



# The optimal anticoagulant treatment for Asian in SPAF

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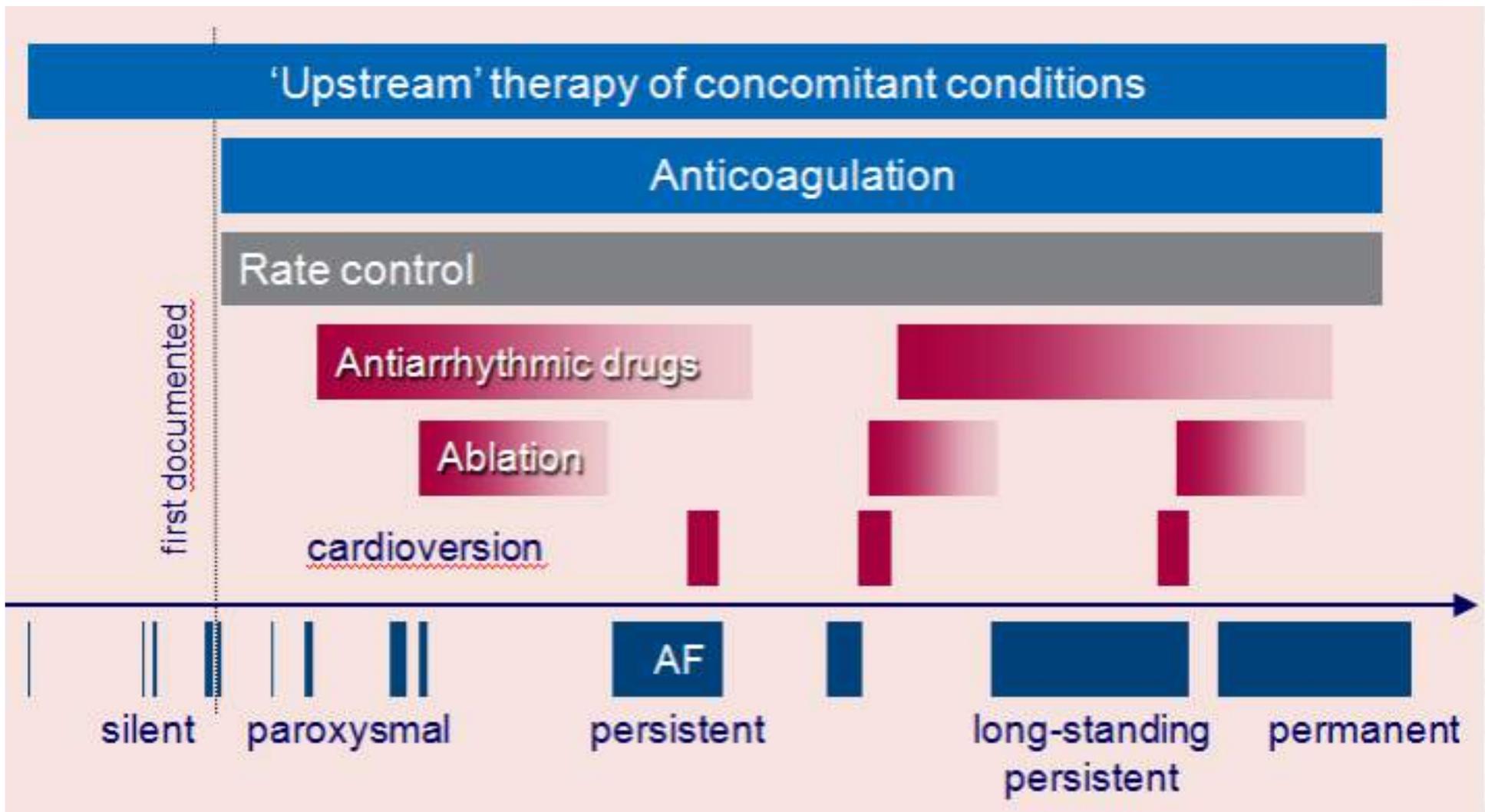
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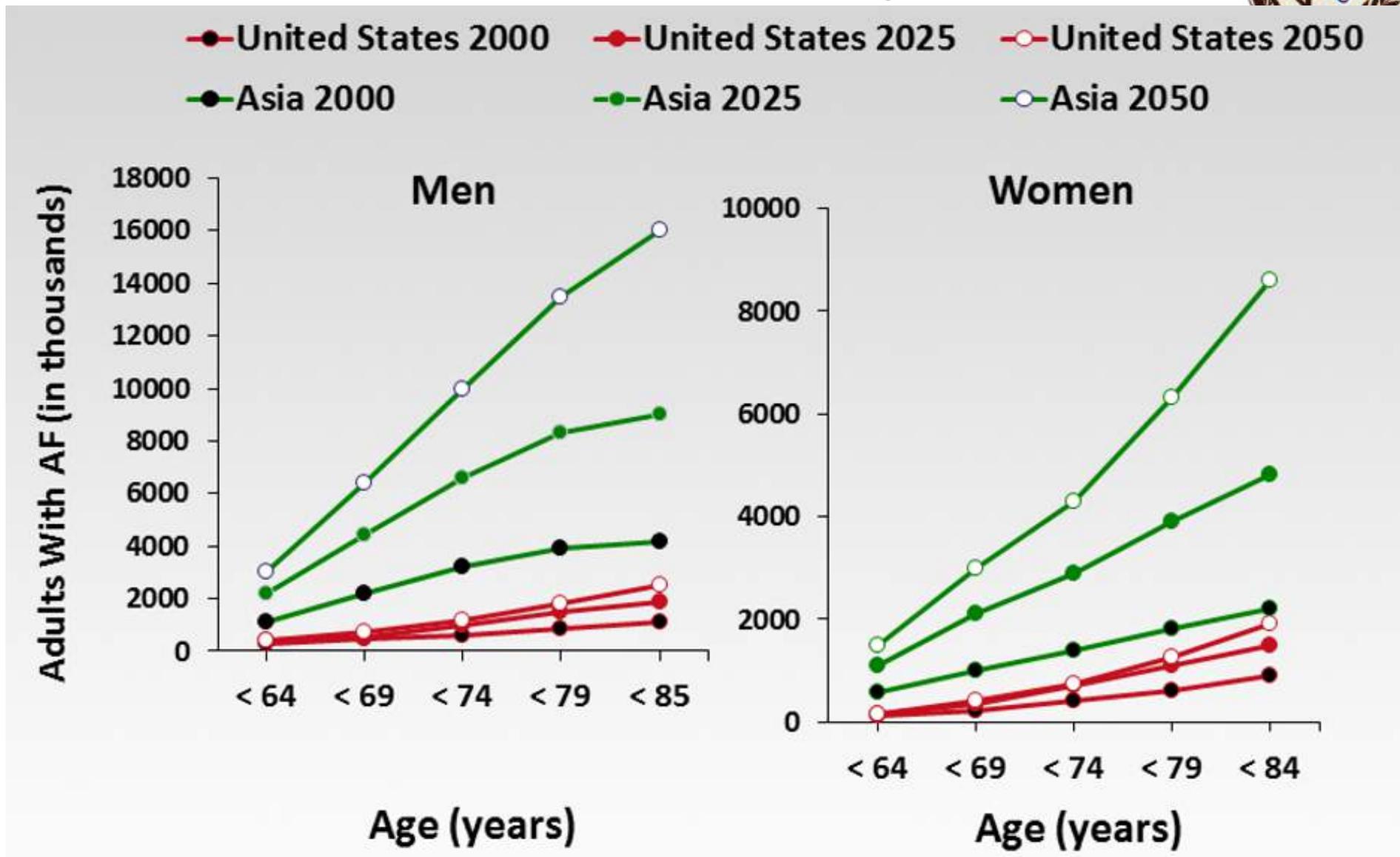
- **Association between Af & Stroke**
- **Drug Prevention for Stroke in Af patients**
- **From Warfarin to NOAC:  
Evolution of Af Guideline**
- **NOAC (focus on edoxaban)**
  - **ENGAGE-AF study**
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- **How about Real Word Data?**
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# Natural time course of AF



# Number of AF patients predicted to more than double by 2050





# 中風為心房顫動最嚴重的併發症

- 中風為心房顫動的最常見併發症，造成沉重的疾病與死亡負擔
- 心房顫動會使中風的風險增加大約5倍<sup>1</sup>
- 若無有效的治療以預防血栓的形成，心律不整病患幾乎每年每20人就有一人發生中風(5%)<sup>2</sup>
- AF為栓塞性中風的首要原因<sup>3</sup>
- 心房顫動患者的死亡率為心律正常者的兩倍<sup>4</sup>

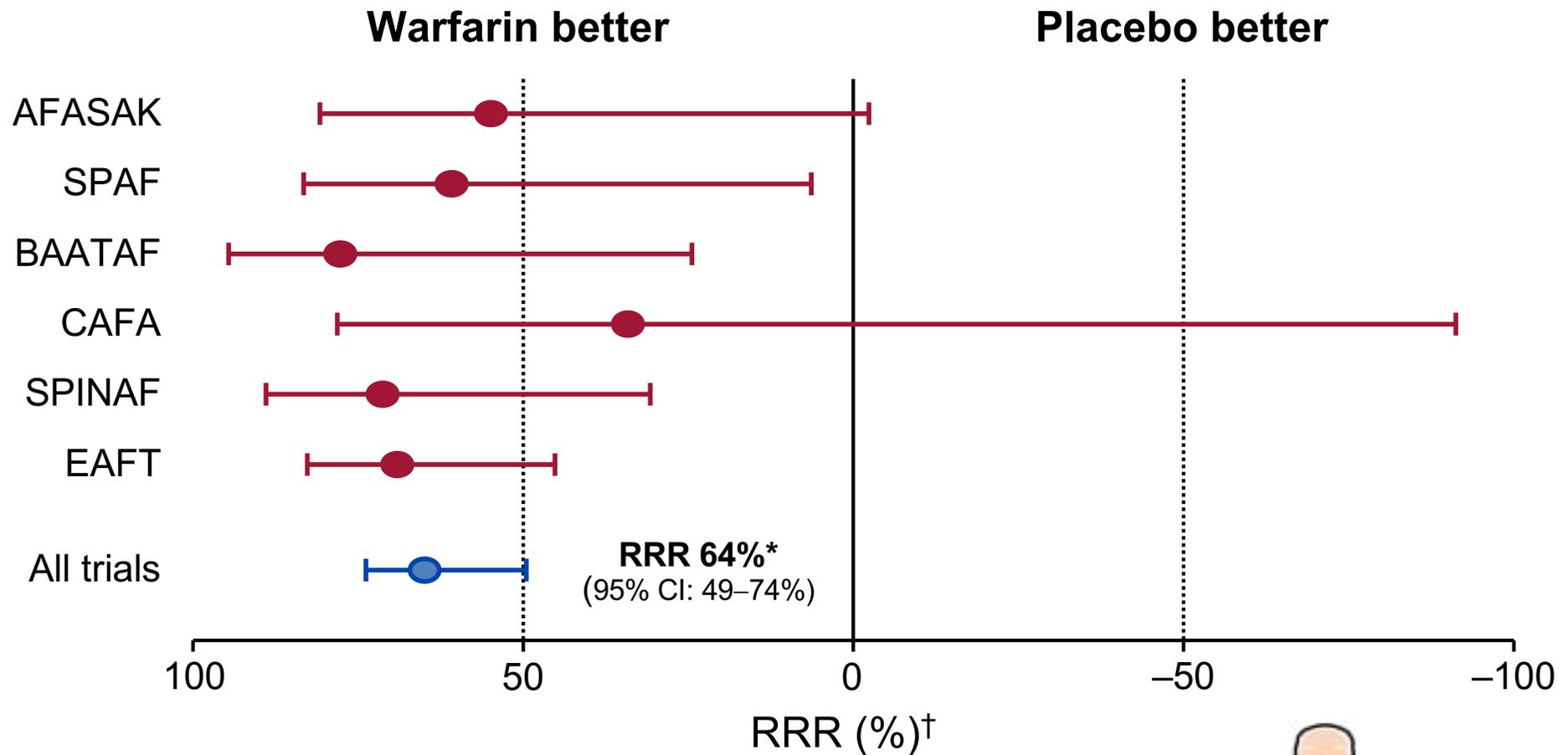
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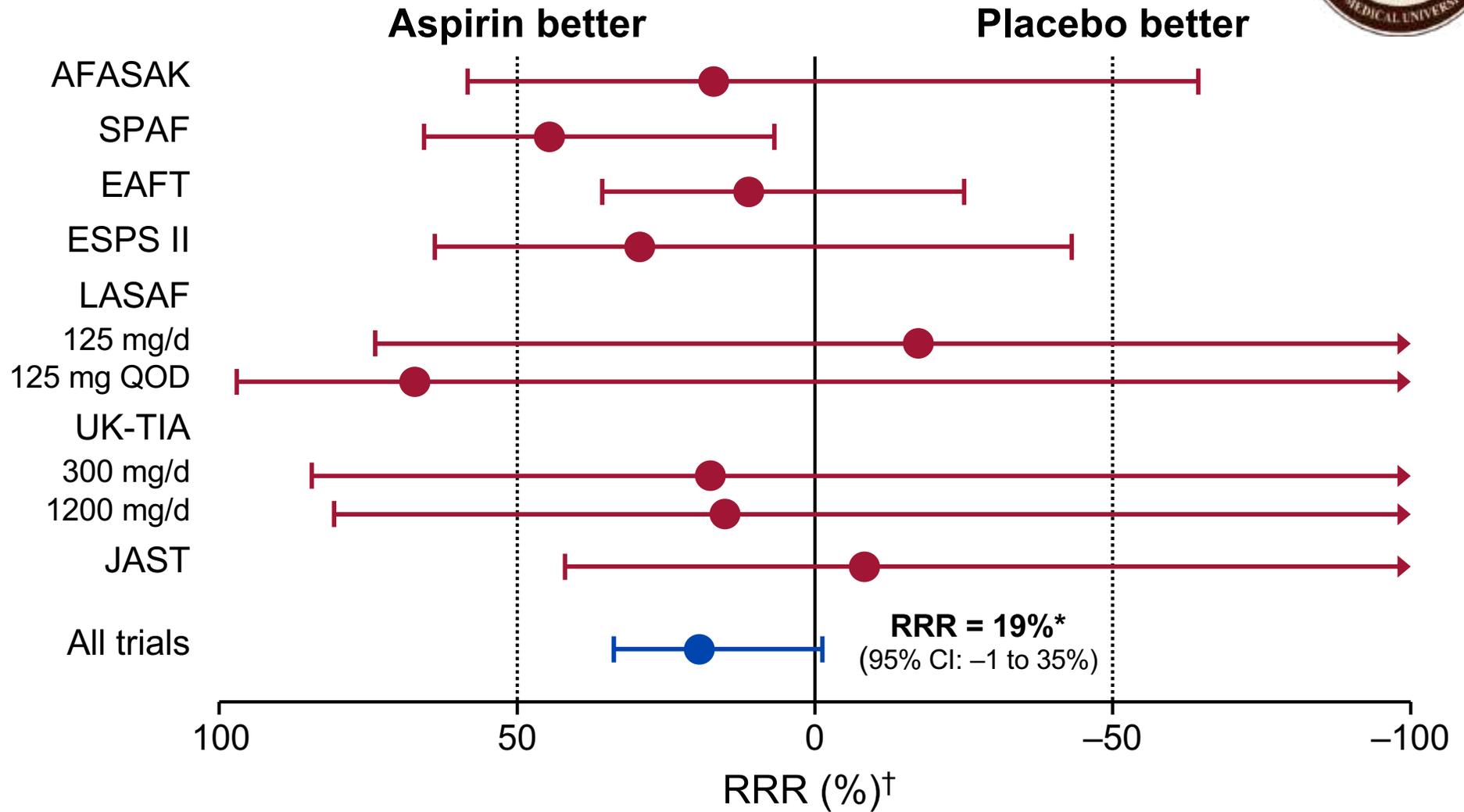
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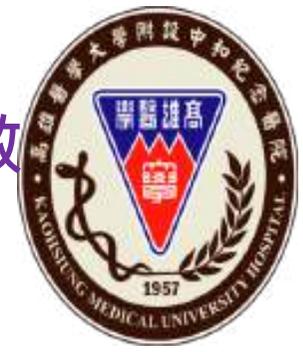
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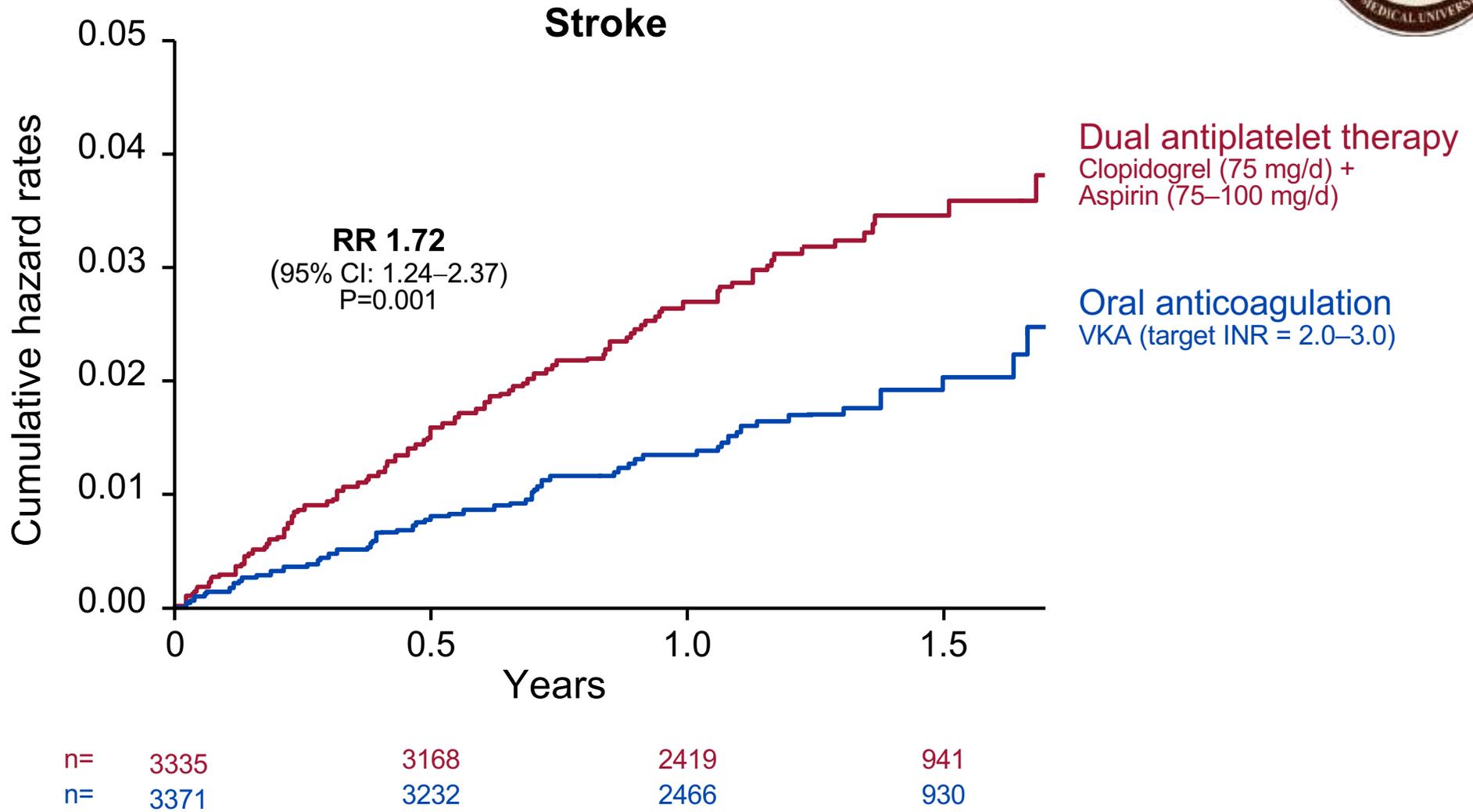
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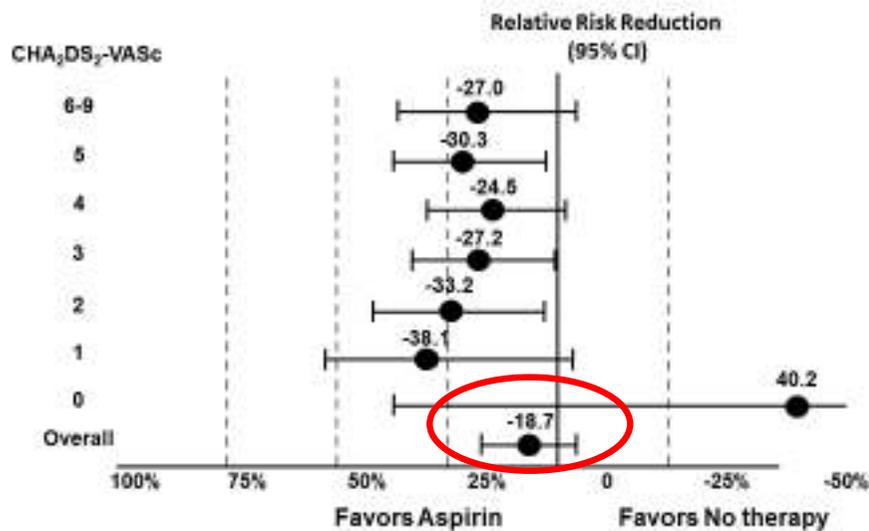
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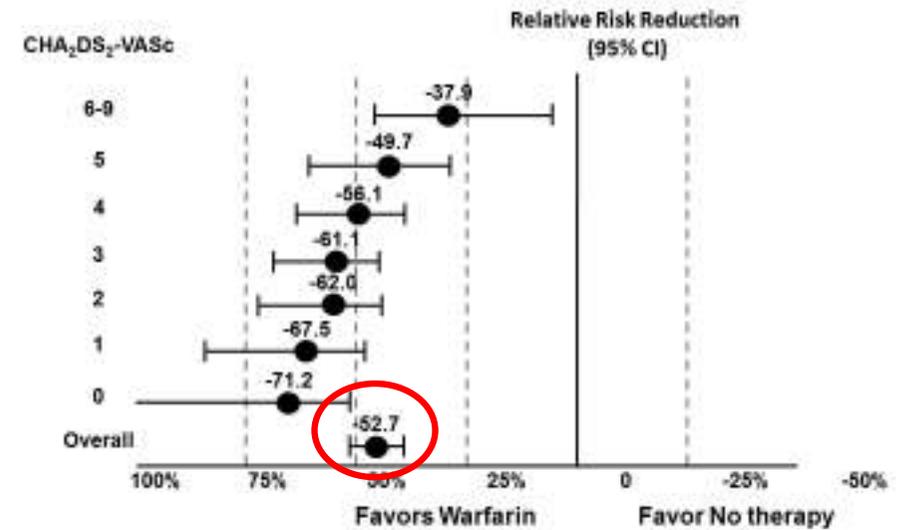
# 口服抗凝血療法在綜合主要評估指標 (中風、全身性栓塞、心肌梗塞或血管原因之死亡)上的療效 明顯優於雙重抗血小板療法



# Warfarin and Aspirin reduce ischemic stroke in Chinese AF patients of similar magnitude as in Caucasians



Benefit of Aspirin



Benefit of Warfarin



# AF 患者的中風風險評估 - CHADS<sub>2</sub> score

Risk factor	Points
Congestive heart failure	+1
Hypertension	+1
Age ≥75 years	+1
Diabetes mellitus	+1
Previous stroke/TIA/thromboembolism	+2

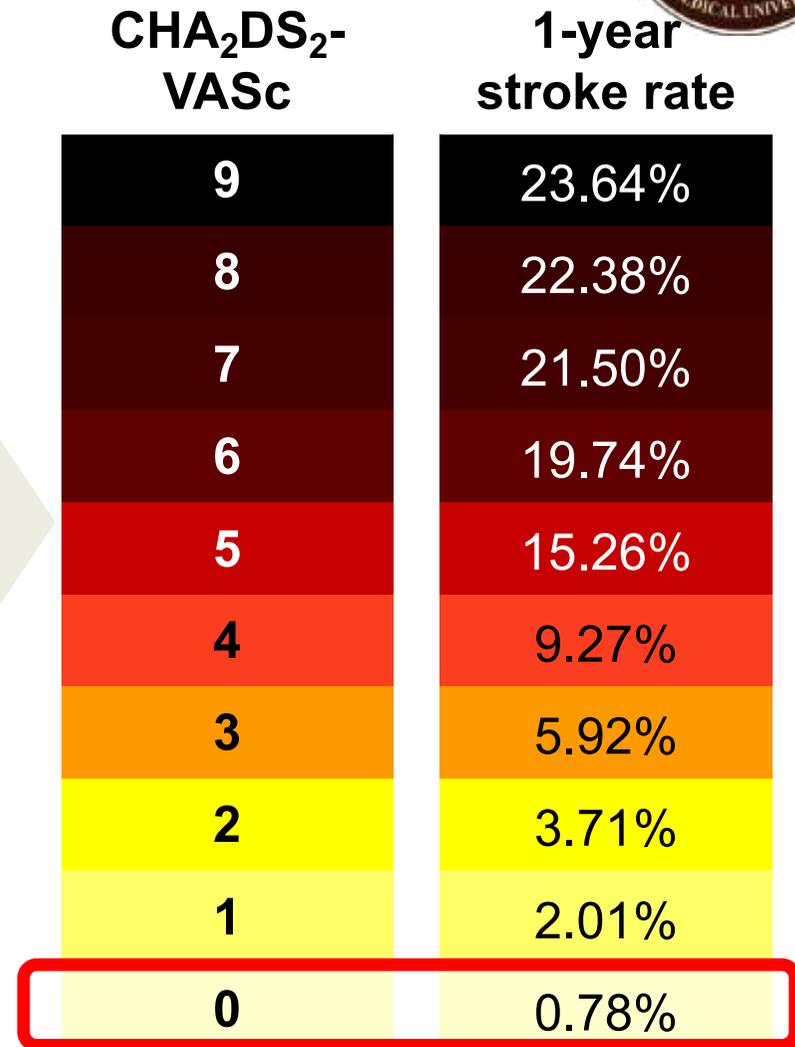
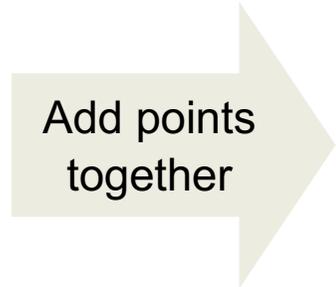
Risk category	Score
Low	0
Intermediate	1
Moderate to high	≥2

CHADS <sub>2</sub>	Stroke rate (95 %CI)*
6	18.2 (10.5–27.4)
5	12.5 (8.2–17.5)
4	8.5 (6.3–11.1)
3	5.9 (4.6–7.3)
2	4.0 (3.1–5.1)
1	2.8 (2.0–3.8)
0	1.9 (1.2–3.0)



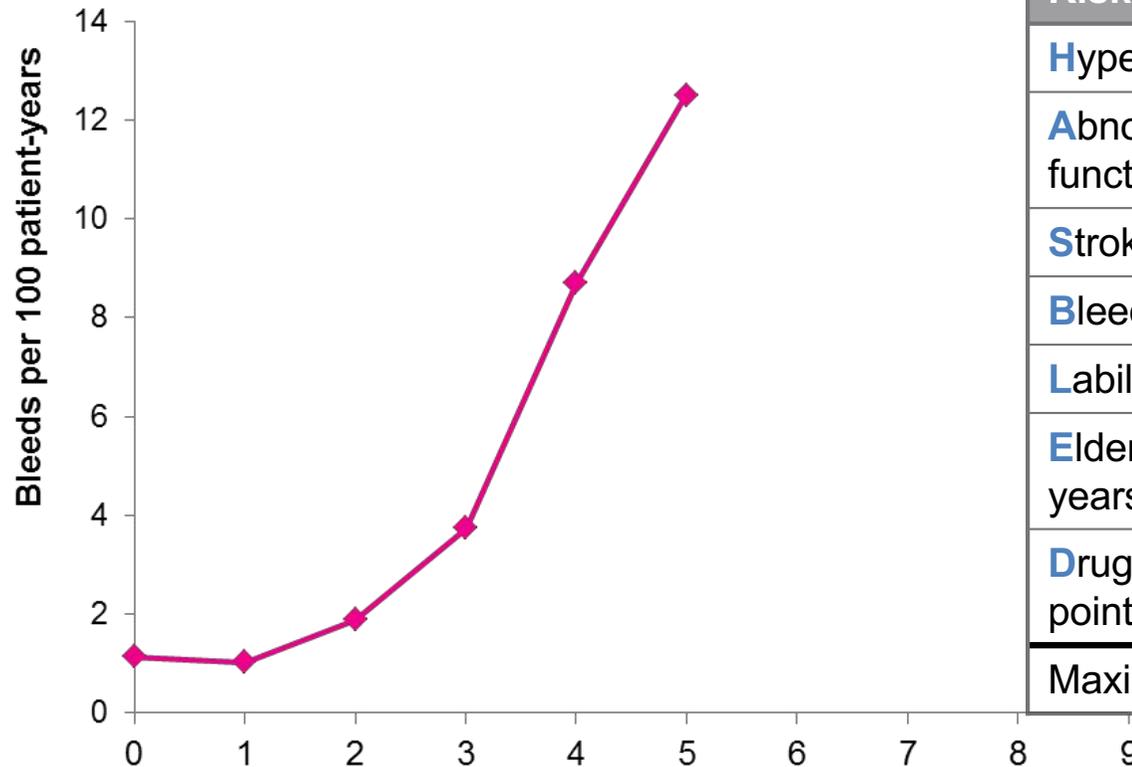
# AF 患者的中風風險評估- CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc

Item	Points
Previous stroke TIA or systemic embolism	2
Age ≥75 years	2
Congestive heart failure*	1
Hypertension	1
Diabetes mellitus	1
Age 65–74 years	1
Female gender	1
Vascular disease	1



\*Or moderate-to-severe left ventricular systolic dysfunction (left ventricular ejection fraction ≤40%)

# HAS-BLED Bleeding Risk Stratification



Risk factor	Points
Hypertension	1
Abnormal renal or liver function (1 point each)	1 or 2
Stroke	1
Bleeding	1
Labile INRs	1
Elderly (e.g. age >65 years)	1
Drug or alcohol use (1 point each)	1 or 2
Maximum score	9

- ◆ A score  $\geq 3$  is considered 'high risk' and indicates that caution and regular review is needed during anticoagulant or antiplatelet therapy<sup>2</sup>
- ◆ Higher stroke risk = Higher bleeding risk





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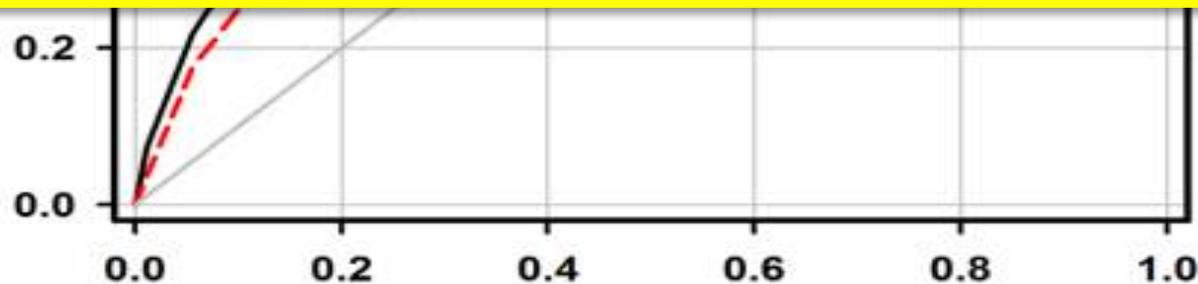
## Comparisons of CHADS<sub>2</sub> and CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc scores for stroke risk stratification in atrial fibrillation: Which scoring system should be used for Asians? ©

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# ROC curves of CHADS2 and CHA2DS2-VASc scores in predicting ischemic stroke



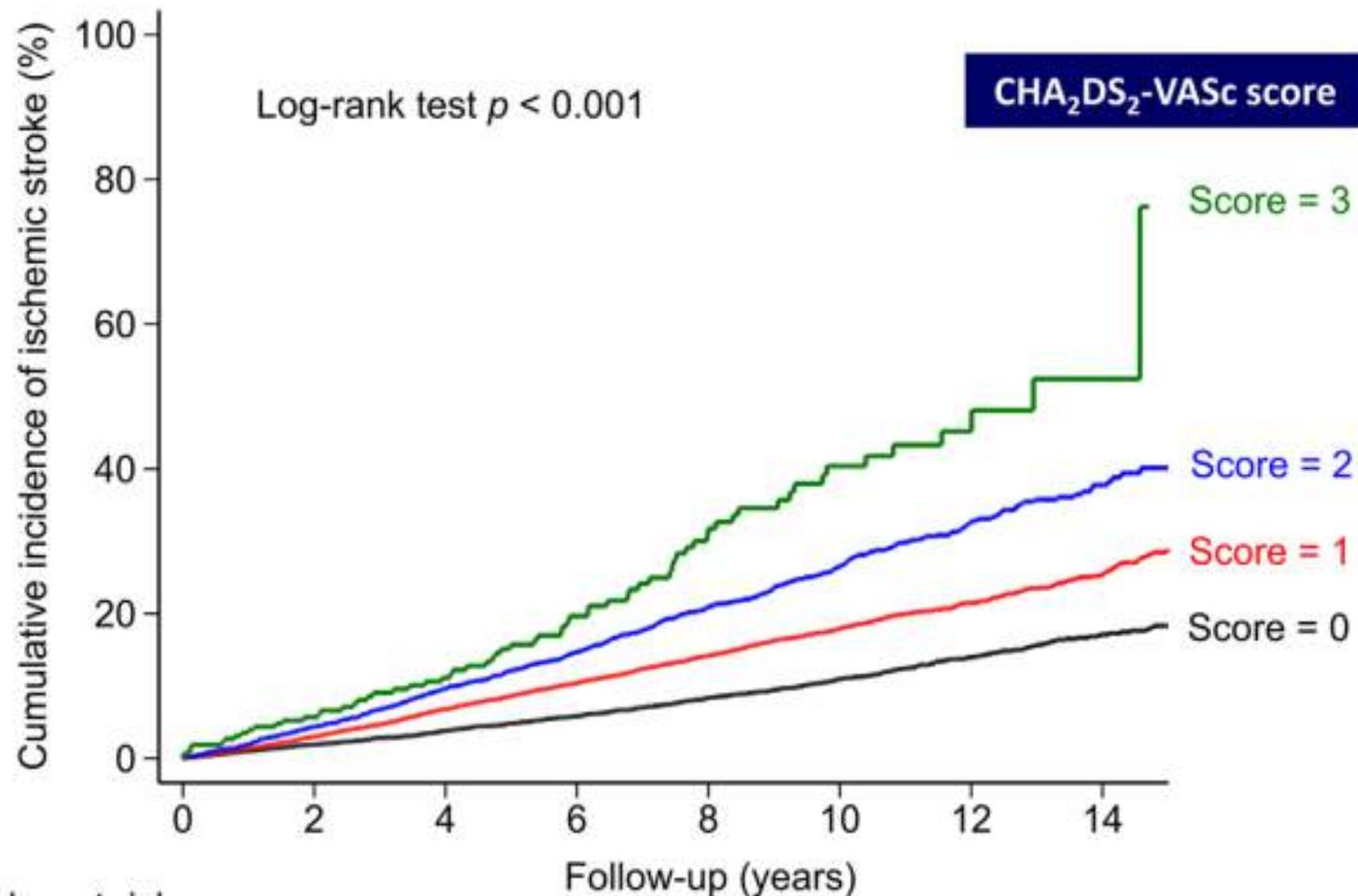
在亞洲人CHA2DS2-VASc score 仍然是優於CHADS2 score在中風的預測上



1 - Specificity

— CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc score, AUC = 0.698  
- - - CHADS<sub>2</sub> score, AUC = 0.659

# Kaplan–Meier curves of atrial fibrillation patients with a CHADS2score of 0 stratified based on CHA2DS2-VASc scores



Number at risk

Score = 3	269	205	166	118	78	46	19	3
Score = 2	3,464	2,543	1,978	1,559	1,132	765	397	128
Score = 1	12,137	9,003	7,142	5,614	4,089	2,798	1,535	624
Score = 0	9,416	7,223	5,871	4,623	3,426	2,339	1,267	527

# The Scope of AF and Stroke rate



Study	Mean age	Stroke (% per year)		Relative risk
		AF	No AF	
Framingham, USA	70	4.1	0.74	5.6x
Shibata, Japan	65	5.0	0.90	5.6x
Reykjavik, Iceland	52	1.6	0.23	7.1x
Whitehall, UK	60	1.8	0.26	6.9x
<b>Taiwan</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>3.8-4.9</b>	<b>0.45</b>	<b>8.4-10.8X</b>

Am J Manag Care. 2004;10:S297-S306

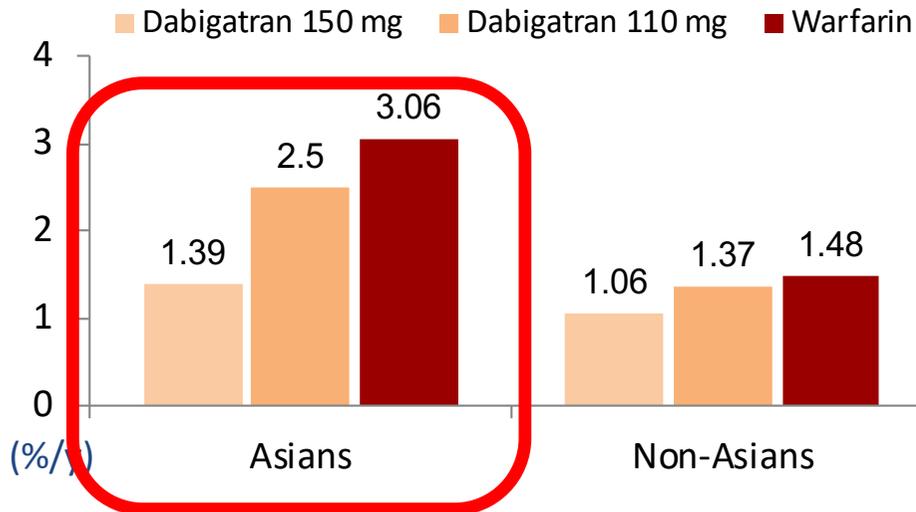
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Int J Cardiol 2008. e-published.

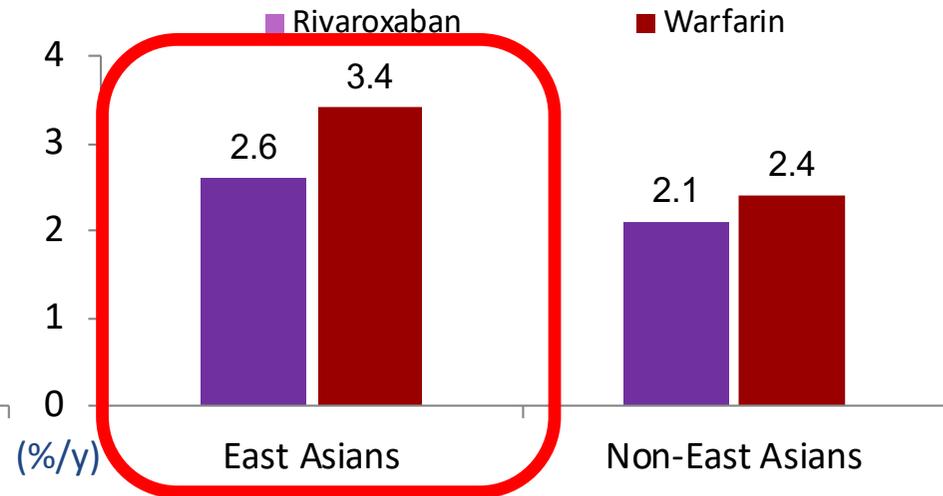
# Higher Risk of Stroke/Systemic Embolization Events in Asians



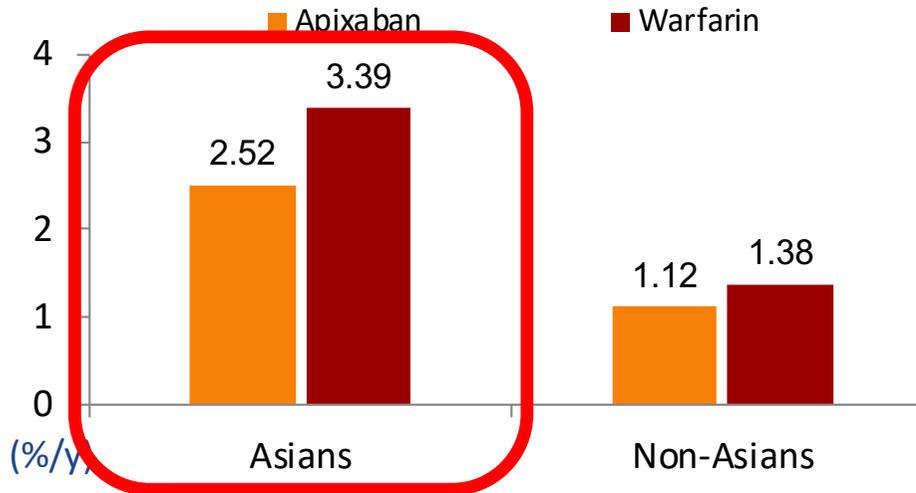
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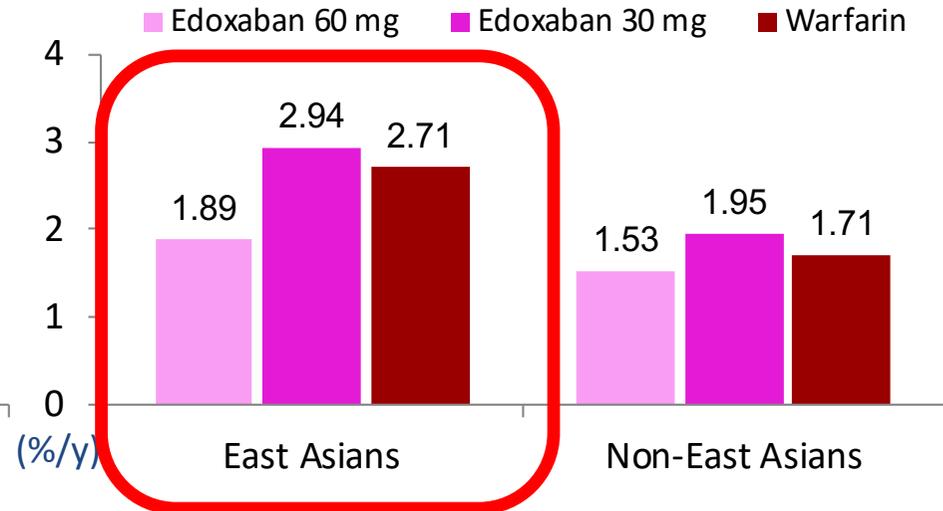
**ROCKET AF trial**



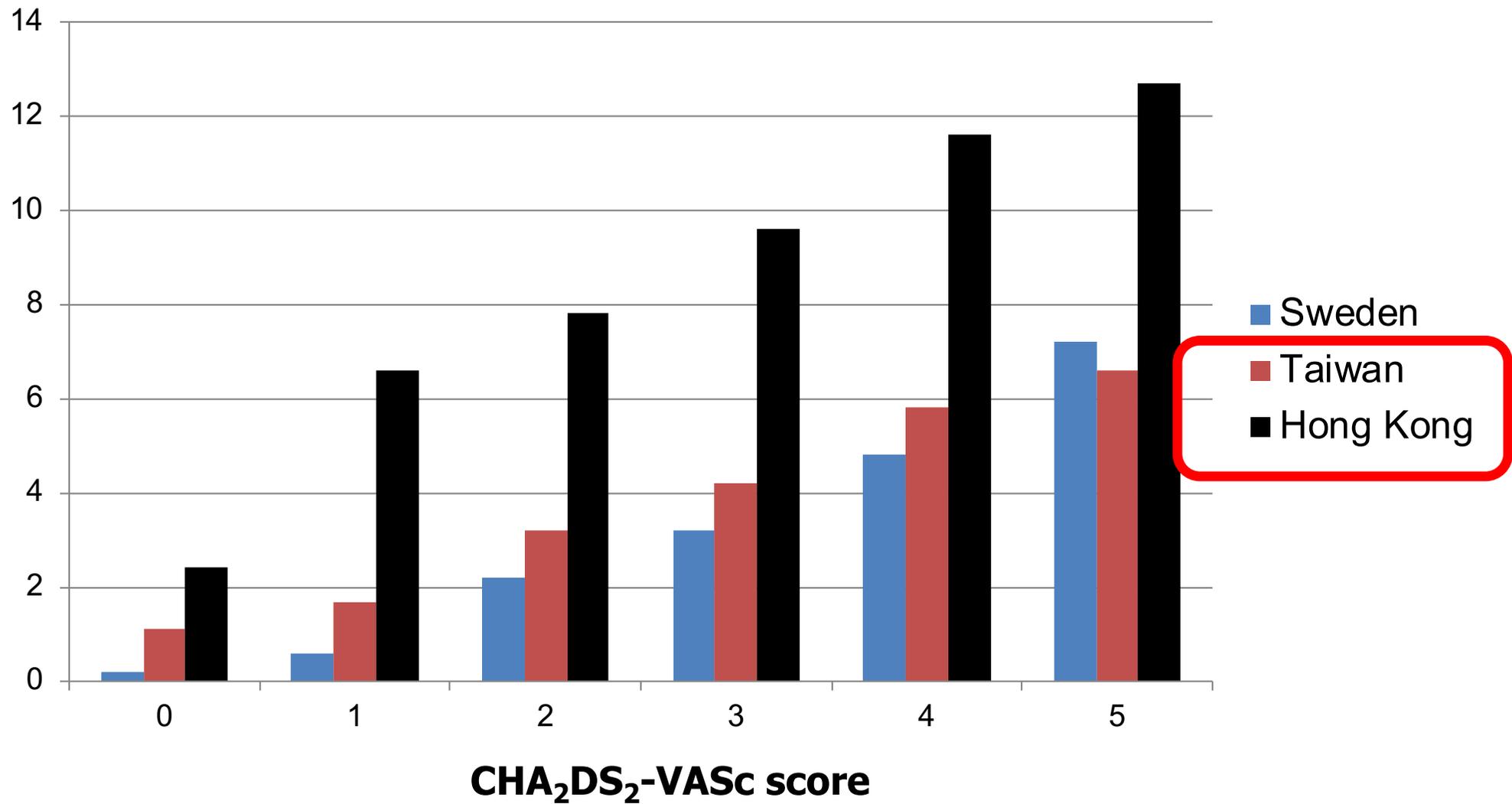
**ARISTOTLE trial**



**ENGAGE AF trial**



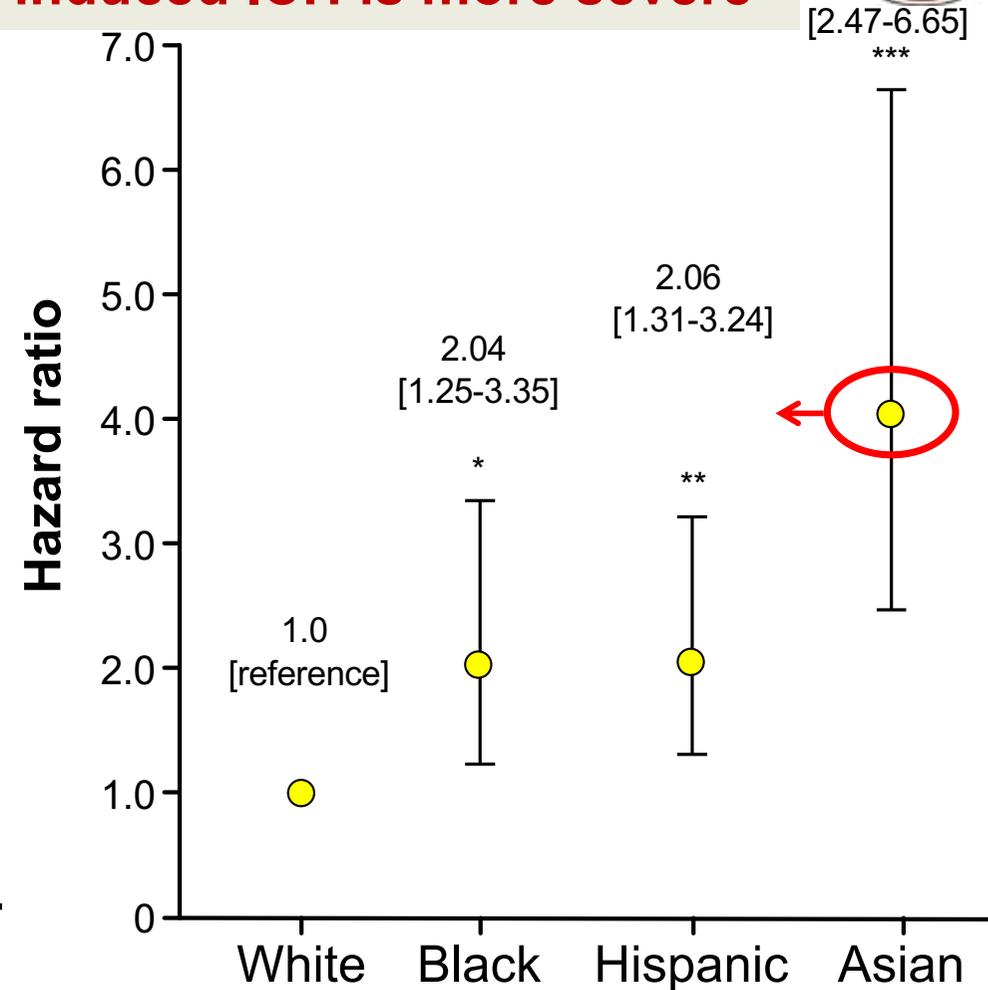
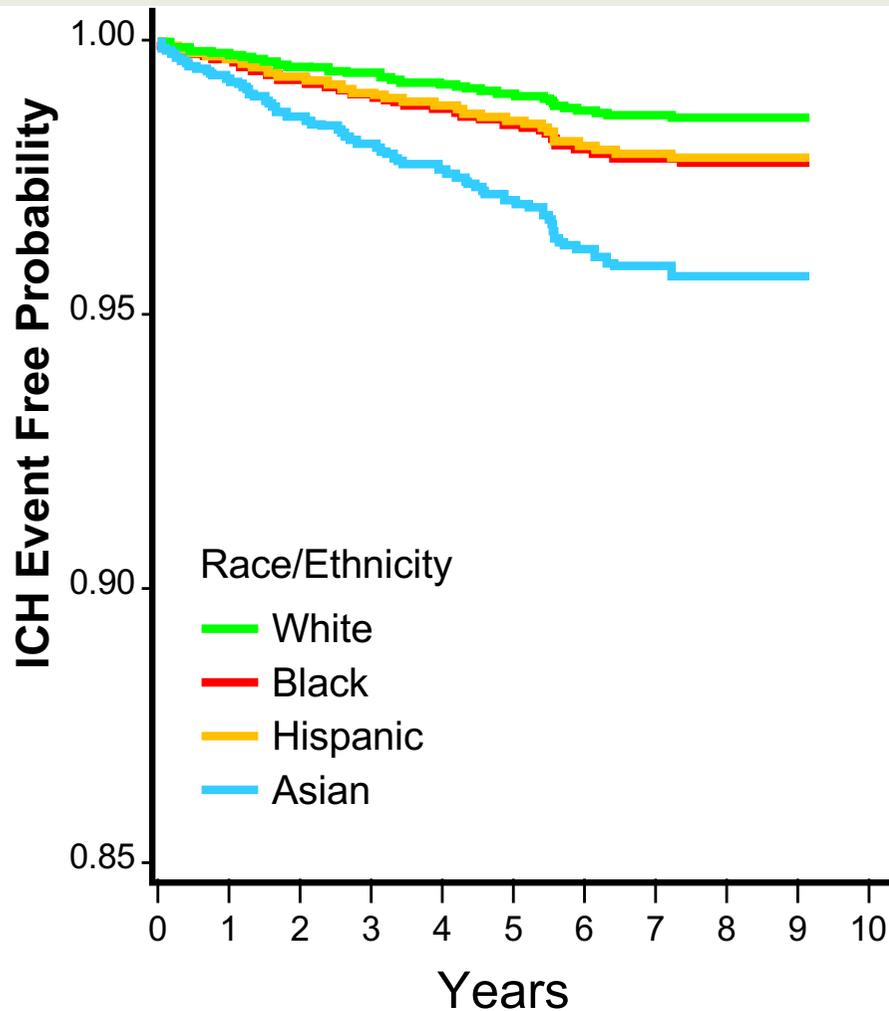
# Higher stroke rate in Asians with same CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc score



# Asians are prompt to ICH comparing to Caucasians



**Asians are prone to ICH and VKA induced ICH is more severe**



\*:p=0.005(vs White)、\*\*:p=0.002(vs White)、\*\*\*:p<0.0001(vs White)

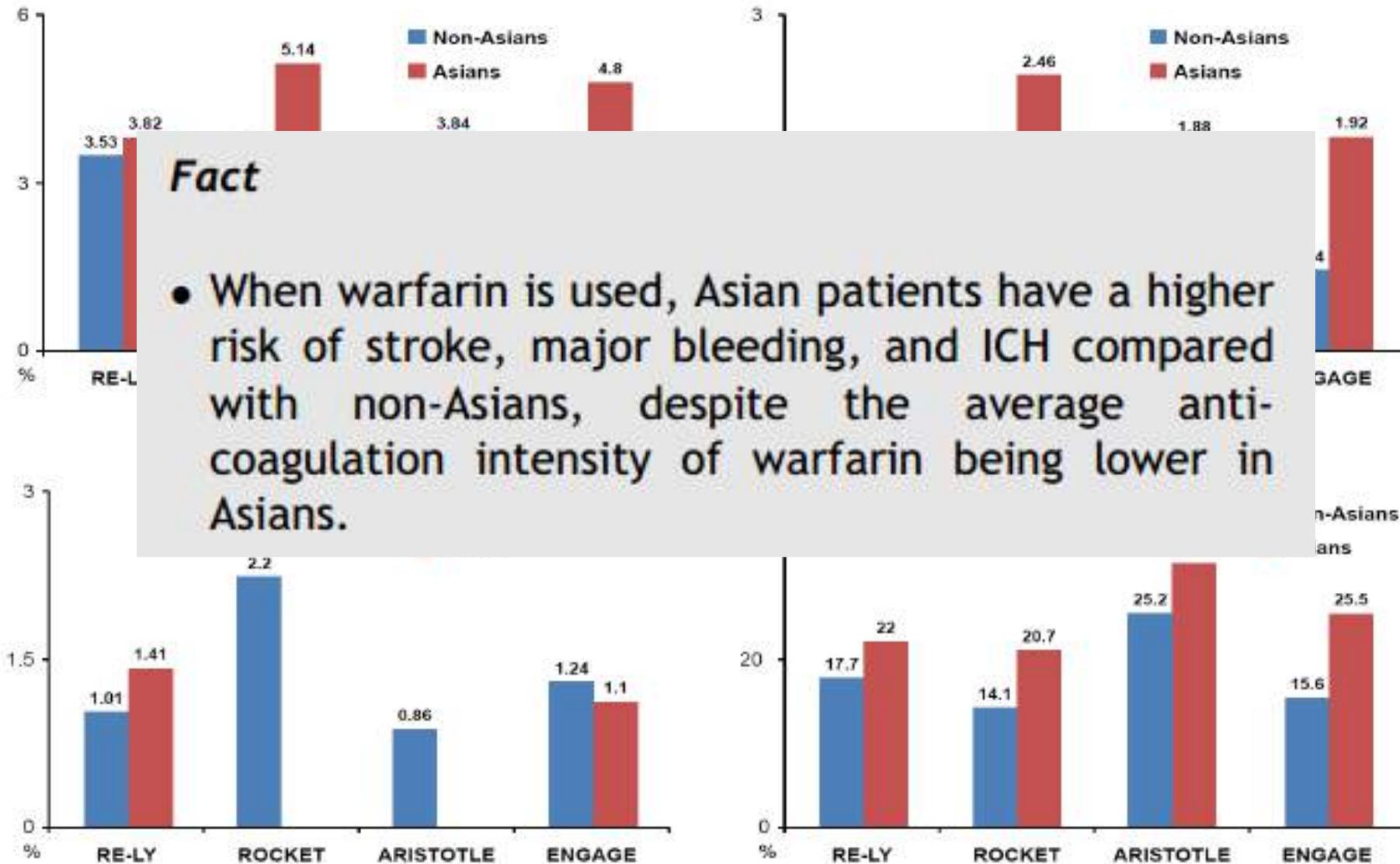
Source: Shen AY, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2007 Jul 24;50(4):309-15.

# Bleeding risks of warfarin were higher in Asia

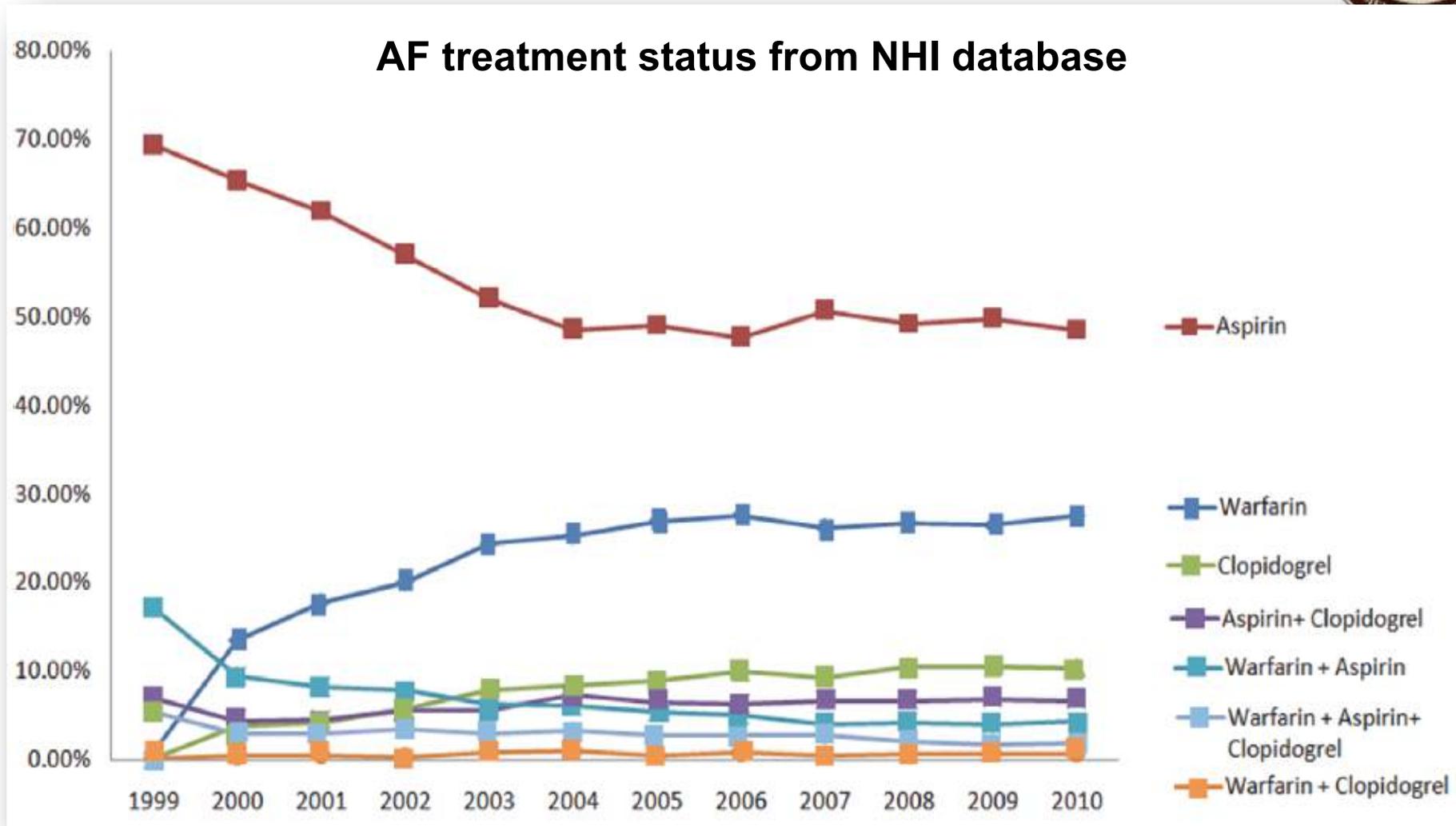


## Major bleeding

## ICH



# Over use of antiplatelet and under use of anticoagulant in Taiwan



NHIRD = National Health Insurance Research Database  
Chen PC et al. PLoS One. 2015 Apr 29;10:e0125257.



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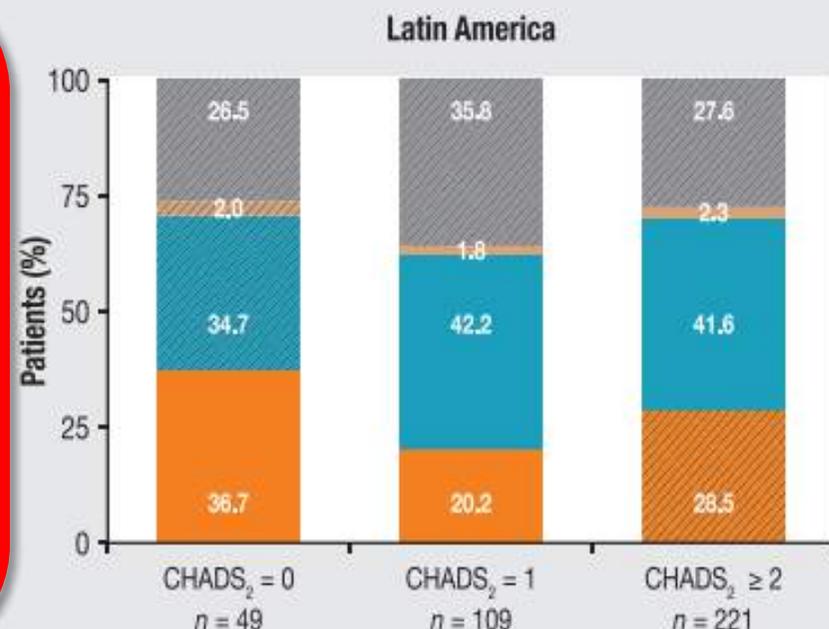
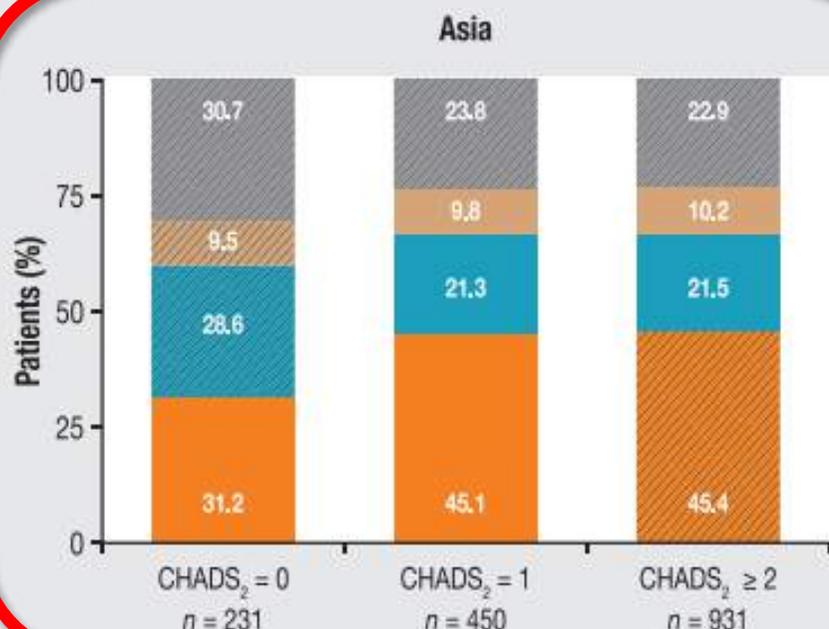
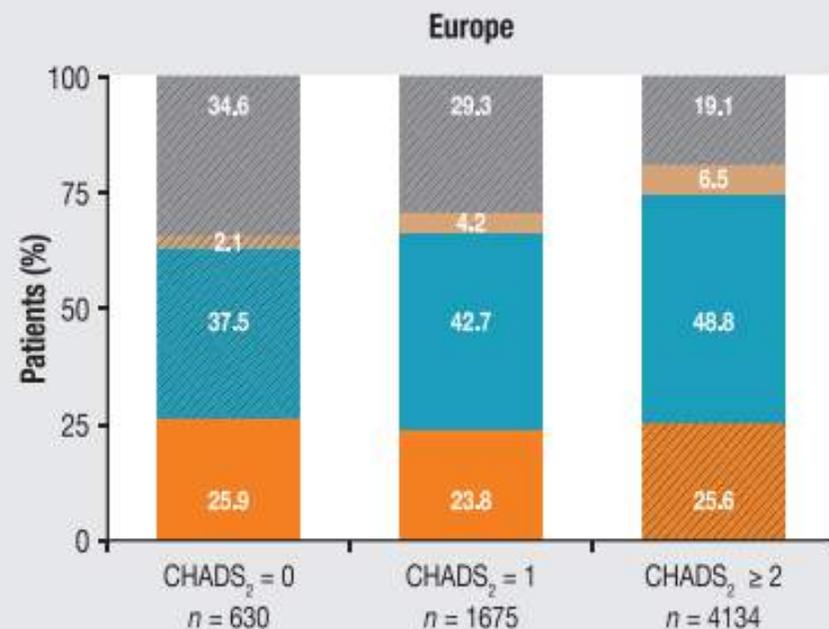
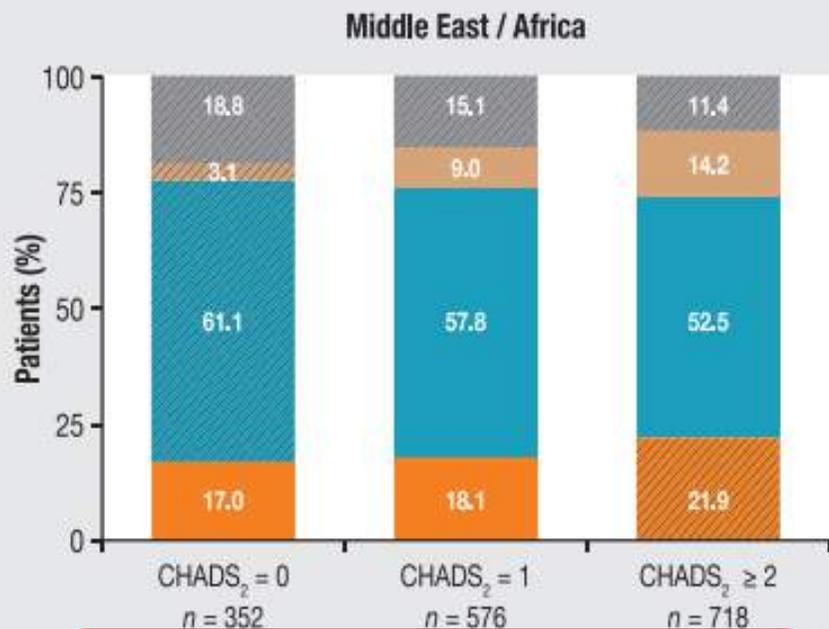
## CLINICAL RESEARCH

# Use of antithrombotics in atrial fibrillation in Africa, Europe, Asia and South America: Insights from the International RealiseAF Survey



Utilisation des antithrombotiques dans la fibrillation atriale en Afrique, Europe, Asie et Amérique du Sud : de l'enquête internationale RealiseAF

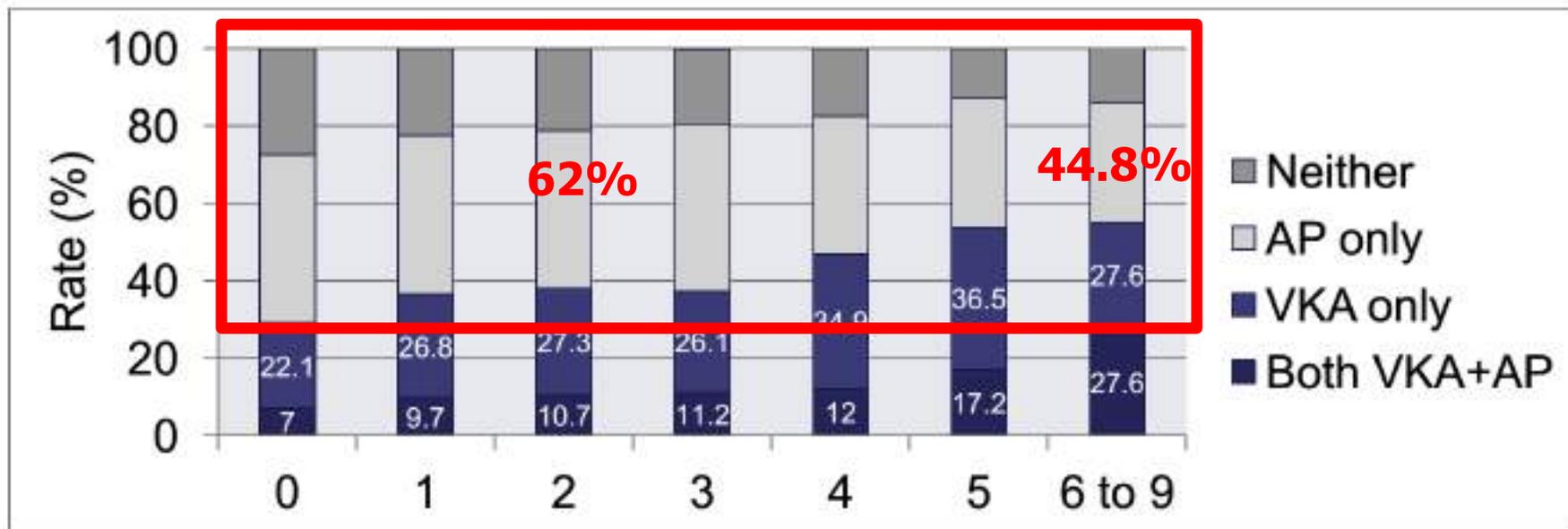
Habib Gamra<sup>a,\*</sup>, Jan Murin<sup>b</sup>, Chern-En Chiang<sup>c</sup>,  
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Philippe Gabriel Steg<sup>f,g,h,i</sup>, on behalf  
of the RealiseAF investigators



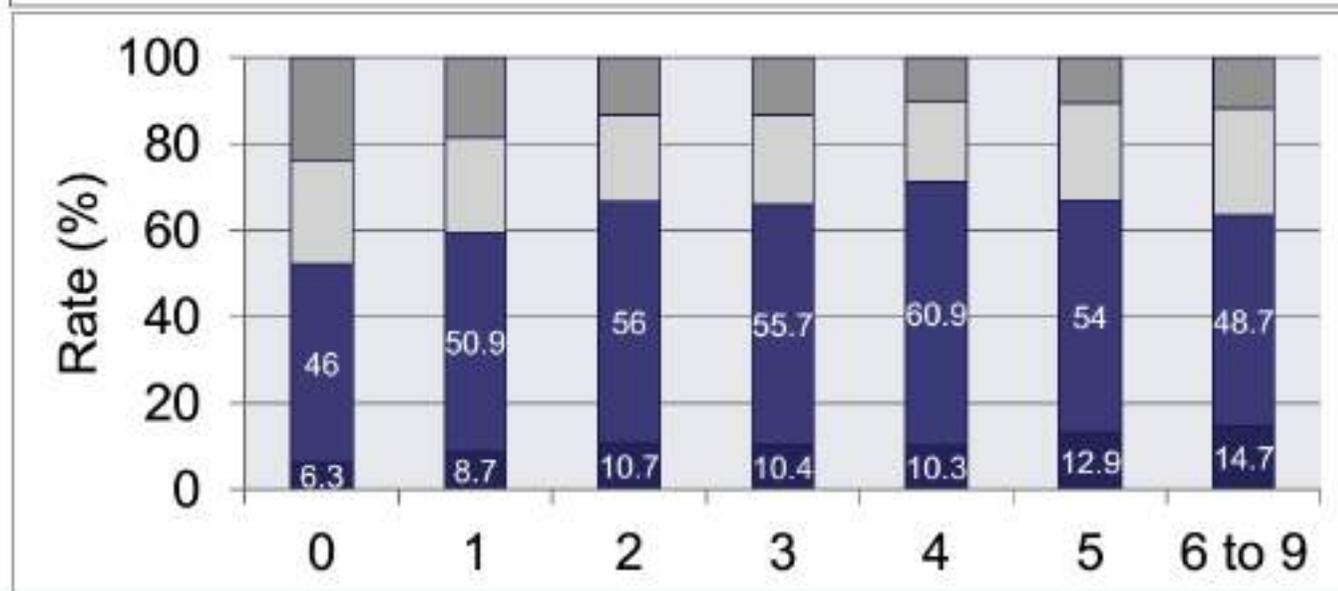
■ None    ■ Both    ■ Oral anticoagulant alone    ■ Antiplatelet alone    ▨ Inappropriate treatment

# Results: antithrombotic use according to CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc score

Asia  
(n=2580)



Europe  
(n=6529)



# Warfarin 治療的上的限制極多而導致50% 以上的病患無法使用妥善的治療



Unpredictable response

Narrow therapeutic window (INR range 2.0–3.0)

Slow onset/  
offset of action

**VKA therapy** has several limitations that make it difficult to use in practice

Numerous food–drug interactions

Numerous drug–drug interactions

Warfarin resistance

Routine coagulation monitoring



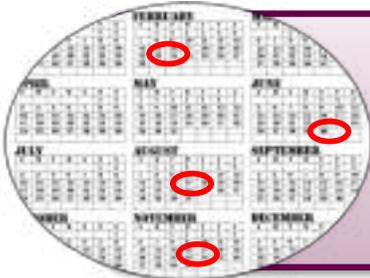
Frequent dose adjustments

INR = International normalized ratio; VKA = vitamin K antagonist.

Ansell J, et al. *Chest* 2008;133:160S-198S. Umer Ushman MH, et al. *J Interv Card Electrophysiol* 2008;22:129-137.

Nutescu EA, et al. *Cardiol Clin* 2008;26:169-187.

# Several reasons for lower TTRs in Asia have been suggested:



## Less frequent monitoring

Oh et al Int J. Cardiol; 2016; 223:543-547



## Lower INR target in Japan AF Guidelines

JSC Joint Working Group; Circ J 2014; 78: 1997-2021



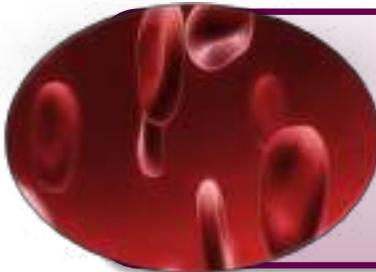
## Interactions with diet and herbal medicines

Chan HT et al J Card Pharm 2011;58(1):87-90



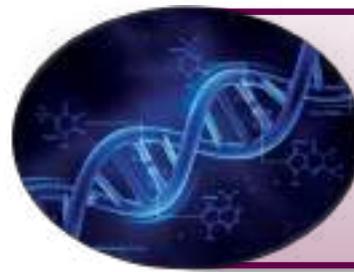
## Less structured OAC management

Lip GY et al Int J Cardiol 2015; 180:246-254



## Bleeding / ICH concern

Shen AY et al. JACC 2007;50:309-315

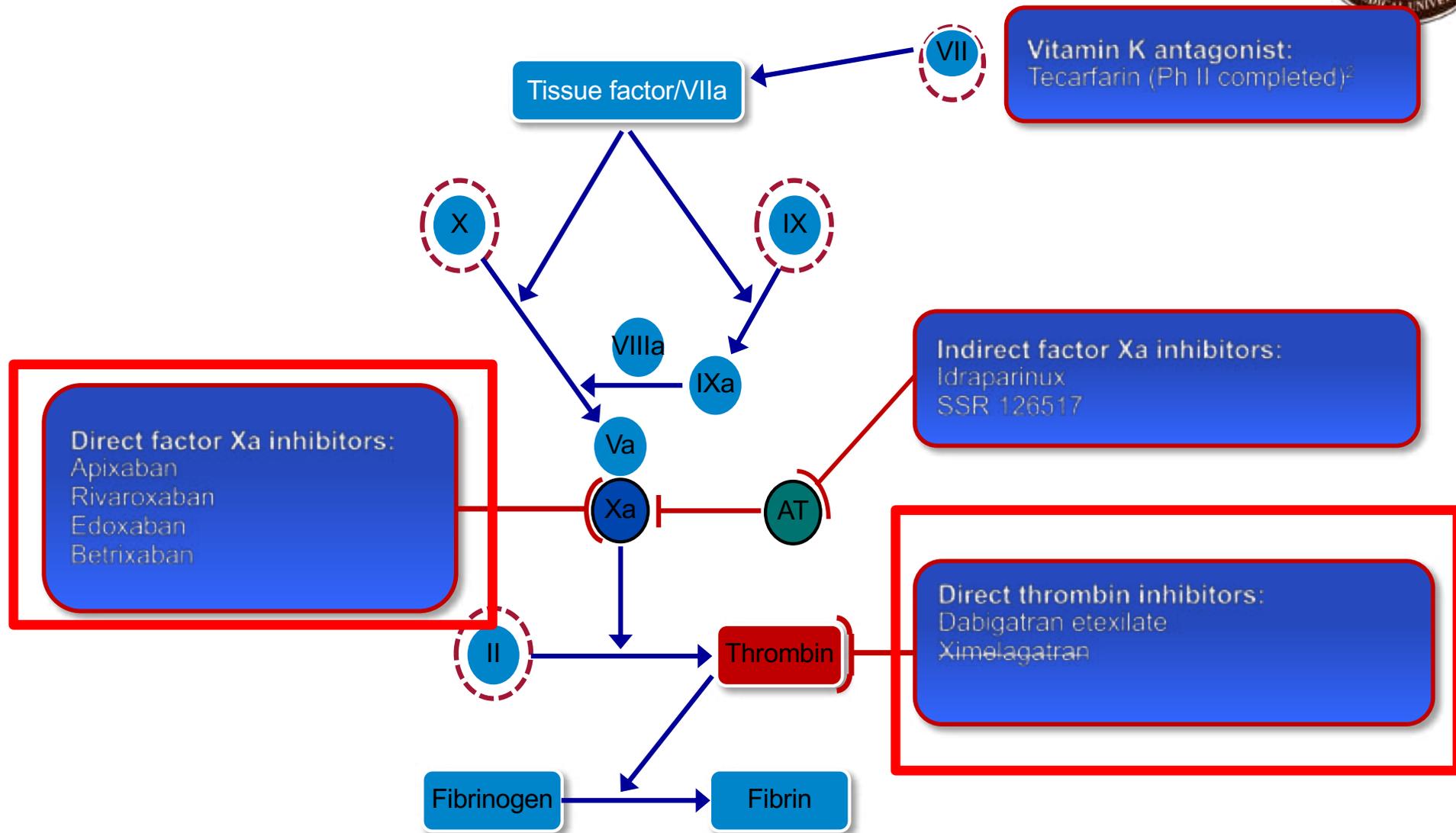


## Genetics

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D'Andrea et al. Blood 2005; 105:645-649



# 新型抗血栓藥物的作用標的



# The war of NOAC



# RE-LY<sup>®</sup>: Randomized Evaluation of Long-term anticoagulant therapY

- 18,113 patients randomized during 2 years<sup>1,2</sup>
- 951 centres in 44 countries
- 50% of enrolled patients were naïve to previous oral anticoagulant
- December 2005 to March 2009
- Median duration of follow-up: 2 years



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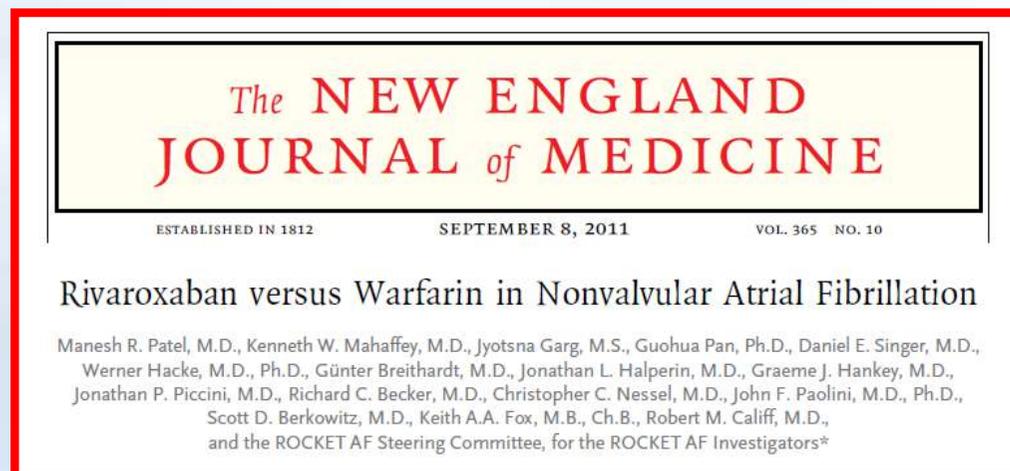
Study of stroke prevention  
in atrial fibrillation

1. Ezekowitz MD et al. Am Heart J 2009;157:805–10;  
2. Connolly SJ et al. N Engl J Med 2009;361:1139–51;  
3. Connolly SJ et al. N Engl J Med 2010; 363:1875–1876



# ROCKET AF

**R**ivaroxaban Once Daily **O**ral Direct Factor Xa Inhibition  
**C**ompared with Vitamin **K** Antagonism for Prevention of  
Stroke and **E**mbolism **T**rial in **A**trial **F**ibrillation



Patel MR *et al.* *N Engl J Med* 2011;365:883–891



# Apixaban versus ASA: results from AVERROES

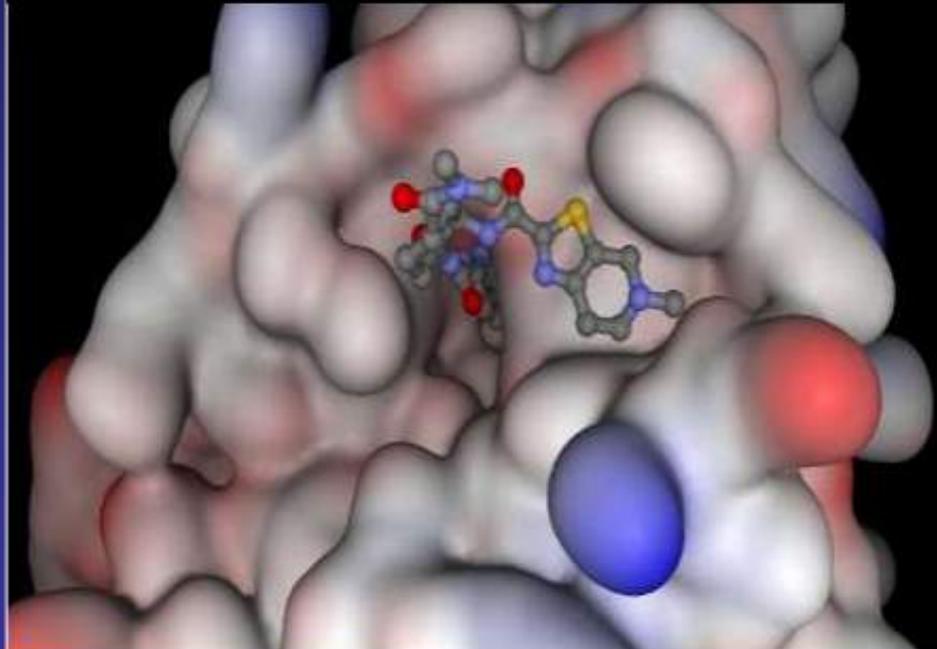
# Apixaban versus warfarin: results from ARISTOTLE



# Effective anticoagulation with factor Xa next generation in AF – TIMI 48



## Edoxaban seated in Factor Xa catalytic center



Direct oral  
FXa inhibitor

62% oral  
bioavailability

Peak 1-2h

$t_{1/2}$  ~10-14h

Once daily

~50% renal  
clearance

Dose ↓ 50%<sup>2</sup> if:

- CrCl 30-50 mL/m
- Weight ≤ 60kg
- Strong P-gp inhib

# There are currently 4 NOACs which have been studied vs warfarin for stroke prevention in AF:

	Warfarin <sup>1,2</sup>	Dabigatran <sup>3</sup>	Rivaroxaban <sup>4</sup>	Apixaban <sup>5</sup>	Edoxaban <sup>6</sup>
<b>Mechanism of action</b>	Inhibitor of vitamin K-dependent factors	Direct thrombin inhibitor	Direct factor Xa inhibitor	Direct factor Xa inhibitor	Direct factor Xa inhibitor
<b>Oral bioavailability</b>	>95%	~6.5%	80–100%	~50%	~62%
<b>Pro-drug</b>	No	Yes	No	No	No
<b>Food effect</b>	Yes (foods high in vitamin K)	No	Yes (20 mg and 15 mg doses need to be taken with food)	No	No
<b>T<sub>max</sub></b>	within 4 h <sup>†</sup>	0.5–2 h	2–4 h	3–4 h	1–2 h
<b>Renal clearance</b>	8%	85%	~33%*	~27%	50%
<b>Mean half-life (t<sub>1/2</sub>)</b>	40 h	12–14 h <sup>†</sup>	5–9 h (young) 11–13 h (elderly)	12 h	10–14 h

The information in this table is based on the SmPCs for apixaban, rivaroxaban, dabigatran and edoxaban.

**Please refer to the label information in your country of practice for further information.**

**Edoxaban approval status may vary from country to country.**

\*Direct renal excretion as unchanged active substance. The remaining 66% undergoes metabolic degradation, of which half is excreted renally.

<sup>†</sup>Prolonged in patients with impaired renal function.

<sup>‡</sup>Time to peak effect is up to 4–5 days.<sup>2</sup>

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4. Rivaroxaban SmPC. Available at <http://www.ema.europa.eu>;
5. Apixaban SmPC. Available at <http://www.ema.europa.eu>;
6. Edoxaban SmPC. Available at <http://www.ema.europa.eu>.

NOAC 健保適應症	Boehringer Pradaxa (Dabigatran) 普栓達 150/110mg	Bayer Xarelto (Rivaroxaban) 拜瑞妥 20/15/10mg	Boehringer Eliquis (Apixaban) 艾必可擬 5mg	第一三共 Lixiana (Edoxaban) 里先安 60/30mg
機轉	Direct thrombin inhibitor	Factor Xa inhibitor	Factor Xa inhibitor	Factor Xa inhibitor
心房顫動	每日2次 RE-LY	每日1次 ROCKET-AF	每日2次 ARISTOLE	每日1次 ENGAGE-TIMI48
深層靜脈栓塞+ 肺栓塞		前3周每日2次 15mg，之後半年 每日1次20mg	前7日每日2次 每次2顆，之後 半年每日2 次每次1顆	須先經非腸道抗 凝劑5日，之後 半年每日1次每 次1顆
人工髖/膝關節 預防靜脈血栓症 (有相關病史)	75mg每日至多2 粒	10mg每日1次每日 1粒		
GFR	≥30	≥15	≥15	15≤GFR<95
解毒劑	專案 Praxbind (Idarucizumab)	研究中 Andexanet Alfa Ciraparantag	研究中 Andexanet Alfa Ciraparantag	研究中 Ciraparantag

# NOAC stroke prevention in AF studies: ROCKET and ENGAGE excluded lower risk patients

Data for overall study group (all study arms)	RE-LY <sup>1,2</sup>	ROCKET AF <sup>3</sup>	ARISTOTLE <sup>4</sup>	AVERROES <sup>5</sup>	ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48 <sup>6,7</sup>
Age (mean)*	72	73 <sup>§</sup>	70 <sup>§</sup>	70	72 <sup>§</sup>
Gender (men)	64.0%	60.0%	65.0%	59.0%	62.0%
<b>CHADS<sub>2</sub> score, mean*</b>	2.1	3.5	2.1	2.0	2.8
0 or 1	31.9%	<1.0%	34.0%	36.2%	–
2	35.6%	13.0%	35.8%	35.7%	77.4% <sup>†</sup>
3–6	32.5%	87%	30.2%	28.0%	22.6% <sup>‡</sup>
TTR in the warfarin group (mean % of the study period)	64.4%	55.0%	62.2%	N/A	64.9%

\*Data calculated for the entire study group

§Median age

†CHADS<sub>2</sub> score ≤3; ‡ CHADS<sub>2</sub> score 4–6

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**Edoxaban approval status and label may vary from country to country.**

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# Properties of an ideal anticoagulant versus currently available agents

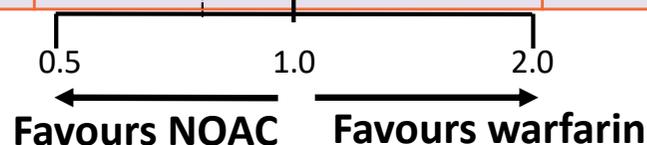
## 理想口服凝血藥的特性

	Oral	No significant food/drug interactions	Predictable response	No routine coagulation monitoring	Fixed dosing	No risk of HIT
<b>IDEAL</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LMWH		✓	✓	✓	✓	
UFH		✓				
Fondaparinux		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
VKAs	✓					✓
Rivaroxaban	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dabigatran	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Apixaban	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Edoxaban	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

# Meta-analysis: Efficacy of NOACs vs warfarin for stroke prevention in patients with NVAF<sup>1</sup>

Stroke or SE					
Study	NOAC (events)	Warfarin (events)	RR (95% CI)	RR (95% CI)	P value
RE-LY (150 mg)	134 / 6,076	199 / 6,022		<b>0.66</b> (0.53–0.82)	0.0001
ROCKET AF (20 mg)	269 / 7,081	306 / 7,090		<b>0.88</b> (0.75–1.03)	0.12
ARISTOTLE (5 mg)	212 / 9,120	265 / 9,081		<b>0.80</b> (0.67–0.95)	0.012
ENGAGE AF (60 mg)	296 / 7,035	337 / 7,036		<b>0.88</b> (0.75–1.02)	0.10
<b>Combined (random)</b>	<b>911 / 29,312</b>	<b>1107 / 29,229</b>		<b>0.81</b> (0.73–0.91)	<0.0001

Data are n/N, unless otherwise indicated.  
Heterogeneity: I<sup>2</sup>=47%, P=0.13



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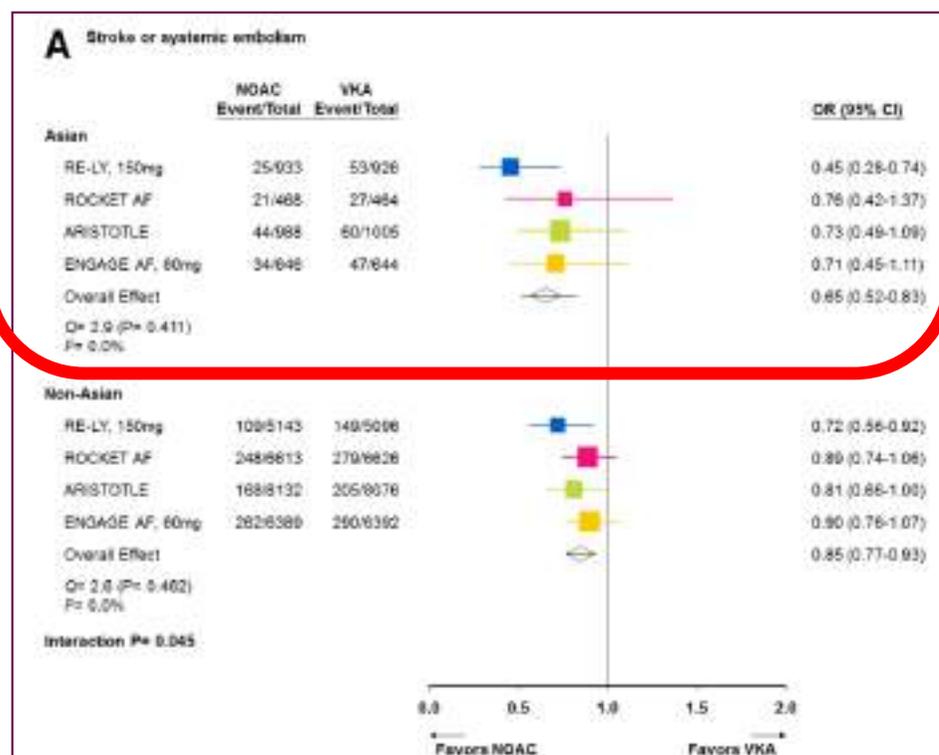
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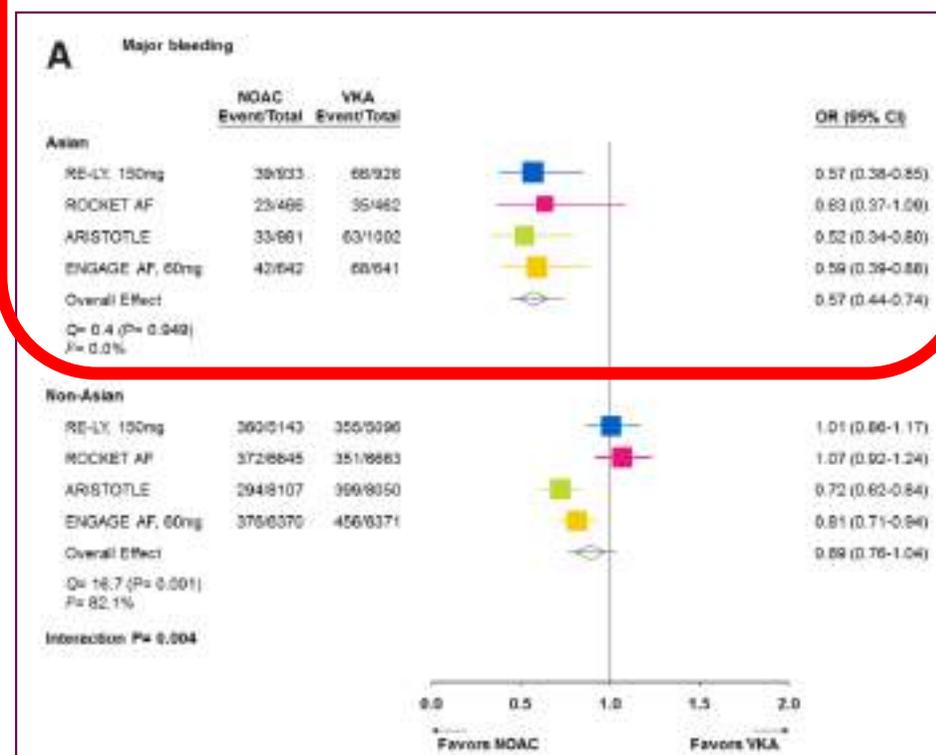
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# Meta-analysis of major NOAC trials: Asian and non-Asian populations<sup>1</sup>

Primary efficacy endpoint:  
Stroke or systemic embolism



Primary safety endpoint:  
Major bleeding

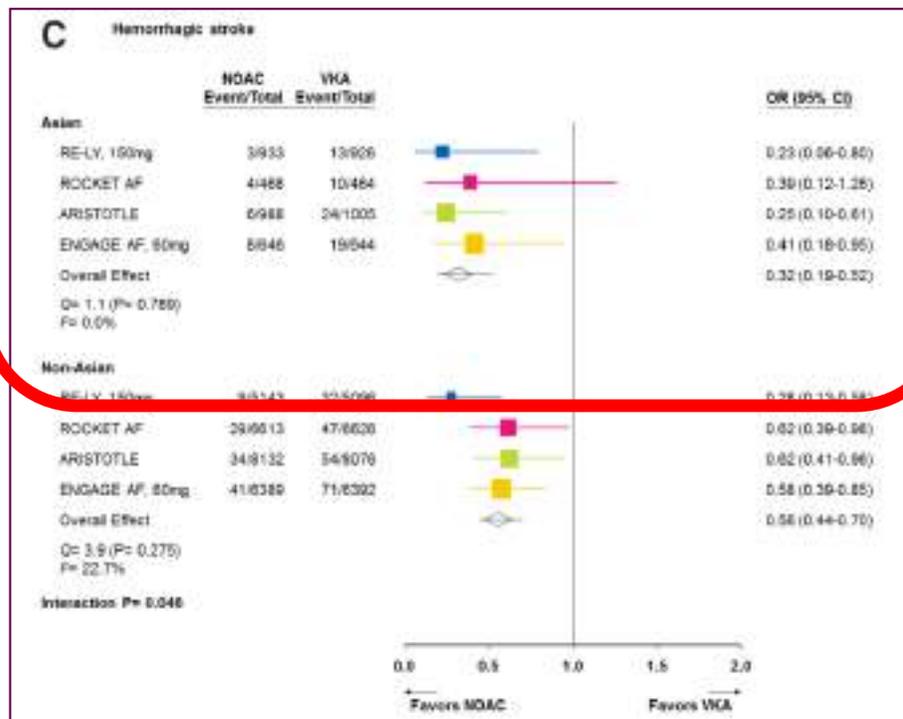


Figures adapted from Wang et al. 2015

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# The rate of haemorrhagic stroke was consistently lower for all NOACs vs warfarin in Asian patients<sup>1</sup>

Key Secondary endpoint:  
Haemorrhagic Stroke (ICH)



Adapted from Wang et al. 2015

Key observations from the meta-analysis:

- The efficacy and safety of standard dose NOACs over VKA were typically greater for Asian patients versus non-Asian patients<sup>1</sup>
- Standard dose NOACs also were more effective in reducing haemorrhagic stroke in Asian vs non-Asian patients<sup>1</sup>

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# NOAC 4-trial Meta-analysis Full Dose

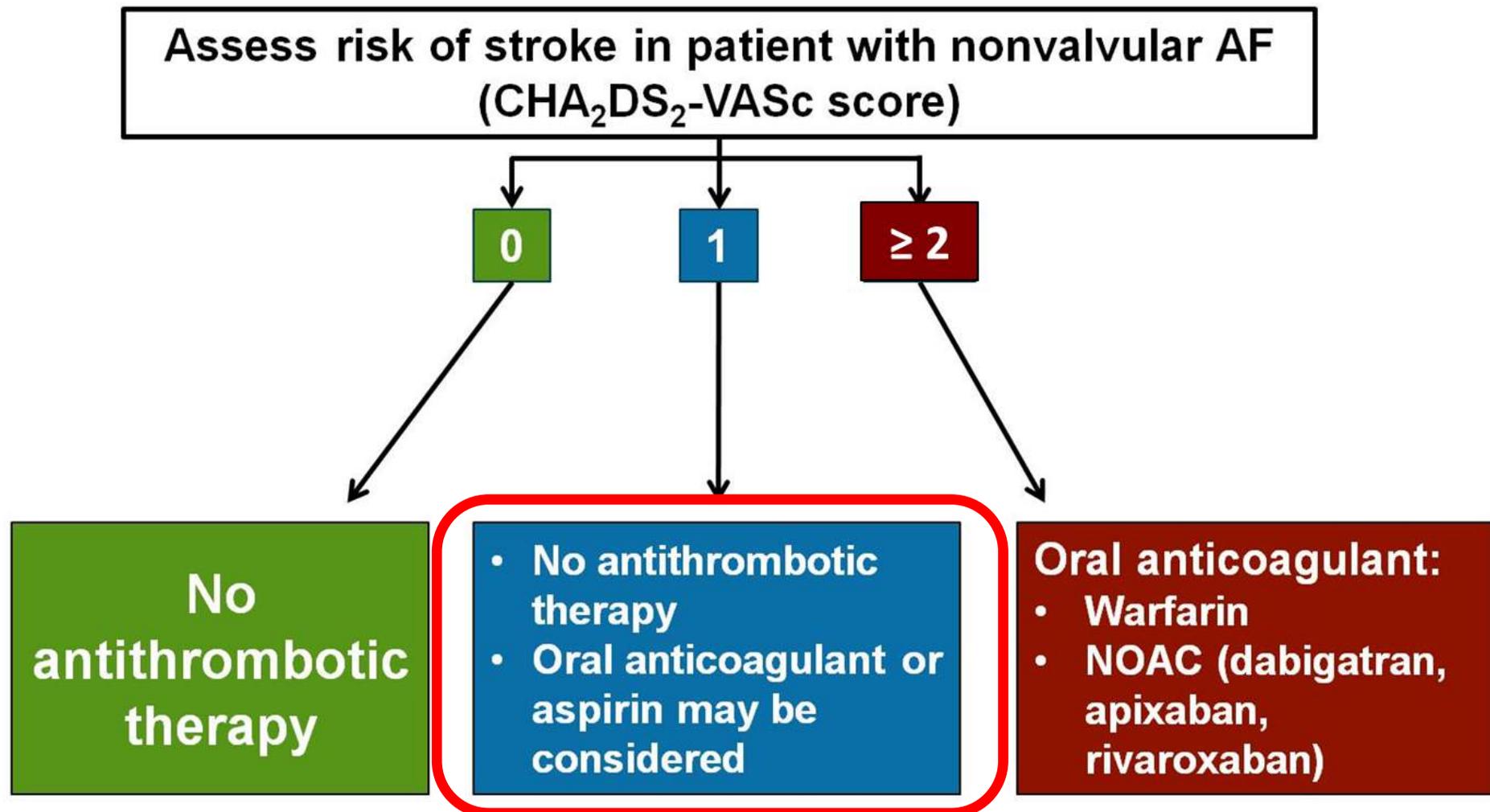
## Efficacy vs. Safety

Result	Pooled NOAC	Pooled Warfarin	Risk Ratio	95% CIs	p	* Edoxaban is not approved for clinical use in AF
	Events /Total	Events /Total				
<p><b>NOAC比起warfarin能減少ICH和出血性中風風險</b></p> <p><b>但可能會增加GI出血機率</b></p>						
	/29292	/29221		0.95		
<b>Safety</b>						
Intra-cranial hemorrhage	204 /29287	425 /29211	0.48	0.39-0.59	<0.0001	
Gastrointestinal bleeding	751 /29287	591 /29211	1.25	1.01-1.55	0.043	

Favours NOAC

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# 2014 AHA/ACC/HRS Guideline for the Management of Patients With Atrial Fibrillation



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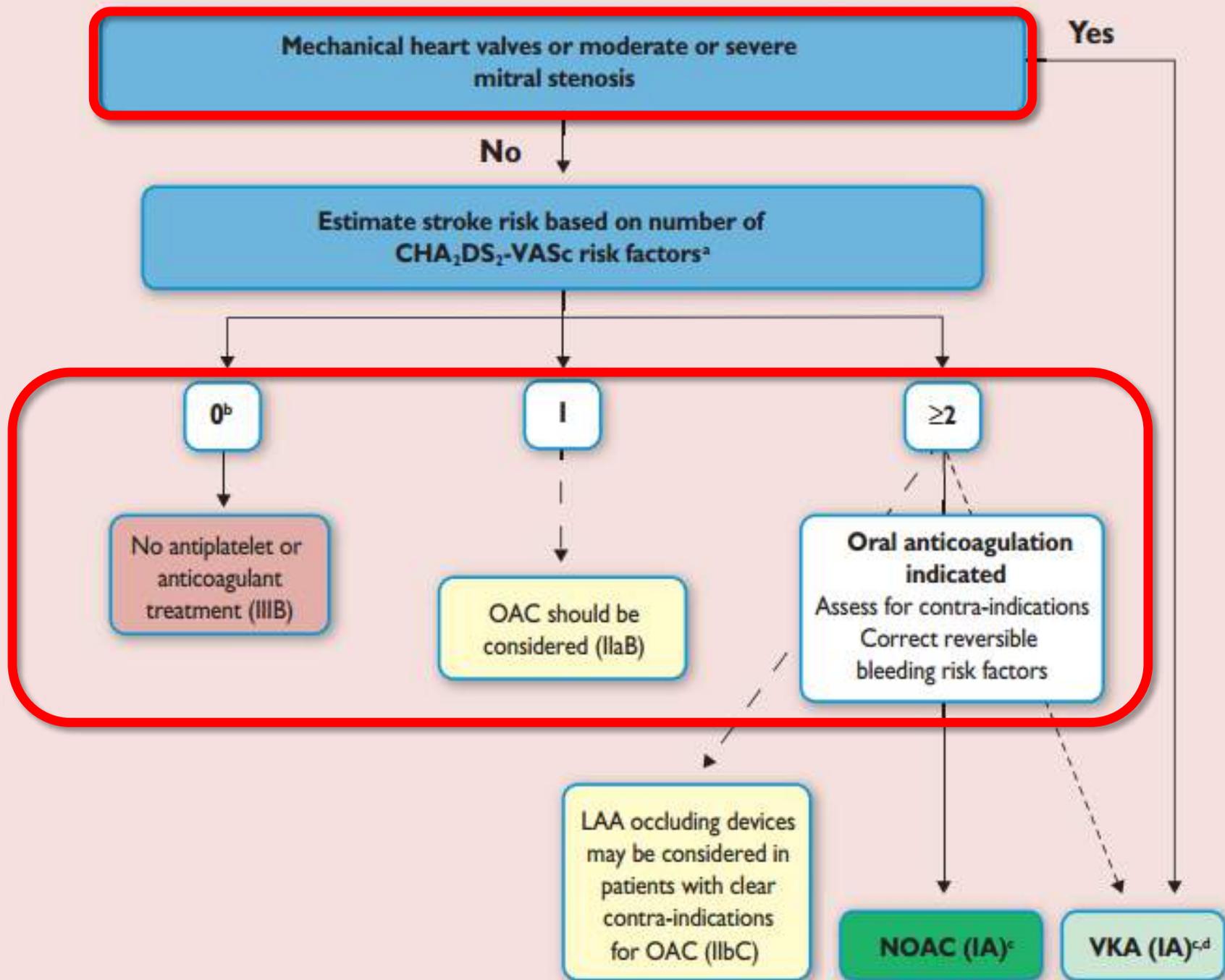
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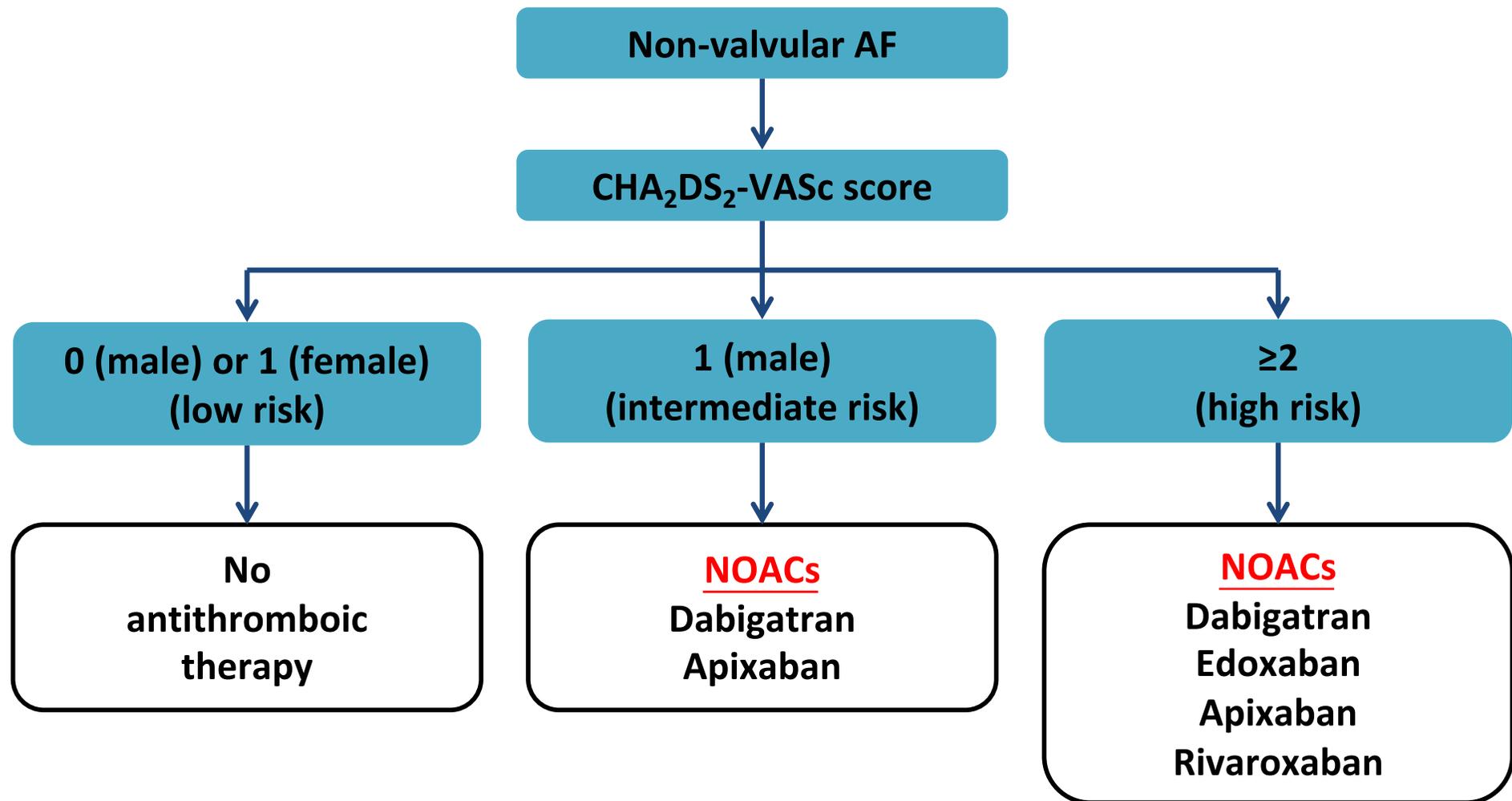
**The Task Force for the management of atrial fibrillation of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC)**

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

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



# Management Algorithm for Stroke Prevention in Asians



AF = atrial fibrillation; NOAC = non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulant.

# Efficacy and Safety Endpoints of NOACs in Asians

	Stroke/ SEE	Ischemic stroke	Hemorrhage stroke	MI	All-cause death	CV death	Major bleeding	Intracranial hemorrhage	GI bleeding	Bleeding of any cause
<b>Dabigatran<sup>a</sup> 150 mg</b>	V	V	V			NR	V	V		V
<b>Dabigatran<sup>a</sup> 110 mg</b>			V			NR	V	V		V
<b>Rivaroxaban</b>								V	NR	
<b>Apixaban</b>			V			NR	V	V	NR	V
<b>Edoxaban 60 mg</b>			V		V	V	V	V		V
<b>Edoxaban 30 mg</b>			V				V	V		V

GI = gastrointestinal; NOACs = non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulants; NR = not reported; SEE = systemic embolization events;

V = p value less than 0.05 when compared with warfarin.

<sup>a</sup> China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Philippines, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, India.

<sup>b</sup> China, South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong.

<sup>c</sup> China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Philippines, Singapore, Malaysia.

<sup>d</sup> China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan.

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**A Report of the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Task Force on  
Clinical Practice Guidelines and the Heart Rhythm Society**

*Developed in Collaboration With the Society of Thoracic Surgeons*

COR	LOE	Recommendations
I	A	<p>1. For patients with AF and an elevated CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc score of 2 or greater in men or 3 or greater in women, oral anticoagulants are recommended.</p> <p>Options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Warfarin (LOE: A) (S4.1.1-5–S4.1.1-7)</li> <li>• Dabigatran (LOE: B) (S4.1.1-8)</li> <li>• Rivaroxaban (LOE: B) (S4.1.1-9)</li> <li>• Apixaban (LOE: B) (S4.1.1-10), or</li> <li>• Edoxaban (LOE: B-R) (S4.1.1-11)</li> </ul>
	B	
	B	
	B	
	B-R	
I	A	<p>2. NOACs (dabigatran, rivaroxaban, apixaban, and edoxaban) are recommended over warfarin in NOAC-eligible patients with AF (except with moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis or a mechanical heart valve) (S4.1.1-8–S4.1.1-11).</p> <p><b>NEW:</b> Exclusion criteria are now defined as moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis or a mechanical heart valve. When the NOAC trials are considered as a group, the direct thrombin inhibitor and factor Xa inhibitors were at least noninferior and, in some trials, superior to warfarin for preventing stroke and systemic embolism and were associated with lower risks of serious bleeding.</p>

Iib	C- LD	<p>15. For patients with AF (except with moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis or a mechanical heart valve) and a CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc score of 1 in men and 2 in women, prescribing an oral anticoagulant to reduce thromboembolic stroke risk may be considered (S4.1.1-31–S4.1.1-35).</p> <p><b>MODIFIED:</b> Exclusion criteria are now defined as moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis or a mechanical heart valve, and evidence was added to support separate risk scores by sex. LOE was updated from C to C-LD. (Section 4.1. in the 2014 AF Guideline)</p>
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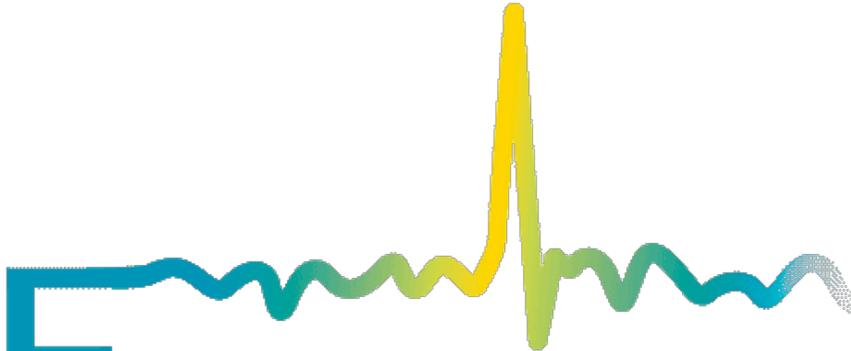
III: No Benefit	C-EO	<p>16. In patients with AF and end-stage CKD or on dialysis, the direct thrombin inhibitor dabigatran or the factor Xa inhibitors rivaroxaban or edoxaban are not recommended because of the lack of evidence from clinical trials that benefit exceeds risk (S4.1.1-8–S4.1.1-11, S4.1.1-36–S4.1.1-38).</p> <p><b>MODIFIED:</b> New data have been included. Edoxaban received FDA approval and has been added to the recommendation. LOE was updated from C to C-EO. (Section 4.1. in the 2014 AF Guideline)</p>
III: Harm	B-R	<p>17. The direct thrombin inhibitor dabigatran should not be used in patients with AF and a mechanical heart valve (S4.1.1-39).</p> <p><b>MODIFIED:</b> Evidence was added. LOE was updated from B to B-R. Other NOACs are addressed in the supportive text. (Section 4.1. in the 2014 AF Guideline)</p>

I	B-NR	<p>3. Idarucizumab is recommended for the reversal of dabigatran in the event of life-threatening bleeding or an urgent procedure (S4.3-2).</p> <p><b>NEW:</b> New evidence has been published about idarucizumab to support LOE B-NR.</p>
IIa	B-NR	<p>4. Andexanet alfa can be useful for the reversal of rivaroxaban and apixaban in the event of life-threatening or uncontrolled bleeding (S4.3-3, S4.3-4).</p> <p><b>NEW:</b> New evidence has been published about andexanet alfa to support LOE B-NR.</p>

#### 4.4.1. Percutaneous Approaches to Occlude the LAA

<b>Recommendation for Percutaneous Approaches to Occlude the LAA</b> Referenced studies that support the new recommendation are summarized in <a href="#">Online Data Supplement 4</a> .		
COR	LOE	Recommendation
IIb	B-NR	<p>1. Percutaneous LAA occlusion may be considered in patients with AF at increased risk of stroke who have contraindications to long-term anticoagulation (S4.4.1-1–S4.4.1-5).</p> <p><b>NEW:</b> Clinical trial data and FDA approval of the Watchman device necessitated this recommendation.</p>

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Engage AF  
TIMI 48

# Study Design

21,105 PATIENTS  
AF on electrical recording within last 12 m  
CHADS<sub>2</sub> ≥2

**RANDOMIZATION**  
1:1:1 randomization is stratified by CHADS<sub>2</sub> score 2–3 versus 4–6  
and need for edoxaban dose reduction\*

Double-blind, Double-dummy

**Warfarin**  
(INR 2.0–3.0)

**High-dose Edoxaban**  
60\* mg QD

**Low-dose Edoxaban**  
30\* mg QD

\*Dose reduced by 50% if:  
- CrCl 30–50 mL/min  
- weight ≤60 kg  
- strong P-gp inhibitor

**1° Efficacy EP = Stroke or SEE**  
2° Efficacy EP = Stroke or SEE or CV mortality  
1° Safety EP = Major Bleeding (ISTH criteria)

Non-inferiority  
Upper 97.5% CI <1.38

# Baseline Characteristics

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Median age [IQR]	72 [64, 78]
Female sex	38%
Paroxysmal atrial fibrillation	25%
CHADS <sub>2</sub> (mean $\pm$ SD)	2.8 $\pm$ 1.0
CHADS <sub>2</sub> $\geq$ 3	53%
CHADS <sub>2</sub> $\geq$ 4	23%
Prior CHF	57%
Hypertension	94%
Age $\geq$ 75 years	40%
Diabetes mellitus	36%
Prior stroke or TIA	28%
Dose reduced at randomization	25%
Prior VKA experience	59%
Aspirin at randomization	29%
Amiodarone at randomization	12%

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**No differences across treatment groups**

# Population/Analysis Definitions

## Populations

## Analyses

mITT\*, On-Treatment†

Primary efficacy  
(Non-inferiority)

Intent-to-Treat (ITT)  
All randomized

Superiority  
All events

Safety, On-Treatment†

Principal Safety  
Major Bleeding (ISTH definition)

\* mITT = All patients who took at least 1 dose

† On-Treatment = 1<sup>st</sup> dose → last dose +3 days or end of double-blind treatment

ISTH=International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis

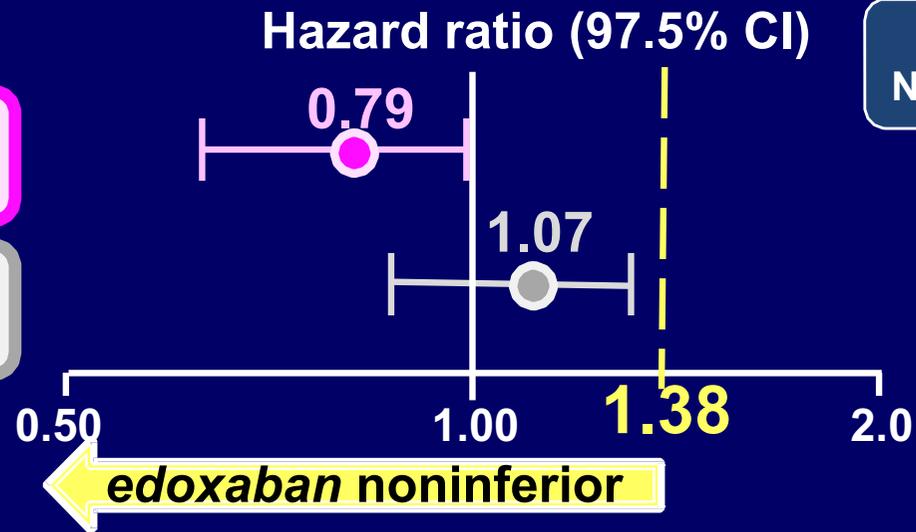
# Primary Endpoint: Stroke / SEE (2.8 years median f/u)

## Noninferiority Analysis (mITT, On Treatment)

Warfarin TTR 68.4%

Edoxaban 60\* mg QD  
vs warfarin

Edoxaban 30\* mg QD  
vs warfarin

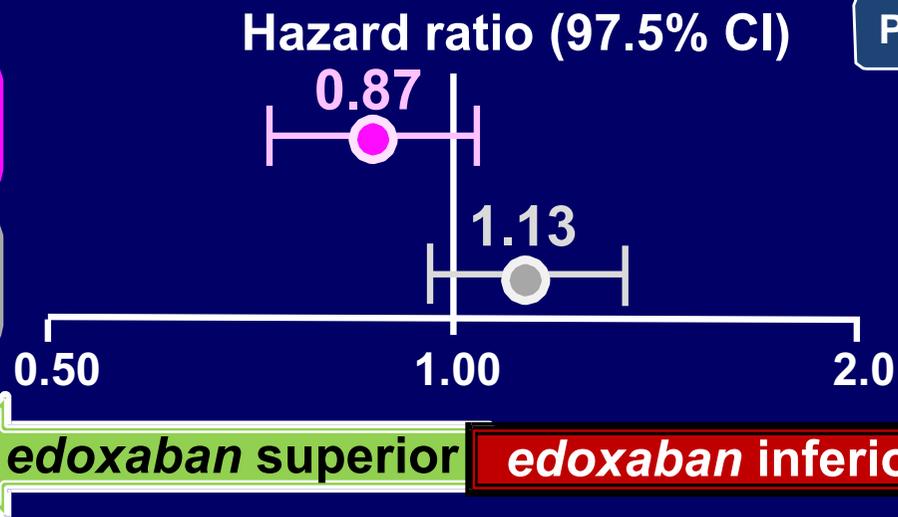


P Values	
Non-inferiority	Superiority
P<0.0001	P=0.017
P=0.005	P=0.44

## Superiority Analysis (ITT, Overall)

Edoxaban 60\* mg QD  
vs warfarin

Edoxaban 30\* mg QD  
vs warfarin



P Value for Superiority
P=0.08
P=0.10

\*Dose reduced by 50% in selected pts

# Key Secondary Outcome<sup>c</sup>

Edoxaban 60\* mg QD vs warfarin

Edoxaban 30\* mg QD vs warfarin

Warfarin TTR 68.4%

HR (95% CI)

warfarin

E-60 E-30  
<0.001 <0.001

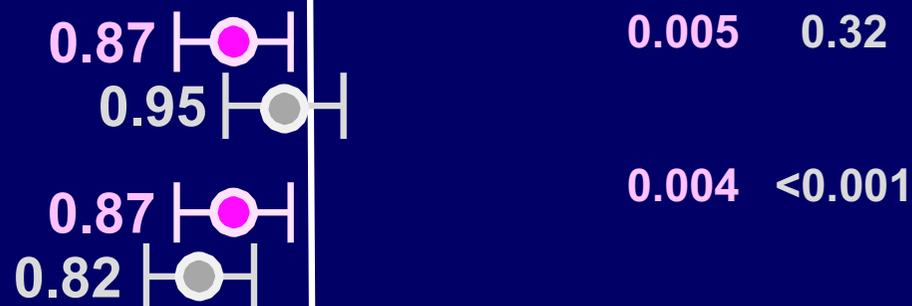
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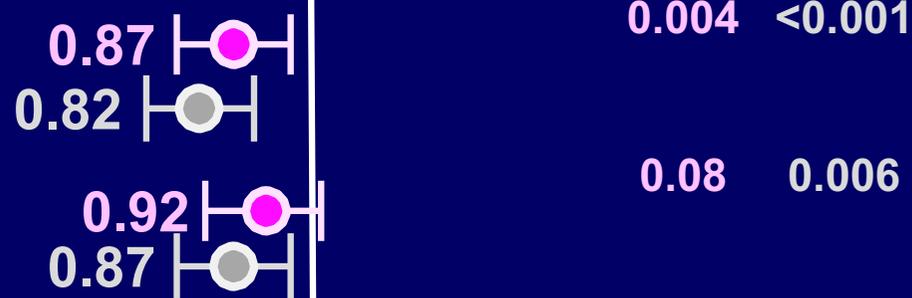
Ischemic Stroke



2° EP: Stroke, SEE, CV death or ICH



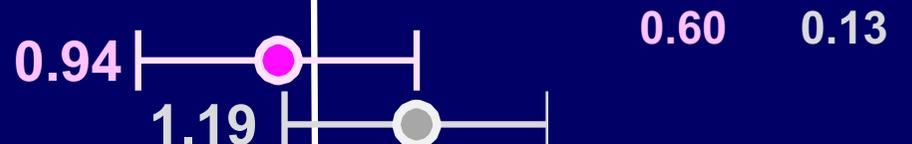
All-cause mortality



CV death



Myocardial infarction



\*Dose reduced by 50% in selected pts

0.25

0.5

1.00

2.0



# Main Safety Results - Safety Cohort on Treatment -

Edoxaban 60\* mg QD  
vs warfarin

Edoxaban 30\* mg QD  
vs warfarin

Warfarin TTR 68.4%

HR (95% CI)

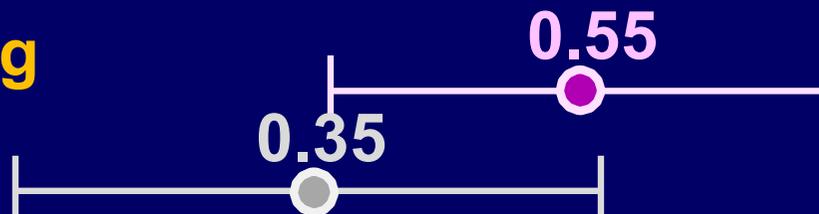
P Value  
vs warfarin

## ISTH Major Bleeding



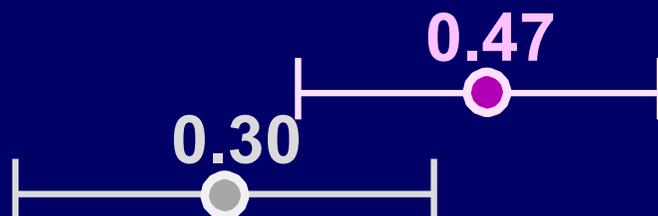
P<0.001  
P<0.001

## Fatal Bleeding



P=0.006  
P<0.001

## Intracranial Hemorrhage



P<0.001  
P<0.001

## Gastrointestinal Bleeding



P=0.03  
P<0.001

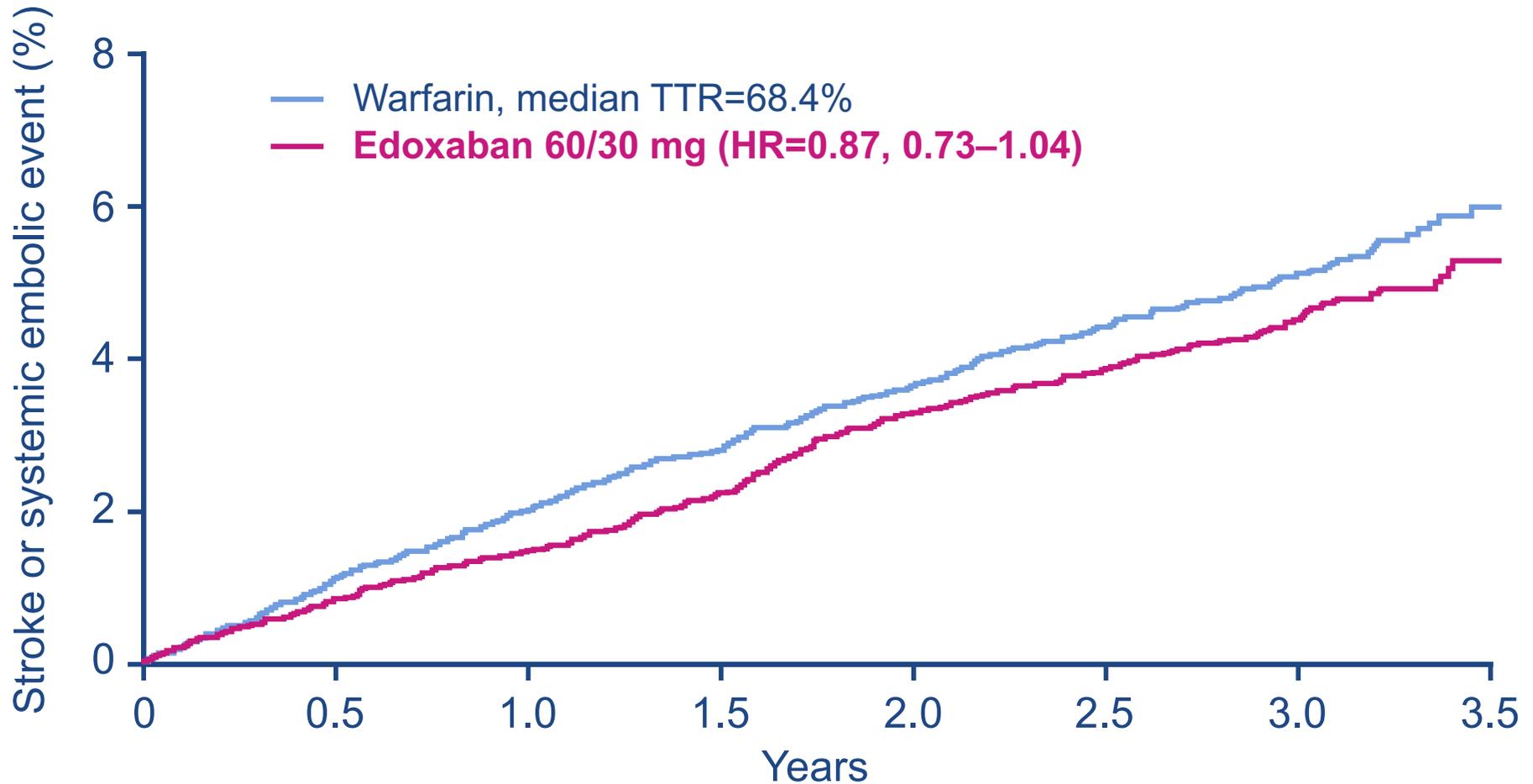
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0.25 0.5 1.0 2.0



Safety cohort=all patients who received at least 1 dose by treatment actually received

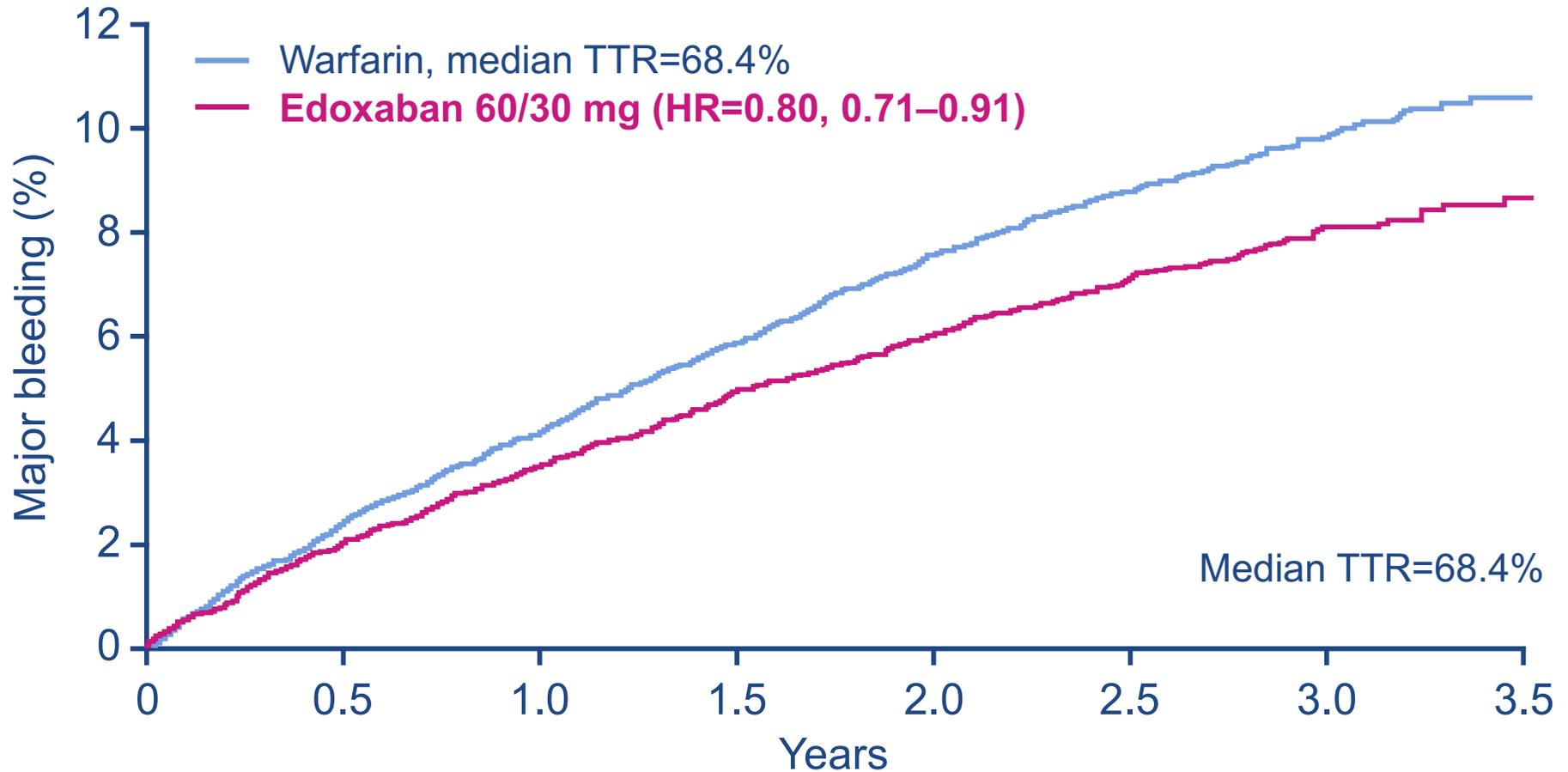
# Kaplan-Meier of primary efficacy outcome ITT population



No.at risk

Warfarin	7036	6798	6615	6406	6225	4593	2333	536
Edoxaban (60)	7035	6816	6650	6480	6283	4659	2401	551

# Kaplan-Meier of principal safety outcome



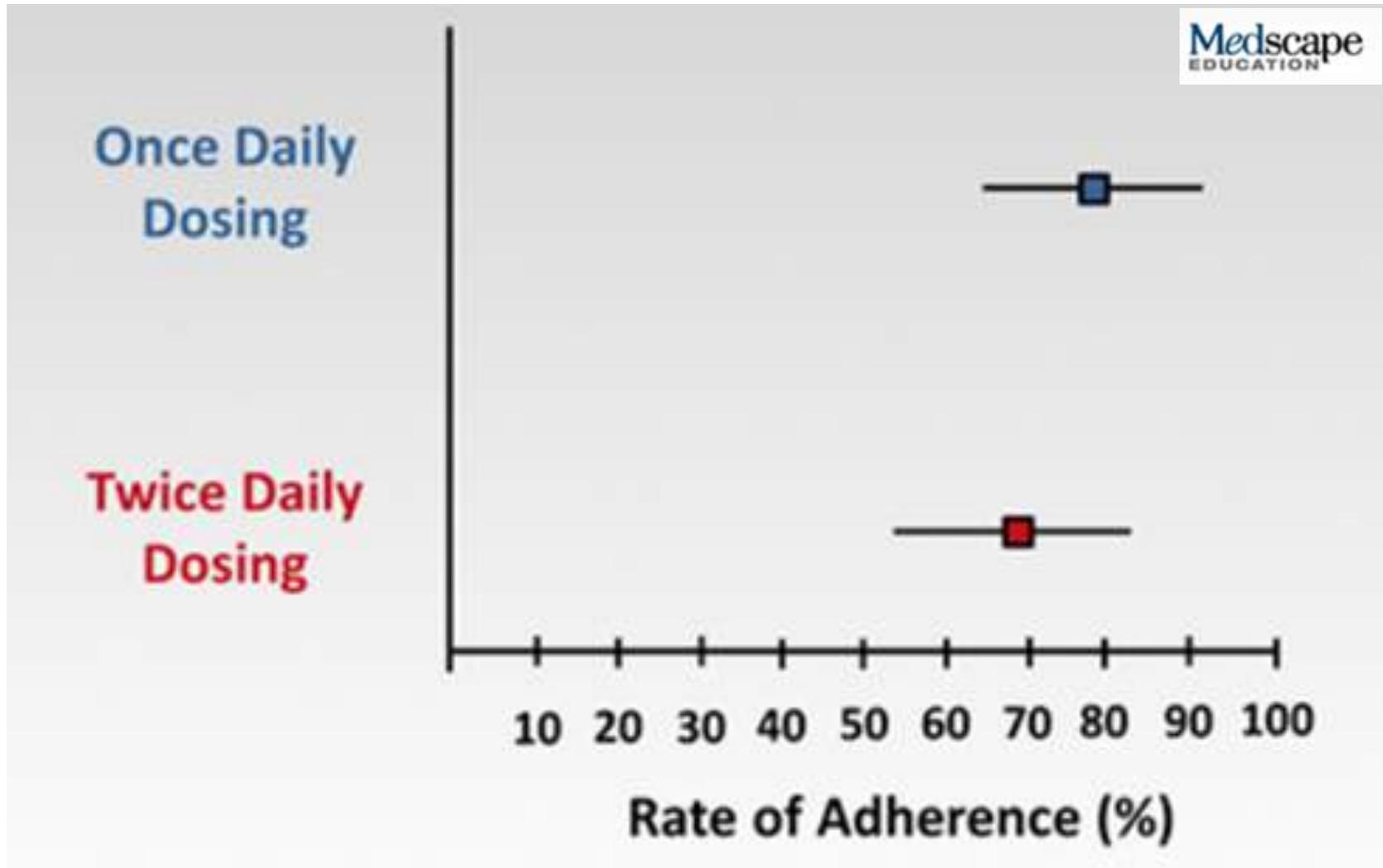
No.at risk	0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5
Warfarin	7012	6166	5630	5278	4941	3446	1687	370
Edoxaban (60)	7012	6039	5594	5232	4910	3471	1706	345

# ENGAGE-AF study

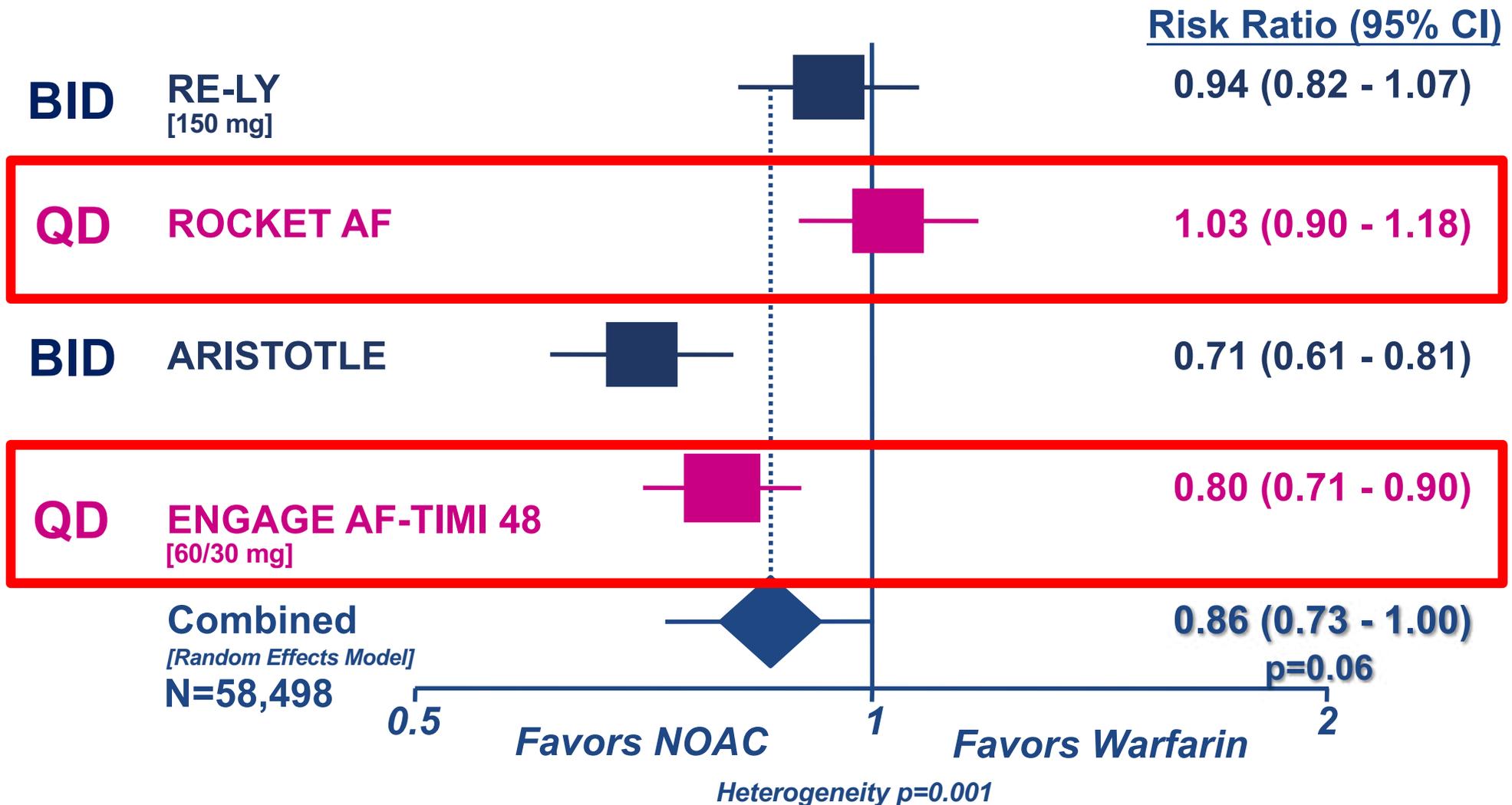
## Conclusions

- **Both 60 mg and 30 mg edoxaban dose** regimens were **non-inferior to well-managed warfarin** for the prevention of stroke and SEE.
- Compared with warfarin, edoxaban was associated with a **consistent and dose-related reduction in bleeding** e.g. major, intracranial and life-threatening bleeding.
- **Once-daily edoxaban**, with patient-specific dose-reduction, could offer patients and healthcare providers a new, effective, safe and convenient therapeutic option, with the benefits of superior safety compared with high-quality standard therapy with warfarin.

# Adherence to Medication According to Dosing Frequency



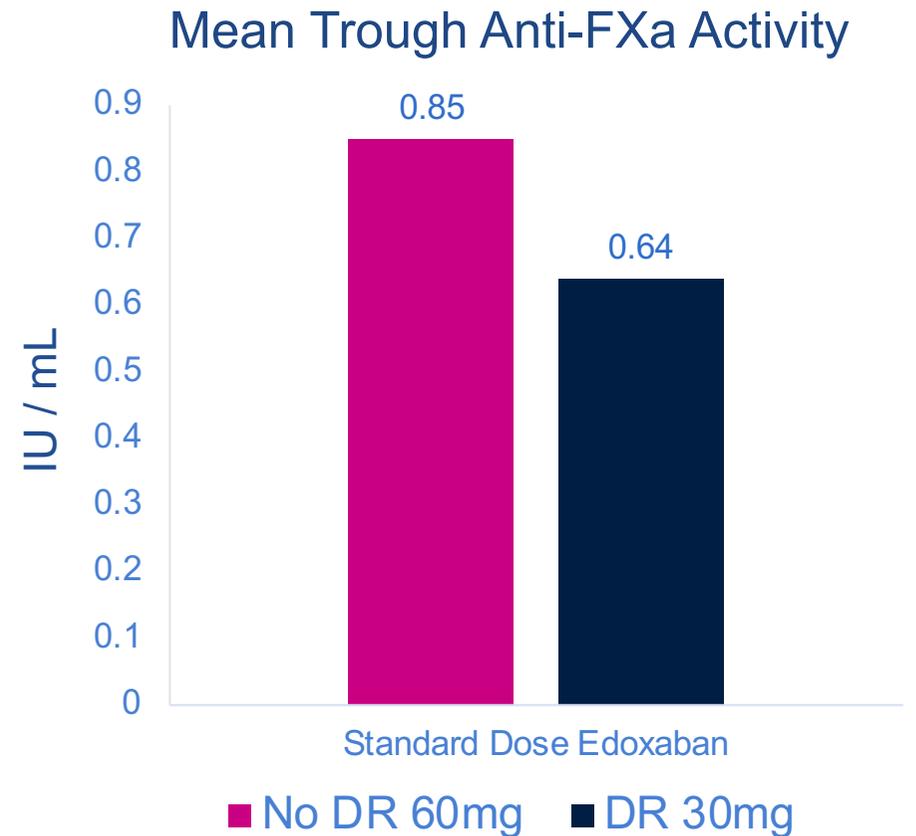
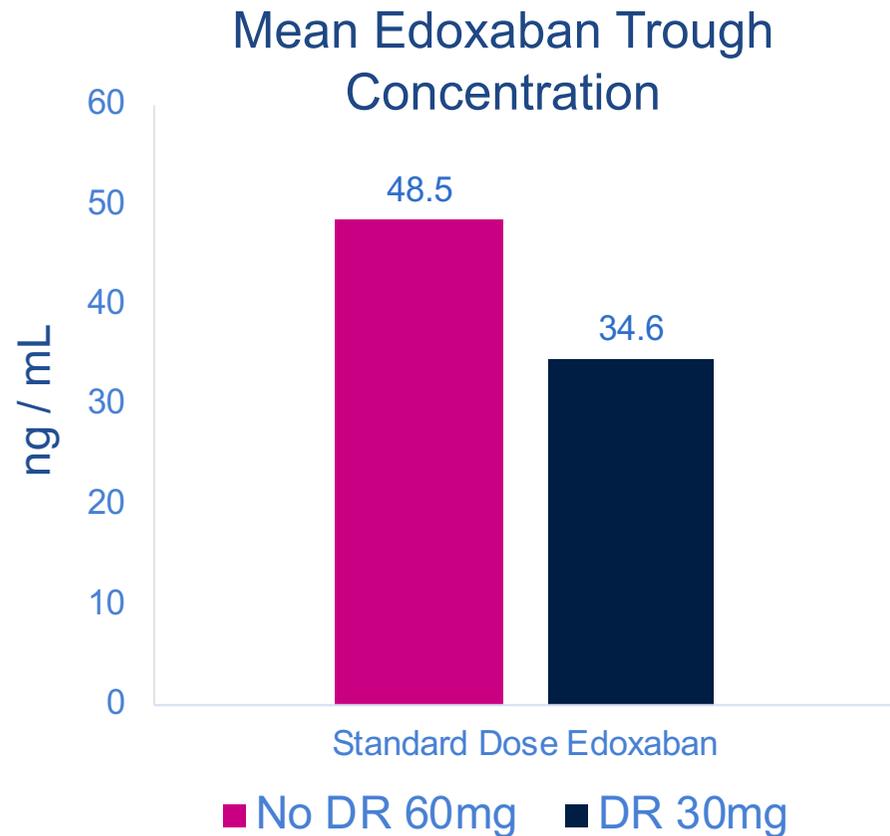
# Major Bleeding for Once-daily NOACs in RCTs



**Association between edoxaban dose, concentration, anti-Factor Xa activity, and outcomes: an analysis of data from the randomised, double-blind ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48 trial**

*Christian T Ruff , Robert P Giugliano, Eugene Braunwald, David A Morrow, Sabina A Murphy, Julia F Kuder, Naveen Deenadayalu, Petr Jarolim, Joshua Betcher, Minggao Shi, Karen Brown, Indravadan Patel, Michele Mercuri, Elliott M Antman*

# Edoxaban Concentration & Anti-FXa Activity

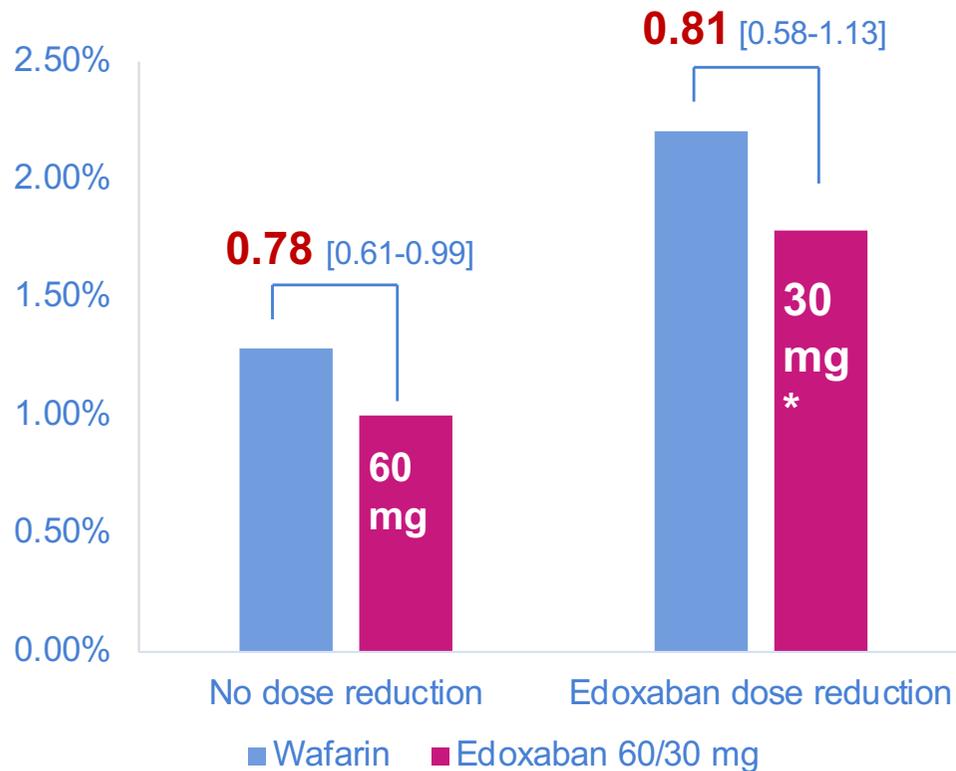


DR, dose reduction

# Efficacy of edoxaban compared with warfarin stratified by dose reduction status

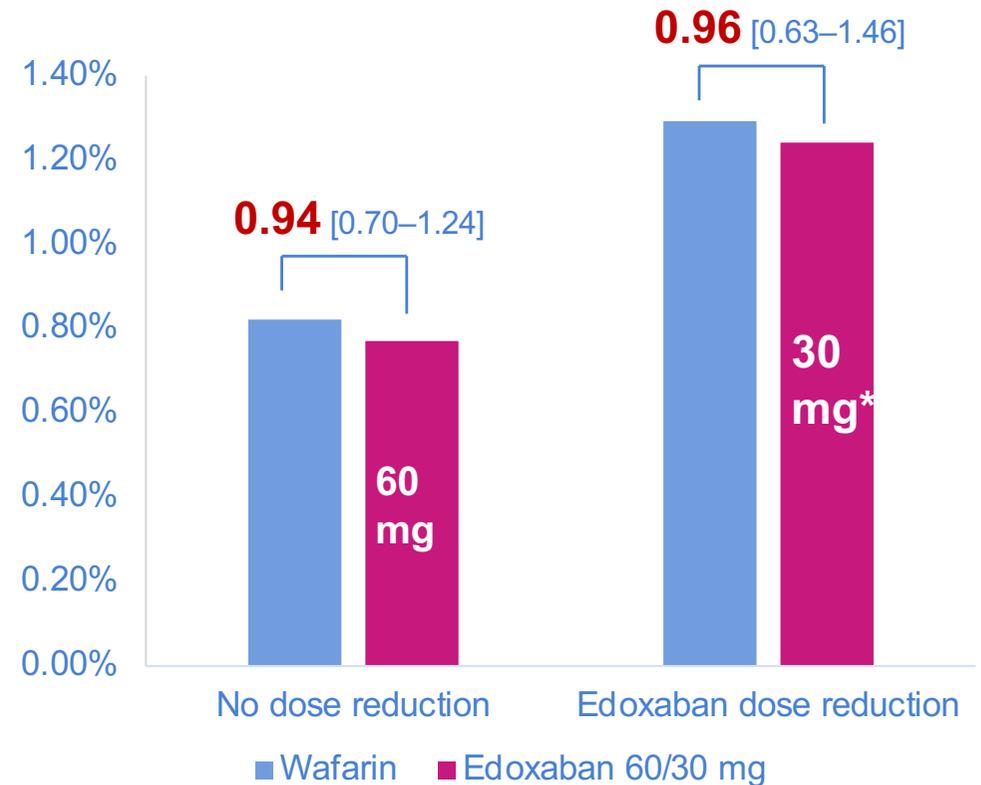
## Stroke / SEE

Pint = 0.85



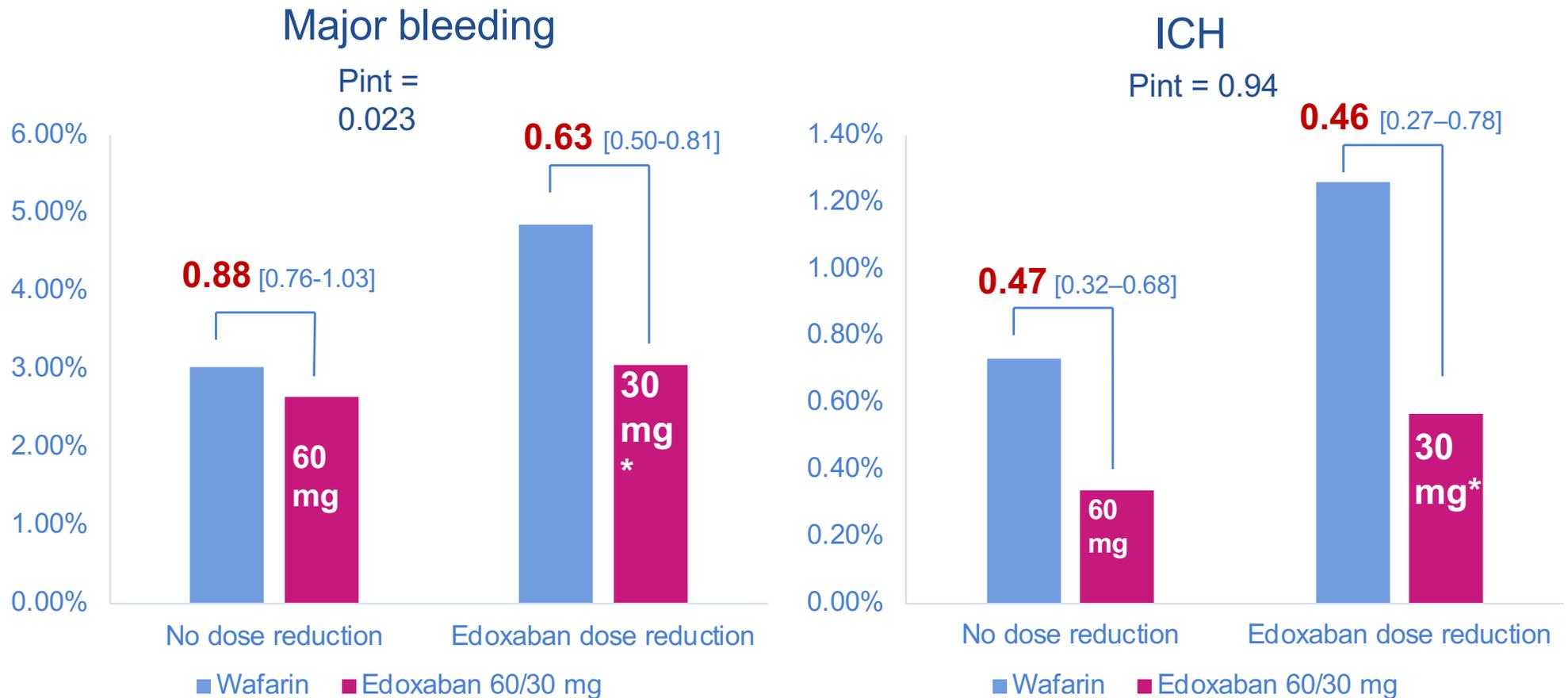
## Ischaemic stroke

Pint = 0.91



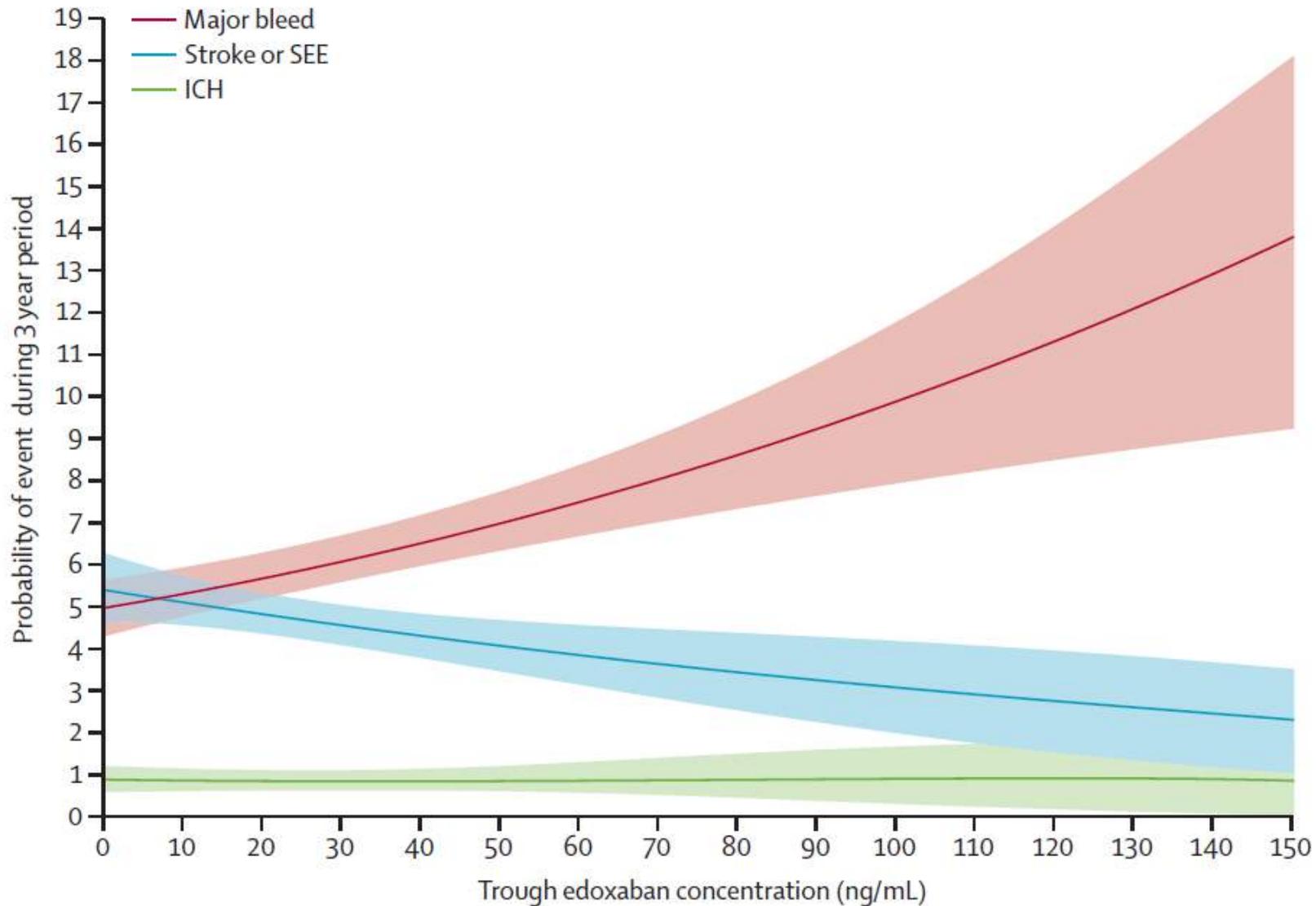
\* If patient meet the dose reduction criteria in ENGAGE AF-TIMI

# Safety of edoxaban compared with warfarin stratified by dose reduction status



\* If patient meet the dose reduction criteria in ENGAGE AF-TIMI

# Probability of Edoxaban Concentration vs. Outcomes



ICH, intracranial hemorrhage; SEE, systemic embolic event.



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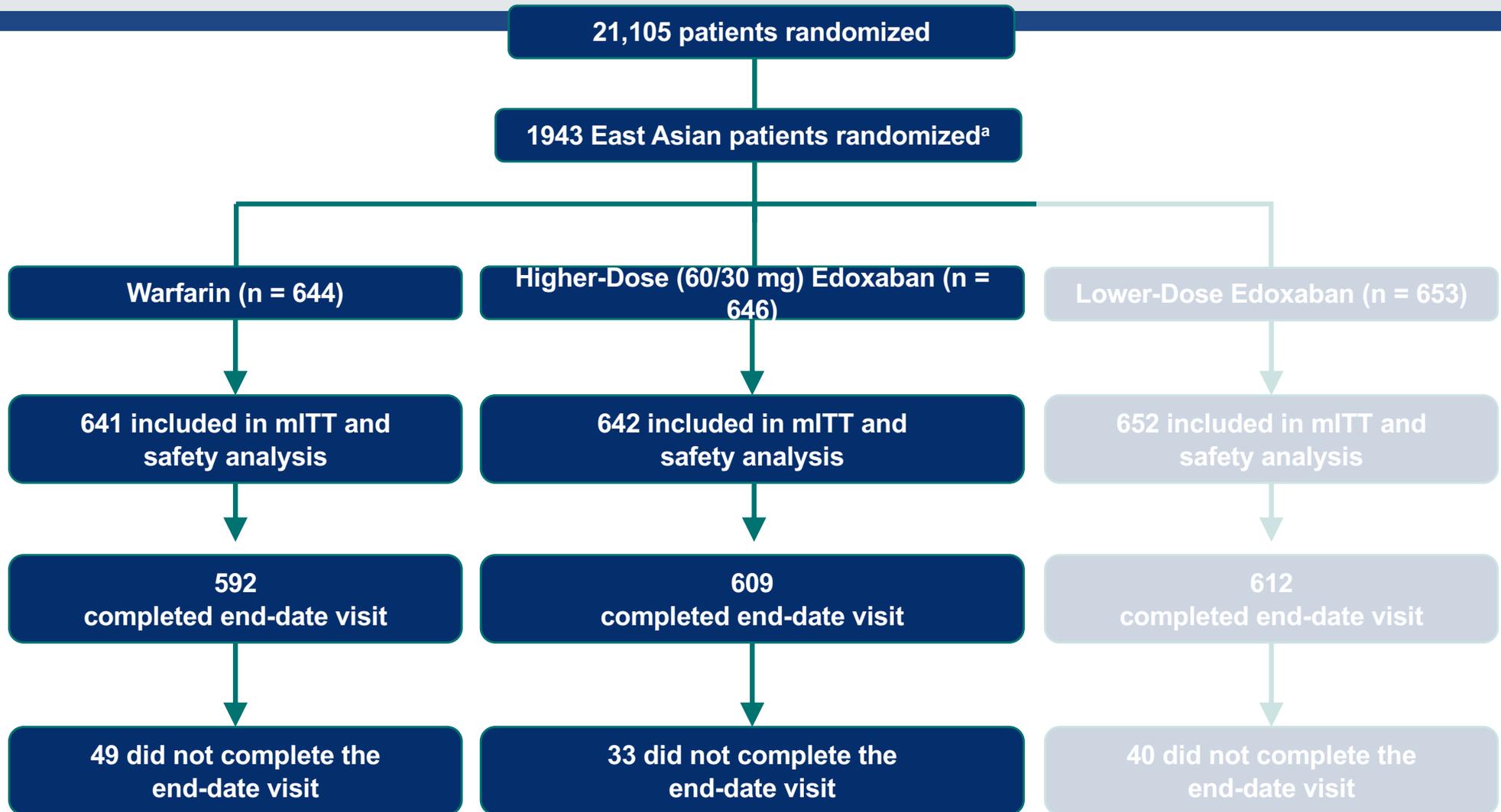
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Arrhythmia/Electrophysiology

## **Edoxaban vs. Warfarin in East Asian Patients With Atrial Fibrillation**

– An ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48 Subanalysis –

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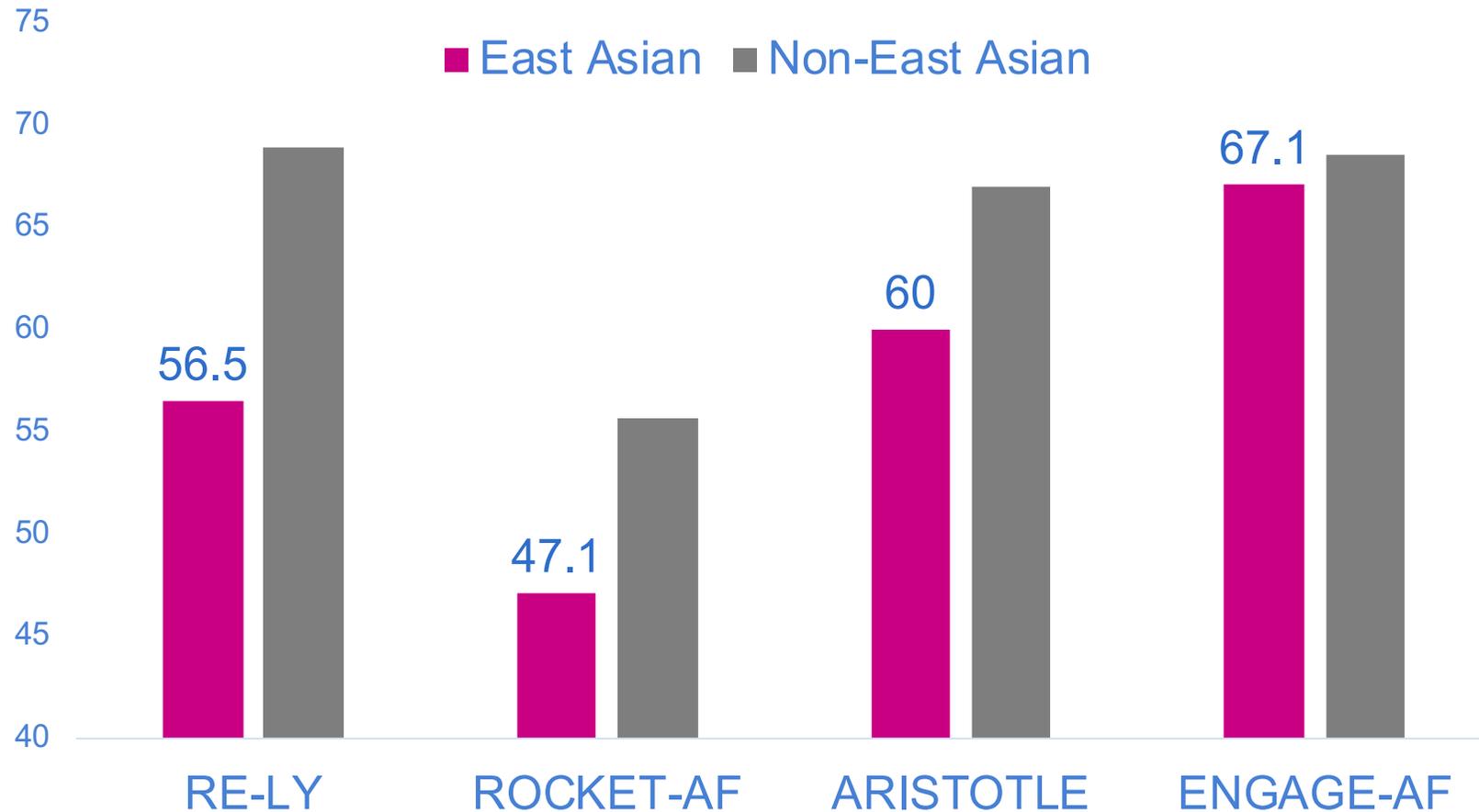
# Patient Disposition



<sup>a</sup> Of the 1943 East Asian patients randomized, 1010 were from Japan, 469 were from China, 234 were from Taiwan, and 230 were from South Korea.

mITT = modified intent-to-treat.

# median TTR for Warfarin-treated Patients in East-Asian



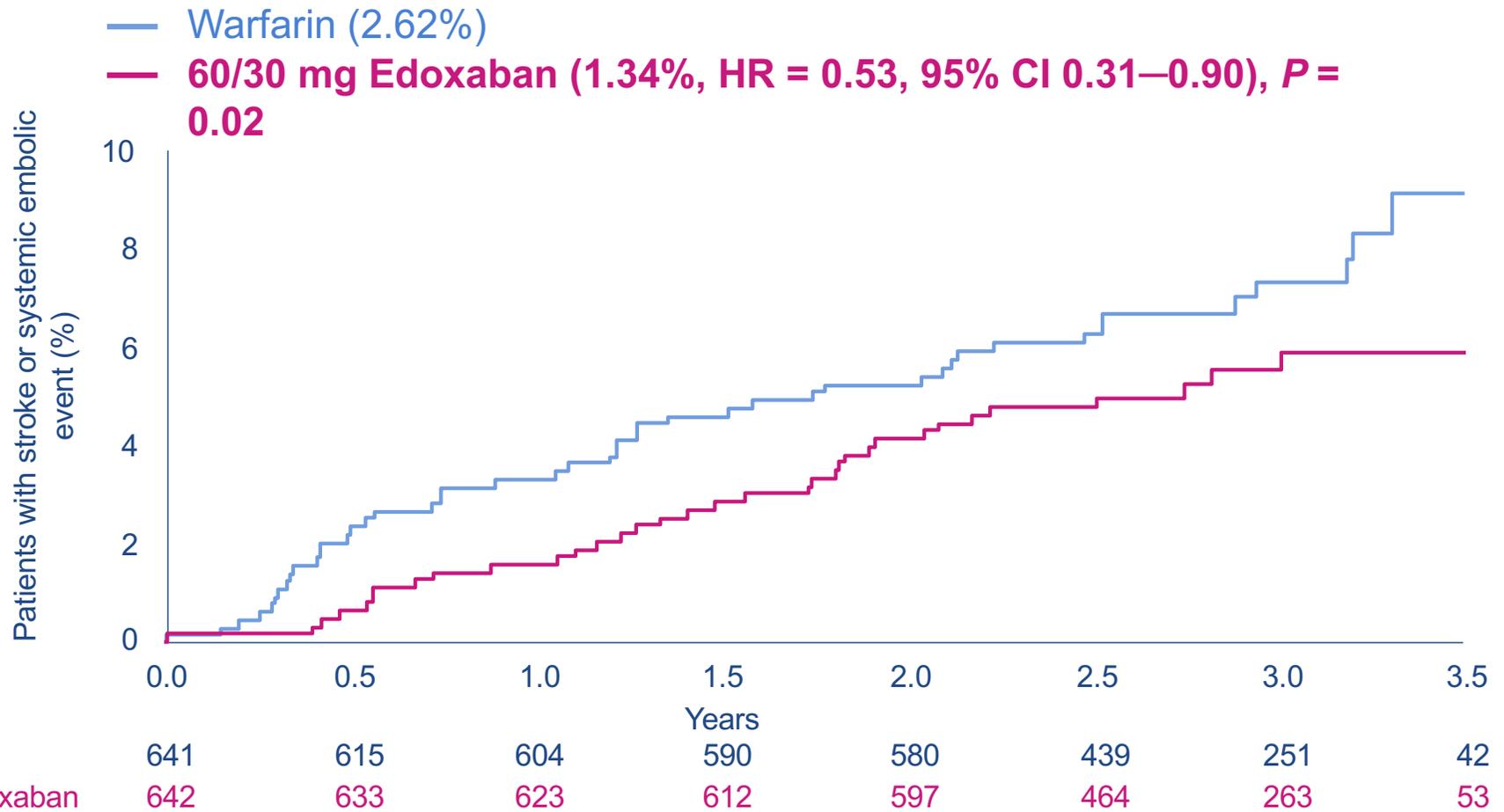
Stroke 44 (2013) 1891–1896.  
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Am Heart J. 2014 Sep;168(3):303-  
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# Baseline Demographics and Characteristics

	East Asian (n = 1,943)	Non-East Asian (n = 19,162)	P-value
Age (y), mean ± SD	70.1 ± 8.7	70.7 ± 9.5	0.0085
Females, n (%)	545 (28.0)	7495 (39.1)	<0.0001
Weight (kg), mean ± SD	67.0 ± 12.6	85.6 ± 20.0	<0.0001
Paroxysmal atrial fibrillation, n (%)	373 (19.2)	4993 (26.1)	<0.0001
CHADS <sub>2</sub> score, mean ± SD	2.9 ± 1.0	2.8 ± 1.0	0.17
≤3, n (%)	1487 (76.5)	14850 (77.5)	0.33
4–6, n (%)	456 (23.5)	4312 (22.5)	
Dose reduction at randomization, n (%)	912 ( <b>46.9</b> )	4444 (23.2)	<0.0001
CrCl ≤50 mL/min, n (%)	583 (30.0)	3491 (18.2)	<0.0001
Weight ≤60 kg, n (%)	594 (30.6)	1489 (7.8)	<0.0001
Use of verapamil or quinidine, n (%)	128 (6.6)	633 (3.3)	<0.0001
Previous use of VKA for ≥60 days, n (%)	1153 (59.3)	11288 (58.9)	0.71
Medication at time of randomization, n (%)			
Aspirin	543 (27.9)	5637 (29.4)	0.17
Thienopyridine	60 (3.1)	427 (2.2)	0.016
Amiodarone	85 (4.4)	2407 (12.6)	<0.0001
Digoxin or digitalis preparation	576 (29.6)	5751 (30.0)	0.74

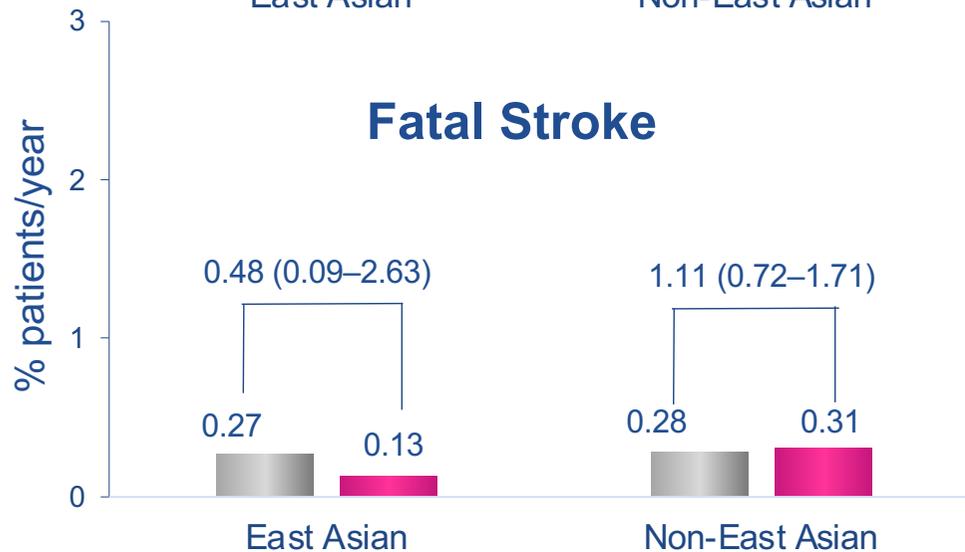
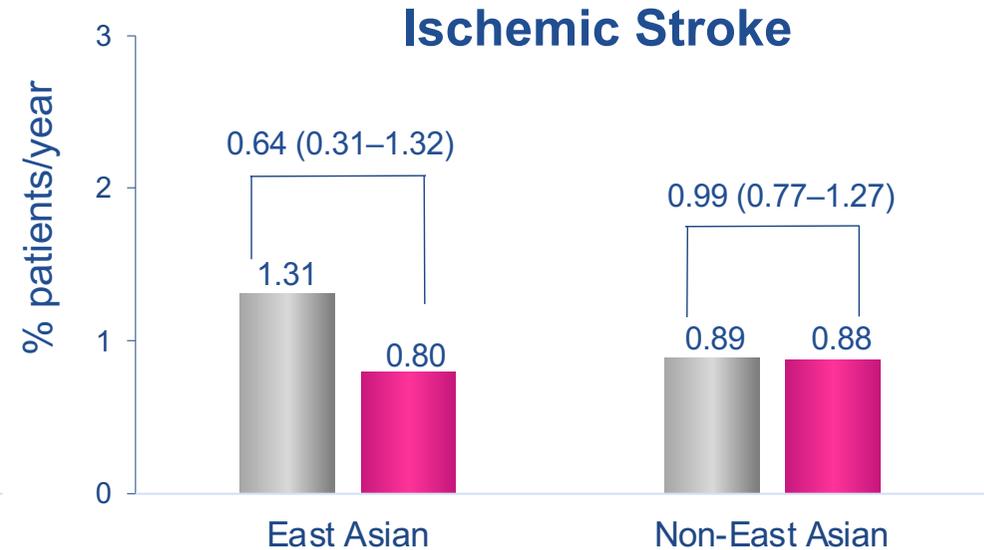
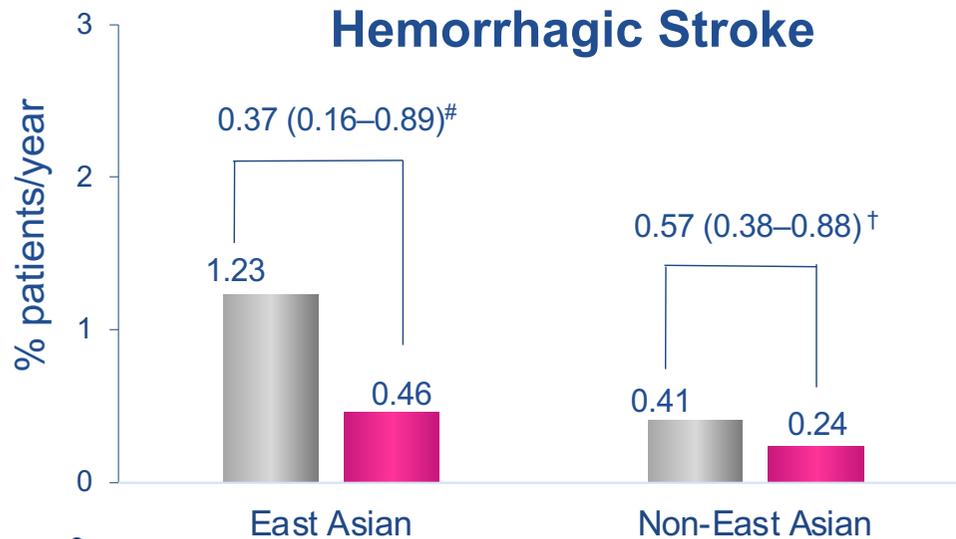
CHADS<sub>2</sub> = Congestive heart failure, Hypertension, Age ≥ 75 years, Diabetes, prior Stroke or transient ischemic attack; CrCl = creatinine clearance; SD = standard deviation; VKA = vitamin K antagonist.

# Primary Efficacy Endpoint (East Asian, mITT Population, On-treatment)



CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio; mITT = modified intent-to-treat.

# Rates of Stroke



- Warfarin  
East Asian, n = 641; Non-East Asian, n = 6,371
- Higher-Dose Edoxaban (60/30 mg)  
East Asian, n = 642; Non-East Asian, n = 6,370

Text indicates hazard ratio for edoxaban dose vs warfarin and 95% confidence intervals. mITT = modified intent-to-treat.

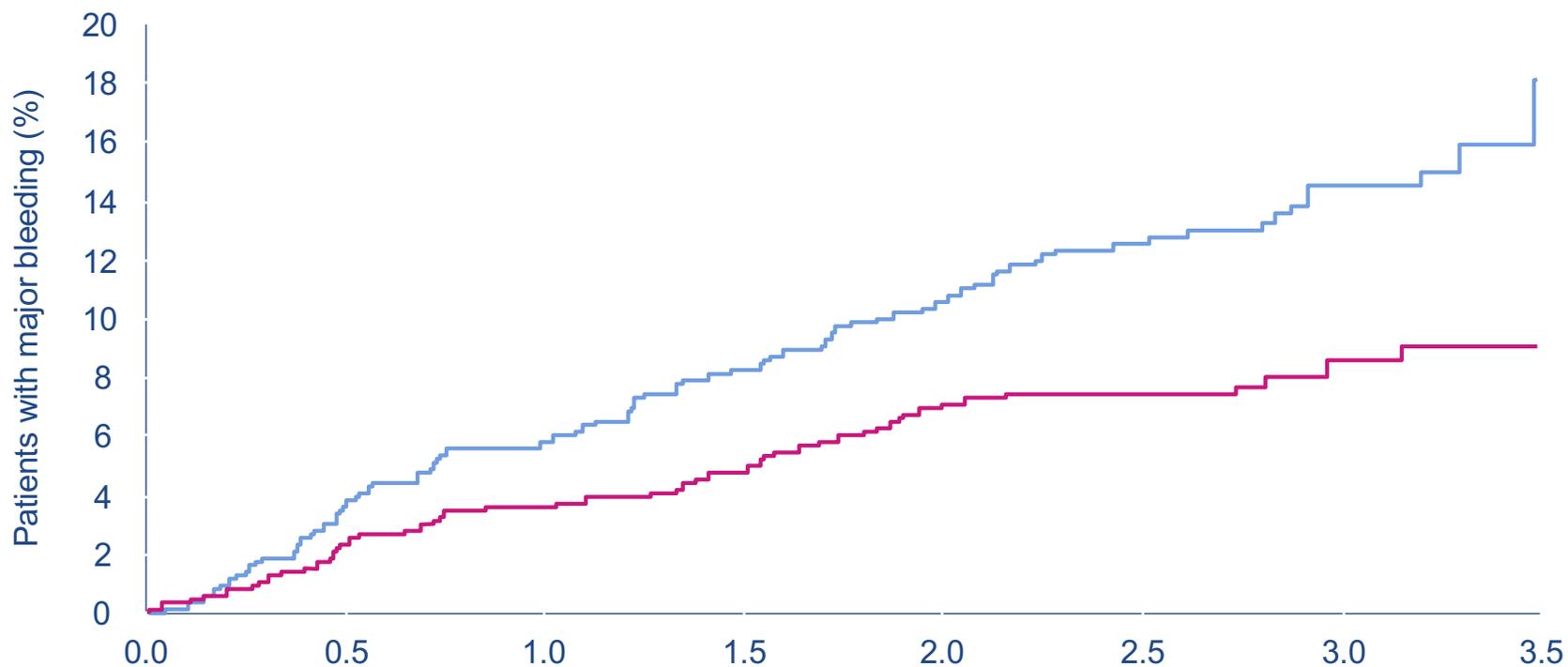
<sup>†</sup>P≤0.01, <sup>#</sup>P=0.03

# Efficacy Endpoints

	East Asian			Non-East Asian		
	Warfarin	Edoxaban 60/30 mg	HR† (95% CI), P-value	Warfarin	Edoxaban 60/30 mg	HR† (95% CI), P-value
<b>Primary Endpoint</b>						
mITT, on treatment period‡	38 (2.62)	20 (1.34)	0.53 (0.31–0.90), <b>0.02</b>	194 (1.38)	162 (1.16)	0.84 (0.68–1.04), 0.10
Stroke (mITT)	36 (2.48)	18 (1.20)	0.50 (0.28–0.88), <b>0.02</b>	183 (1.30)	156 (1.12)	0.86 (0.69–1.06), 0.16
SEE (mITT)	2 (0.14)	2 (0.13)	1.09 (0.16–7.51), 0.93	11 (0.08)	6 (0.04)	0.55 (0.20–1.49), 0.24
<b>Secondary Endpoint</b>						
Stroke, SEE, or death from CV causes	70 (4.02)	44 (2.44)	0.61 (0.42–0.89), <b>0.01</b>	761 (4.47)	684 (4.00)	0.89 (0.80–0.99), 0.03
MACE	76 (4.38)	48 (2.67)	0.61 (0.43–0.88), <b>0.01</b>	850 (5.04)	779 (4.59)	0.91 (0.82–1.00), 0.05
Stroke, SEE, or death	88 (5.05)	58 (3.22)	0.64 (0.46–0.90), <b>0.01</b>	958 (5.63)	891 (5.20)	0.92 (0.84–1.01), 0.08
<b>Other Endpoint</b>						
Death, any cause	50 (2.77)	32 (1.73)	0.63 (0.40–0.98), <b>0.04</b>	789 (4.51)	741 (4.23)	0.93 (0.85–1.03), 0.19
Death, CV causes	32 (1.77)	15 (0.81)	0.46 (0.25–0.84), <b>0.01</b>	579 (3.31)	515 (2.94)	0.89 (0.79–1.00), 0.04

# Primary Safety Endpoint (East Asian)

— Warfarin (4.80%)  
 — 60/30 mg Edoxaban (2.86%, HR = 0.61, 95% CI 0.41–0.89),  $P = 0.011$

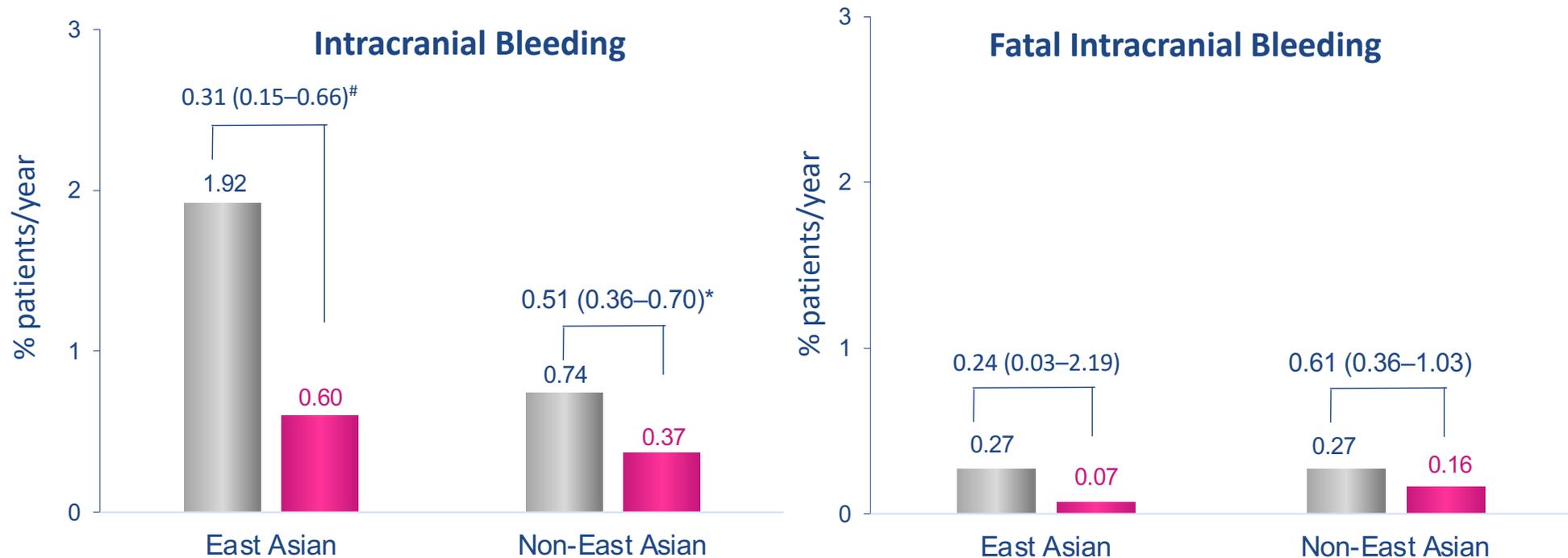


Number at Risk

Warfarin	641	607	587	567	548	406	234	35
Higher-Dose Edoxaban	642	621	610	599	576	448	250	50

CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio.

# Annualized Rates of Intracranial and Fatal Intracranial Bleeding (Safety Population)



- Warfarin: East Asian, n = 641; Non-East Asian, n = 6371
- 60/30 mg Edoxaban: East Asian, n = 642; Non-East Asian, n = 6370

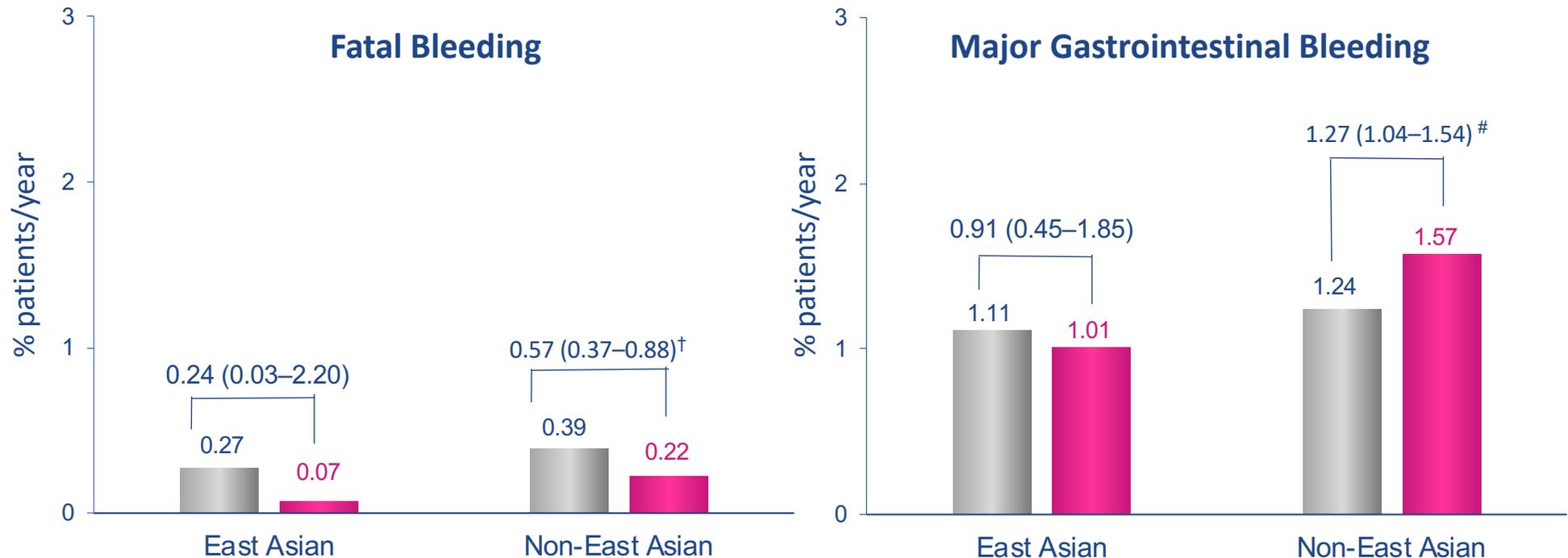
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<sup>\*</sup> $P < 0.001$ , <sup>#</sup> $P = 0.002$ .

CI = confidence interval.

# Annualized Rates of Fatal and Gastrointestinal Bleeding (Safety Population)

## Fewer GI Bleeding in East Asian



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<sup>†</sup>P = 0.012, <sup>#</sup>P = 0.021

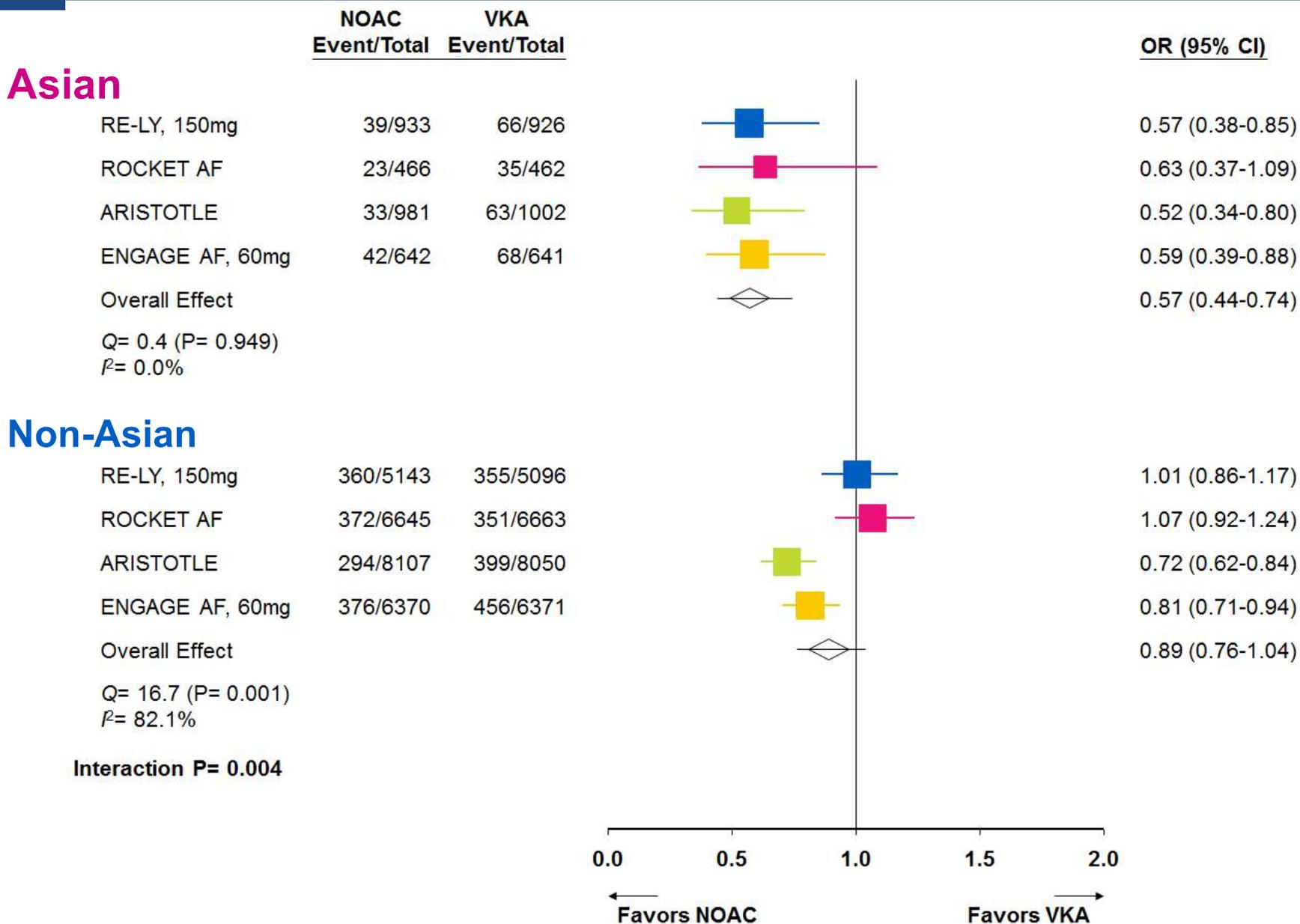
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# ENGAGE-AF study East Asia subgroup

## Conclusions

- In East Asian patients with AF, both doses of once-daily edoxaban:
  - Reduced stroke and SEE similar to warfarin, with significantly lower rates observed with higher-dose edoxaban for the on-treatment analysis.
  - Significantly reduced major bleeding and intracranial hemorrhage compared with warfarin.
  - Achieved results consistent with those outside East Asia

# The only one once-daily NOAC with significantly decreased major bleeding - Asian analysis from RCT



# TSOC AF Guideline Recommendation

Table 12 Efficacy and safety endpoints of different NOACs in Asians.<sup>85–88,148</sup>

	Stroke/ SEE	Ischemic stroke	Hemorrhagic stroke	Myocardial infarction	All-cause death	CV death	Major bleeding	Intracranial hemorrhage	GI bleeding	Bleeding of any cause
Dabigatran <sup>a</sup> 150 mg	V	V	V			NR	V	V		V
Dabigatran <sup>a</sup> 110 mg			V			NR	V	V		V
Rivaroxaban <sup>b</sup>								V	NR	
Apixaban <sup>c</sup>			V			NR	V	V	NR	V
Edoxaban <sup>d</sup> 60 mg			V		V	V	V	V		V
Edoxaban <sup>d</sup> 30 mg			V				V	V		V

GI = gastrointestinal; NOACs = non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulants; NR = not reported; SEE = systemic embolization events; V = *p* value less than 0.05 when compared with warfarin.

<sup>a</sup> China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Philippines, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, India.

<sup>b</sup> China, South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong.

<sup>c</sup> China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Philippines, Singapore, Malaysia.

<sup>d</sup> China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan. Modified from Lip et al<sup>149</sup> with permission.

# NHIA Reimbursement Criteria for SPAF/VTE

## 限用於非瓣膜性心房纖維顫動病患 且須符合下列條件之一

- (1)曾發生中風或全身性栓塞。
- (2)左心室射出分率小於40%。
- (3)有症狀之心臟衰竭：收案前依紐約心臟協會衰竭功能分級為第二級或以上。
- (4)年齡75歲(含)以上。
- (5)年齡介於65歲至74歲且合併有糖尿病、高血壓或冠狀動脈疾病。
- (6)每日1次，每次限1顆。

## 排除標準

- (1)病人曾有嚴重心臟瓣膜疾病
- (2)14 天內發生中風。
- (3)收案前6個月內發生嚴重中風
- (4)有增加出血風險的情況。
- (5)肌酸酐清除率小於15mL/min，或大於95mL/min。
- (6)活動性肝病和懷孕。

## 治療深部靜脈血栓與肺栓塞

- (1)須經影像學或血管超音波檢查診斷。
- (2)接受至少5日非經腸道抗凝血劑注射治療後，開始每日1次，每次限1顆，每6個月評估一次。

# LIXIANA 30mg – If with One or More Criteria of BCD



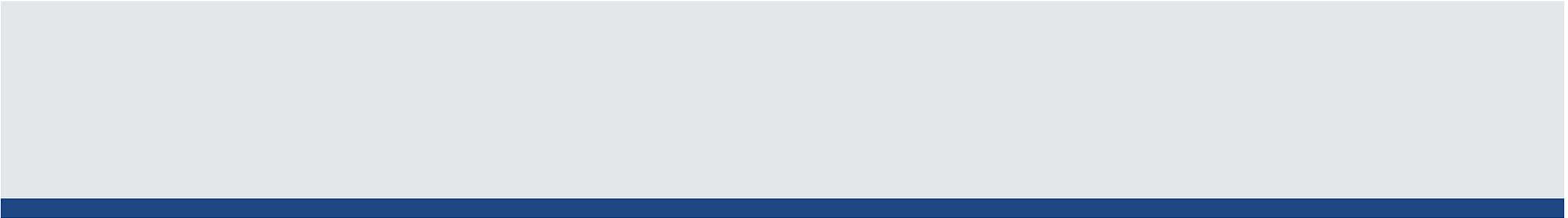
Body Weight < 60kg



CrCL < 50 ml/min



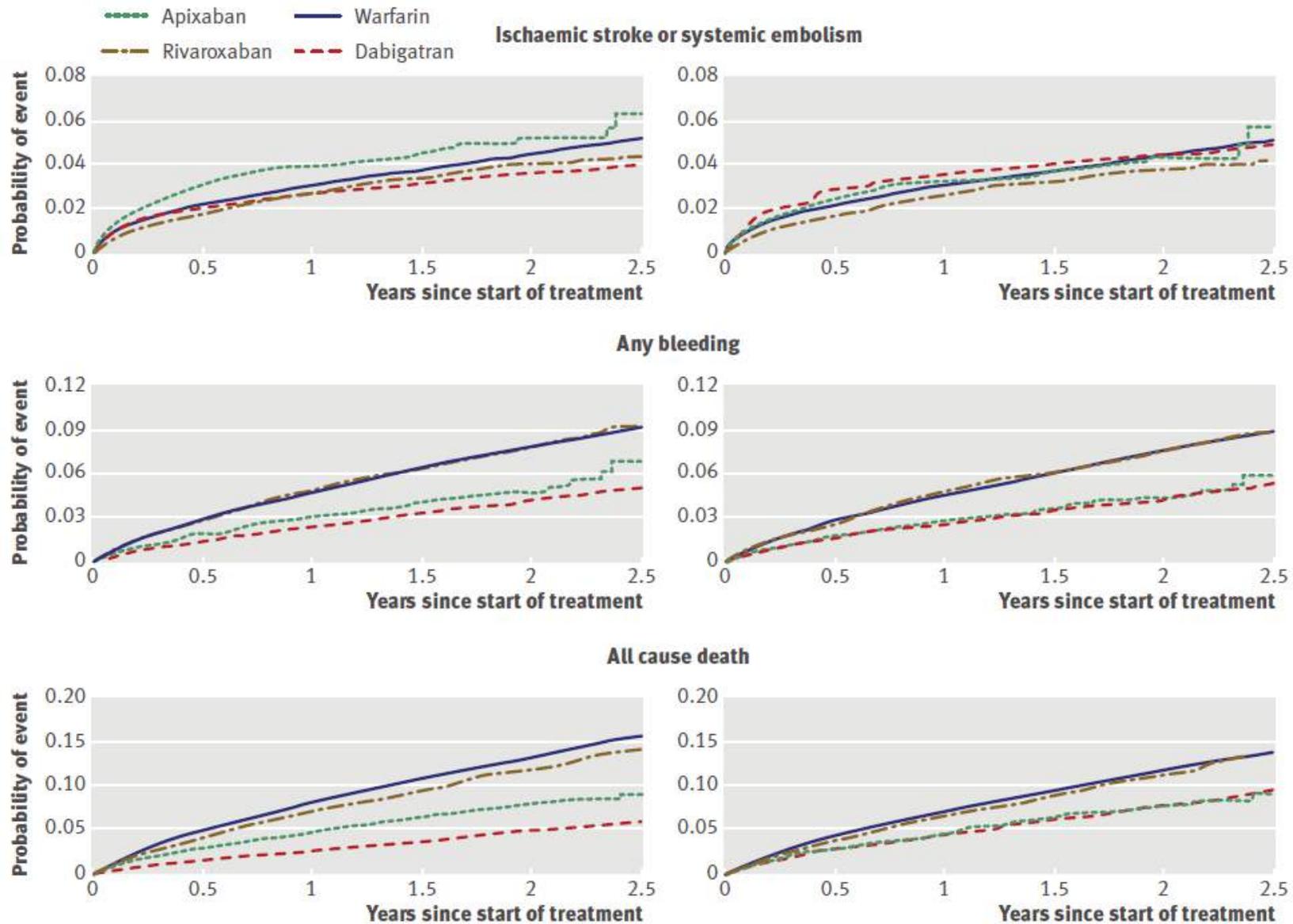
**Drug:**  
**Cyclosporine, Dronedarone**  
**Erythromycin, Ketoconazole**



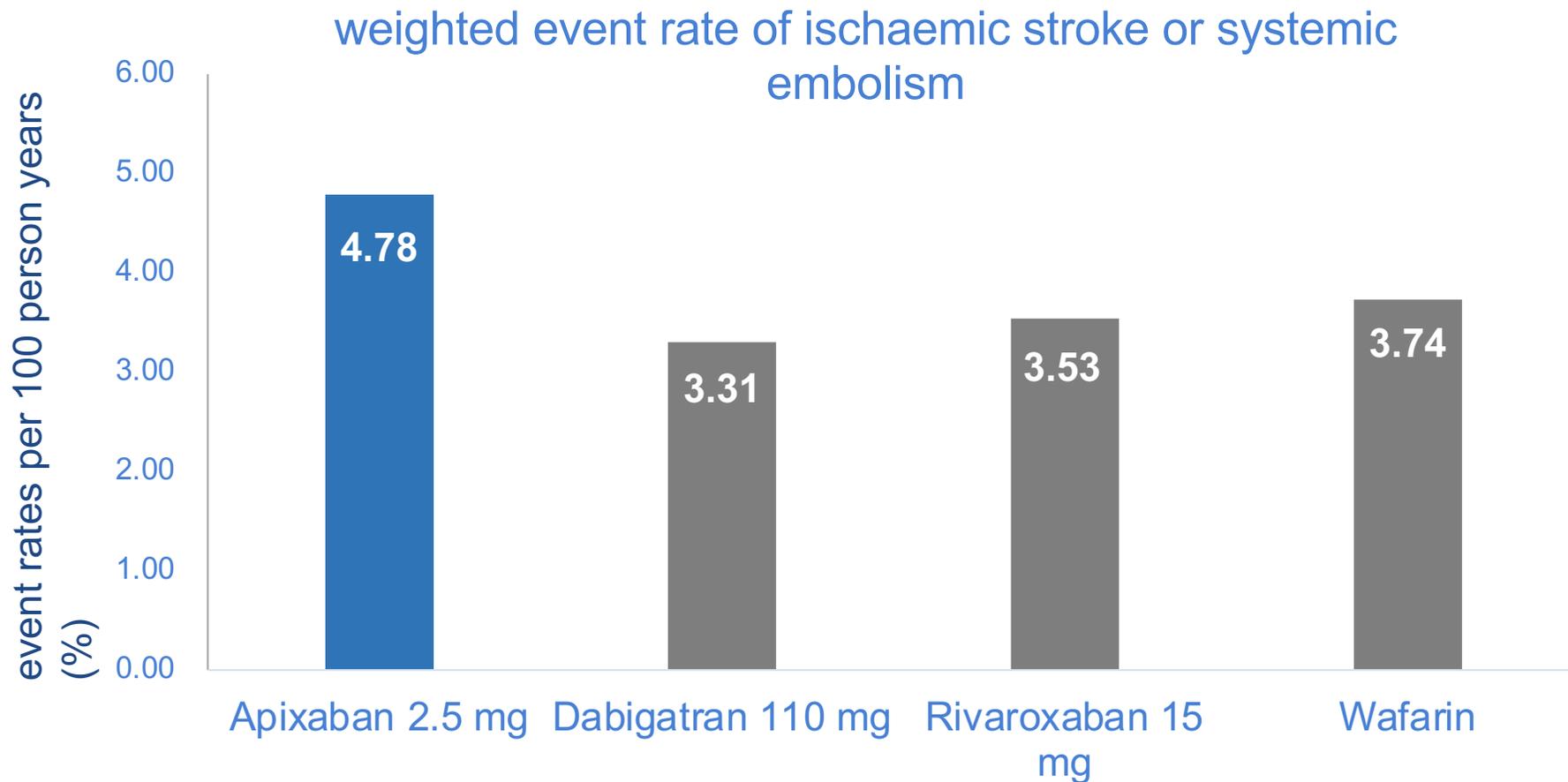
**How to apply clinical trial data to real  
world practice?**

**Real World Data**

# Any bleeding or major bleeding were significantly lower for apixaban and dabigatran than for rivaroxaban or warfarin



# Apixaban 2.5 mg twice a day was associated with a trend towards higher rates of ischaemic stroke/systemic embolism compared with warfarin



# Edoxaban in Asian Patients With Atrial Fibrillation

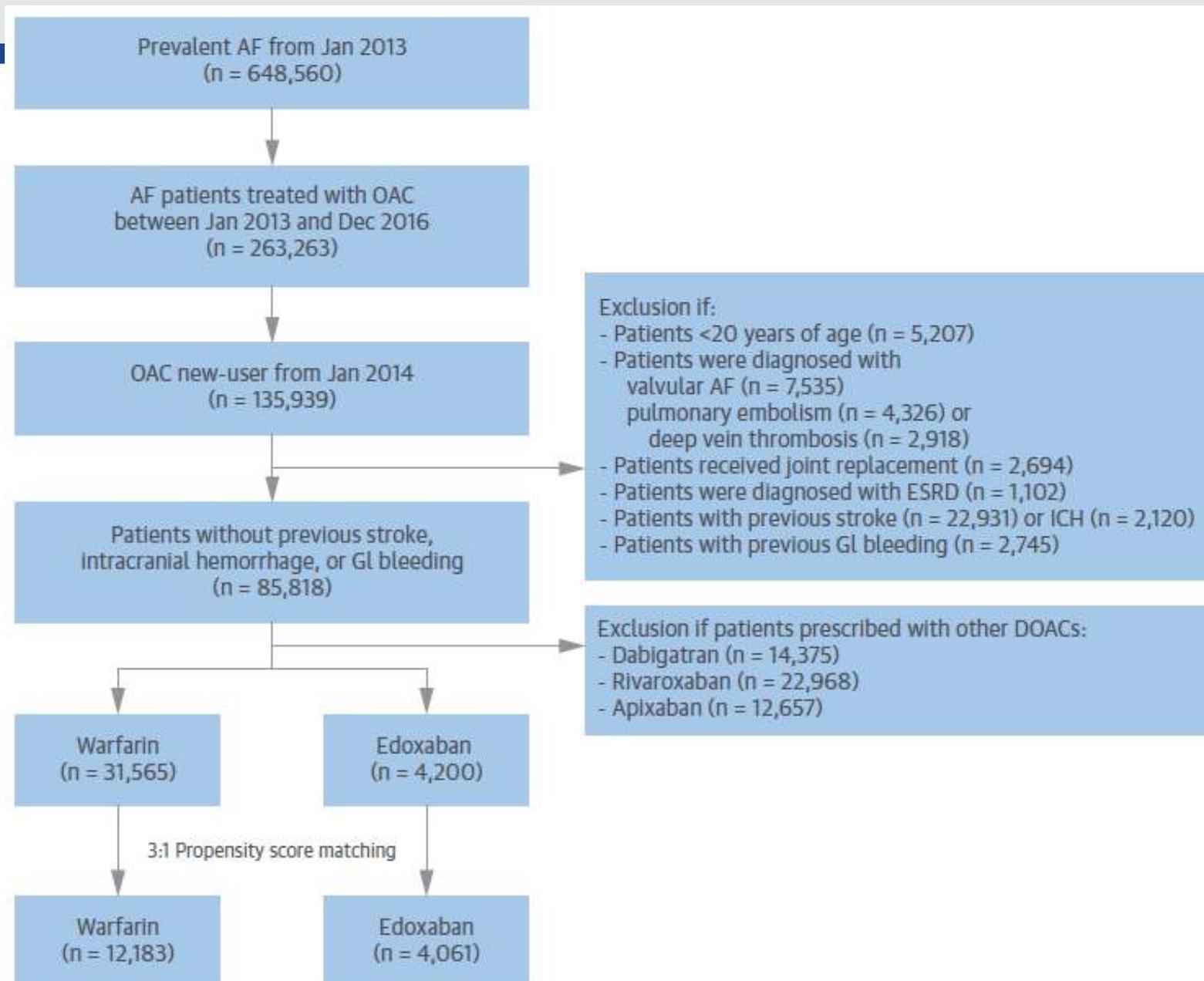


## Effectiveness and Safety

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**First real-world evidence for Lixiana**

# Study Population Enrollment Flow



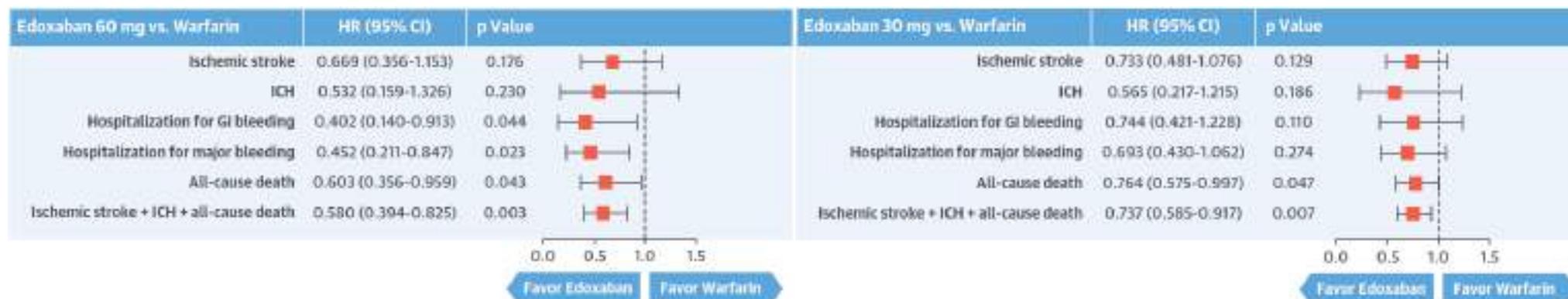
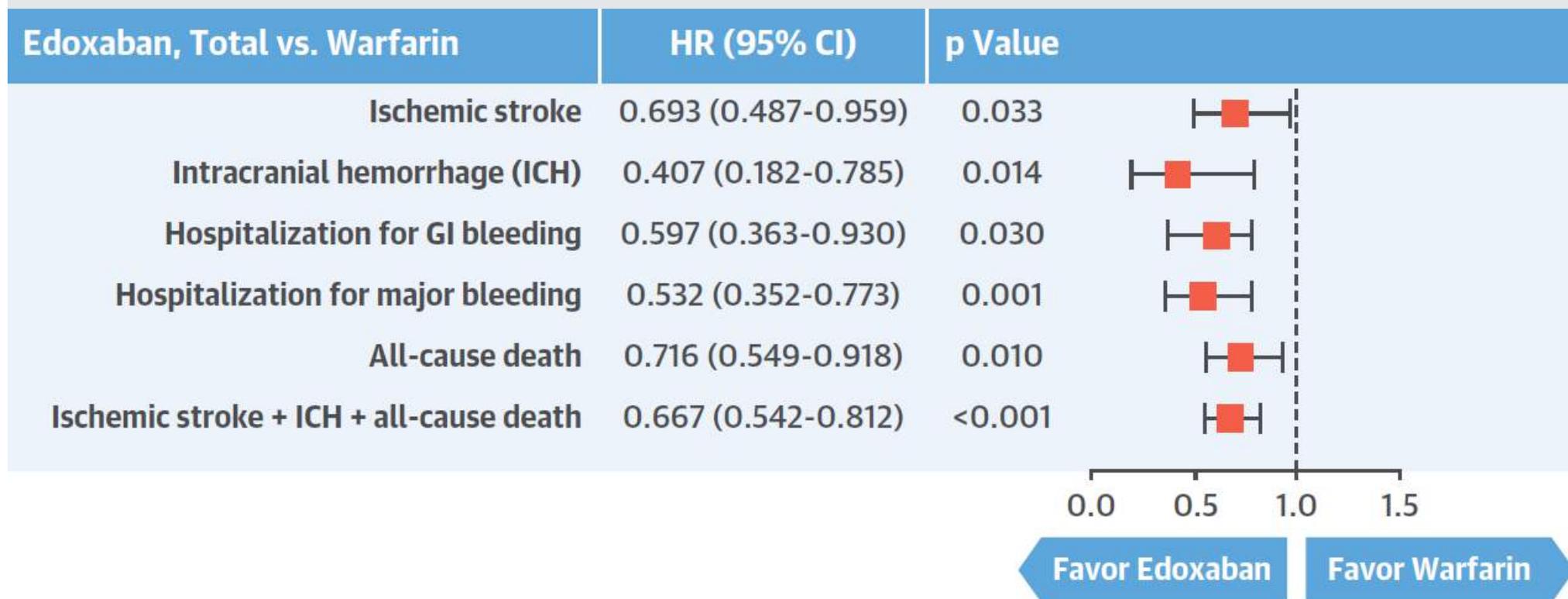
# Baseline Characteristics Before and After Propensity Score Matching

	Before Propensity Score Matching			After Propensity Score Matching		
	Warfarin (n = 31,565)	Edoxaban (n = 4,200)	ASD	Warfarin (n = 12,183)	Edoxaban (n = 4,061)	ASD
<b>Age, yrs</b>						
Mean ± SD	66.3 ± 12.9	70.8 ± 10.0	0.393	70.7 ± 10.5	70.3 ± 9.8	0.033
Median (IQR)	68 (58-76)	72 (65-78)		72 (64-78)	72 (65-77)	
<65	13,304 (42.2)	992 (23.6)		3,156 (25.9)	992 (24.4)	
65-74	8,957 (28.4)	1,606 (38.2)		4,386 (36.0)	1,602 (39.5)	
≥75	9,304 (29.5)	1,602 (38.1)		4,641 (38.1)	1,467 (36.1)	
Men	1,9385 (61.4)	2,271 (54.1)	0.149	6,889 (56.6)	2,247 (55.3)	0.024
<b>CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc score</b>						
Mean ± SD	3.27 ± 1.97	3.24 ± 1.62	0.014	3.25 ± 1.72	3.22 ± 1.63	0.017
Median (IQR)	3 (2-5)	3 (2-4)		3 (2-4)	3 (2-4)	
0-1	6,479 (20.5)	561 (13.4)		1,929 (15.8)	559 (13.8)	
2-3	11,533 (36.5)	1,885 (44.9)		5,057 (41.5)	1,828 (45.0)	
≥4	13,553 (42.9)	1,754 (41.8)		5,197 (42.7)	1,674 (41.2)	
<b>CHADS<sub>2</sub> score</b>						
Mean ± SD	1.82 ± 1.33	1.63 ± 1.16	0.154	1.72 ± 1.22	1.62 ± 1.17	0.079
Median (IQR)	2 (1-3)	2 (1-2)		2 (1-2)	2 (1-2)	
Hypertension	21,569 (68.3)	2,824 (67.2)	0.023	8,517 (69.9)	2,735 (67.4)	0.055
Diabetes mellitus	6,590 (20.9)	845 (20.1)	0.019	2,443 (20.1)	831 (20.5)	0.010
Dyslipidemia	11,783 (37.3)	1,660 (39.5)	0.045	4,793 (39.3)	1,602 (39.5)	0.002
Heart failure	12,246 (38.8)	948 (22.6)	0.357	2,970 (24.4)	948 (23.3)	0.024
Previous MI	1,421 (4.5)	97 (2.3)	0.121	239 (2.0)	97 (2.4)	0.029
PAD	4,923 (15.6)	710 (16.9)	0.035	1,815 (14.9)	677 (16.7)	0.049
COPD	6,590 (20.9)	748 (17.8)	0.078	2,080 (17.1)	736 (18.1)	0.028

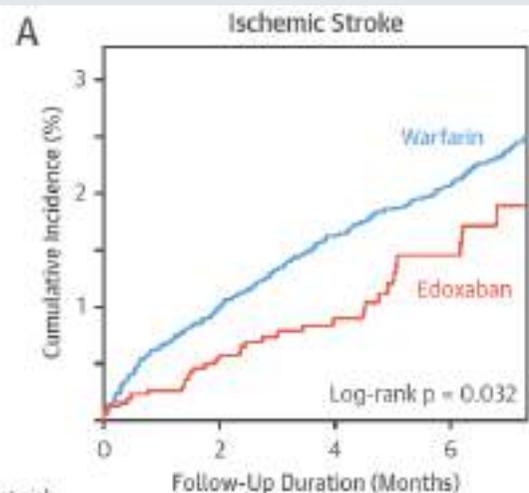
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# Edoxaban Versus Warfarin: Hazard Ratios of 6 Study Outcomes

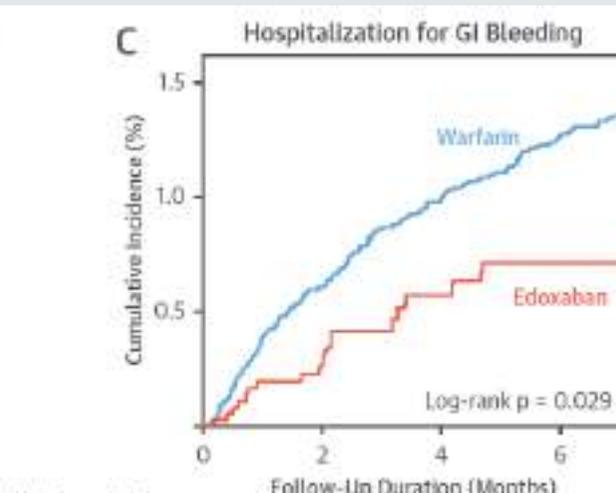


# Cumulative Incidence of 6 Study Outcomes



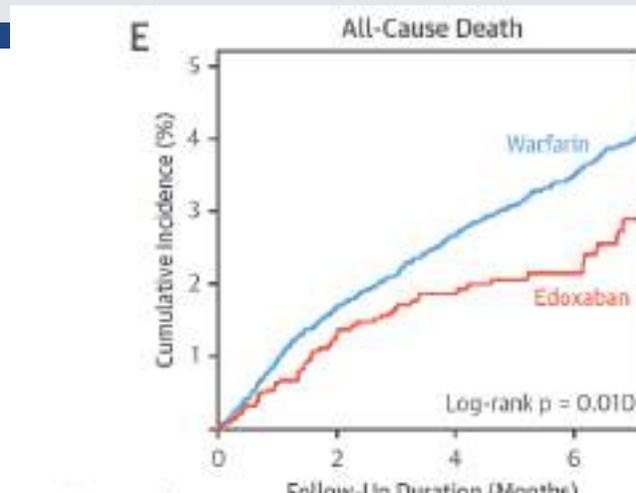
Number at risk

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Warfarin	12,183	11,503	10,984	10,556
Edoxaban	4,061	2,676	1,626	841



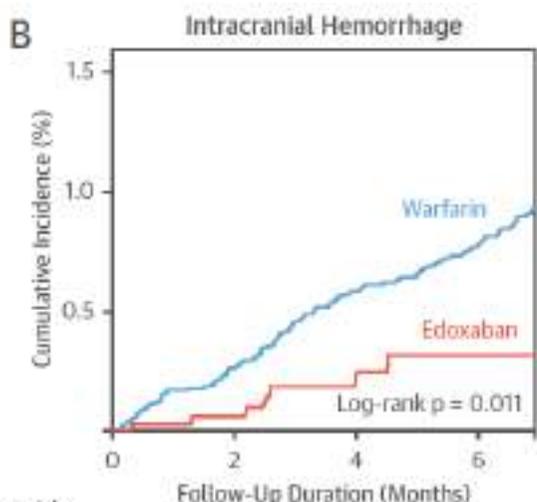
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Edoxaban	4,061	2,684	1,625	843



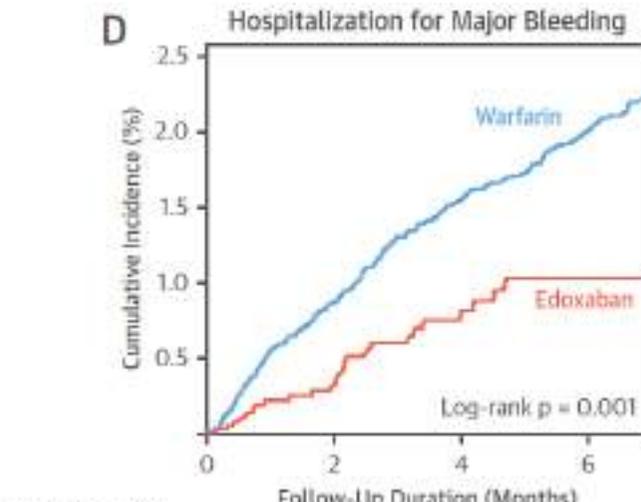
Number at risk

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Edoxaban	4,061	2,691	1,626	848



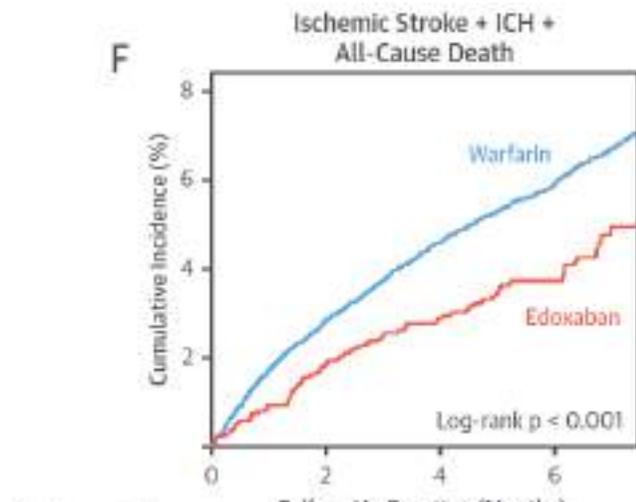
Number at risk

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Warfarin	12,183	11,585	11,093	10,688
Edoxaban	4,061	2,689	1,632	845



Number at risk

	0	2	4	6
Warfarin	12,183	11,525	11,002	10,581
Edoxaban	4,061	2,682	1,622	840

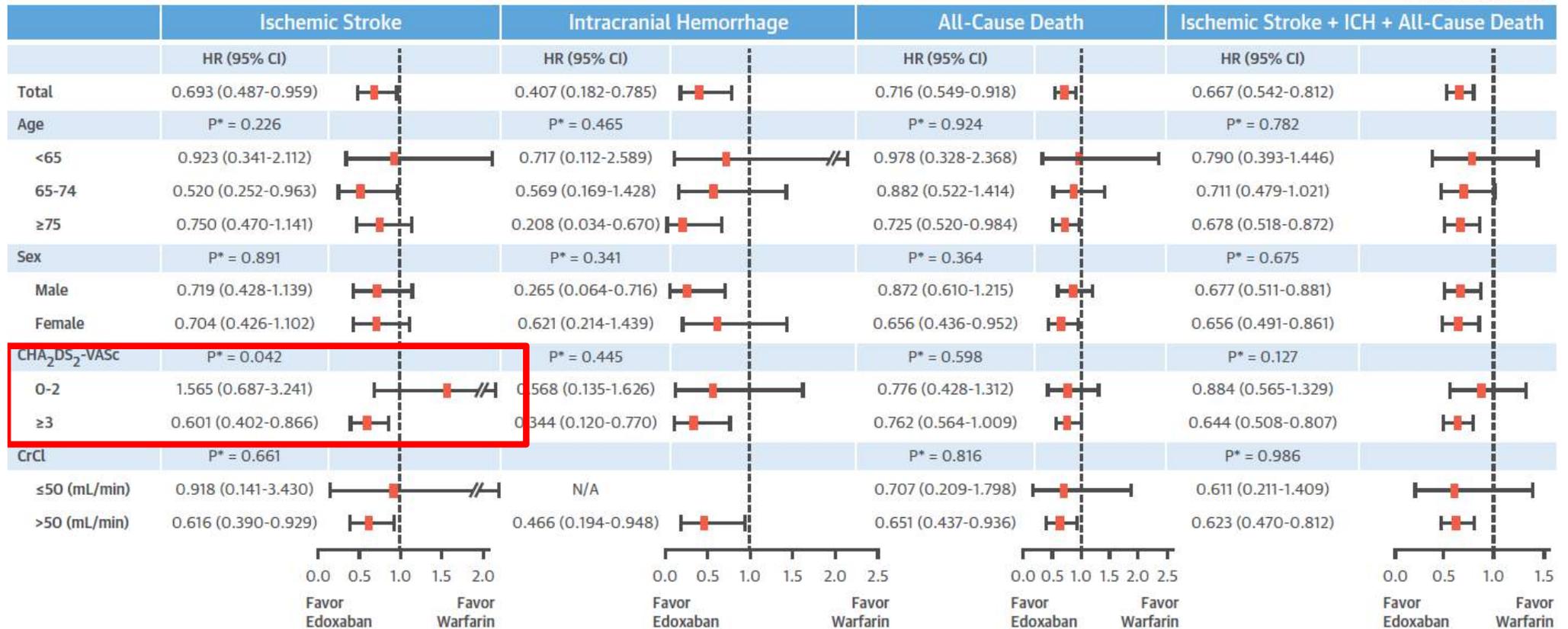


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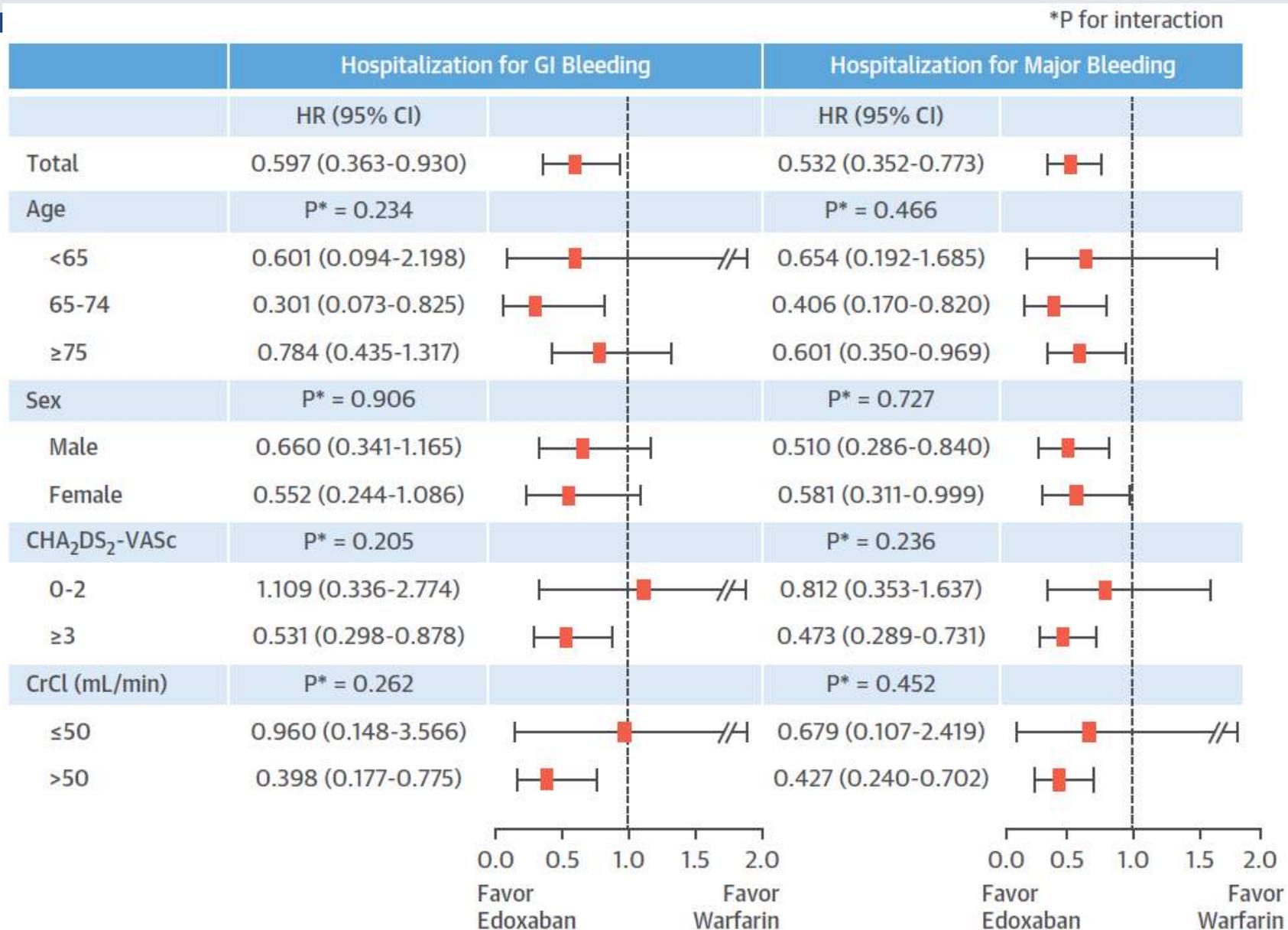
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Warfarin	12,183	11,480	10,935	10,500
Edoxaban	4,061	2,674	1,623	838

# HR of Ischemic Stroke, ICH, All-Cause Death, and Composite Outcome

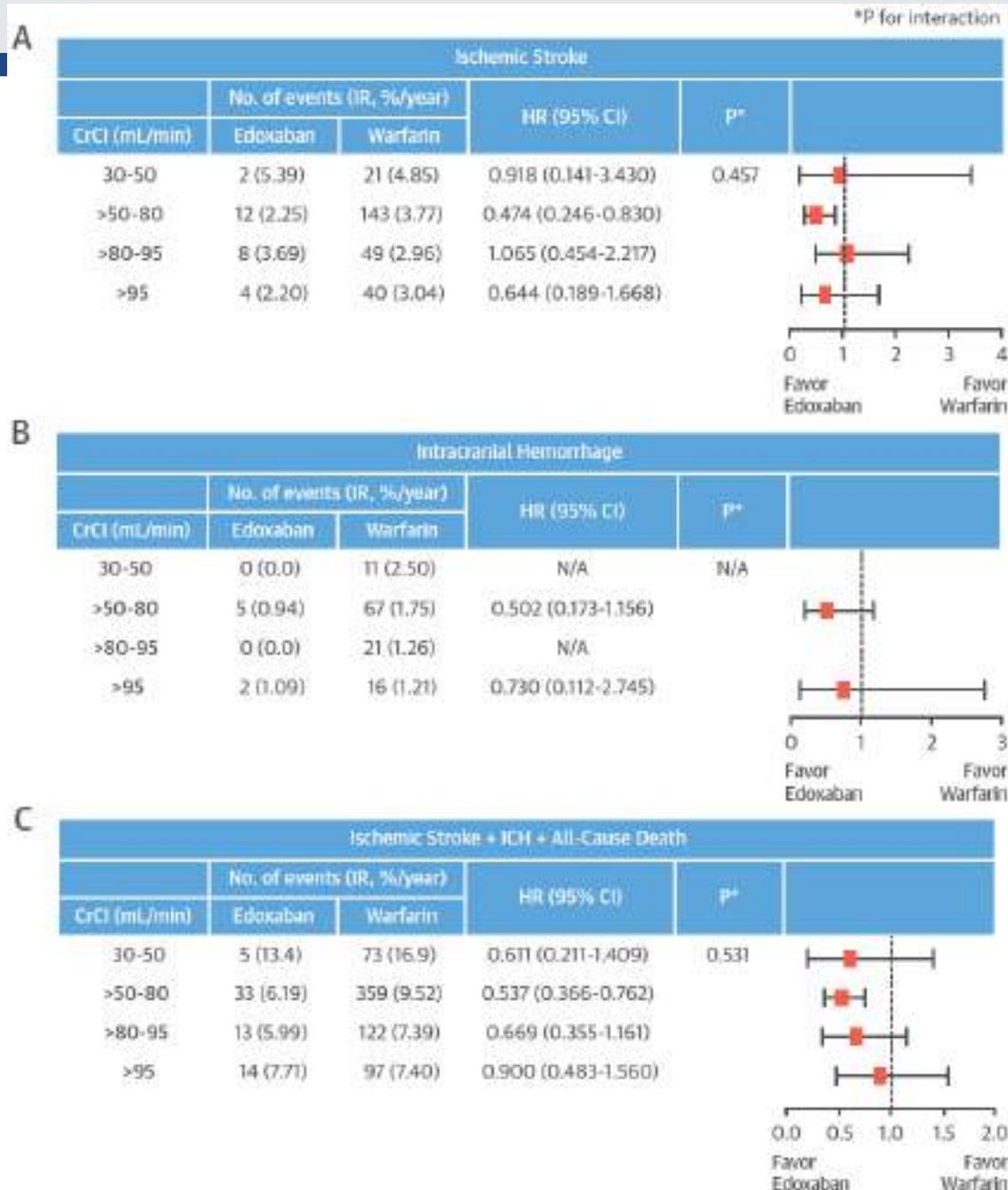
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# HRs of Hospitalization for GI Bleeding and Major Bleeding



# HRs of Ischemic Stroke, ICH, and Composite Outcome

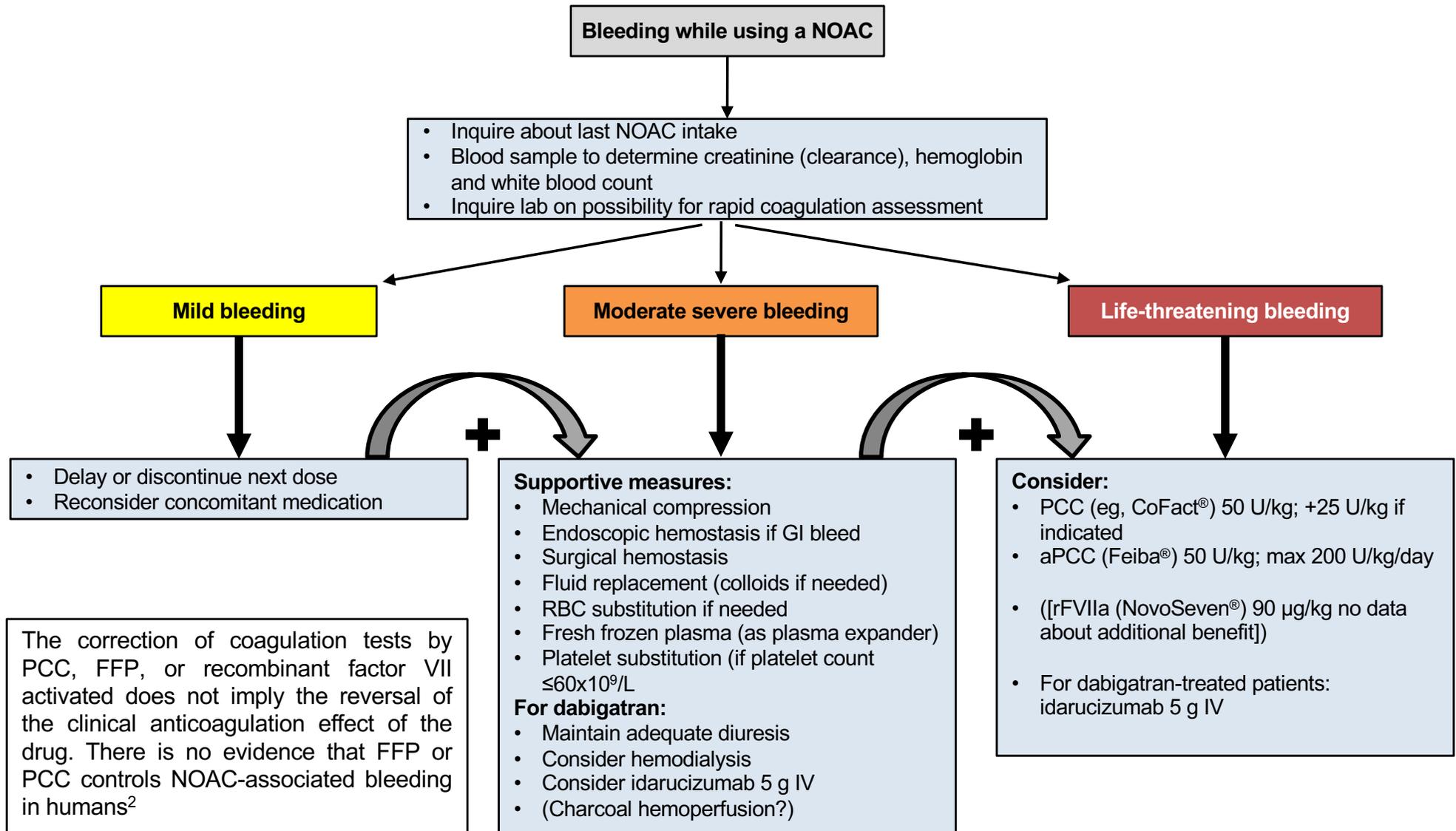


# Real world data

## Conclusions

- This study showed that edoxaban was associated with a **lower risk of ischemic stroke, ICH, hospitalization for GI bleeding, hospitalization for major bleeding, all-cause death, and the composite outcome of ischemic stroke + ICH + all-cause death** than warfarin.
- The results demonstrated the effectiveness and safety of edoxaban 60 mg, and this was **consistent with a previous meta-analysis** that reported that regular doses of DOACs were effective and safe enough in Asian patients, perhaps even more than among the non-Asian population.
- In this study, **44% of patients prescribed 30-mg edoxaban did not meet the dose reduction criteria**, which might have affected the outcomes of our study.
- These benefits were consistent across various high-risk subgroups, **including patients with high CrCl (>95 ml/min).**

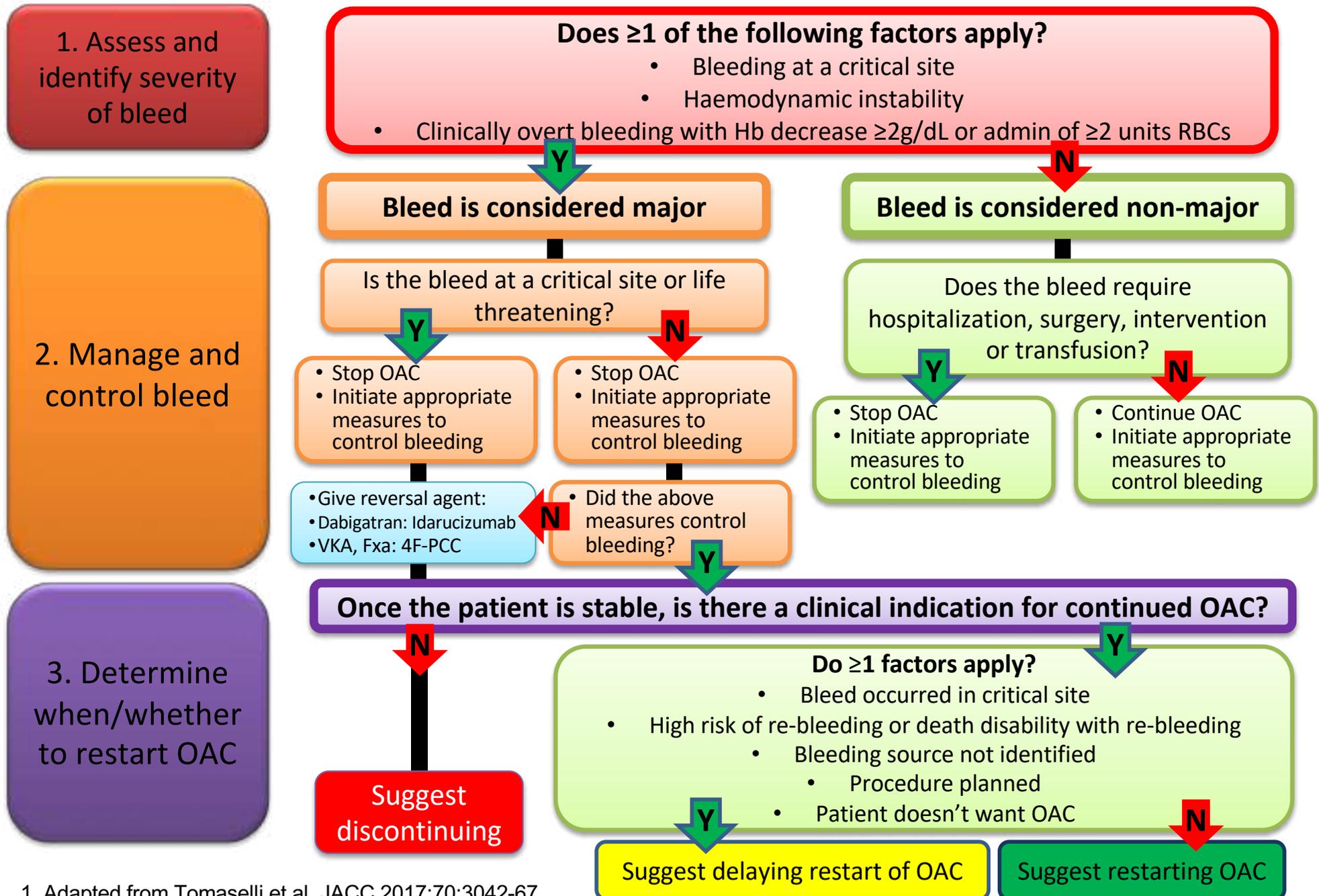
# EHRA: Management of bleeding in patients treated with NOACs<sup>1</sup>



1. Adapted from Heidbuchel et al. Europace 2015;17:1467-507.

2. Raval et al. Circulation 2017;135:e604-e633.

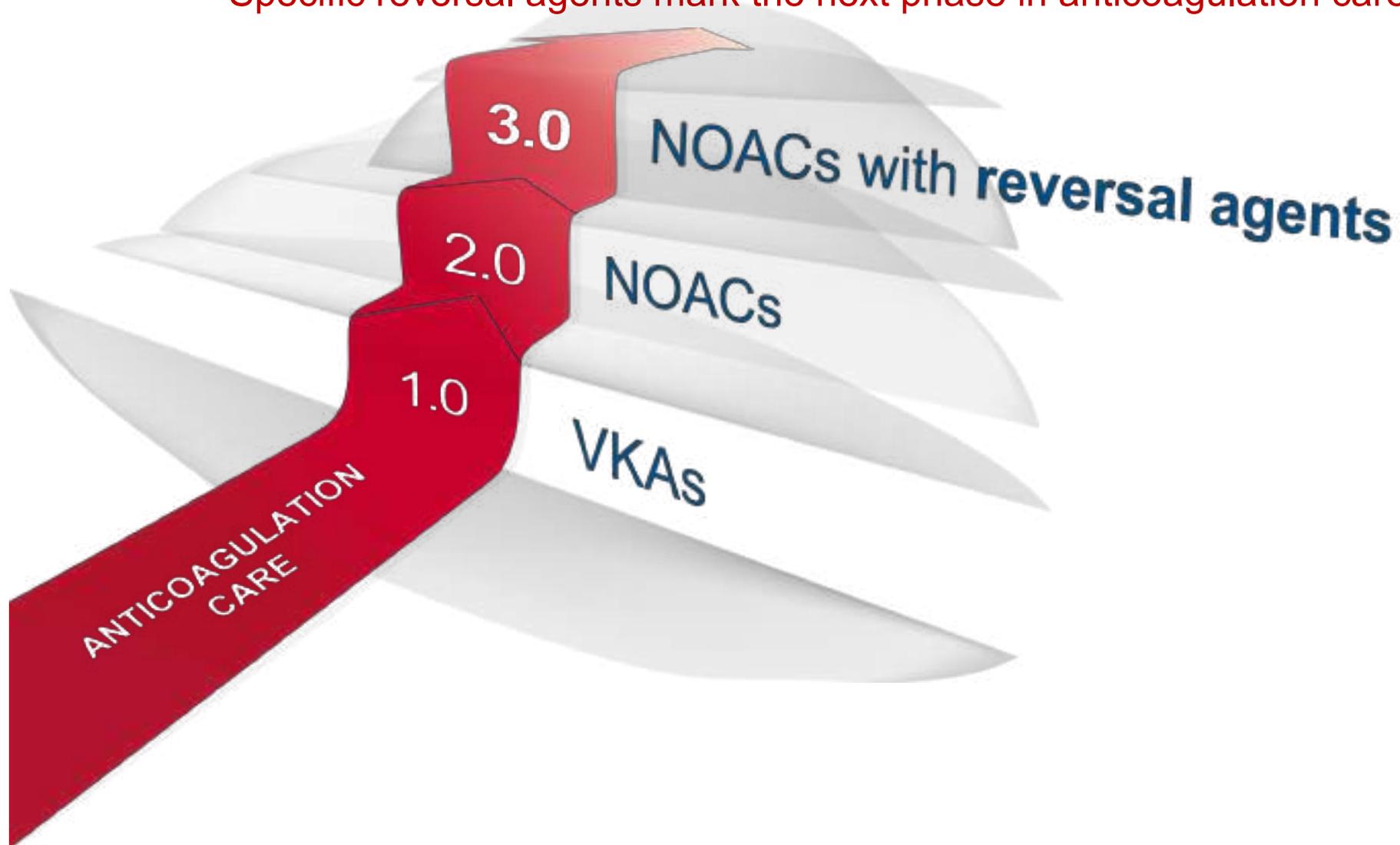
# 2017 ACC expert consensus on OAC bleeding management<sup>1</sup>



1. Adapted from Tomaselli et al. JACC 2017;70:3042-67.

**Innovation: availability of specific reversal agents marks the next phase in anticoagulation care**

**3.0 Innovation**  
Specific reversal agents mark the next phase in anticoagulation care



# NOAC antidotes

**Andexanet<sup>1</sup>**  
(PRT064445)

- Antidote for factor Xa inhibitors
- Recombinant modified human factor Xa decoy protein that binds factor Xa inhibitors in the active site

**Ciraparantag<sup>2</sup>**  
(PER977)

- Antidote for factor Xa inhibitors, direct thrombin inhibitors, low molecular-weight heparins, and fondaparinux
- Synthetic small molecule; reversal effect through direct binding to anticoagulant

**Idarucizumab<sup>3</sup>**  
(BI 655075)

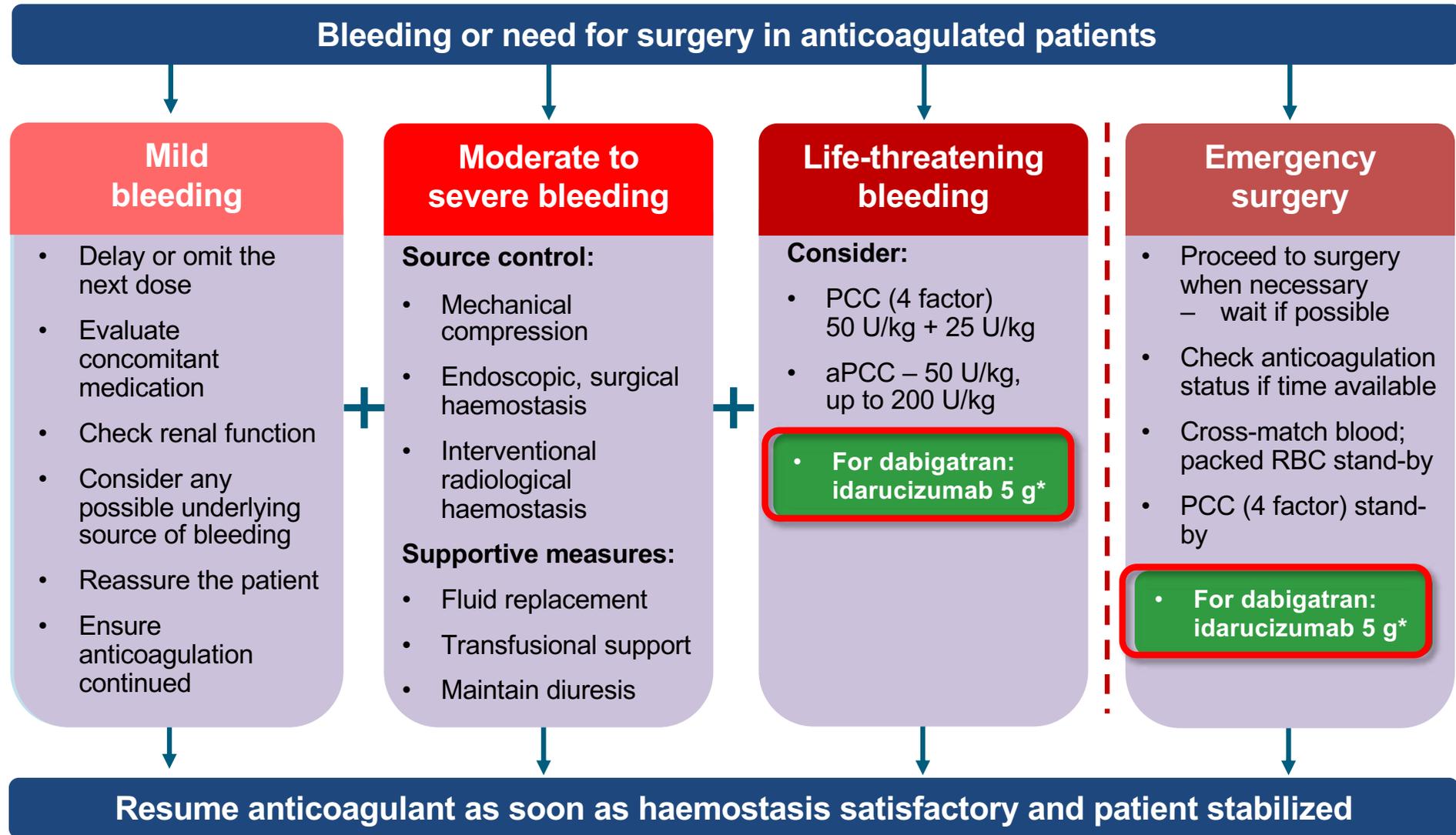
- Antidote for direct thrombin inhibitors
- Monoclonal antibody fragment

1. Siegal et al. N Engl J Med 2015;373:2413-24.
2. Milling & Katz. Am J Med 2016;129(11 Suppl):S80-S88.
3. Pollack CV Jr et al. N Engl J Med 2015;373:511-20.

## **RE-VERSE AD: key results in a cohort of multi-morbid elderly patients presenting with life-threatening emergencies**

- 1** 5 g of idarucizumab resulted in immediate, complete, and sustained reversal of dabigatran anticoagulation
- 2** Median time to cessation of assessable extracranial bleeding in Group A was 2.5 hours after reversal
- 3** Median time to surgery after reversal was 1.6 hours, with 'normal' intraoperative haemostasis in 93% of Group B patients
- 4** No safety concerns identified to date

# Idarucizumab is recommended to reverse dabigatran anticoagulation in patients requiring emergency surgery or with life-threatening bleeding



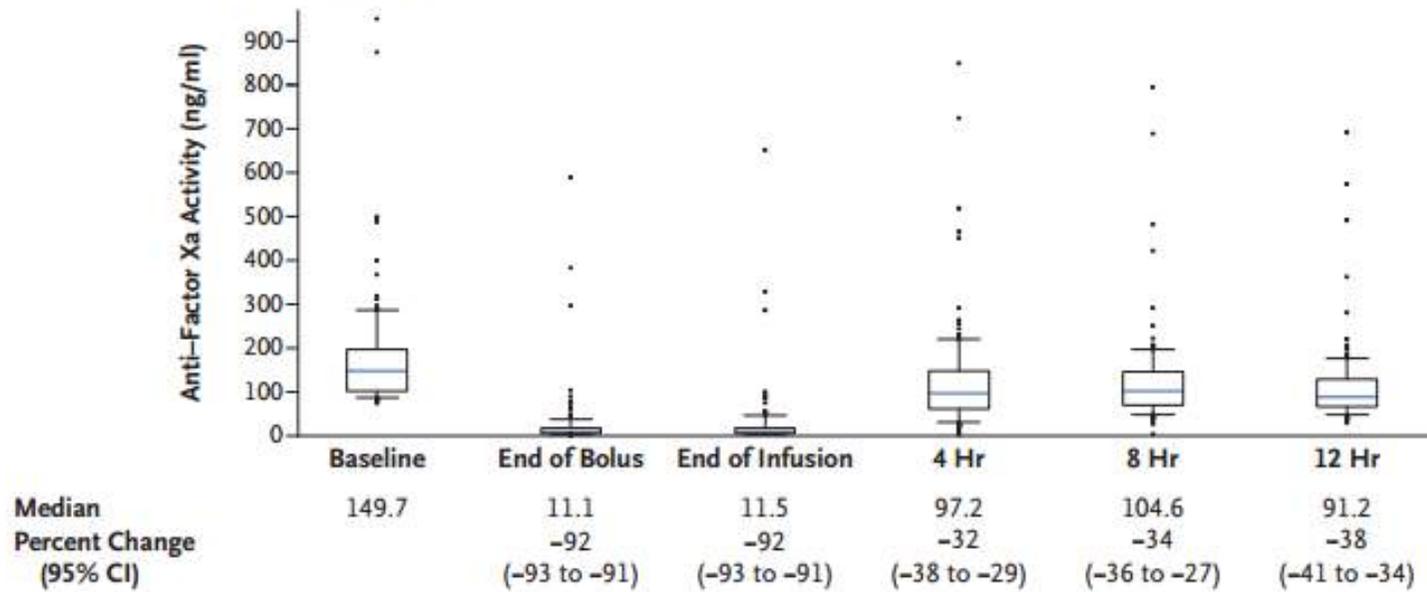
\*Idarucizumab is the preferred treatment to reverse dabigatran; PCC, prothrombin complex concentrate; RBC, red blood cell; Anticoagulation Education Task Force White Paper: Ageno W et al. Thromb Haemost 2016

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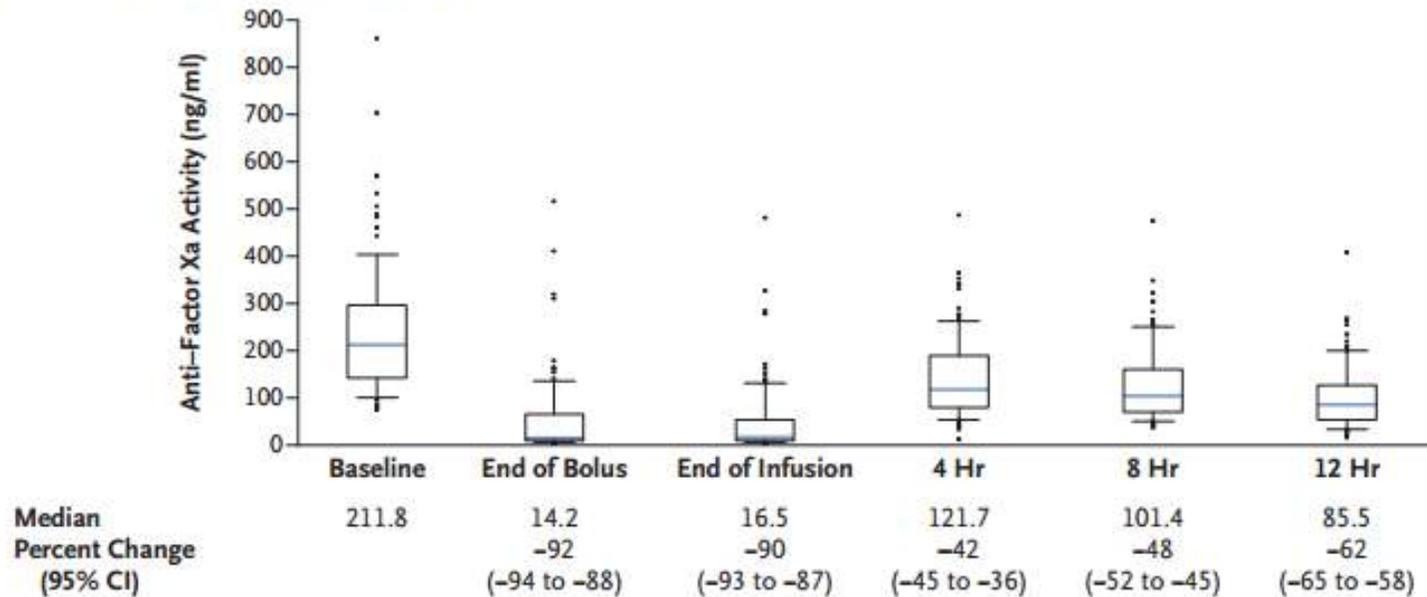
# Full Study Report of Andexanet Alfa for Bleeding Associated with Factor Xa Inhibitors

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**A Patients Who Received Apixaban**



**B Patients Who Received Rivaroxaban**



# ANNEXA-4 study Conclusions

- In patients with **acute major bleeding** associated with the **use of a factor Xa inhibitor**, treatment with **andexanet** markedly reduced anti-factor Xa activity, and 82% of patients had excellent or good hemostatic efficacy at 12 hours, as adjudicated according to prespecified criteria.

# Take Home message (1)



- ◆ Afib patients with **CHA2DS2-VASc score  $\geq 2$** 
  - ◆ OAC or NOAC is suggested (non-valvular AF)
- ◆ All NOACs have good efficacy for stroke prevention and **reduce hemorrhagic stroke (except rivaroxaban) / ICH** in RCTs
- ◆ Asian populations has **higher stroke and bleeding risk** than non-Asian populations.
- ◆ The use of **warfarin** caused **high-risk of hemorrhage in Asian** patients.  
NOACs offer proven safety and efficacy benefits for stroke prevention in patients with AF.

# Take Home message (2)



- **Edoxaban (60/30) regimens** was non-inferior to warfarin for efficacy and reduced in bleeding than warfarin in **ENGAGE-AF study**
- **Real world data** showed edoxaban has **lower risk of ischemic stroke, ICH, hospitalization for GI bleeding, hospitalization for major bleeding, all-cause death, and the composite outcome of ischemic stroke + ICH + all-cause death** than warfarin.
- **Dose reduction criteria:**  $BW < 60\text{kg}$  /  $CrCL < 50 \text{ ml/min}$  / Drug interaction
- **Once-daily edoxaban** has better drug adherence / compliance than twice-daily dose NOACs

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