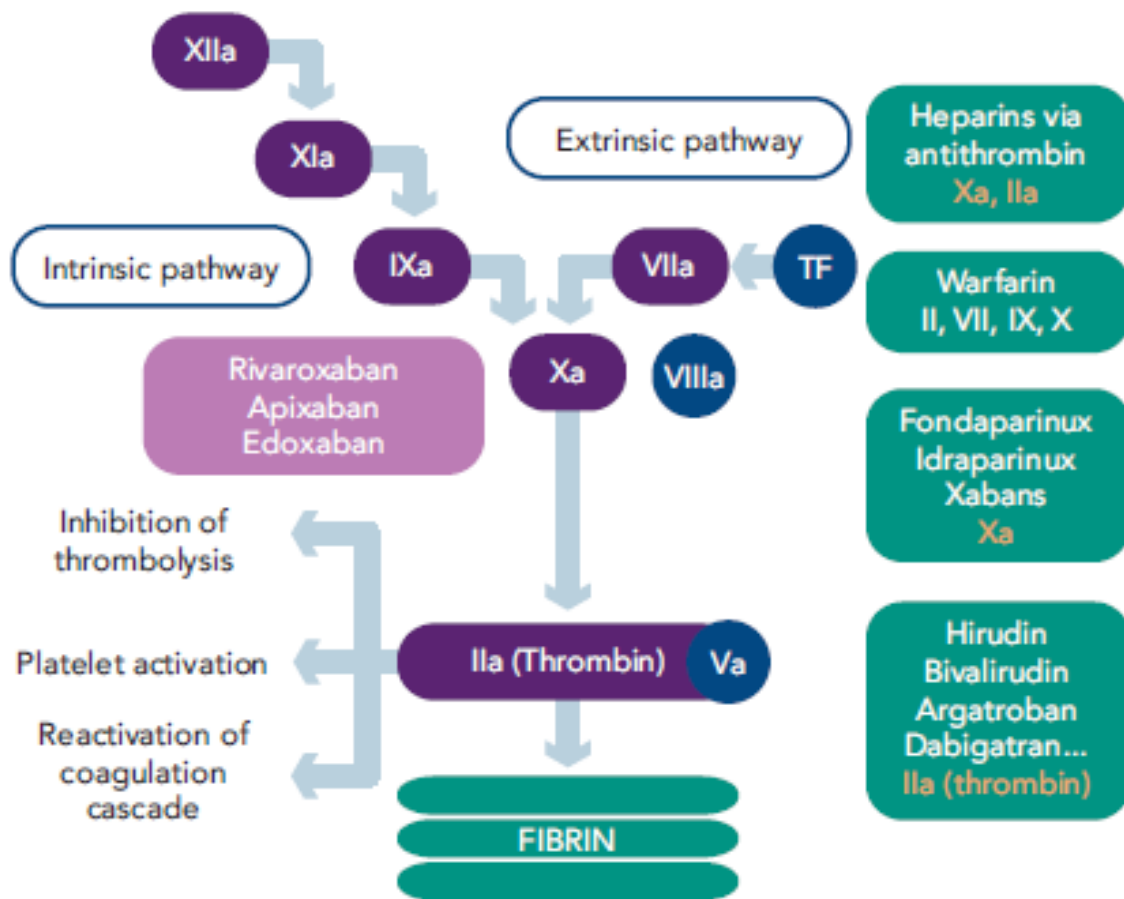
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Up-dating sui nuovi  
anticoagulanti orali

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Figure 1: Action of Anticoagulants in the Coagulation Cascade

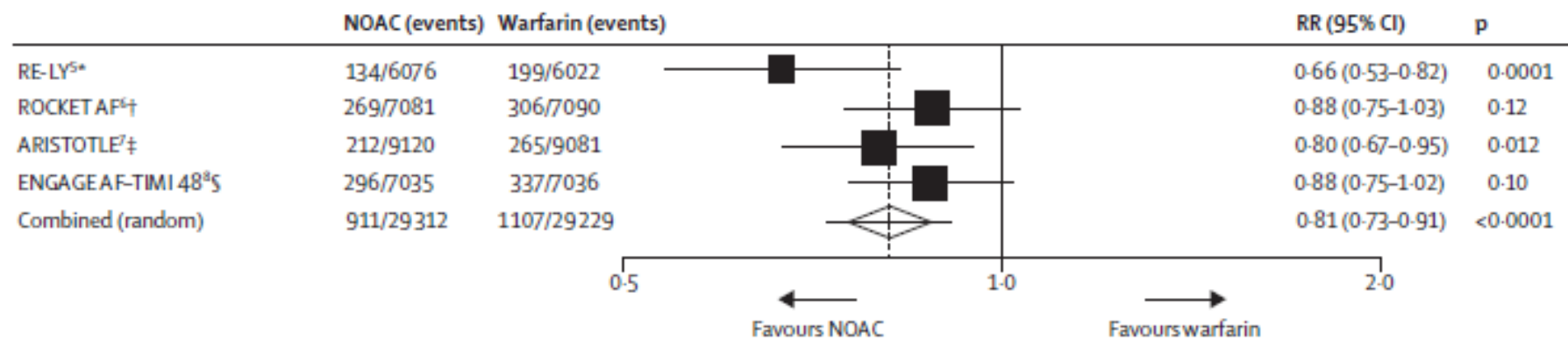


	Dabigatran	Apixaban	Edoxaban	Rivaroxaban
Target	Ila (thrombin)	Xa	Xa	Xa
Molecular weight	628 KD pro-drug 471 KD drug	460 KD	538 KD	436 KD
Hours to Cmax	1.25-3	3-4	1-2	2-4
CYP metabolism	None	Minimal	<4%	32%
Bioavailability	6%	60%	62%	80%
Volume distribution	60-70 L	0.3 L/Kg	90 L	0.6-1.5 L/Kg
Transporters	P-gp	P-gp	P-gp	P-gp
Protein binding	35%	87%	50%	93%
Half-life	12-14 h	10-12 h	10-14 h	7-13 h
Renal elimination	80%	25%	35%	33%
Daily oral intake	Twice	Twice	Once	Once

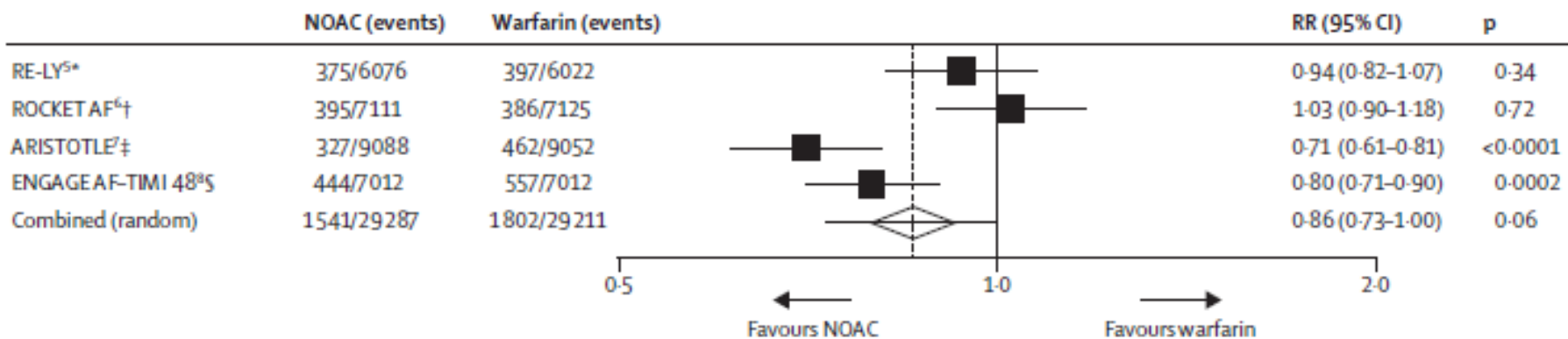
# FA non valvolare: caratteristiche die pazienti inclusi nei trials clinici di fase III

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		<b>ROCKET AF (n=14,264)</b>	<b>ARISTOTLE (n=18,201)</b>	<b>ENGAGE AF (n=21,105)</b>	<b>RE-LY (n=18,113)</b>
<b>Mean CHADS<sub>2</sub>-Score</b>		<b>3.5</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>2.1</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>CHF</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>32%</b>
<b>H</b>	<b>Hypertension</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>79%</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>Age ≥75 years</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>D</b>	<b>Diabetes mellitus</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>23%</b>
<b>S<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Prior stroke or TIA</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Moderate renal impairment</b>		<b>21%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>19%</b>



**Figure 1: Stroke or systemic embolic events**



**Figure 3: Major bleeding**



# Comparison of the efficacy and safety of new oral anticoagulants with warfarin in patients with atrial fibrillation: a meta-analysis of randomised trials

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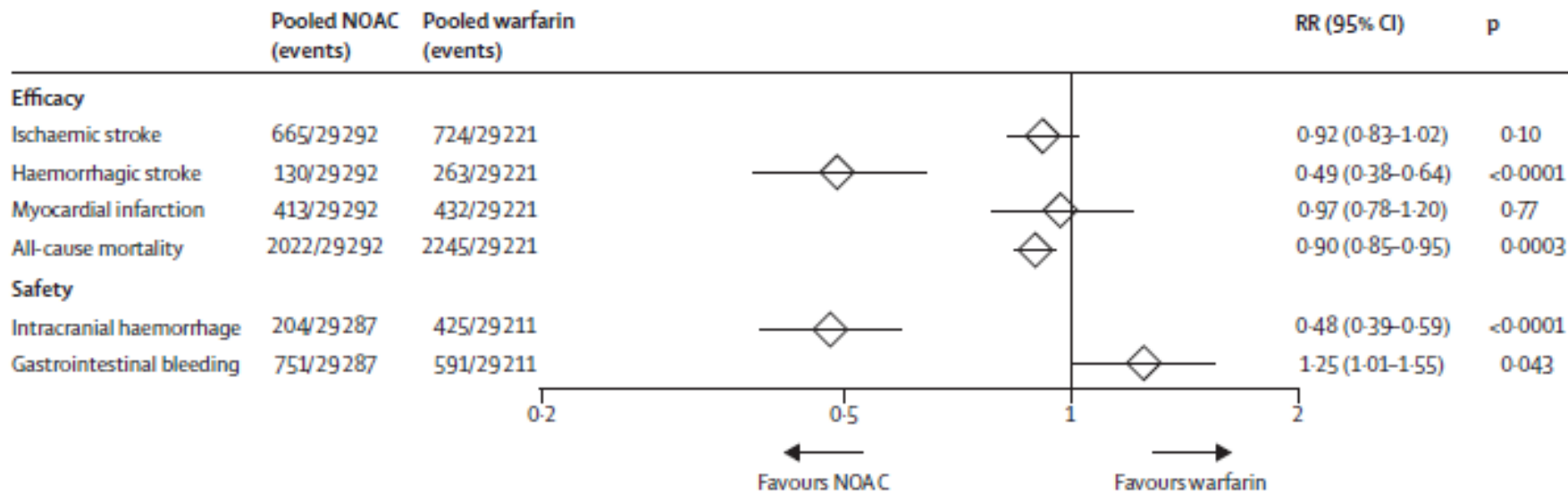
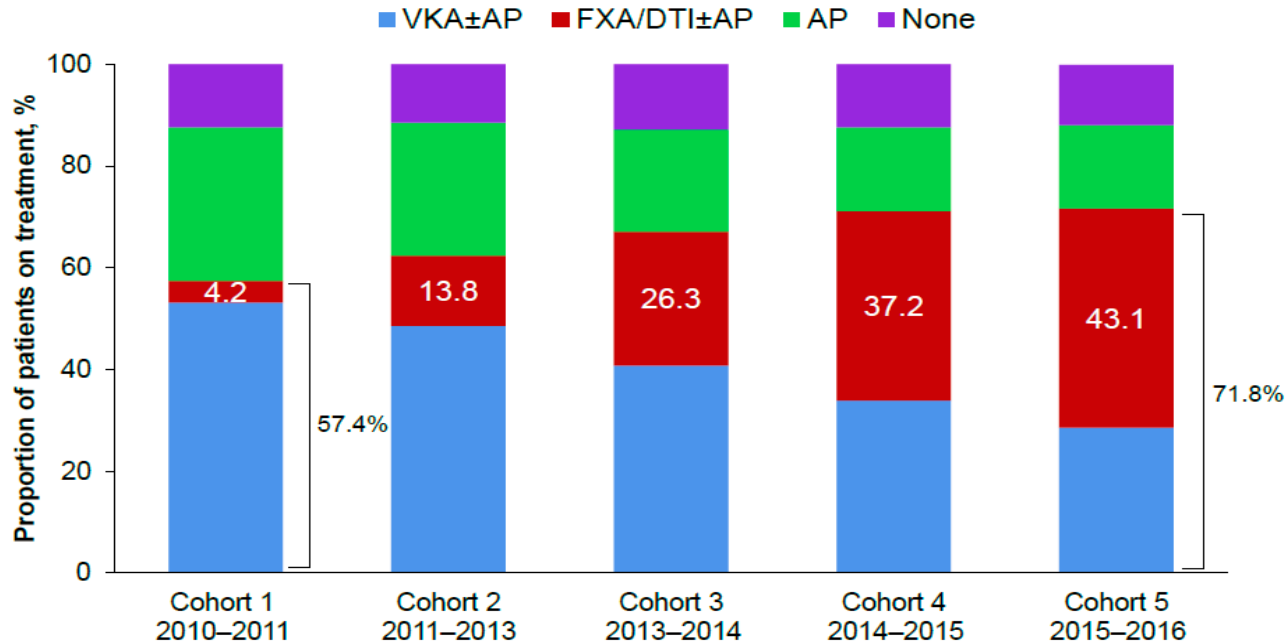


Figure 2: Secondary efficacy and safety outcomes

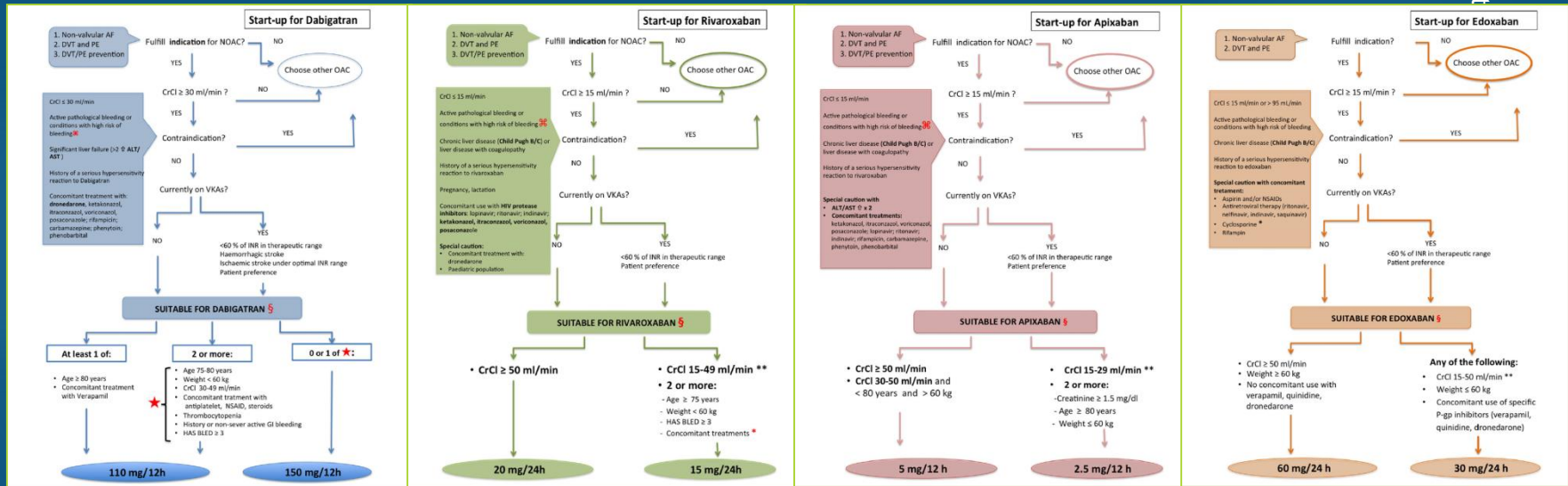
Data are n/N, unless otherwise indicated. Heterogeneity: ischaemic stroke  $I^2=32\%$ ,  $p=0.22$ ; haemorrhagic stroke  $I^2=34\%$ ,  $p=0.21$ ; myocardial infarction  $I^2=48\%$ ,  $p=0.13$ ; all-cause mortality  $I^2=0\%$ ,  $p=0.81$ ; intracranial haemorrhage  $I^2=32\%$ ,  $p=0.22$ ; gastrointestinal bleeding  $I^2=74\%$ ,  $p=0.009$ . NOAC=new oral anticoagulant. RR=risk ratio.

## Evolution in baseline treatment for patients enrolled in sequential cohorts of GARFIELD-AF



# New oral anticoagulants: a practical guide for physicians

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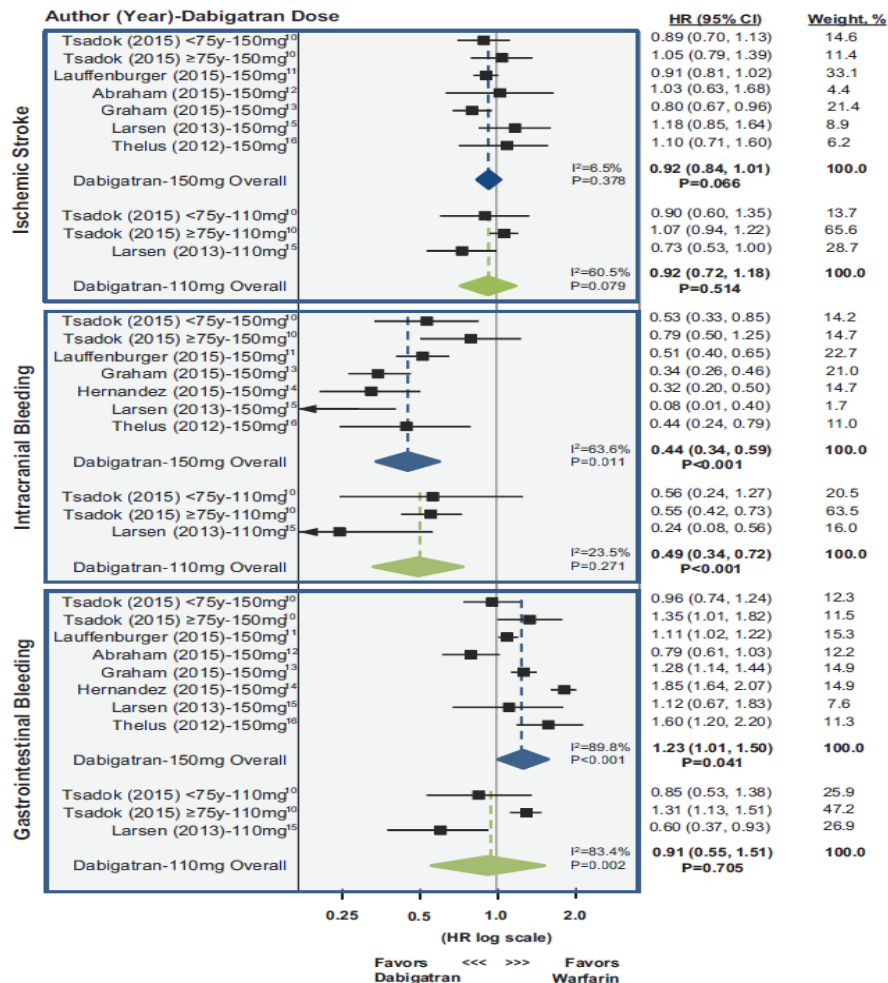




# Dabigatran Versus Warfarin for Atrial Fibrillation in Real-World Clinical Practice

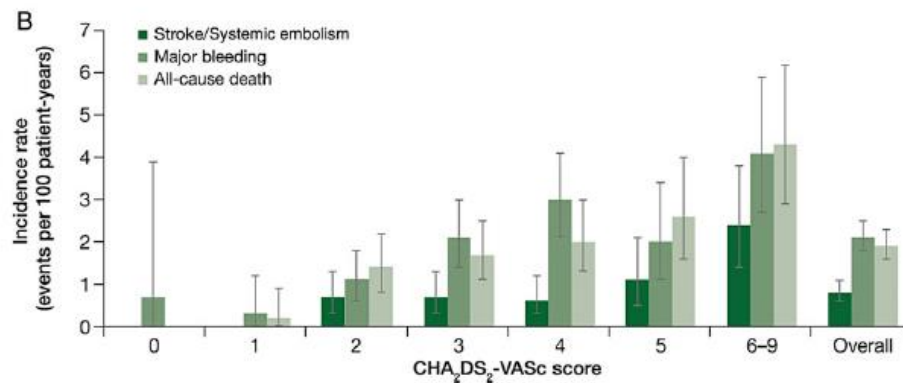
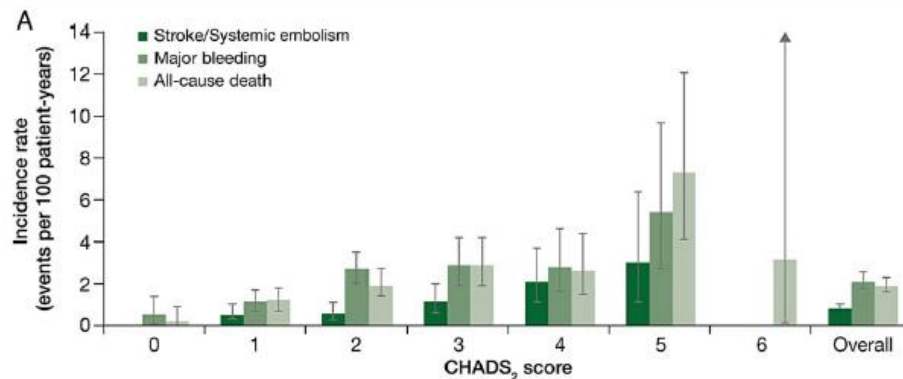
## A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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Eunice Kym, PharmD; Kathleen B. Orrico, PharmD



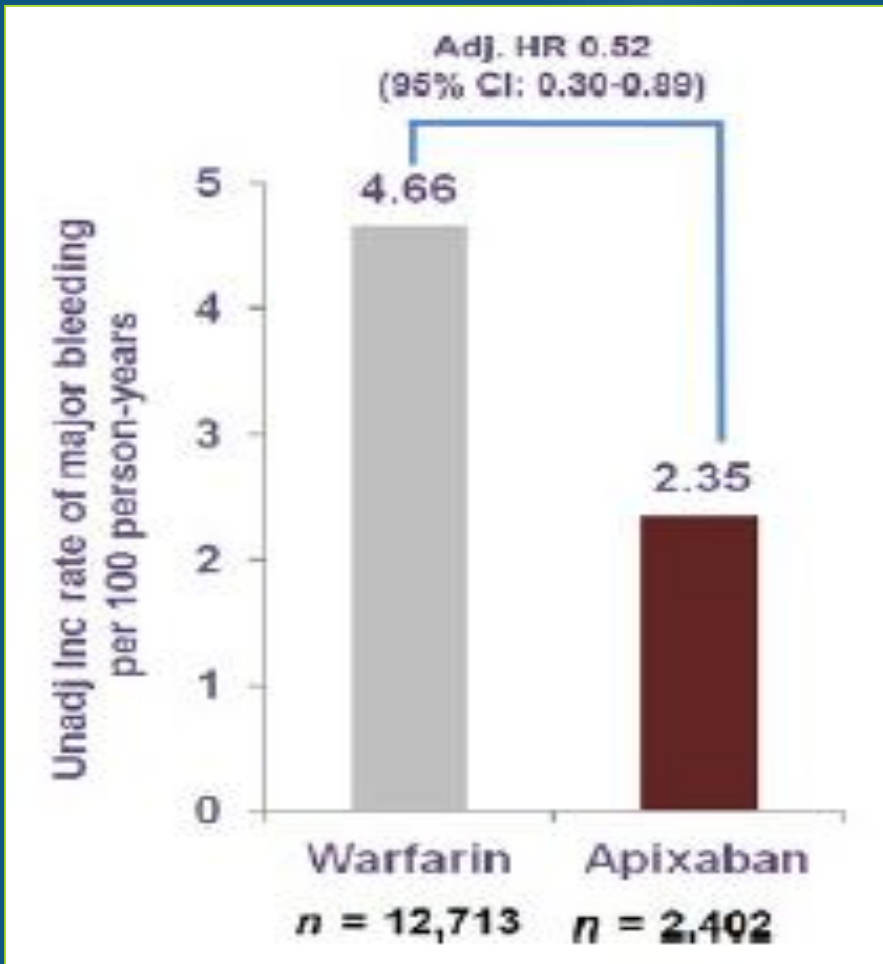
## XANTUS: a real-world, prospective, observational study of patients treated with rivaroxaban for stroke prevention in atrial fibrillation

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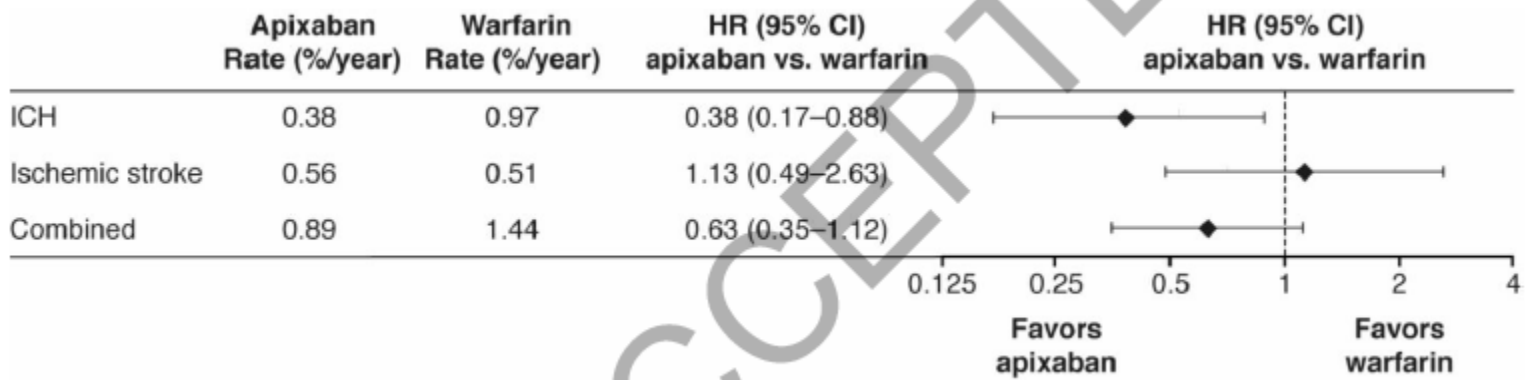
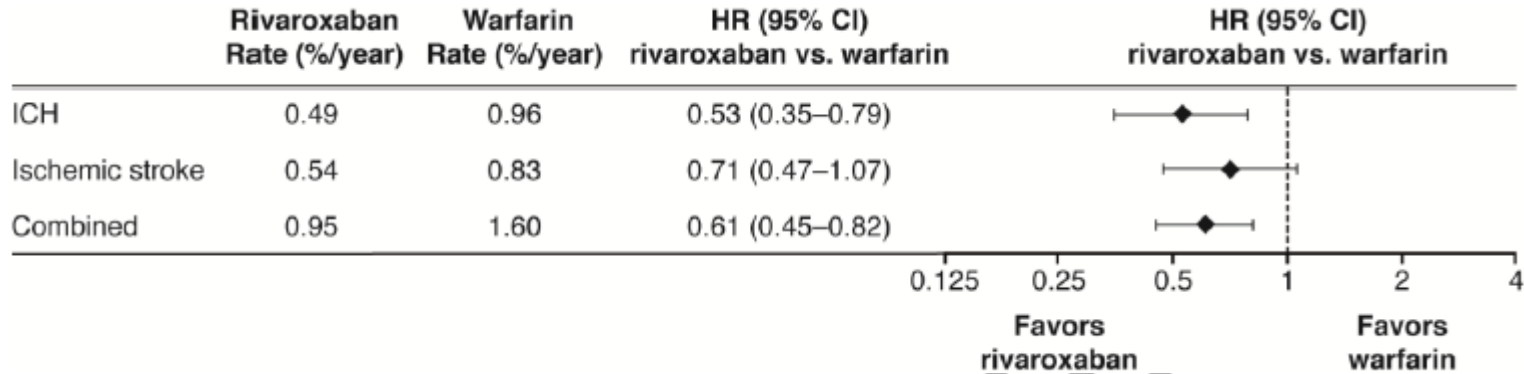
## Major bleeding risk among non-valvular atrial fibrillation patients initiated on apixaban, dabigatran, rivaroxaban or warfarin: a “real-world” observational study in the United States

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# Real-World Evidence of Stroke Prevention in Patients with Nonvalvular Atrial Fibrillation in the United States: the REVISIT-US Study

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# Effect of Adherence to Oral Anticoagulants on Risk of Stroke and Major Bleeding Among Patients With Atrial Fibrillation

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**Table 7.** Adherence to OACs (PDC  $\geq$ 80%) Within First 6 Months of Follow-up, Stratified by Index Medication (N=64 661)

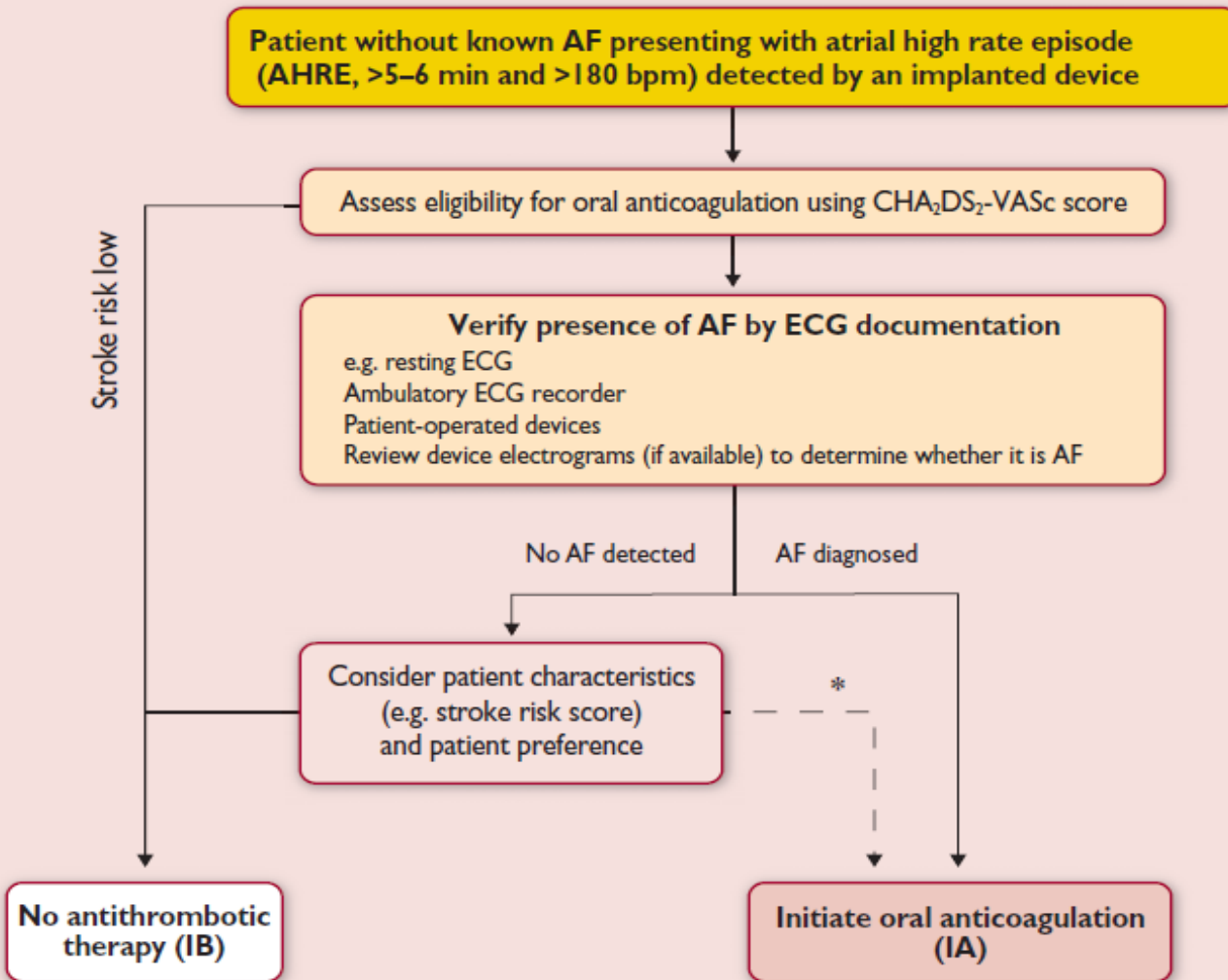
	Apixaban (n=3900)	Dabigatran (n=10 235)	Rivaroxaban (n=12 336)	All NOACs (n=26 471)	Warfarin (n=38 190)	P Value (All NOACs Pooled vs Warfarin)
Unadjusted adherence*						
All	64.5%	51.2%	58.4%	56.5%	51.6%	<0.001
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score 0 or 1	53.2%	37.1%	45.8%	42.6%	40.3%	0.06
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score 2 or 3	64.6%	53.3%	60.1%	58.0%	49.8%	<0.001
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score $\geq$ 4	66.7%	55.0%	61.0%	59.8%	53.4%	<0.001
Adjusted adherence, 95% CI <sup>†</sup>						
All	62.5% (60.8–64.2)	57.3% (56.2–58.4)	59.5% (58.5–60.5)	58.9% (58.2–59.7)	49.9% (49.3–50.5)	<0.001
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score 0 or 1	51.2% (46.3–56.1)	41.4% (39.0–43.7)	44.4% (42.1–46.7)	43.7% (42.1–45.2)	37.8% (35.9–39.7)	<0.001
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score 2 or 3	62.4% (59.5–65.2)	58.3% (56.6–60.0)	60.1% (58.6–61.6)	59.6% (58.5–60.6)	48.3% (47.3–49.4)	<0.001
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score $\geq$ 4	64.4% (62.2–66.5)	59.5% (58.0–61.0)	61.7% (60.3–63.0)	61.1% (60.2–62.1)	52.8% (52.1–53.5)	<0.001

# 2016 ESC Guidelines for the management of atrial fibrillation developed in collaboration with EACTS

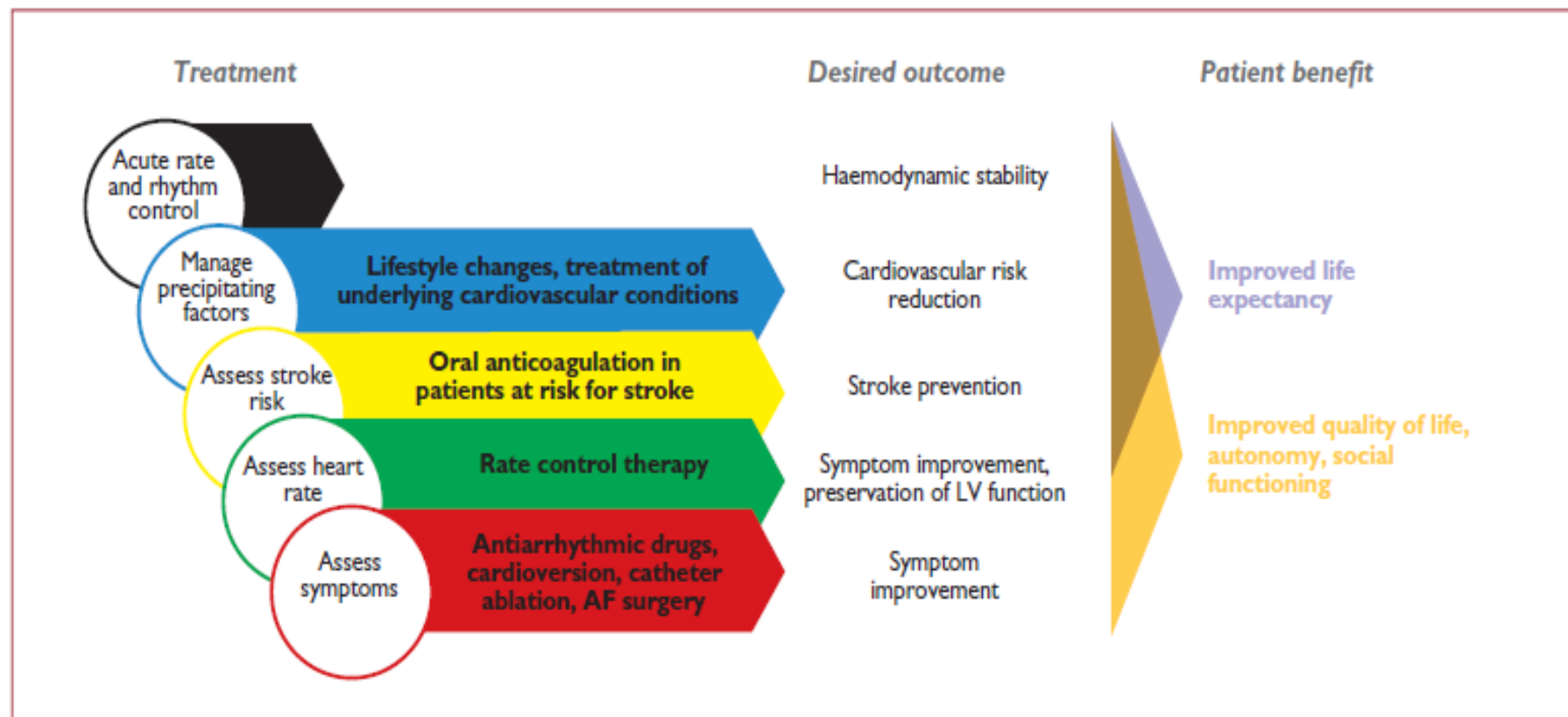
**The Task Force for the management of atrial fibrillation of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC)**

**Developed with the special contribution of the European Heart Rhythm Association (EHRA) of the ESC**

**Endorsed by the European Stroke Organisation (ESO)**



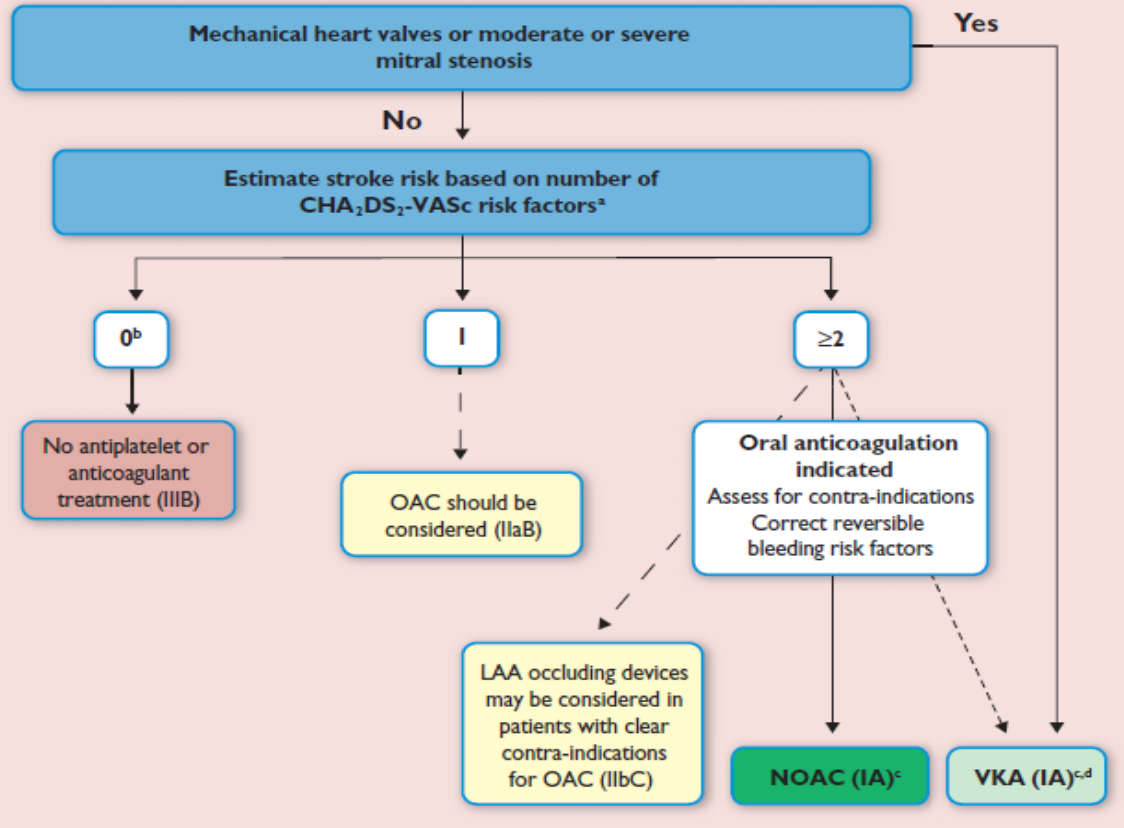




AF = atrial fibrillation; LV = left ventricular.

**Figure 5** Acute and chronic management of atrial fibrillation patients, desired cardiovascular outcomes, and patient benefits. Adapted from the report on the 4th AFNET/EHRA consensus conference.<sup>76</sup>





AF = atrial fibrillation; LAA = left atrial appendage; NOAC = non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulant; OAC = oral anticoagulation; VKA = vitamin K antagonist.

<sup>a</sup>Congestive heart failure, Hypertension, Age  $\geq 75$  years (2 points), Diabetes, prior Sstroke/TIA/embolus (2 points), Vascular disease, age 65–74 years, female Sex.

<sup>b</sup>Includes women without other stroke risk factors.

<sup>c</sup>IIaB for women with only one additional stroke risk factor.

<sup>d</sup>IB for patients with mechanical heart valves or mitral stenosis.

**Figure 8** Stroke prevention in atrial fibrillation.

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>	Ref <sup>c</sup>
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism is recommended for all male AF patients with a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of 2 or more.	I	A	38, 318–321, 354, 404
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism is recommended in all female AF patients with a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of 3 or more.	I	A	38, 318–321, 354, 404
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism should be considered in male AF patients with a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of 1, considering individual characteristics and patient preferences.	IIa	B	371, 375–377
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism should be considered in female AF patients with a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of 2, considering individual characteristics and patient preferences.	IIa	B	371, 376, 377
Vitamin K antagonist therapy (INR 2.0–3.0 or higher) is recommended for stroke prevention in AF patients with moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis or mechanical heart valves.	I	B	274, 435–440
When oral anticoagulation is initiated in a patient with AF who is eligible for a NOAC (apixaban, dabigatran, edoxaban, or rivaroxaban), a NOAC is recommended in preference to a Vitamin K antagonist.	I	A	39, 318–321, 404
When patients are treated with a vitamin K antagonist, time in therapeutic range (TTR) should be kept as high as possible and closely monitored.	I	A	395, 432, 441–444
AF patients already on treatment with a vitamin K antagonist may be considered for NOAC treatment if TTR is not well controlled despite good adherence, or if patient preference without contra-indications to NOAC (e.g. prosthetic valve).	IIb	A	39, 318, 319, 404, 408
Combinations of oral anticoagulants and platelet inhibitors increase bleeding risk and should be avoided in AF patients without another indication for platelet inhibition.	III (harm)	B	429, 445
In male or female AF patients without additional stroke risk factors, anticoagulant or antiplatelet therapy is not recommended for stroke prevention.	III (harm)	B	368, 371, 376, 377
Antiplatelet monotherapy is not recommended for stroke prevention in AF patients, regardless of stroke risk.	III (harm)	A	38, 429, 430
NOACs (apixaban, dabigatran, edoxaban, and rivaroxaban) are not recommended in patients with mechanical heart valves (Level of evidence B) or moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis (Level of evidence C).	III (harm)	B C	318–321, 400, 404

# Farmaci per il trattamento della fibrillazione atriale



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## Non c'è sovra-trattamento:

- solo il **6,1%** dei pazienti trattati con NAO hanno una storia di terapia ben controllata con warfarin (TTR  $\geq 70\%$ ) e hanno rischio trombotico o emorragico basso (CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc  $< 1$  o HAS-BLED  $< 3$ ).

## C'è un importante sotto-trattamento:

- Il **59,0%**, dei pazienti con FA senza un adeguato controllo dell'INR in warfarin (TTR  $< 70\%$ ) o con un'alterazione del rischio trombotico o emorragico (CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc  $\geq 1$  e HAS-BLED  $> 3$ ) è risultata non in trattamento con NAO

DVT/PE



### Acute treatment

### Extended treatment

A

Dabigatran  
Edoxaban

Initiation

Early maintenance

RE-COVER, RE-COVER II  
HOKUSAI

RE-MEDY  
RE-SONATE

B

Rivaroxaban  
Apixaban

Initiation and early maintenance

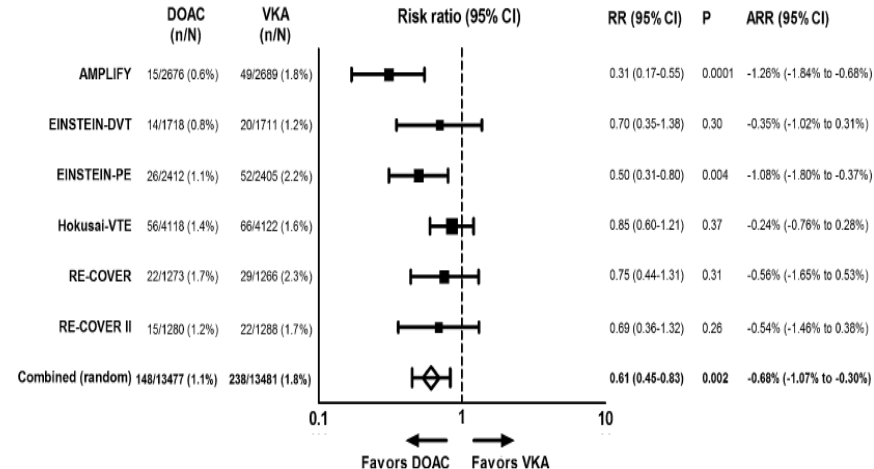
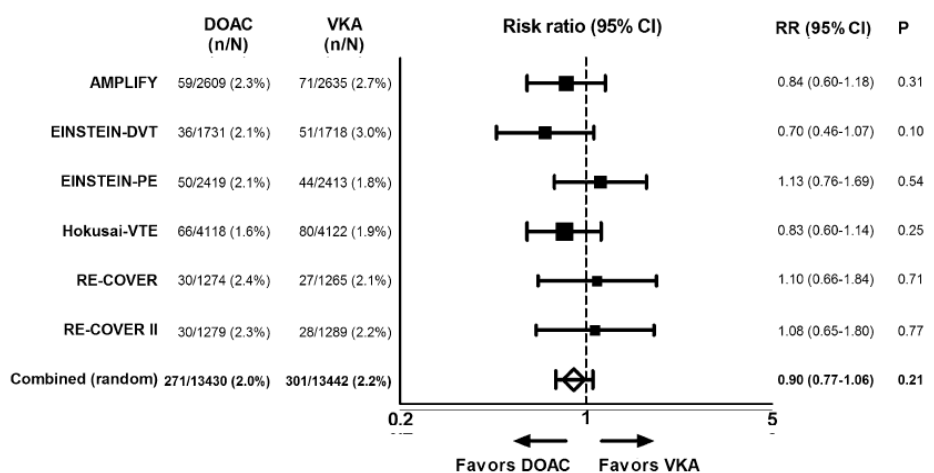
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## Direct oral anticoagulants compared with vitamin K antagonists for acute venous thromboembolism: evidence from phase 3 trials

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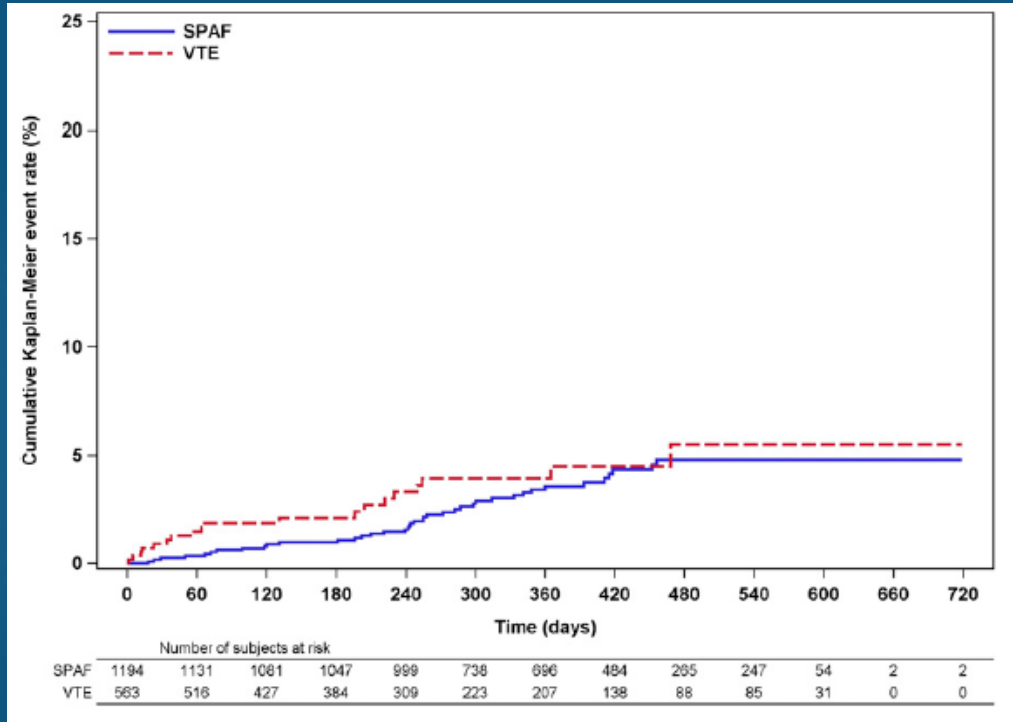


Rates, management, and outcome of rivaroxaban bleeding in daily care: results from the Dresden NOAC registry

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Table 2. Bleeding rates per 100 patient-years in valid-for-safety analysis set

	All patients	SPAF	VTE	P value: SPAF vs VTE
n (%)	1775 (100)	1200 (67.6)	575 (32.4)	
Any bleeding, % (95% CI)	59.4 (55.2-63.9)	59.3 (54.4-64.6)	59.6 (51.7-68.4)	.4989
Minor bleeding, % (95% CI)	36.3 (33.2-39.7)	35.8 (32.2-39.7)	37.8 (31.8-44.6)	.4199
NMCR bleeding, % (95% CI)	19.7 (17.6-22.1)	20.7 (18.1-23.5)	17.2 (13.5-21.6)	.1585
Major bleeding, % (95% CI)	3.4 (2.6-4.4)	3.1 (2.2-4.3)	4.1 (2.5-6.4)	.2849



# XALIA: Treatment-Emergent Clinical Outcomes (Propensity-Score Adjusted Comparison)

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	<b>Rivaroxaban (n=2505) n (%)</b>	<b>Standard anticoagulation (n=2010) n (%)</b>	<b>Hazard ratio (95% CI)</b>	<b>p-value</b>
Major bleeding	19 (0.8)	43 (2.1)	<b>0.77 (0.40–1.50)</b>	0.44
Recurrent VTE	36 (1.4)	47 (2.3)	<b>0.91 (0.54–1.54)</b>	0.72
All-cause mortality	11 (0.4)	69 (3.4)	<b>0.51 (0.24–1.07)</b>	0.07



## Summary of Recommendations

### *Choice of Long-Term (First 3 Months) and Extended (No Scheduled Stop Date) Anticoagulant*

**1. In patients with proximal DVT or pulmonary embolism (PE), we recommend long-term (3 months) anticoagulant therapy over no such therapy (Grade 1B).**

**\*2. In patients with DVT of the leg or PE and no cancer, as long-term (first 3 months) anticoagulant therapy, we suggest dabigatran, rivaroxaban, apixaban, or edoxaban over vitamin K antagonist (VKA) therapy (all Grade 2B).**

For patients with DVT of the leg or PE and no cancer who are not treated with dabigatran, rivaroxaban, apixaban, or edoxaban, we suggest VKA therapy over low-molecular weight heparin (LMWH) (Grade 2C).

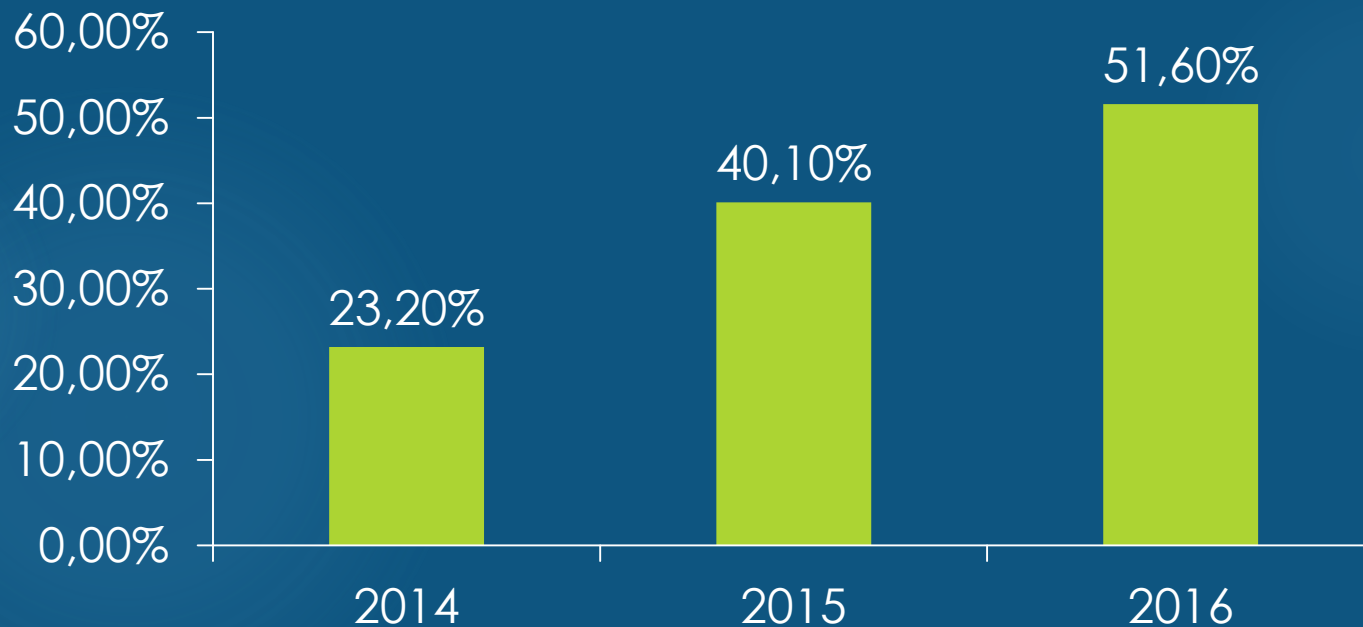
**\*3. In patients with DVT of the leg or PE and cancer (“cancer-associated thrombosis”), as long-term (first 3 months) anticoagulant therapy, we suggest LMWH over VKA therapy (Grade 2C), dabigatran (Grade 2C), rivaroxaban (Grade 2C), apixaban (Grade 2C), or edoxaban (Grade 2C).**



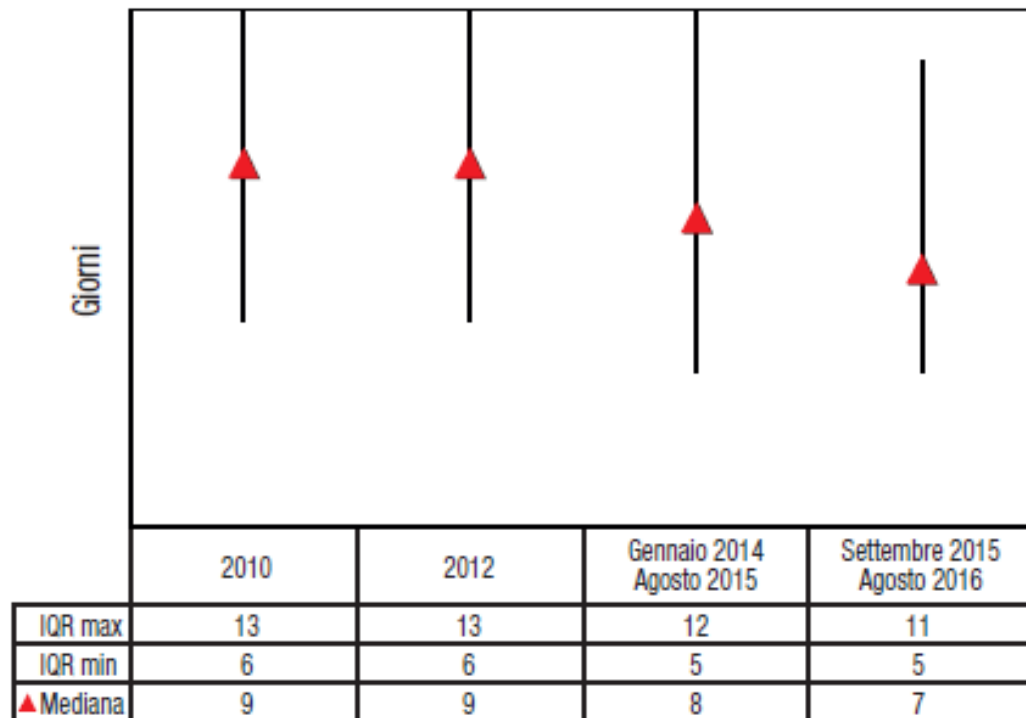
# Trend di prescrizione dei NAO nel paziente dimesso con diagnosi di EP acuta nella ASF

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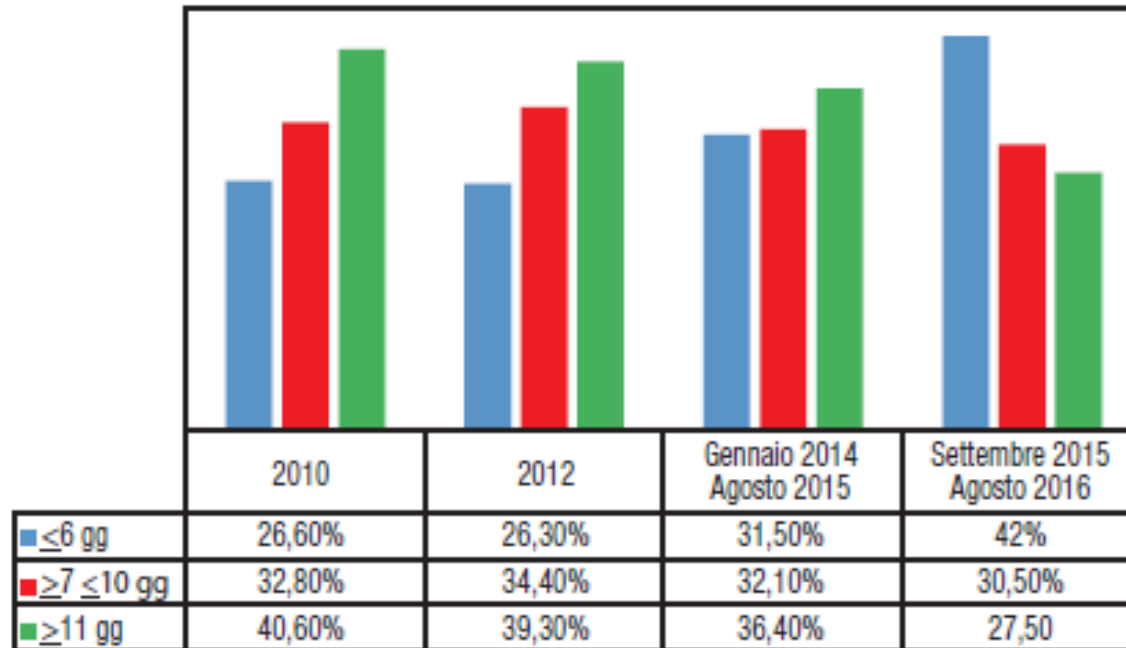
**Figura 3.** Andamento della DO nei pazienti dimessi con diagnosi di EP acuta nel corso degli anni.



# Variazioni percentuali della degenza ospedaliera nei pazienti dimessi con diagnosi di EP acuta nel corso degli anni

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**Figura 4.** Variazioni percentuali della DO nei pazienti dimessi con diagnosi di EP acuta nel corso degli anni.



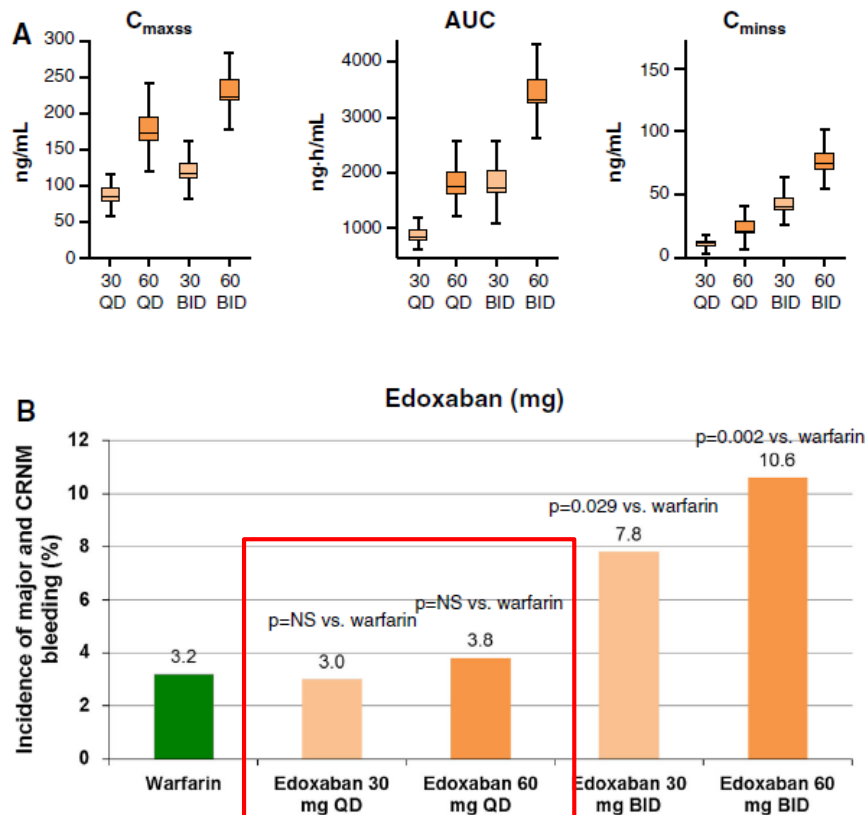
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	<b>Anti Xa (rivaroxaban, apixaban)</b>	<b>Altra terapia anticoagulante alla dimissione (eparine a basso peso molecolare, fondaparinux, AVK)</b>	<b>p</b>
<b>Numero</b>	<b>184 (Rivaroxaban 163, Apixaban 21)</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>M/F</b>	<b>41%/59%</b>	<b>45%/55%</b>	<b>ns</b>
<b>Età media ± DS(anni)</b>	<b>76 ± 13</b>	<b>75 ± 13</b>	<b>ns</b>
<b>Età mediana (IQR) (anni)</b>	<b>78 (70-84)</b>	<b>77 (68-84)</b>	<b>ns</b>
<b>DO media ± DS (giorni)</b>	<b>8 ± 5</b>	<b>10 ± 6</b>	<b>&lt;0.005</b>
<b>DO mediana (IQR) (giorni)</b>	<b>7 (5-9)</b>	<b>9 (6-13)</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
<b>Dimissioni entro 48 ore</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>ns</b>
<b>Dimissioni entro 5 giorni</b>	<b>30.9%</b>	<b>23.1%</b>	<b>&lt;0.005</b>

## Edoxaban: An Update on the New Oral Direct Factor Xa Inhibitor

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## Edoxaban versus Warfarin in Patients with Atrial Fibrillation

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**Table 1.** Demographic and Clinical Characteristics of the Patients.\*

Characteristic	Warfarin (N=7036)	High-Dose Edoxaban (N=7035)	Low-Dose Edoxaban (N=7034)
Age $\geq 75$ yr	2820 (40.1)	2848 (40.5)	2806 (39.9)
Prior stroke or transient ischemic attack	1991 (28.3)	1976 (28.1)	2006 (28.5)
Congestive heart failure	4048 (57.5)	4097 (58.2)	3979 (56.6)
Diabetes mellitus	2521 (35.8)	2559 (36.4)	2544 (36.2)
Hypertension requiring treatment	6588 (93.6)	6591 (93.7)	6575 (93.5)
CHADS <sub>2</sub> score†	2.8 $\pm$ 1.0	2.8 $\pm$ 1.0	2.8 $\pm$ 1.0
$\leq 3$ — no. (%)	5445 (77.4)	5422 (77.1)	5470 (77.8)
4–6 — no. (%)	1591 (22.6)	1613 (22.9)	1564 (22.2)

**Table 2** Results of the ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48 trial

	Warfarin event rate	High-dose edoxaban event rate	Low-dose edoxaban event rate	High-dose edoxaban versus warfarin	
				Hazard ratio (95% CI)	P-value
<b>Efficacy outcomes</b>					
Stroke or systemic embolic event (primary) (noninferiority)	1.50	1.18	1.61	0.79 (0.63–0.99)	<0.001
Stroke	1.69	1.49	1.91	0.88 (0.75–1.03)	0.11
Hemorrhagic stroke	0.47	0.26	0.16	0.54 (0.38–0.77)	<0.001
Stroke, systemic embolism or death from cardiovascular cause	4.43	3.85	4.23	0.87 (0.78–0.96)	0.005
Death from any cause	4.35	3.99	3.80	0.92 (0.83–1.01)	0.08
Death from cardiovascular cause	3.17	2.74	2.71	0.86 (0.77–0.97)	0.013
<b>Safety outcomes</b>					
ISTH major bleeding (primary)	3.43	2.75	1.61	0.80 (0.71–0.91)	<0.001
Fatal	0.38	0.21	0.13	0.55 (0.36–0.84)	0.006
Intracranial	0.85	0.39	0.26	0.47 (0.34–0.63)	<0.001
Gastrointestinal	1.23	1.51	0.82	1.23 (1.02–1.50)	0.03

Note: From *N Engl J Med*. Giugliano RP, Ruff CT, Braunwald E, et al. Edoxaban versus warfarin in patients with atrial fibrillation. 369:2093 with permission from Massachusetts Medical Society.<sup>1</sup>

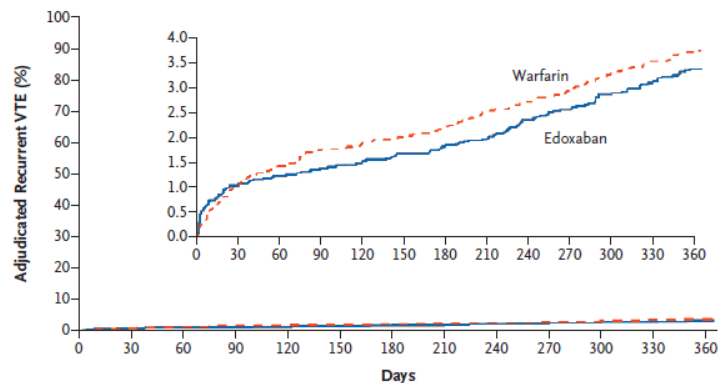
Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; ISTH, International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis.

# Edoxaban versus Warfarin for the Treatment of Symptomatic Venous Thromboembolism

The Hokusai-VTE Investigators\*

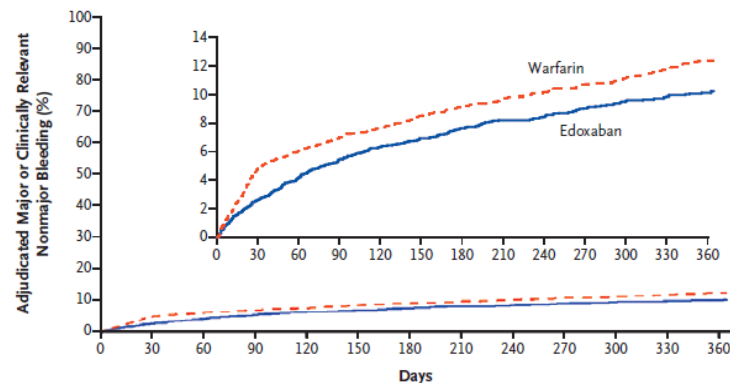
**Table 1. Demographic and Clinical Characteristics of the Patients.\***

Characteristic	All Patients		Patients with Deep-Vein Thrombosis Only		Patients with Pulmonary Embolism	
	Edoxaban (N=4118)	Warfarin (N=4122)	Edoxaban (N=2468)	Warfarin (N=2453)	Edoxaban (N=1650)	Warfarin (N=1669)



No. at Risk	4118	4050	4024	4002	3985	3974	3959	3885	3692	3524	3358	3190	2918
Edoxaban	4118	4050	4024	4002	3985	3974	3959	3885	3692	3524	3358	3190	2918
Warfarin	4112	4055	4023	4001	3992	3975	3962	3864	3683	3519	3367	3184	2936

**Figure 2. Kaplan–Meier Cumulative Event Rates for the Primary Efficacy Outcome.**



No. at Risk	4118	3840	3695	3587	3382	3308	3038	2192	2043	1904	1764	1650	1241
Edoxaban	4118	3840	3695	3587	3382	3308	3038	2192	2043	1904	1764	1650	1241
Warfarin	4122	3757	3627	3522	3313	3218	2979	2165	2007	1883	1754	1613	1212

**Figure 3. Kaplan–Meier Cumulative Event Rates for the Principal Safety Outcome.**



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# Management of bleeding in patients treated with direct oral anticoagulants

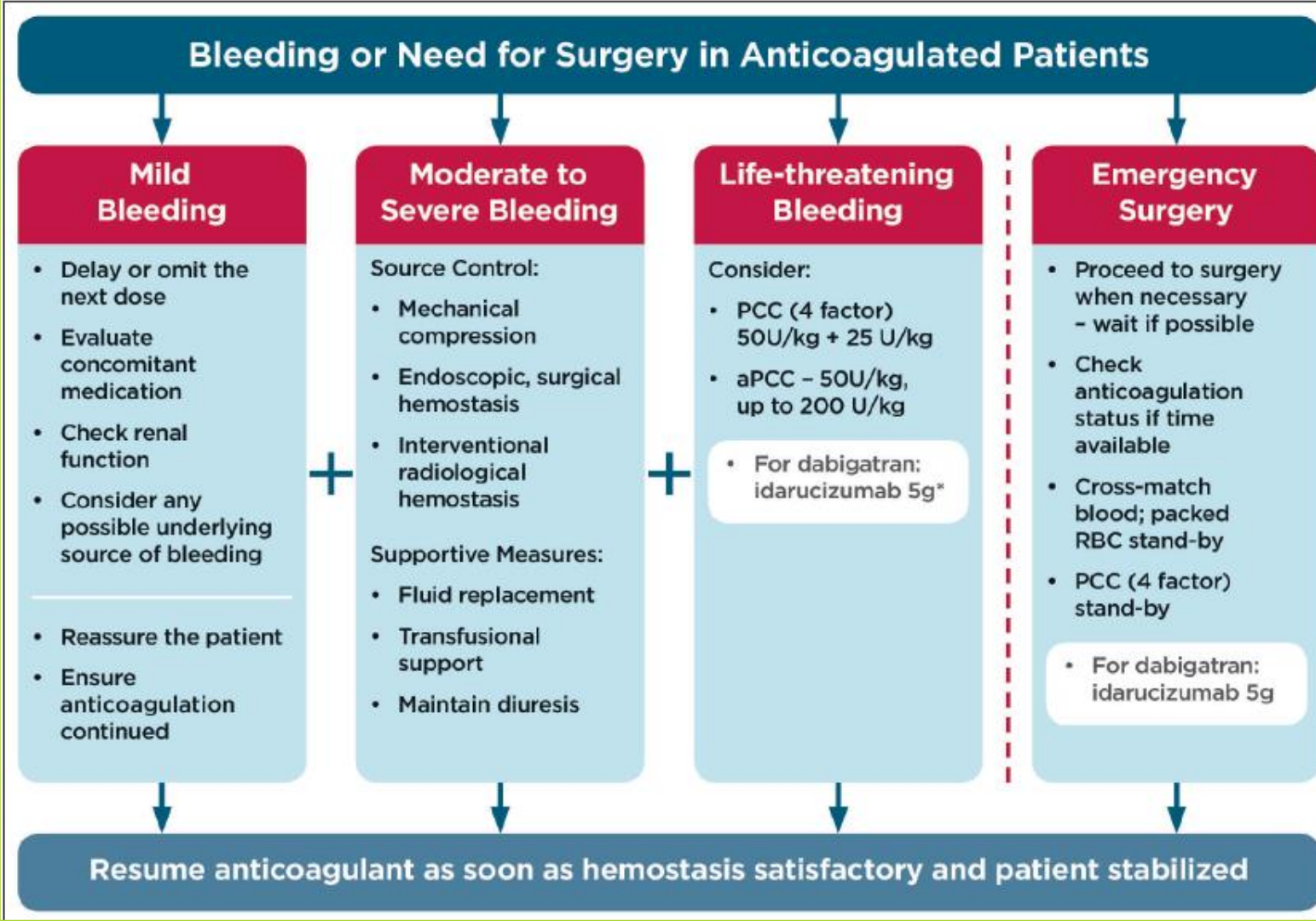


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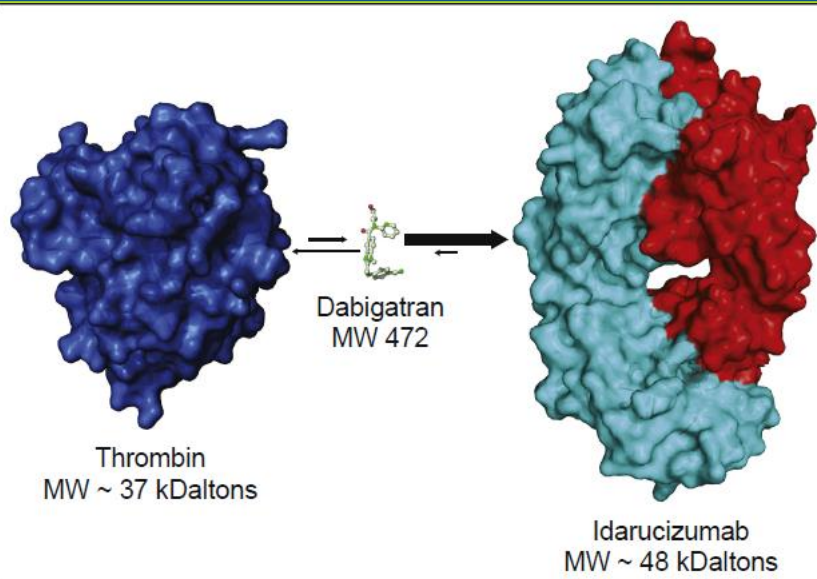
**Table 2: Situations in which to consider use of a reversal agent.**

Clinical situation	Definite need for a reversal agent	Reversal agent possibly helpful (patient-dependent)	Reversal agent generally not needed
Life-threatening bleeding (e. g., intracranial haemorrhage, symptomatic or expanding extradural haemorrhage, or uncontrollable haemorrhage)	X		
Bleeding in a closed space or critical organ (e. g., intracranial, intraspinal, intraocular, pericardial, pulmonary, retroperitoneal, or intramuscular with compartment syndrome)	X		
Persistent major bleeding despite local haemostatic measures, or risk of recurrent bleeding because of delayed DOAC clearance or DOAC overdose	X		
Need for urgent intervention that is associated with a high risk of bleeding and that cannot be delayed to allow for drug clearance	X		
Emergency surgery or intervention in patients at high risk for procedural bleeding: neurosurgery (intracranial, extradural, or spinal), lumbar puncture, cardiac, or vascular surgery (aortic dissection/aneurysm repair), hepatic, or other major organ surgery	X		
Need for urgent surgery or intervention in patients with acute renal failure		X	
Elective surgery			X
Gastrointestinal bleeds that respond to supportive measures			X
High drug levels or excessive anticoagulation without associated bleeding			X
Need for surgery or intervention that can be delayed long enough to permit drug clearance			X

DOACs, non-Vitamin K oral anticoagulants. Adapted from Levy et al. 2015 (31).



# Idarucizumab is a humanized monoclonal antibody fragment



**Figure 1** Structure and relative sizes of thrombin (FIIa), dabigatran, and idarucizumab. Reprinted with permission from Pollack et al.<sup>14</sup>

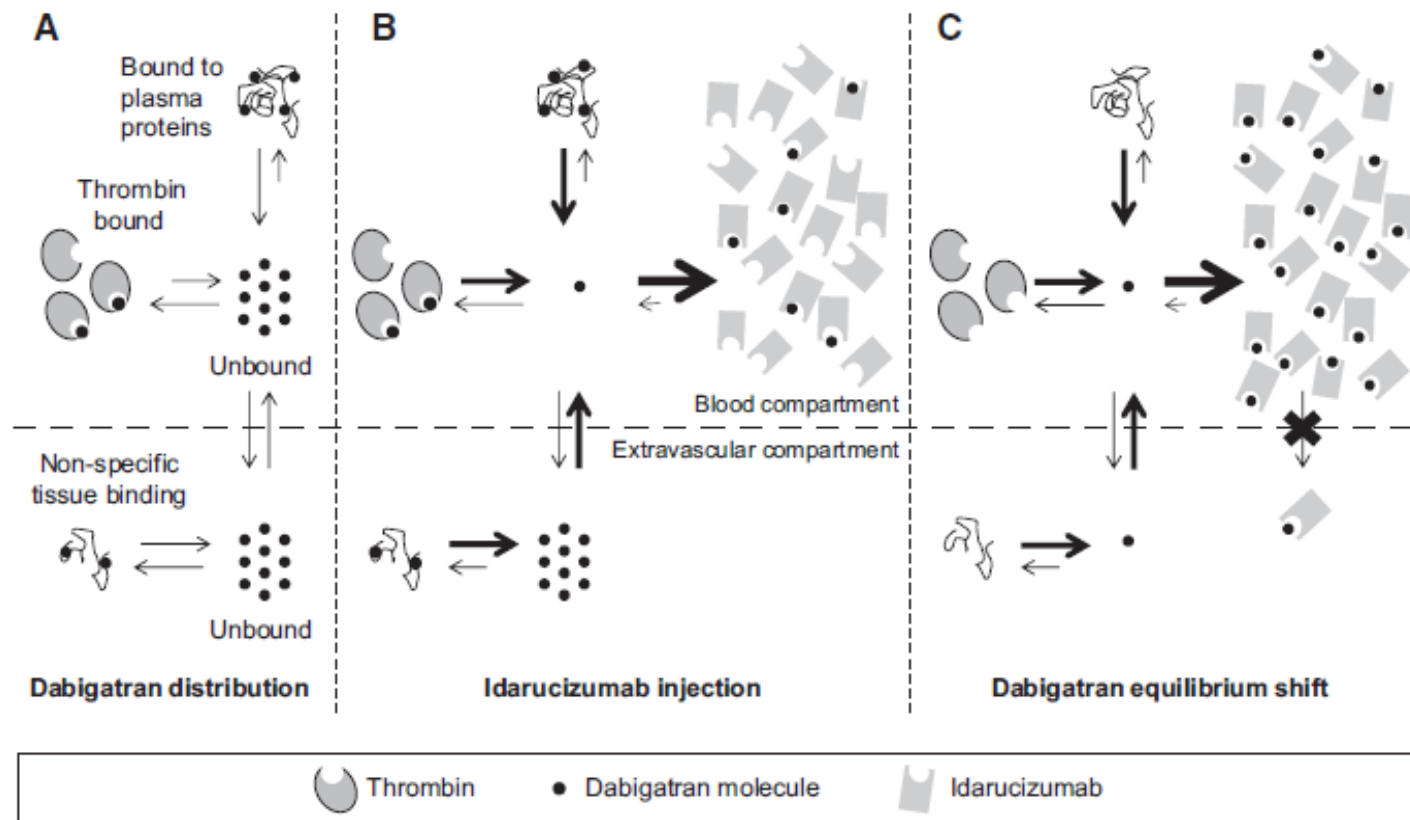
➔ Humanized Fab fragment

➔ Binding affinity **around 350 times higher** than dabigatran to thrombin

➔ No intrinsic pro-coagulant or anticoagulant activity

➔ IV dosing by bolus or rapid infusion ( 2 x 2.5 g in 50 mL in 15 minutes); immediate onset of action (in minutes)

➔ Short half-life (45 minutes-4h)



**Figure 3.** Changes in the distribution of dabigatran after idarucizumab administration. **A**, Circulating dabigatran exists in a state of equilibrium between the plasma and the extravascular compartments. Only unbound dabigatran in the plasma is able to bind thrombin and to inhibit coagulation. **B**, Idarucizumab rapidly binds dabigatran in the plasma. This alters the equilibrium, causing dabigatran in the extravascular compartment to move into the plasma and to potentially dissociate from thrombin (larger arrows). **C**, Because of the high affinity of idarucizumab for dabigatran, thrombin is no longer inhibited, and it regains its capacity to trigger clotting.

## Idarucizumab for Dabigatran Reversal

Table 1. Clinical Characteristics of the Patients.\*

Characteristic	Group A (N=51)	Group B (N=39)	Total (N=90)
Age — yr			
Median	77.0	76.0	76.5
Range	48–93	56–93	48–93
Male sex — no. (%)	32 (63)	18 (46)	50 (56)
Race or ethnic group — no. (%) <sup>†</sup>			
Asian	5 (10)	1 (3)	6 (7)
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	3 (6)	3 (8)	6 (7)
White	43 (84)	35 (90)	78 (87)
Weight — kg			
Median	70.5	73.0	71.9
Range	42.4–127.5	49.5–116.0	42.4–127.5
Creatinine clearance <sup>‡</sup>			
Value — ml/min			
Mean	59±33	65±36	62±35
Median	54	60	58
Range	16–187	11–171	11–187
Distribution — no. (%)			
<30 ml/min	5 (10)	7 (18)	12 (13)
30 to <50 ml/min	14 (27)	6 (15)	20 (22)
50 to <80 ml/min	16 (31)	11 (28)	27 (30)
≥80 ml/min	6 (12)	9 (23)	15 (17)
Missing data	10 (20)	6 (15)	16 (18)

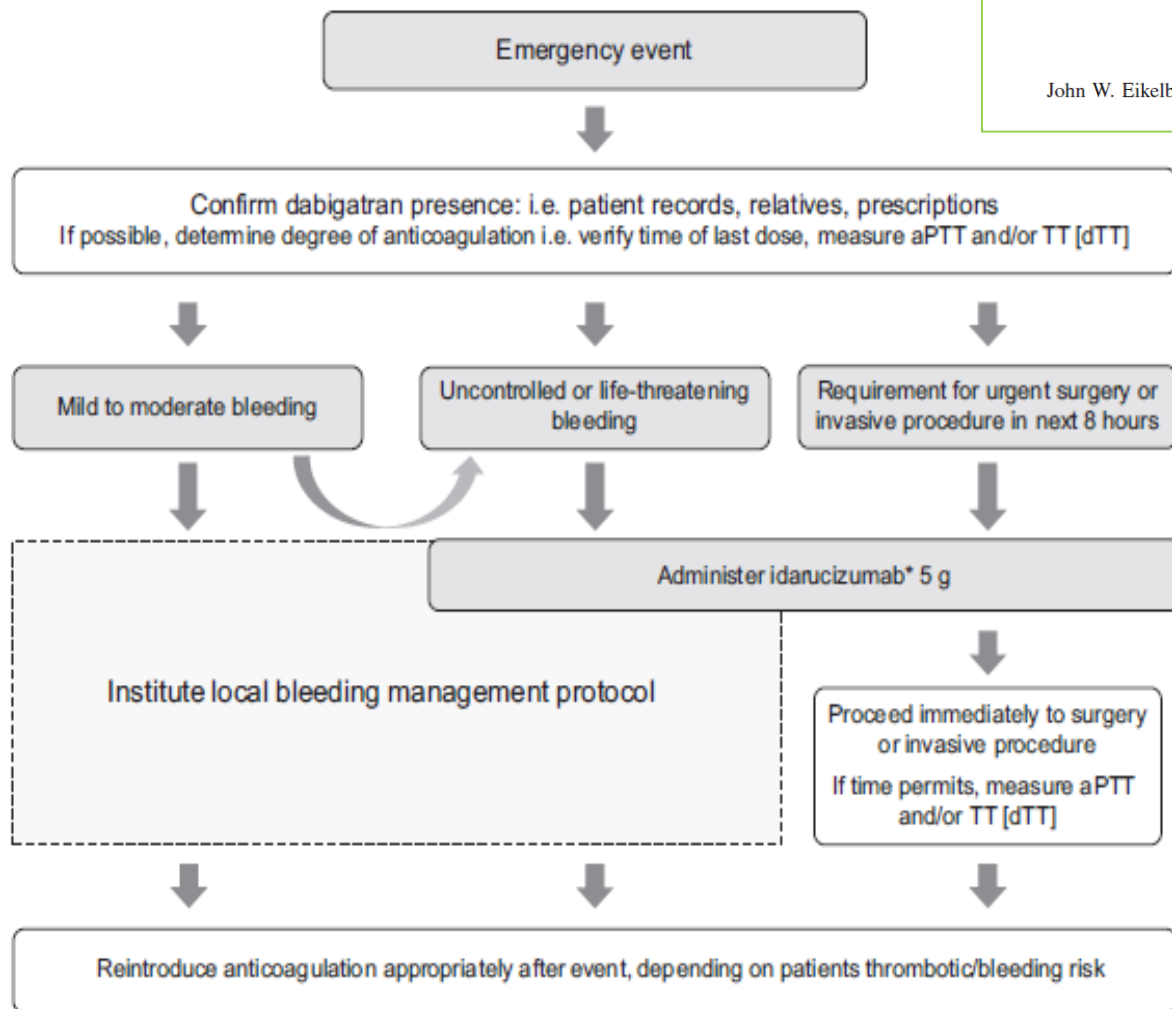




## Idarucizumab

### The Antidote for Reversal of Dabigatran

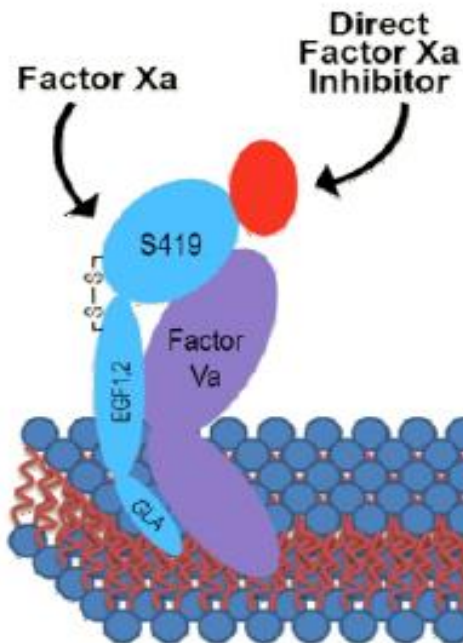
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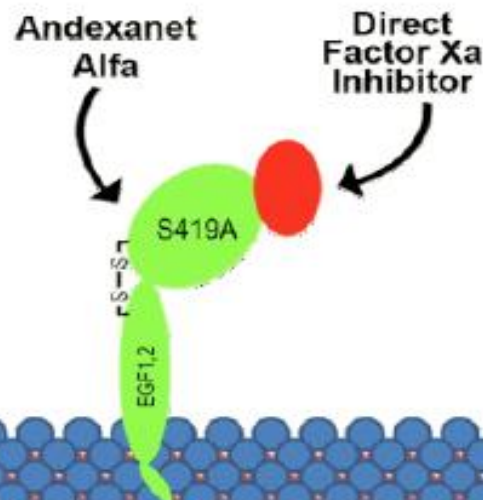
**Figure 7.** Proposed algorithm for management of patients treated with dabigatran who present with bleeding episodes or require urgent surgery/invasive procedures. \*Administer two 50-mL vials of idarucizumab (each containing 2.5 g) intravenously. In rare cases when dabigatran anticoagulation remains present after idarucizumab and bleeding continues in the patient, a second 5-g dose of idarucizumab may be considered. aPTT indicates activated partial thromboplastin time; dTT, diluted thrombin time; and TT, thrombin time.



### Prothrombinase Complex Inhibited by Direct Factor Xa Inhibitors



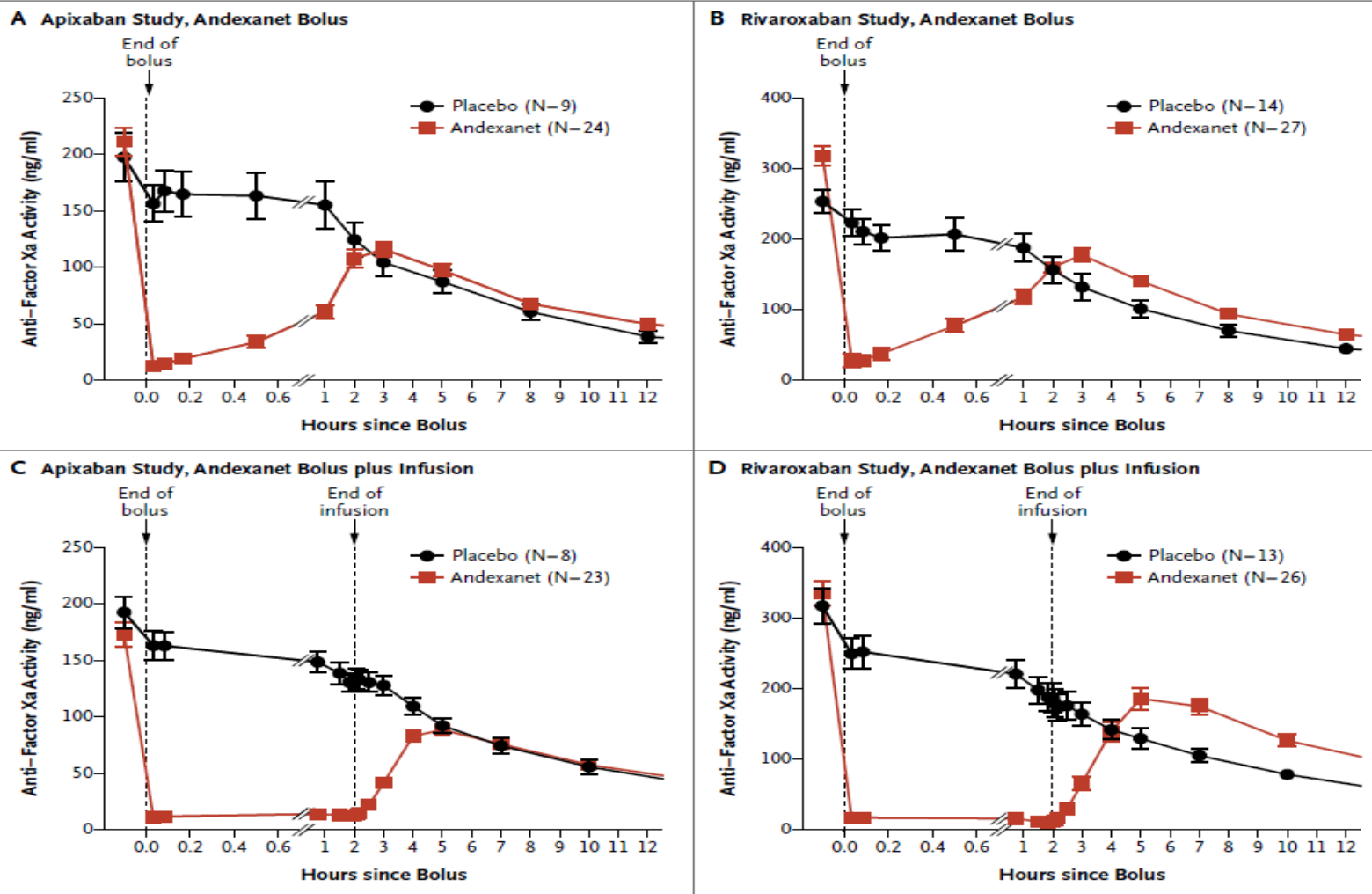
### Binding of Andexanet Alfa to Direct Factor Xa Inhibitors



### Binding of Andexanet Alfa to Pentasaccharide- or LMWH-ATIII Complex



# Andexanet Alfa for the Reversal of Factor Xa Inhibitor Activity



**Figure 1.** Time Courses of Anti-Factor Xa Activity before and after Administration of Andexanet.

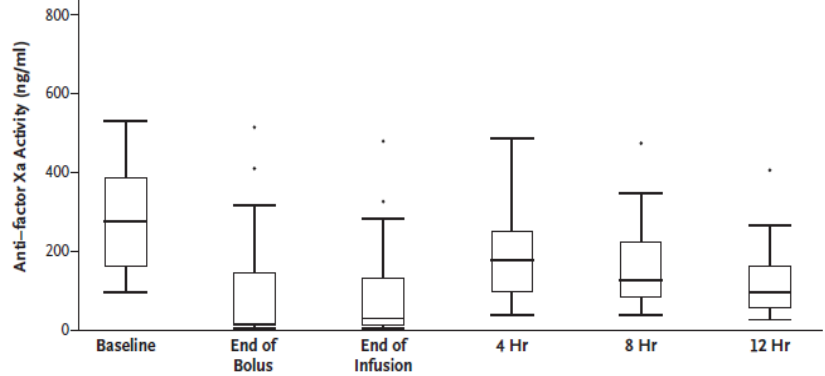
# Andexanet Alfa for Acute Major Bleeding Associated with Factor Xa Inhibitors

**Table 1. Characteristics of the Patients at Baseline.\***

Characteristic	Safety Population (N=67)	Efficacy Population (N=47)
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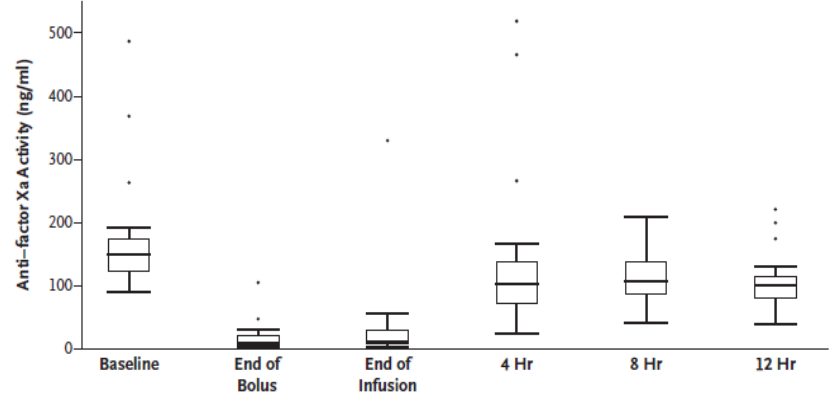
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**A Rivaroxaban (N=26)**



Median  
Percent Change  
(95% CI)

**B Apixaban (N=20)**



Median  
Percent Change  
(95% CI)

# Conclusioni

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- ▶ I risultati dei trials clinici di fase III con i NAO sono stati confermati nella vita reale
- ▶ I NAO sono ormai entrati nell'uso comune e rappresentano una realtà terapeutica ormai ben consolidata con evidenti vantaggi nella pratica clinica
- ▶ Le LLGG su FA e TEV riconoscono ai NAO un ruolo di primo piano
- ▶ Da poco abbiamo a disposizione anche una quarta molecola NAO
- ▶ Oggi è già disponibile un antidoto specifico per dabigatran e successivamente lo sarà anche per gli antiXa che ci permettono di superare uno dei maggiori gap rappresentato dal reverse urgente di questi farmaci