

# Novel (Direct) Oral Anticoagulants in Specific Clinical Situations

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# Anticoagulants

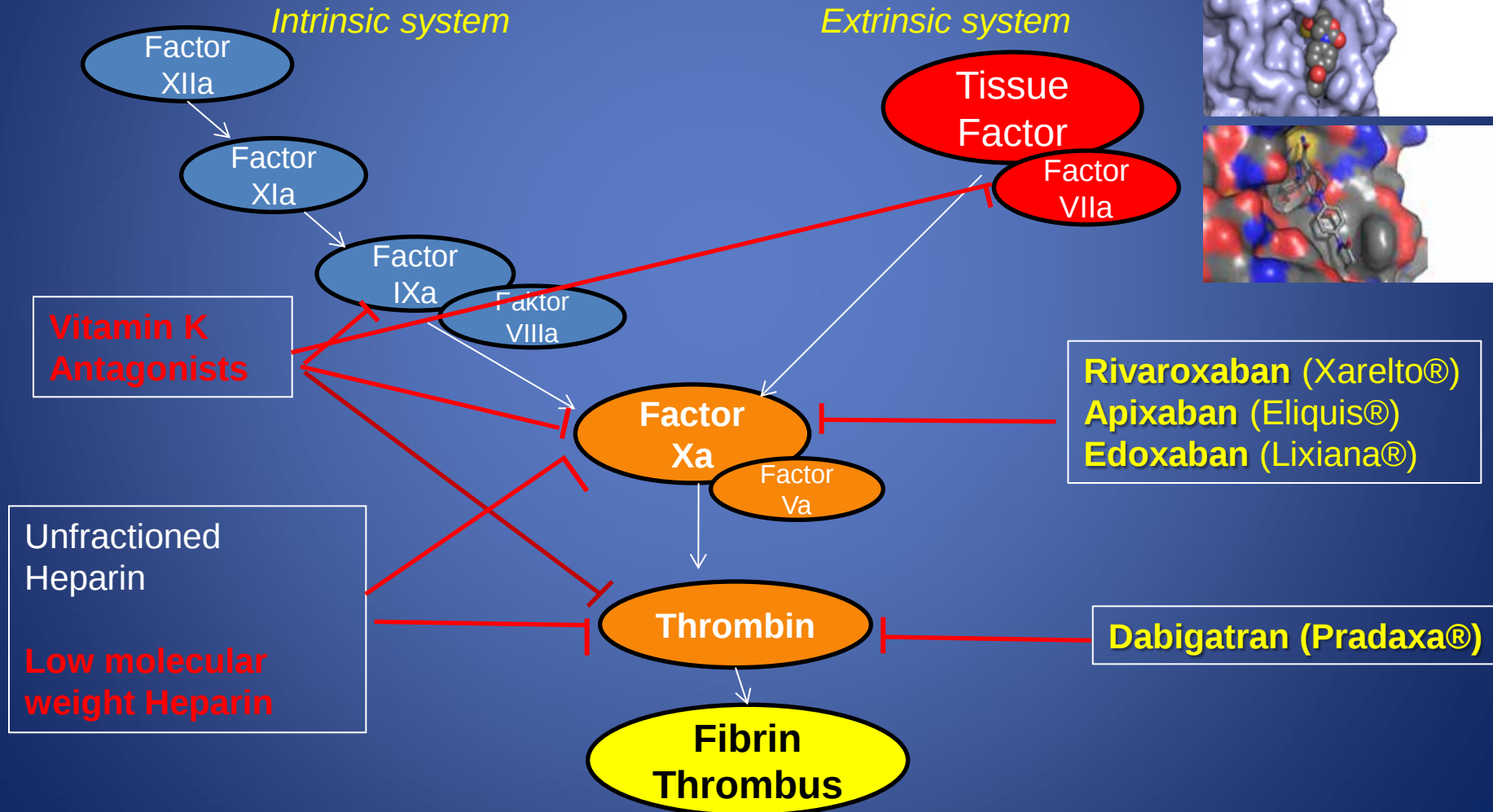
- n Unfractionated Heparin
- n Low Molecular Weight Heparin
- n Vitamin K Antagonists
  
- n Direct Oral Anticoagulants
  - n Dabigatran 2x/Tag
  - n Rivaroxaban 1x/Tag
  - n Apixaban 2x/Tag
  - n Edoxaban 1x/Tag





# Direct oral Anticoagulants (DOAC)

## Clotting-cascade



# ***Direct Oral Anticoagulants***

**Prophylaxis after  
hip or knee-endoprosthesis**

**Thrombembolism-prophylaxis  
in non-valvular atrial fibrillation**

**Treatment of deep vein thrombosis  
or pulmonary embolism**

# Novel Anticoagulants

**Tabla 1. Tabla comparativa de nuevos anticoagulantes**

| <b>Fármaco</b> | <b>Mecanismo acción</b>           | <b>Dosis profilaxis</b> | <b>Dosis tratamiento</b>                           | <b>Vida media</b> | <b>Aprobación basada en evidencia</b>      |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Warfarina      | Inh. Epóxido vitamina K reductasa | Según INR               | Según INR                                          | 35-45 horas       | Profilaxis y Tratamiento ETE               |
| Acenocumarol   | Inh. Epóxido vitamina K reductasa | Según INR               | Según INR                                          | 8-24 horas        | Profilaxis y tratamiento ETE               |
| Dabigatran     | Inh. IIa                          | 150-220 mg QD           | 110 mg o 150 mg BID                                | 12-17 horas       | Profilaxis ETE<br>Tratamiento ETE en FA    |
| Rivaroxaban    | Inh. Xa                           | 10 mg QD                | 20 mg QD (15 mg QD en caso de insuficiencia renal) | 5-9 horas         | Profilaxis ETE post cirugía rodilla/cadera |
| Apixaban       | Inh. Xa                           | 2,5-5 mg BID            |                                                    | 9-14 horas        | Estudios fase III en curso                 |
| Betrixaban     | Inh. Xa                           | 40-80 mg QD             |                                                    |                   | Estudios Fase II en curso                  |
| Edoxaban       | Inh. Xa                           | 30-60 mg QD             |                                                    |                   | Estudio fase III en curso                  |

Berkovits et al, Rev Med Chile 2011; 139: 1347-1355

# Studies DOACS versus Warfarin in non-valvular atrial fibrillation

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|--------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Patient<br>numbers | 6075                   | 6011                   | 7131                   | 9020               | 7032               |
| Age                | 71.5                   | 71.4                   | 73                     | 70                 | 72                 |
| CHADS-<br>score    | 2.2                    | 2.1                    | 3.48                   | 2.1                | 2.8                |

Conolly NEJM 2009, Patel NEJM 2011, Granger NEJM 2011, Gugliano NEJM 2013

# Outcomes DOACS versus Warfarin in non-valvular atrial fibrillation (HR, 95% CI)

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| Major<br>bleeding        | 0.93<br>(0.81-1.07)    | 0.80<br>(0.69-0.93)    | 1.04<br>(0.90-1.20)    | 0.69<br>(0.60-0.80) | 0.80<br>(0.71-0.91) |
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# Novel Anticoagulants in the Treatment of Acute Venous Thromboembolism

| Substance   | Heparin-prephase | Blinded | Duration                  | Extension Study |
|-------------|------------------|---------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Apixaban    | no               | yes     | 6 months                  | yes             |
| Dabigatran  | yes              | yes     | 6 months                  | yes             |
| Edoxaban    | yes              | yes     | Until 12 months, variable | no              |
| Rivaroxaban | no               | no      | 3,6,12 months, predefined | yes             |

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| Dabigatran        | 1.05 (0.65-1.84) | 0.82 (0.45-1.48) | 0.63 (0.47-0.84)       |
| Edoxaban          | 0.89 (0.70-1.13) | 0.84 (0.59-1.21) | 0.81 (0.71-0.94)       |
| Rivaroxaban<br>VT | 0.68 (0.44-1.04) | 0.65 (0.33-1.30) | 0.97 (0.76-1.22)       |
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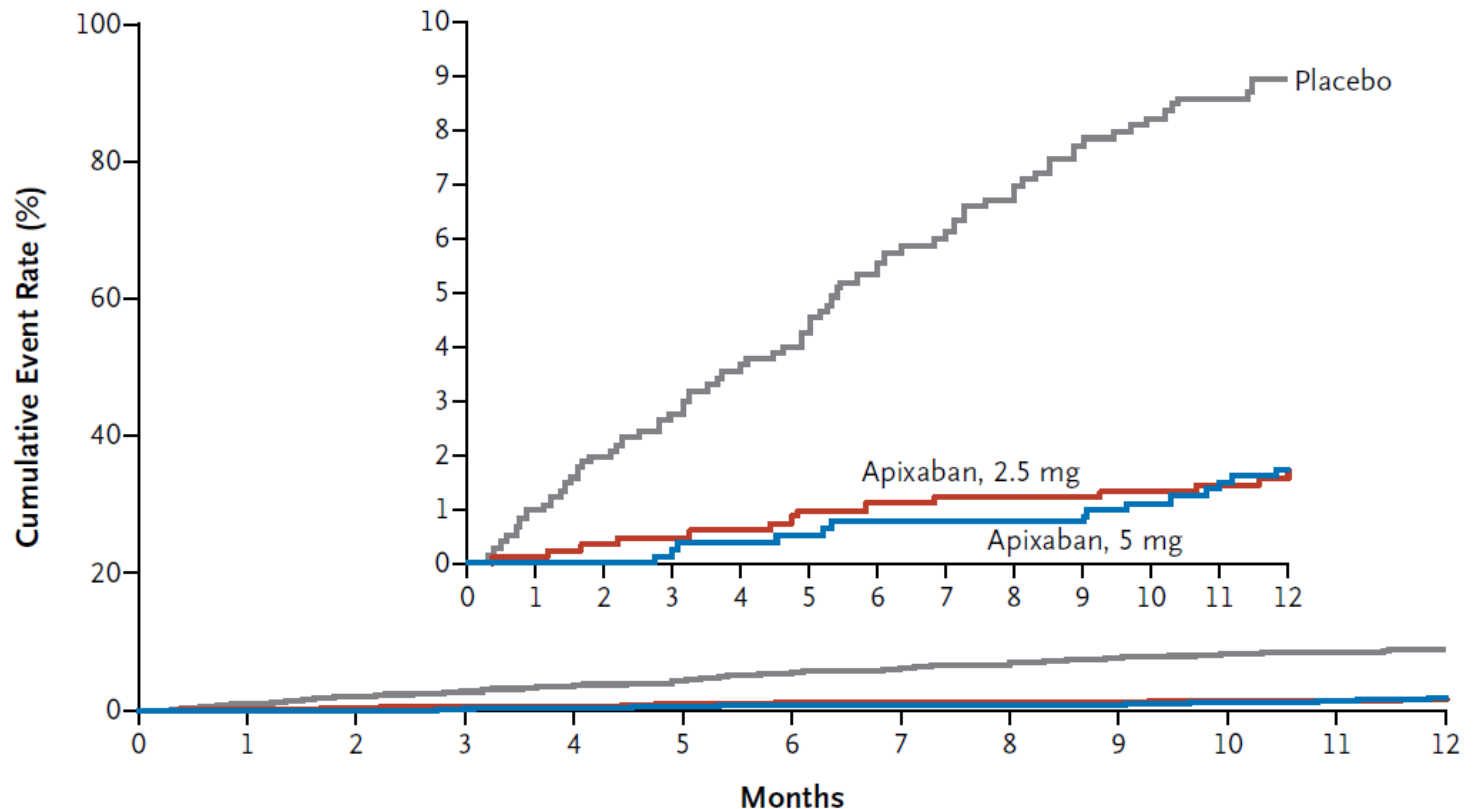
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# Apixaban for extended treatment of VTE

## Recurrent thrombosis

**A** Symptomatic Recurrent VTE or VTE-Related Death



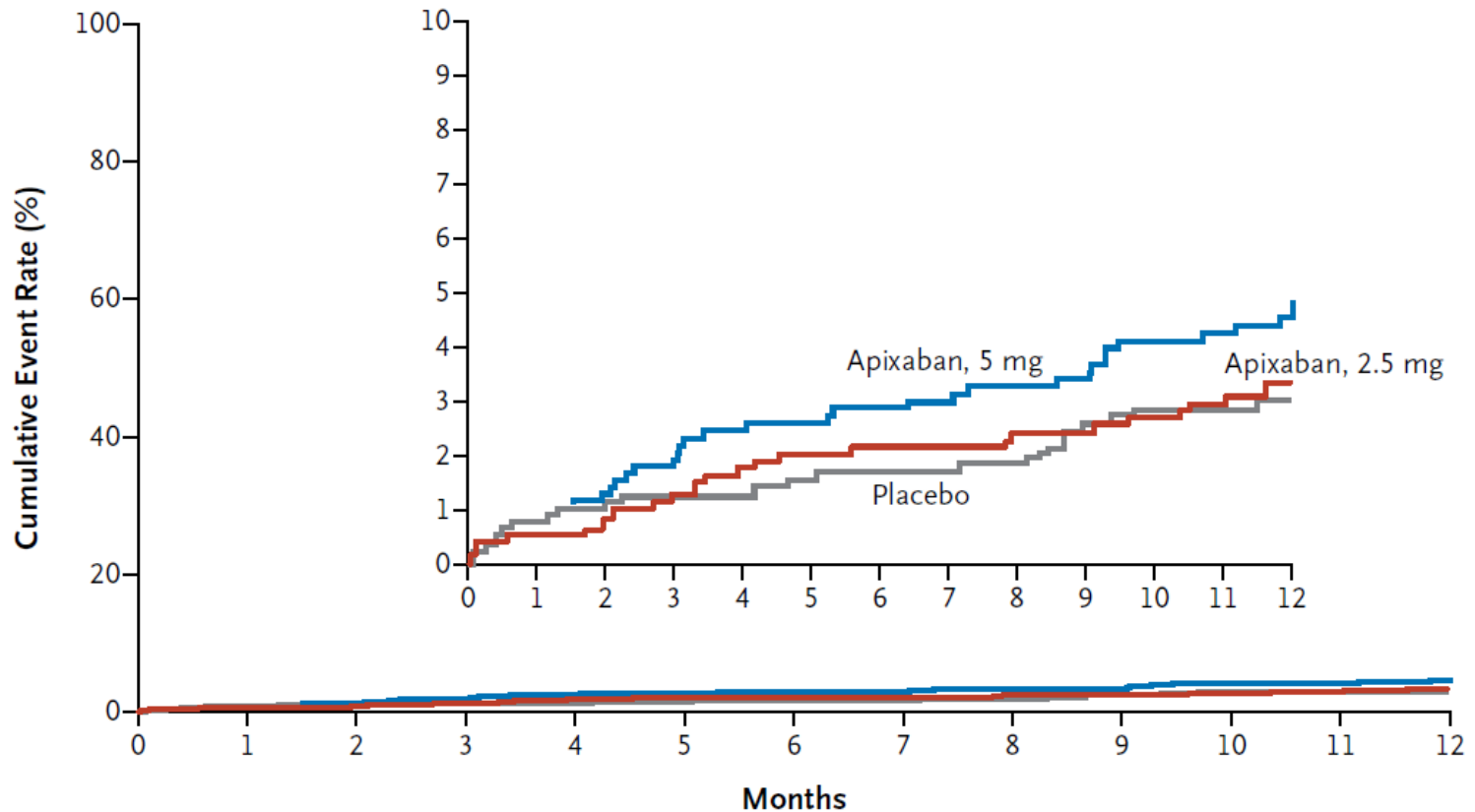
**No. at Risk**

|                  |     |     |     |     |     |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Apixaban, 2.5 mg | 840 | 836 | 825 | 818 | 533 |
| Apixaban, 5 mg   | 813 | 807 | 799 | 791 | 513 |
| Placebo          | 826 | 796 | 768 | 743 | 471 |

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## Bleedings

### B Major or Clinically Relevant Nonmajor Bleeding



#### No. at Risk

|                  |     |     |     |     |     |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Apixaban, 2.5 mg | 840 | 786 | 759 | 737 | 354 |
| Apixaban, 5 mg   | 811 | 751 | 716 | 689 | 331 |
| Placebo          | 823 | 749 | 687 | 651 | 298 |

# NOACS

## Specific Clinical Situations

- n Elderly patients
- n Renal insufficiency
- n Compliance
- n NOACS in cancer patients
- n Bleeding management

# Fatal bleeding in patients receiving anticoagulant therapy for venous thromboembolism: RIETE registry

|                                                             |             |                  |                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Age &gt; 75 years</b>                                    | <b>2.16</b> | <b>1.49–3.16</b> | <b>&lt; 0.001</b> |
| Recent major bleeding                                       | 2.64        | 1.44–4.83        | 0.002             |
| Immobility $\geq$ 4 days                                    | 1.99        | 1.40–2.83        | < 0.001           |
| <b>Metastatic cancer</b>                                    | <b>3.80</b> | <b>2.56–5.64</b> | <b>&lt; 0.001</b> |
| Anemia                                                      | 1.54        | 1.07–2.22        | 0.021             |
| Platelet count $< 100 \times 10^9 \text{ L}^{-1}$           | 2.23        | 1.16–4.29        | 0.016             |
| Abnormal prothrombin time                                   | 2.09        | 1.34–3.26        | 0.001             |
| <b>CrCl levels <math>&lt; 30 \text{ mL min}^{-1}</math></b> | <b>2.27</b> | <b>1.49–3.44</b> | <b>&lt; 0.001</b> |
| Distal DVT                                                  | 0.39        | 0.16–0.95        | 0.038             |

# Anticoagulation in elderly patients with AF (>75 years)

Rate of patients > 75 years

Re-ly (Dabigatran): 40%

Rocket (Rivaroxaban): 38%

Aristotle (Apixaban ): 31%

Similar efficacy and safety  
compared to vitamin K antagonists  
in elderly patients in relation to  
younger patients

# Renal insufficiency and NOACs

Efficacy and safety

# Atrial fibrillation (AF) in Chronic kidney disease (CKD)

- n AF prevalence in patients with end-stage renal disease  
13 – 27%
  - n Stroke incidence per US Renal Data System:
    - n 15.1 % in hemodialysis (HD) patients
    - n 9.6% patients at other CKD stages
    - n 2.6% in the control group
- n CHADS2 may underestimate stroke risk with AF in stage  
3 CKD (eGFR 30 – 59 mL/min)
- n Proteinuria increased thromboembolism risk by 54%

# Anticoagulation Renal Clearance

| Anticoagulant         | Renal elimination |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| LMW-Heparin           | 90%               |
| Vitamin K-Antagonists | 0%                |
| Apixaban              | 25%               |
| Dabigatran            | 90%               |
| Edoxaban              | 35%               |
| Rivaroxaban           | 35%               |

# Anticoagulation with NOACs

## Influence of renal function on drug half lives

**Table 6** Estimated drug half-lives and effect on area under the curve NOAC plasma concentrations in different stages of chronic kidney disease compared to healthy controls

|                                             | Dabigatran          | Apixaban | Edoxaban <sup>a</sup> | Rivaroxaban                 |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| CrCl $\geq 60$ ml/min<br>CKD Stage I and II | ~14 h <sup>48</sup> | No data  | ~8.6 h <sup>49</sup>  | ~8.5 h <sup>50</sup> (+44%) |
| CrCl 30–60 ml/min<br>CKD Stage III          | ~18 h <sup>48</sup> | No data  | ~9.4 h <sup>49</sup>  | ~9 h (+52%)                 |
| CrCl 15–30 ml/min<br>CKD Stage IV           | ~28 h <sup>48</sup> | No data  | ~16.9 h <sup>49</sup> | ~9.5 h (+64%)               |
| CrCl $\leq 15$ ml/min<br>CKD Stage V        | No data             | No data  | No data               | No data                     |

<sup>a</sup>No EMA approval yet. Needs update after finalisation of SmPC.

CKD, chronic kidney disease; CrCl, creatinine clearance.

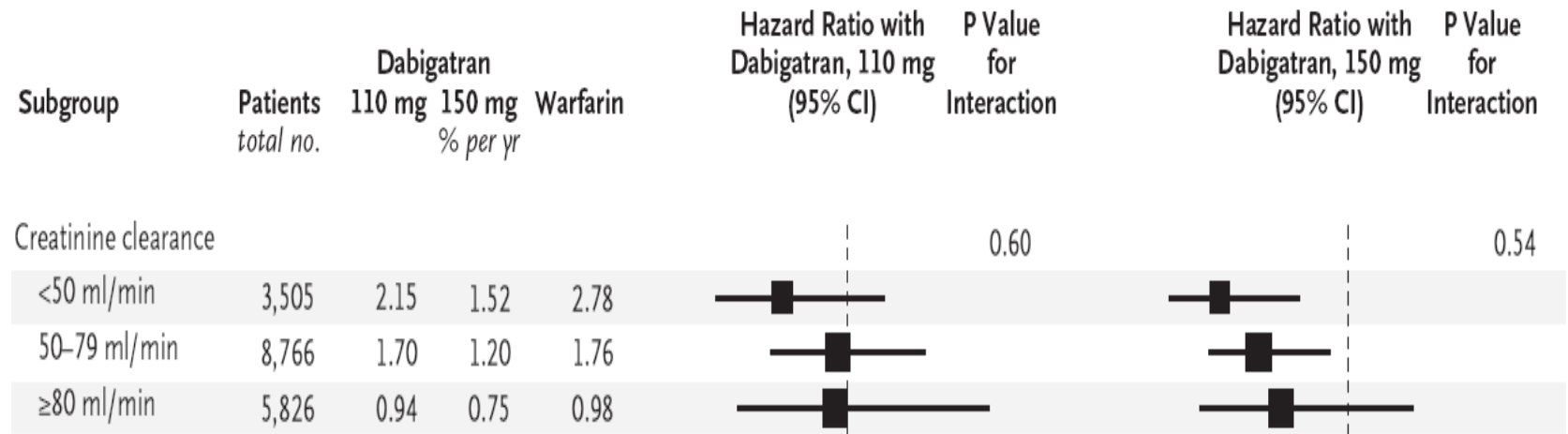
Hatching, no available data yet.

# ARISTOTLE: Outcomes by Renal Function

## Cockcroft-Gault

| Outcome                                                                                                                                   | eGFR mL/min<br>Cockcroft-Gault | Apixaban<br>%/year | Warfarin<br>%/year | Hazard Ratio<br>(95% CI) | P-value |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------|
| Stroke/<br>Systemic<br>Embolism                                                                                                           | > 80                           | 0.99               | 1.12               | 0.88 (0.64-1.22)         | 0.705   |
|                                                                                                                                           | > 50 – 80                      | 1.24               | 1.69               | 0.74 (0.56-0.97)         |         |
|                                                                                                                                           | ≤ 50                           | 2.11               | 2.67               | 0.79 (0.55-1.14)         |         |
| Primary endpoint of stroke/systemic embolism occurred less frequently in patients on apixaban vs. warfarin, regardless of renal function. |                                |                    |                    |                          |         |
| All Cause<br>Mortality                                                                                                                    | > 80                           | 2.33               | 2.71               | 0.86 (0.70-1.06)         | 0.627   |
|                                                                                                                                           | > 50 – 80                      | 3.41               | 3.56               | 0.96 (0.81-1.14)         |         |
|                                                                                                                                           | ≤ 50                           | 7.12               | 8.30               | 0.86 (0.70-1.05)         |         |
| Annual all-cause mortality rate was three-fold higher in patients with moderate/severe renal dysfunction                                  |                                |                    |                    |                          |         |
| Major<br>Bleeding                                                                                                                         | > 80                           | 1.46               | 1.84               | 0.80 (0.61-1.04)         | 0.030   |
|                                                                                                                                           | > 50 – 80                      | 2.45               | 3.21               | 0.77 (0.62-0.94)         |         |
|                                                                                                                                           | ≤ 50                           | 3.21               | 6.44               | 0.50 (0.38-0.66)         |         |

# Stroke prophylaxis with dabigatran in patients with AF - efficacy in patients with renal insufficiency



# Adherence - data from antihypertensive treatment

- n 76 patients with **resistant hypertension**, evaluated through toxicologic urine analysis
  - n 53% “non-adherent”, 30% complete, 70% incomplete adherence (85% took less than 50% of medication)

# Adherence of dabigatran medication in patients with AF

- n National cohort of 5,376 patients with NVAF, initiated on dabigatran between 10/2010 and 9/2012 at all Veterans Affairs hospitals
- n Adherence measured in proportion of days covered by drug-intake

# Adherence of dabigatran medication in patients with AF

- n 28% had a proportion of days covered (PDC) of < 80%
- n Lower adherence was associated with increased risk for combined all-cause mortality and stroke

# NOACS in cancer patients

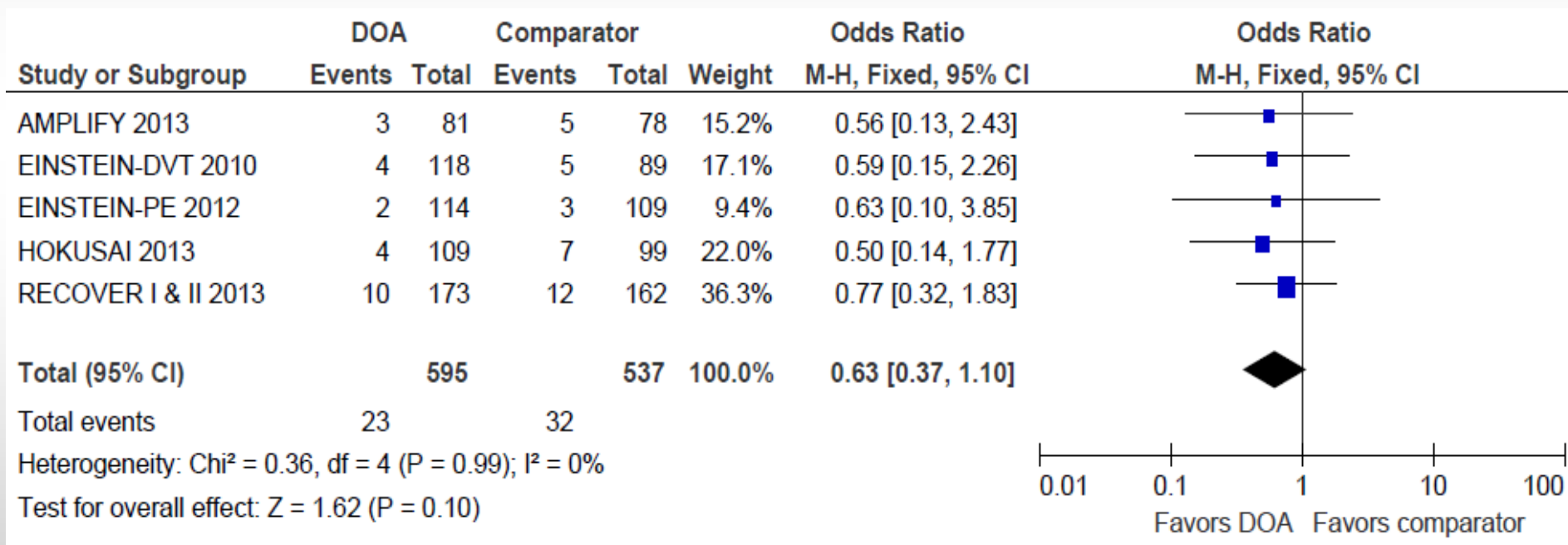
- n The treatment of choice in cancer patients with venous thrombosis or pulmonary embolism is low molecular weight heparin

Are NOACS equally effective?

Presently no studies comparing NOACS with LMWH in cancer patients

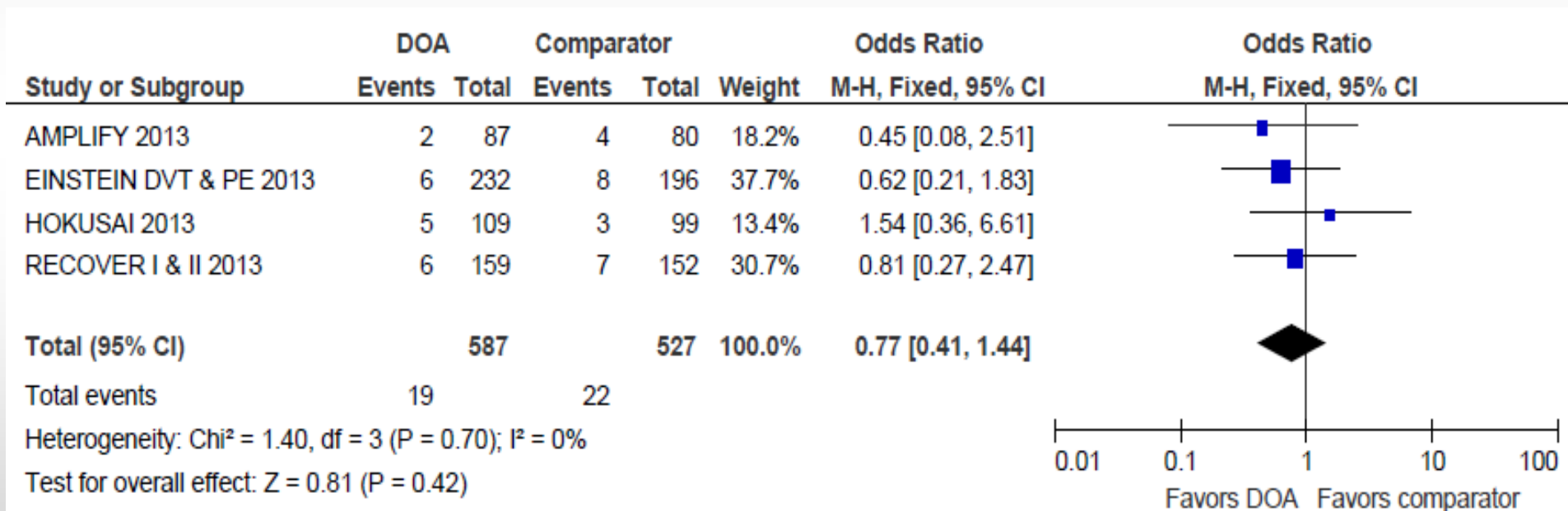
# Meta-analysis of 6 randomized studies NOAC versus VKA in cancer patients

## VTE recurrence



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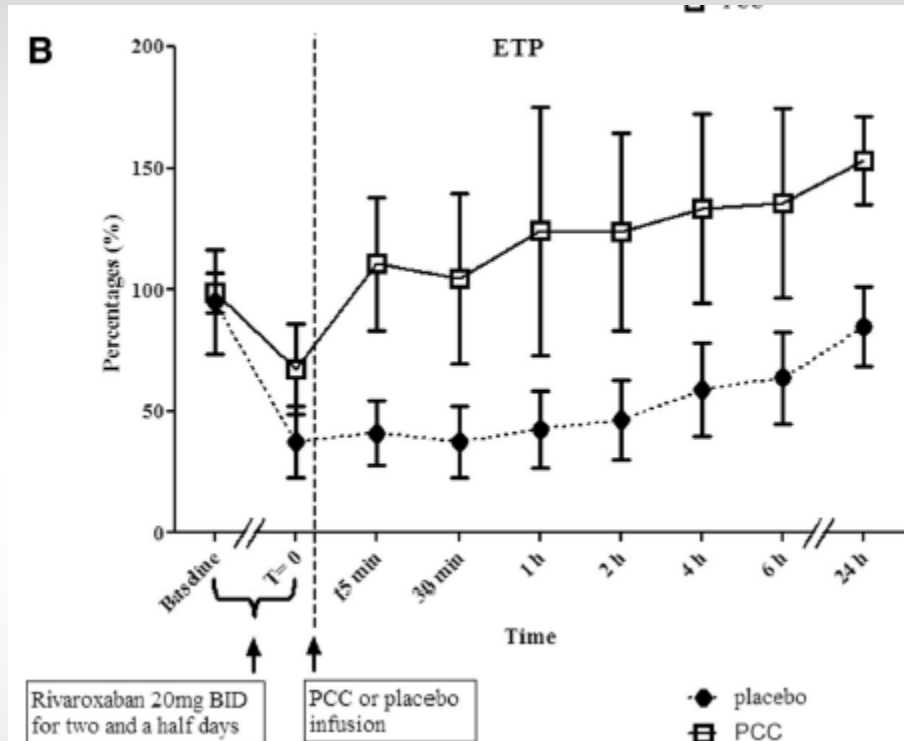
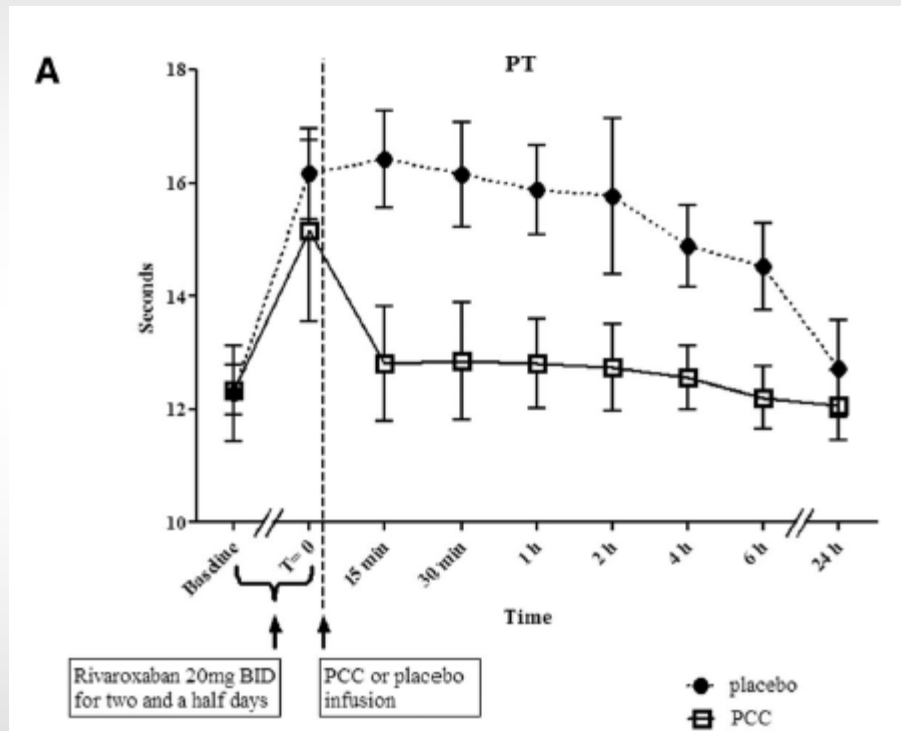


# Reversal of anticoagulation with NOACS

- n Presently no direct antidote available
  - n Fully humanized antibody fragment (Fab) rapidly reversed the anticoagulation effect of **dabigatran** in healthy male volunteers in a phase I study, phase III study ongoing
- n Partial reversal of factor Xa antagonists possible by prothrombin complex concentrates, activated prothrombin complex concentrates (FEIBA) and factor VII a

# Antagonisation of rivaroxaban by PCC

Randomized, Placebo-Controlled, Crossover Study in Healthy Subjects



PT= Prothrombinzeit, ETP=Endogenous Thrombin Potential

PT und ETP reversed by **PCC 50 IE/kg BW**

Erenberg et al, Circulation 2011

# Summary – Take home messages

- n NOACS have an improved profile with regard to efficacy and safety
- n Kidney function has to be tested prior to treatment before each NOAC
  - n Crucial for Dabigatran (mostly eliminated renally)
  - n Test regularly kidney function, when a patient's condition deteriorates
- n Adherence may be less than with vitamin K antagonists
  - n Patient education is important
- n NOACs in cancer patients: May be an alternative, when patients do not tolerate daily injections and after 3-6 months of LMWH

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