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**Efficacia e sicurezza dei
NAO nella prevenzione
dell'ictus in pazienti con
FANV: dai trials alla real
life**

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Diagnosi eziopatogenetica clinico-strumentale dell'ictus ischemico: Classificazione TOAST

Classificazione su base fisiopatologica dei sottotipi dell'ictus ischemico

(criteri del TOAST, 1993)

Aterosclerosi dei vasi di grosso calibro

Cardioembolia (possibile/probabile)

Occlusione dei piccoli vasi

Ictus da cause diverse

Ictus da cause non determinate

- a. identificazione di due o più cause
- b. valutazione negativa
- c. valutazione incompleta

Sottotipi di ictus ischemico e correlati clinico-strumentali

Caratteristiche		aterosclerosi dei TSA	cardio-embolismo	lacunare	altri
Cliniche	disfunzione corticale o cerebellare	+	+	-	+/-
	sindrome lacunare	-	-	+	+/-
Neuroradiologiche	infarto corticale, cerebellare o subcorticale >1,5 cm	+	+	-	+/-
	infarto subcorticale o del tronco encefalico <1,5 cm	-	-	+/-	+/-
Indagini strumentali	stenosi della carotide interna extracranica	+	-	-	-
	sorgente cardioembolica	-	+	-	-
	altre anomalie	-	-	-	+

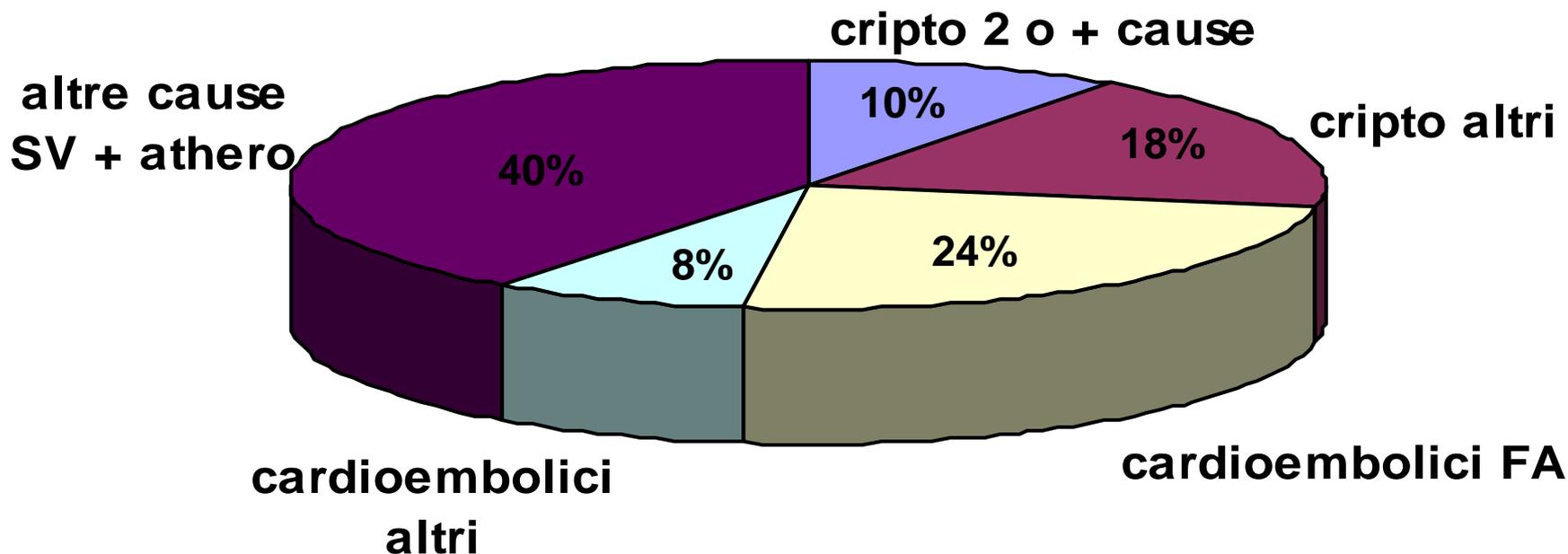
Registro stroke U.O. Neurologia (dal 2009)

1735 ictus ischemici

FA → 75% dei cardioembolici

Ictus cardioembolici → 89% in TAO alla dimissione

Note: tra gli ictus criptogenetici per presenza di 2 o più cause vi sono molti con cardioembolia probabile + altra causa probabile



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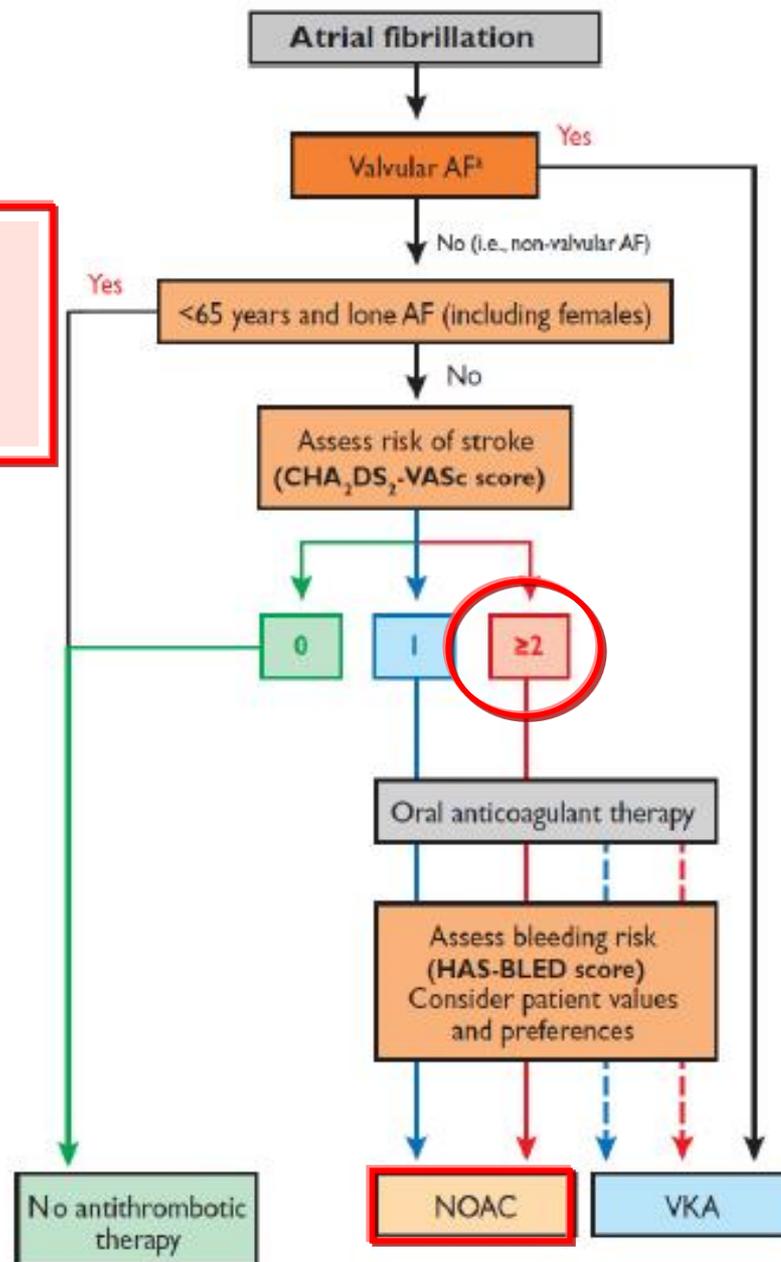
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Prevenzione primaria rischio embolico in AF

In patients with a CHA_2DS_2-VASc score ≥ 2 , OAC therapy with:

- adjusted-dose VKA (INR 2–3); or
 - a direct thrombin inhibitor (dabigatran); or
 - an oral factor Xa inhibitor (e.g. rivaroxaban, apixaban)^d
- ... is recommended, unless contraindicated.

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Assessing Risk

CHA₂DS₂VASc

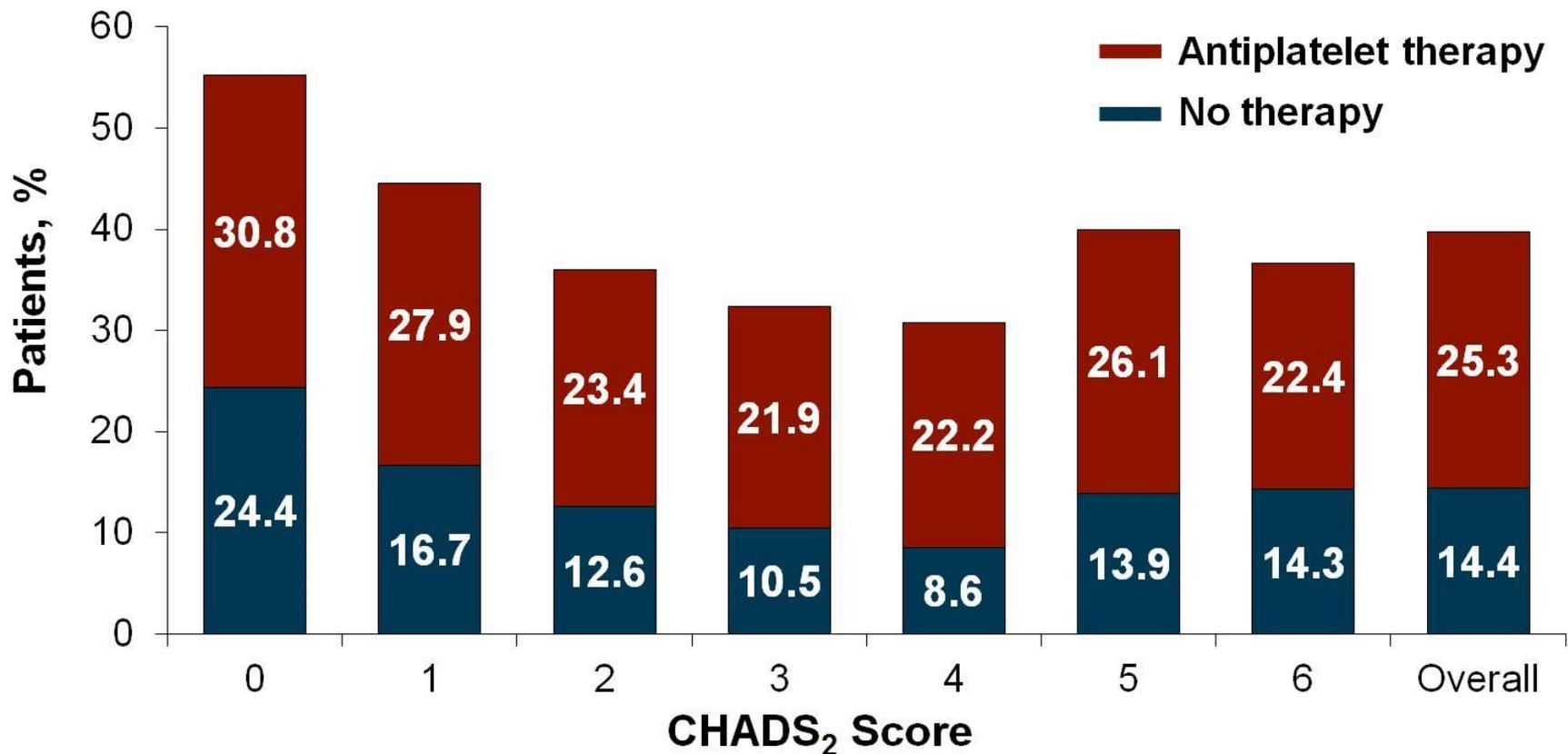
	Condition	Points	CHA ₂ DS ₂ -VASc Score	Stroke Risk, %
C	Congestive heart failure (or Left ventricular systolic dysfunction)	1	0	0
H	Hypertension: blood pressure consistently above 140/90 mmHg (or treated hypertension on medication)	1	1	1.3
A₂	Age ≥75 years	2	2	2.2
D	Diabetes Mellitus	1	3	3.2
S₂	Prior stroke or TIA or thromboembolism	2	4	4.0
V	Vascular disease (eg, peripheral artery disease, myocardial infarction, aortic plaque)	1	5	6.7
A	Age 65-74 years	1	6	9.8
Sc	Sex category (ie, female sex)	1	7	9.6
			8	6.7
			9	15.2

Lip GY, et al. *Chest*. 2010;137:263-72.^[10]

Lip GY, et al. *Stroke*. 2010 Dec;41:2731-8.^[32]

GARFIELD Registry

Patients receiving inadequate anticoagulation:
data from December 2009 to October 2011



Limiti della terapia con VKA

Risposta Imprevedibile

Ristretta finestra terapeutica
(INR range 2-3)

Monitoraggio periodico della coagulazione

La terapia con VKA presenta numerose limitazioni che ne rendono difficile l'utilizzo

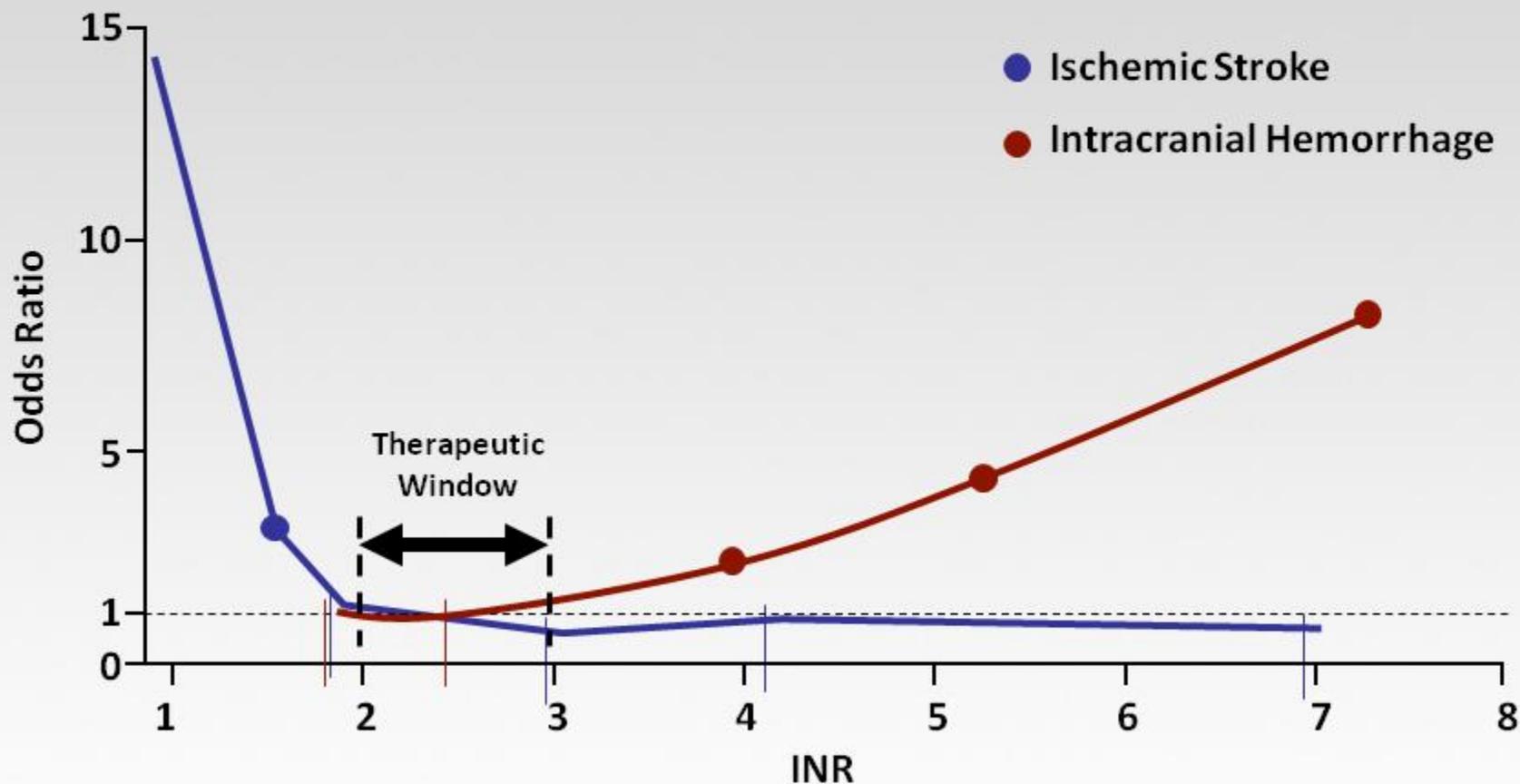
Frequenti aggiustamenti di dose

Numerose interazioni con il cibo

Numerose interazioni farmacologiche

Solo il 50% dei pazienti elegibili ricevono il Warfarin

Warfarin Has a Narrow Therapeutic Window: Relationship Between Clinical Events and INR



Hylek EM, et al. *Ann Intern Med.* 1994;120:897-902.

Hylek EM, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 1996;335:540-546.

Limiti superati con i NOAC

~~Risposta imprevedibile~~

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(INR range 2-3)~~

~~Monitoraggio
periodico della
coagulazione~~

La terapia con i
NOAC presenta
numerosi
vantaggi che
rendono più
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LIMITATE interazioni
farmacologiche

Pivotal Warfarin-Controlled Trials

Stroke Prevention in AF

Warfarin vs Placebo
2,900 Patients

NOACs vs Warfarin
71,683 Patients

6 Trials of Warfarin
vs Placebo 1989-1993^a

ROCKET AF^c
(Rivaroxaban)
2011

ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48^e
(Edoxaban)
2013

RE-LY^b
(Dabigatran)
2009

ARISTOTLE^d
(Apixaban)
2011



a. Hart RG, et al. *Ann Intern Med* 2007;146:857-67^[14]; b. Connolly SJ, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2009;361:1139-51^[15]; c. Patel MR, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2011;365:883-91^[16]; d. Granger CB, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2011;365:981-92^[17]; e. Giuliano RP, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2013;369:2093-2104.^[18]

Alternatives to Warfarin

Apixaban

Rivaroxaban

Dabigatran

Target

Xa

Xa

Thrombin

Dosing interval

Twice daily

Once daily

Twice daily

Half-life

9-14 hours

5-9 hours
Longer in elderly

8-17 hours

Renal
metabolism

33%

25%

80%

Hepatic
metabolism

67%

75%

20%

NOAC vs. warfarin: Study characteristics

	ARISTOTLE ¹	RE-LY ²	ROCKET-AF ³
Age	70 years (median)	71 years (mean)	73 years (median)
Men	65%	64%	60%
Type of AF*			
Persistent/permanent	84.7%	67.2%	81.0%
Paroxysmal	15.3%	32.8%	17.6%
Newly diagnosed	-	-	1.4%
CHADS₂ of patients, mean*	2.1	2.1	3.5
0 or 1	34.0%	31.9%	0%
2	35.8%	35.6%	13%
3-6	30.2%	32.5%	87%
Time in therapeutic range (TTR) in the warfarin group, mean % of the study period	62.2%	64%	55%
Patients with prior stroke or TIA	19.4%	20.2%	54.7%

**Data calculated for the overall study group*

NOAC vs. warfarin: Inclusion criteria

ARISTOTLE ¹	RE-LY ²	ROCKET-AF ^{3,4}
Documented NVAF or flutter with ≥1 of the following stroke risk factors:	Documented NVAF with ≥1 of the following stroke risk factors:	Documented NVAF at moderate-to-high risk for stroke, i.e. CHADS ₂ ≥2:*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previous stroke, TIA or systemic embolism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previous stroke or TIA or systemic embolism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior ischaemic stroke, TIA or systemic embolism or
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≥2 or more of the following risk factors:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age ≥75 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age ≥75 years, or • Age 65 to 74 years + diabetes on treatment, hypertension requiring treatment, or documented CAD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age ≥75 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Symptomatic heart failure within the previous 3 months, or LVEF ≤40% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NYHA class ≥II heart failure symptoms within previous 6 months • LVEF <40% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heart failure or LVEF ≤35%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diabetes mellitus 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diabetes (type 1 or type 2)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypertension requiring treatment 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypertension (treated with antihypertensive agents within the previous 6 months or persistent SBP >140 or DBP >90 mmHg)

*The proportion of patients with no previous ischaemic stroke/TIA/systemic embolism or no more than two risk factors was limited to 10%

1. Granger et al. NEJM 2011;365:981-92. 2. Connolly et al. NEJM 2009;361:1139-51.
 3. Patel et al. NEJM 2011;365:883-91. 4. Patel et al. NEJM 2011;365:883-91suppl app.

Main exclusion criteria in NOAC trials

RELY ¹	ROCKET ^{2,3}	ARISTOTLE ⁴	AVERROES ⁵
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Severe heart valve disorder • Stroke within 14 days or severe stroke within the previous 6 months • AF due to reversible cause • Plan to cure the AF by ablation or surgery • A condition that increased the risk of haemorrhage • Active liver disease • CrCL ≤30 mL/min 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant mitral stenosis, • Prosthetic heart valve • Severe, disabling stroke within 3 months or any stroke within 14 days • TIA within 3 days • AF due to reversible cause • Planned cardioversion • Active internal bleeding • A condition that increased the risk of haemorrhage, • CrCl < 30 mL/min 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderate or severe mitral stenosis • Conditions other than AF requiring anticoagulation eg prosthetic heart valve • Stroke within the previous 7 days • AF due to reversible cause • Planned ablation procedure • Increased bleeding risk • Need for ASA >65 mg/d or for ASA+clopidogrel, • CrCl <25 mL/min 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presence of conditions other than AF for which the patient required long-term anticoagulation • Valvular disease requiring, surgery • AF due to reversible causes • Serious bleeding event in the previous 6 months, • A high risk of bleeding • Allergy to ASA • CrCl <25 mL/min • Stroke within the previous 10 days

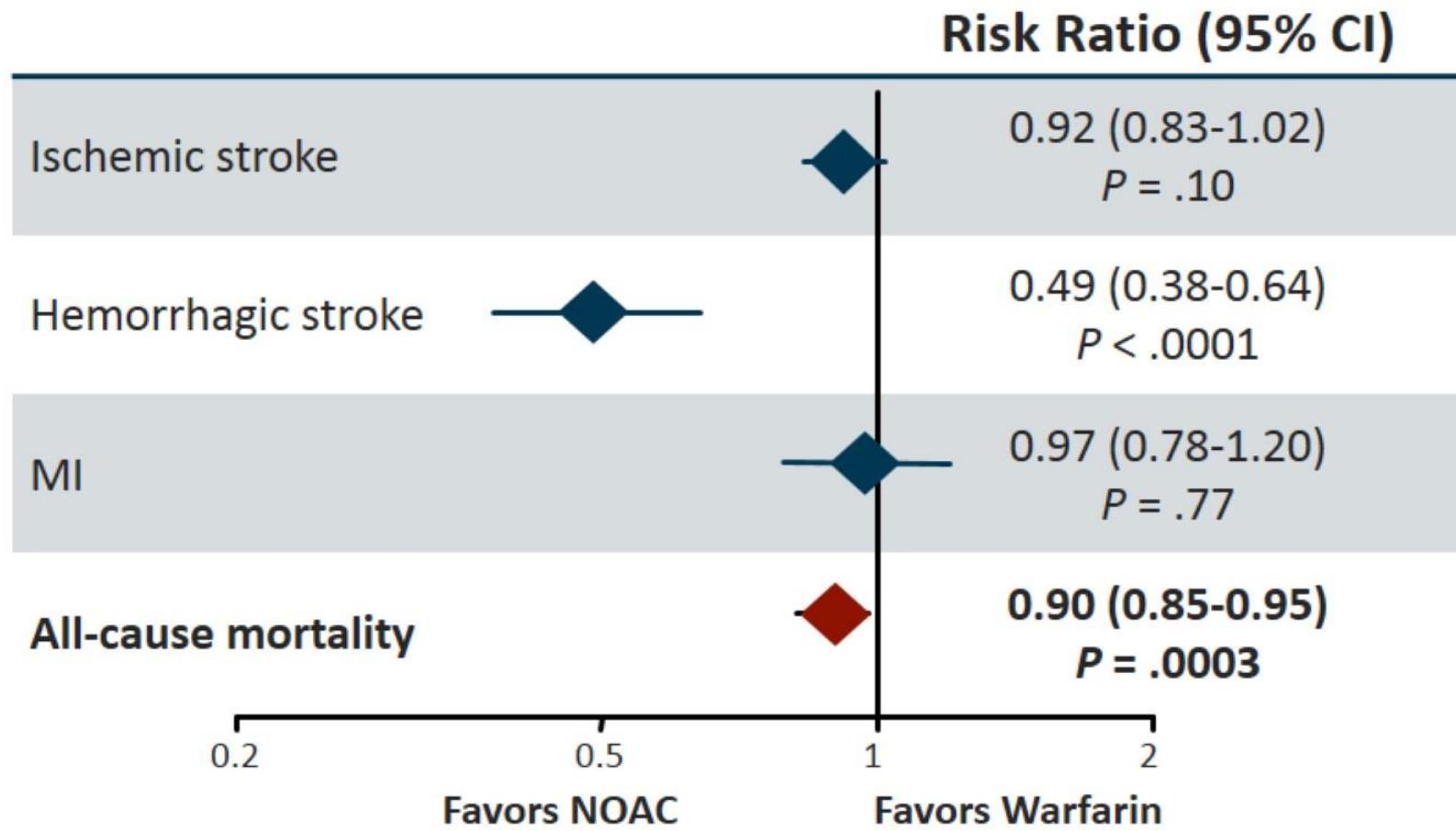
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3. ROCKET-AF investigators. Am Heart J 2010;159:340-347

NOAC Meta-analysis

Secondary Efficacy Outcomes

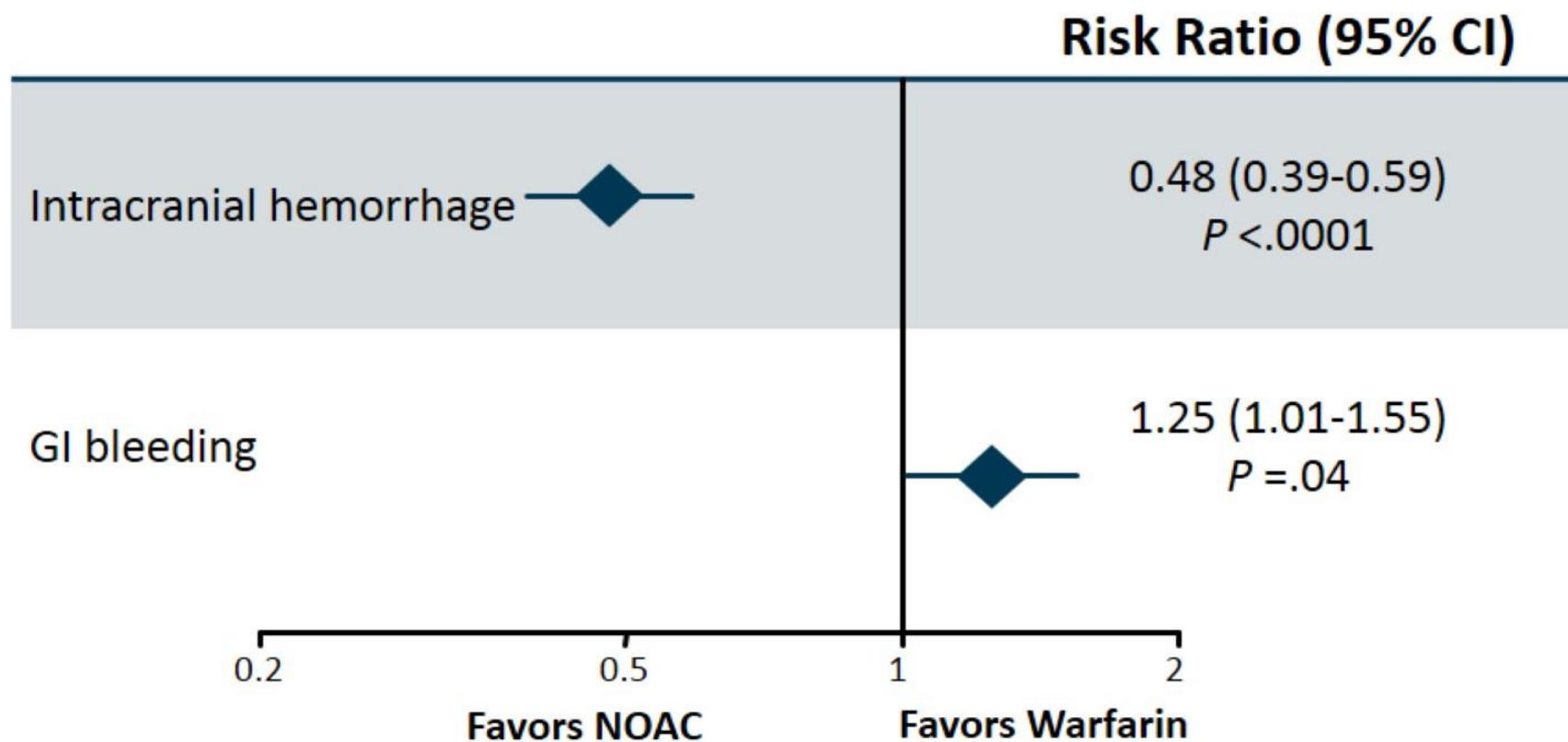


Heterogeneity: $P = \text{NS}$ for all outcomes

Ruff CT, et al. *Lancet* 2014;383:955-962^[19]

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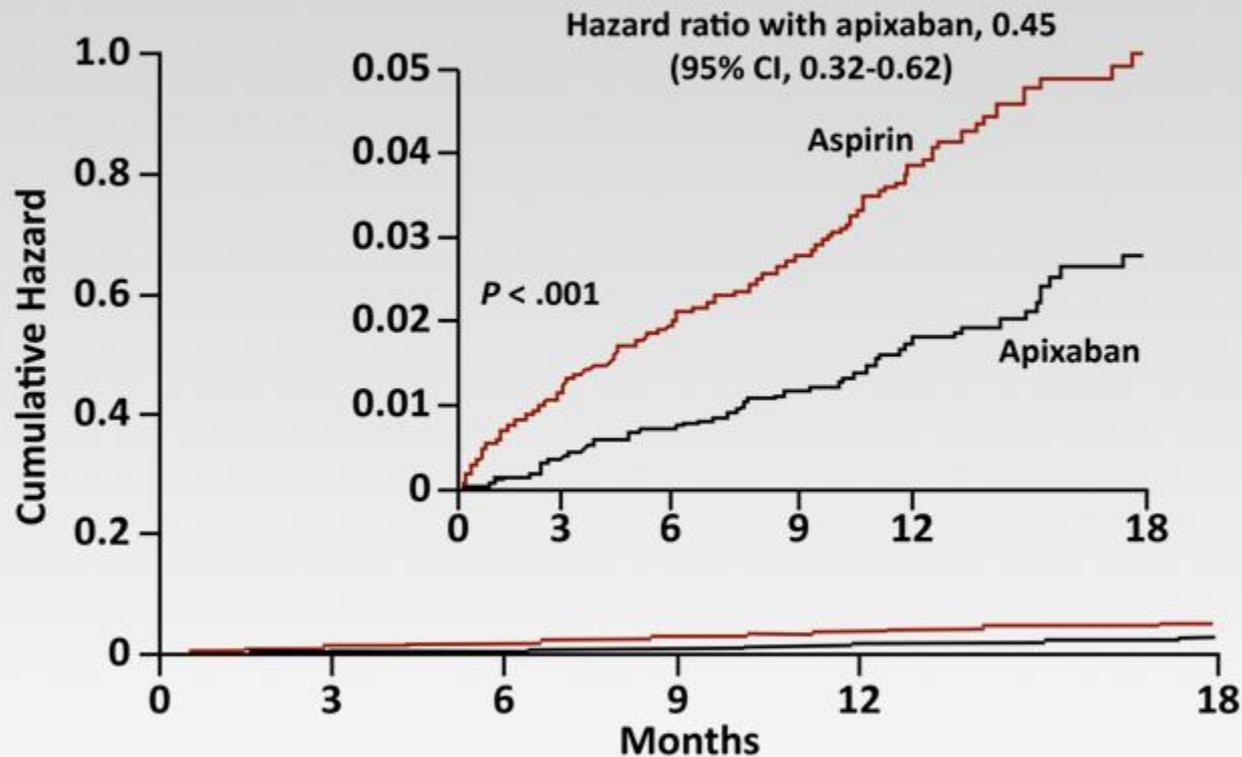


Heterogeneity : ICH, $P = .22$; GI Bleeding, $P = .009$

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AVERROES: Apixaban in Patients With AF

Stroke or Systemic Embolism

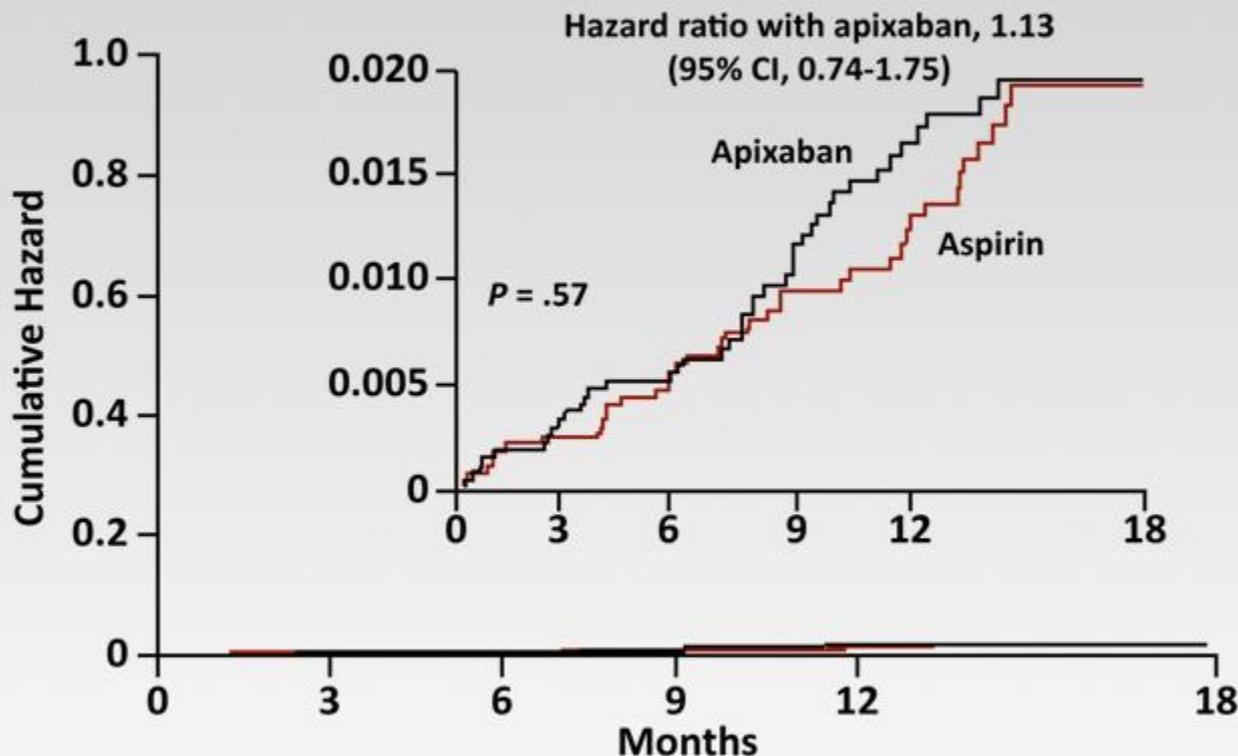


Number at Risk

Aspirin	2791	2716	2530	2112	1543	628
Apixaban	2808	2758	2566	2125	1522	615

AVERROES: Risk for Major Bleeding With Apixaban vs Aspirin

Major Bleeding



Number at Risk

Aspirin	2791	2738	2557	2140	1571	642
Apixaban	2808	2759	2566	2120	1521	622

At 2 years, the rates of permanent discontinuations were 17.9% per year with apixaban and 20.5% per year with aspirin (hazard ratio with apixaban, 0.88; 95% CI, 0.78-0.99; $P = .03$).

NOACs vs. warfarin

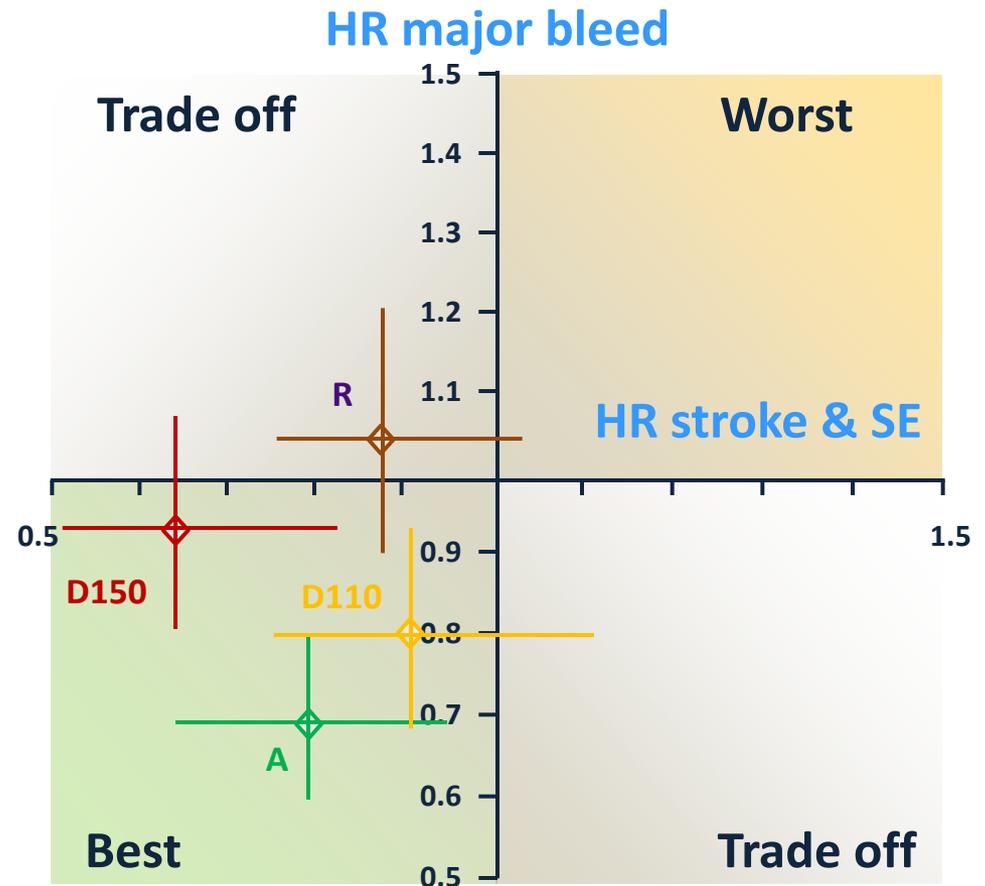
Table 2 Novel oral anticoagulants: a summary of main outcomes in their respective Phase 3 clinical trials

Effect on outcome event, vs. warfarin	D150	D110	Riva	Apix
Non-inferiority for stroke	√	√	√	√
Superiority for primary endpoint of stroke/SE	√			√
Reduction in hemorrhagic stroke	√	√	√	√
Reduction in ischemic stroke	√			
Reduction in mortality	(√)			√
Reduction in CV mortality	√			
Reduction in major bleeding		√		√
Reduction in major and minor bleeds	√	√		√
Increase in gastrointestinal major bleeds	√		√	
Increase in myocardial infarction	?	?		
Fewer treatment discontinuations				√

D150, dabigatran etexilate 150 mg b.i.d.; D110, dabigatran etexilate 110 mg b.i.d.; Riva, rivaroxaban; Api, apixaban. (√) indicates borderline significance.

NOACs vs. warfarin for stroke prevention in NVAF

- Hazard ratios (or for dabigatran risk reductions) and 95% confidence intervals in comparison with warfarin for
 - Primary efficacy outcome (horizontal lines)
 - Major bleeding (vertical lines)



These are not head-to-head comparisons between the NOACs

Stroke prevention in patients with atrial fibrillation (1)

Recommendations	Class	Level
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism is recommended for all male AF patients with a CHA ₂ DS ₂ -VASc score of 2 or more.	I	A
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism is recommended in all female AF patients with a CHA ₂ DS ₂ -VASc score of 3 or more.	I	A
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism should be considered in male AF patients with a CHA ₂ DS ₂ -VASc score of 1, considering individual characteristics and patient preferences.	IIa	B
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism should be considered in female AF patients with a CHA ₂ DS ₂ -VASc score of 2, considering individual characteristics and patient preferences.	IIa	B
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
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

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Score CHA₂DS₂-VASc

CHA ₂ DS ₂ -VASc score	Patients (n=7329)	Adjusted stroke rate (%/year) ^b
0	1	0%
1	422	1.3%
2	1230	2.2%
3	1730	3.2%
4	1718	4.0%
5	1159	6.7%
6	679	9.8%
7	294	9.6%
8	82	6.7%
9	14	15.2%

Risk factor	Score
Congestive heart failure/LV dysfunction	1
Hypertension	1
Age ≥75	2
Diabetes mellitus	1
Stroke/TIA/thrombo-embolism	2
Vascular disease ^a	1
Age 65–74	1
Sex category (i.e. female sex)	1
Maximum score	9



CHEST

Original Research

THROMBOEMBOLISM

Refining Clinical Risk Stratification for Predicting Stroke and Thromboembolism in Atrial Fibrillation Using a Novel Risk Factor-Based Approach

The Euro Heart Survey on Atrial Fibrillation

Gregory Y. H. Lip, MD; Bobby Nieuwlaat, PhD; Ron Pisters, MD; Deirdre A. Lane, PhD; and Harry J. C. M. Crijns, MD

Reduction in stroke risk with OAC is greater for **secondary prevention**

Therapy comparison	Absolute reduction in stroke risk (% per year)	
	Primary prevention	Secondary prevention
VKA vs placebo	2.7 (NNT 32)	8.4 (NNT 12.5)
VKA vs ASA	0.7	7.0

Prevenzione secondaria rischio embolico in AF

Raccomandazione 12.7 Grado A

Nell'ictus o TIA embolico associato a fibrillazione atriale non valvolare, la terapia anticoagulante orale è indicata mantenendo un INR tra 2 e 3.

LINEE GUIDA SPREAD

Nonvitamin-K-Antagonist Oral Anticoagulants in Patients With Atrial Fibrillation and Previous Stroke or Transient Ischemic Attack

A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Randomized Controlled Trials

George Ntaios, MD; Vasileios Papavasileiou, MD; Hans-Christoph Diener, MD;
Konstantinos Makaritsis, MD; Patrik Michel, MD

Table. Characteristics of the Populations With Previous Stroke or Transient Ischemic Attack Included in the Meta-Analysis

	RE-LY	ROCKET AF	ARISTOTLE
Study population	14527 pts	7468	3436
Allocated to non-VKA/warfarin	2428/1195	3754/3714	1694/1742
Period in the therapeutic INR range (for patients allocated to warfarin)	63%	57.1%	65.0%
Duration of follow-up, median (IQR)	2.0 (1.14–2.86) y	676 (510–845) d	1.8 (1.4–2.3) y
Males, n (%)	2279 (62.9)	4538 (60.8)	2152 (62.6)
CHADS2 score, n (%)			
0–1	0 (0)	Not described	0 (0)
2	377 (10.4)	Not described	268 (8)
≥3	3246 (89.6)	Not described	3168 (92)

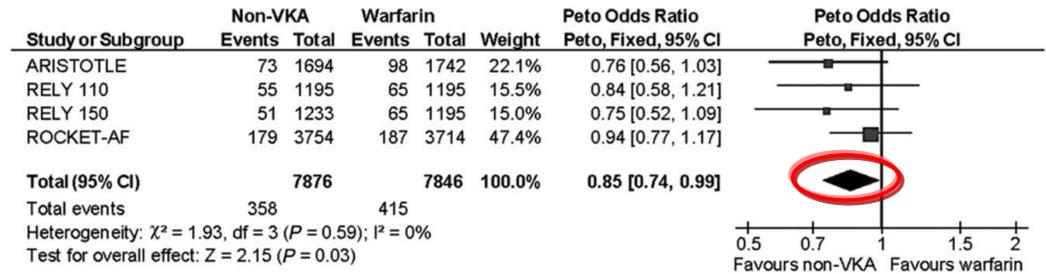
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stroke or systemic embolism;
stroke;
ischemic or unknown stroke;
disabling or fatal stroke

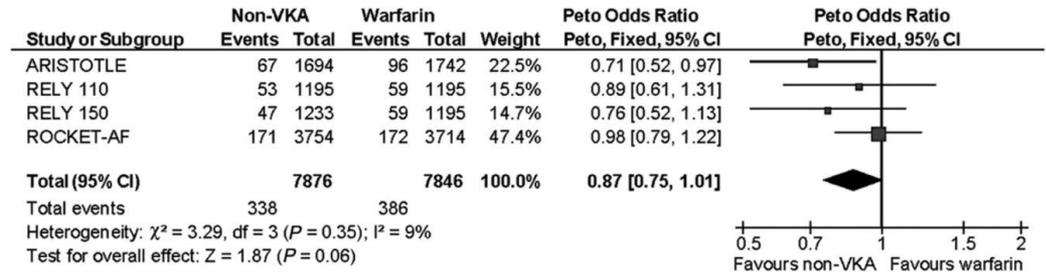
in patients with AF and previous stroke or TIA.

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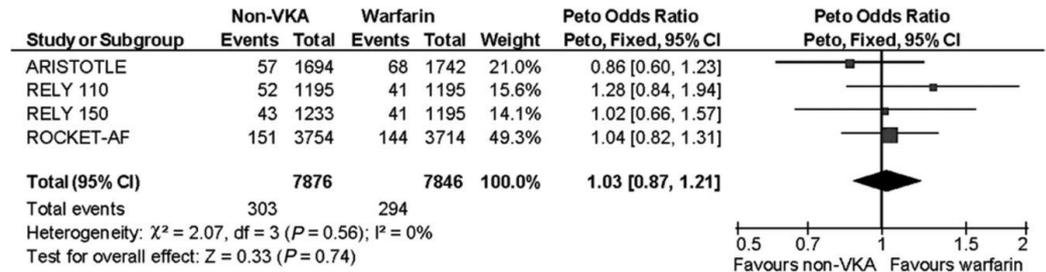
Stroke or systemic embolism



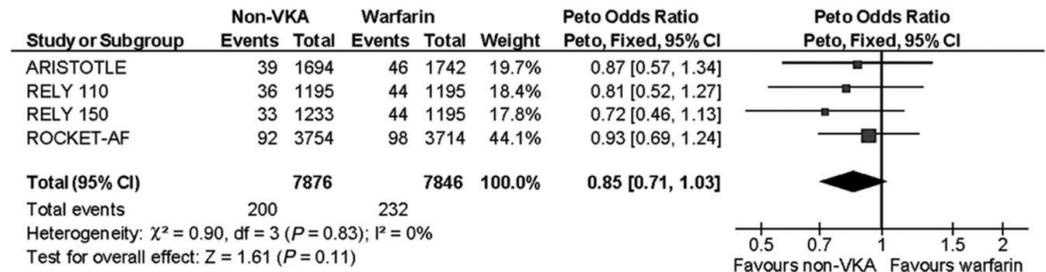
Stroke



Ischemic or unknown stroke



Disabling or fatal stroke



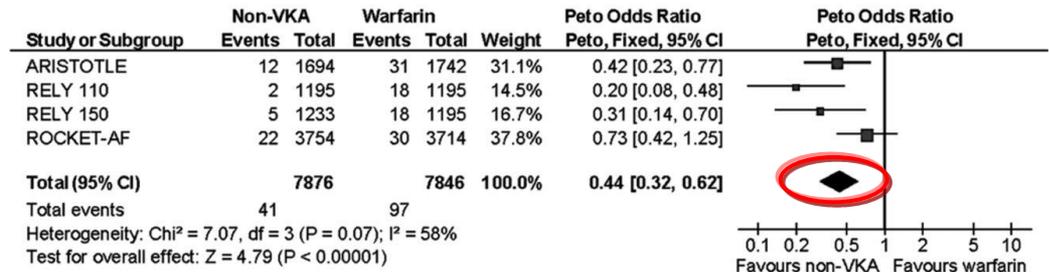
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hemorrhagic stroke;
CV death;
death from any cause;
MI

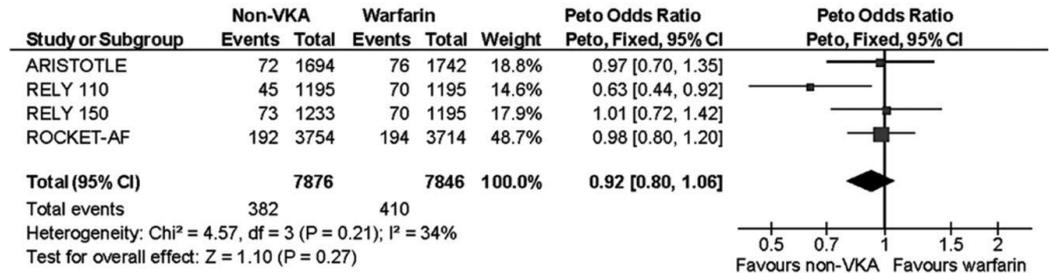
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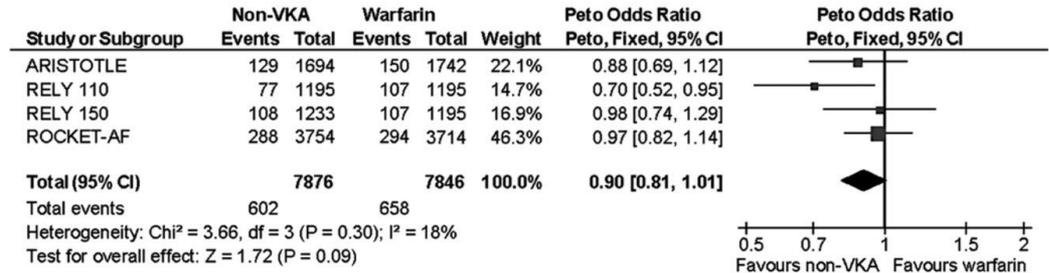
Hemorrhagic stroke



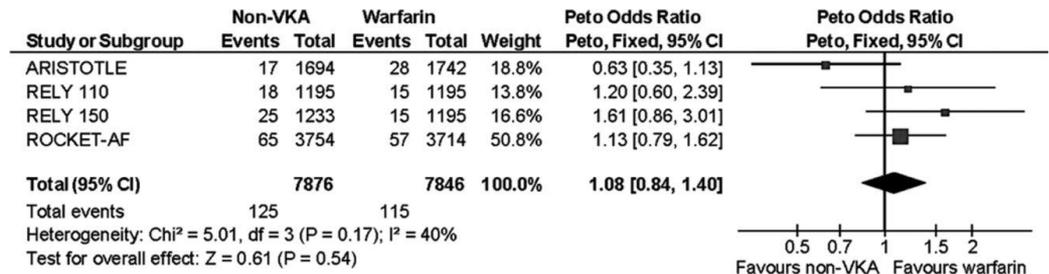
Cardiovascular death



Death from any cause



Myocardial infarction

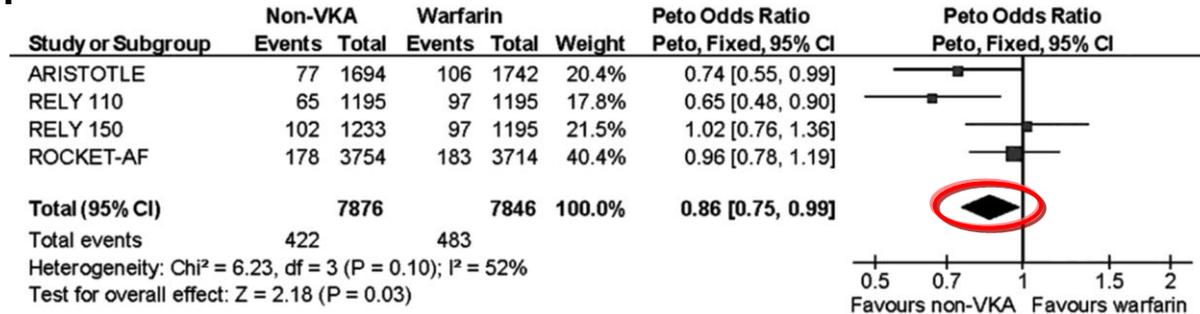


Effects of NOACs vs warfarin on safety outcomes:

major bleeding;
intracranial bleeding;
gastrointestinal bleeding

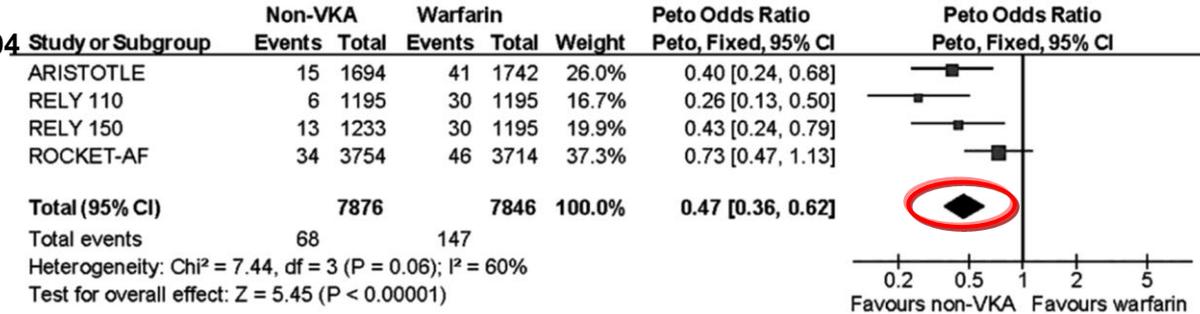
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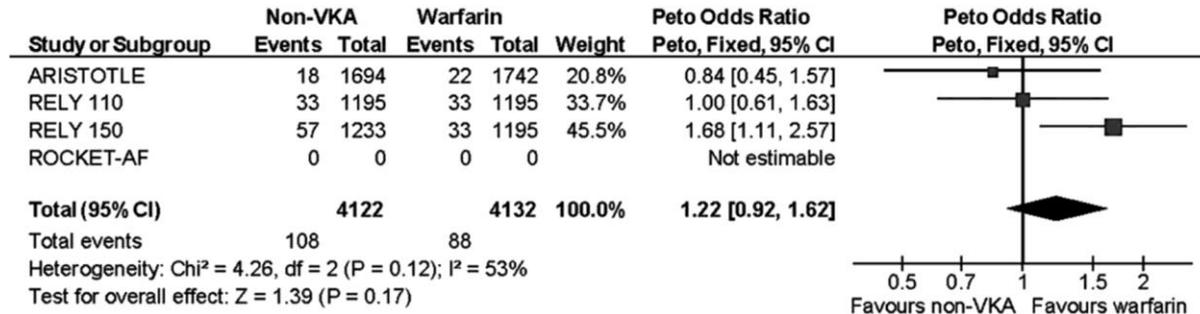


Intracranial bleeding

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Gastrointestinal major bleeding



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Endpoint	RRR	ARR	NNT
Stroke/SE	14%	0,7%	134
Hemorrhagic stroke	57,9%	0,7%	139
Major bleeding	13%	0,8%	125
Intracranial bleeding	53,9%	1,0%	98

Conclusions—In the context of the significant limitations of combining the results of disparate trials of different agents, non-VKAs seem to be associated with a significant reduction in rates of stroke or systemic embolism, hemorrhagic stroke, and major bleeding when compared with warfarin in patients with previous stroke or transient ischemic attack. (*Stroke*. 2012;43:3298-3304.)

Secondary stroke prevention

Recommendations	Class	Level
Anticoagulation with heparin or LMWH immediately after an ischaemic stroke is not recommended in AF patients.	III (harm)	A
In patients who suffer a TIA or stroke while on anticoagulation, adherence to therapy should be assessed and optimized.	IIa	C
In patients who suffer a moderate-to-severe ischaemic stroke while on anticoagulation, anticoagulation should be interrupted for 3-12 days based on a multidisciplinary assessment of acute stroke and bleeding risk.	IIa	C
In AF patients who suffer a stroke, aspirin should be considered for prevention of secondary stroke until the initiation or resumption of oral anticoagulation.	IIa	B
Systemic thrombolysis with rtPA is not recommended if the INR is above 1.7 (or, for patients on dabigatran, if aPTT is outside normal range).	III (harm)	C
NOACs are recommended in preference to VKAs or aspirin in AF patients with a previous stroke.	I	B
After TIA or stroke, combination therapy of OAC and an antiplatelet is not recommended.	III (harm)	B
After intracranial haemorrhage, oral anticoagulation in patients with AF may be reinitiated after 4–8 weeks provided the cause of bleeding or the relevant risk factor has been treated or controlled.	IIb	B

Conclusioni 1

Warfarin-naive

- NAO preferibili a warfarin
 - Difficoltà di monitoraggio dell'INR
 - **Pregresso ictus ischemico**
 - **Pregressa emorragia intracranica**
 - In caso di giovane età
 - In caso candidato a cardioversione elettrica

Conclusioni 2

Warfarin-experienced

- Switch ai NAO
 - Difficoltà logistiche nel monitoraggio dell'INR
 - Labilità dell'INR
 - Impiego giornaliero di basse dosi di W (8-10mg/set.)
 - Pregressa emorragia maggiore (esclusa gastrointestinale)
 - Qualità subottimale TAO (TTR <60%)
 - Impiego a lungo termine di farmaci interferenti con W e non con NAO
 - **Pregressa emorragia cerebrale in terapia con W con INR in range terapeutico**
 - **Pregresso ictus/TIA in corso di terapia con W con INR in range terapeutico**

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Classificazione su base fisiopatologica dei sottotipi dell'ictus ischemico

(criteri del TOAST, 1993)

Aterosclerosi dei vasi di grosso calibro

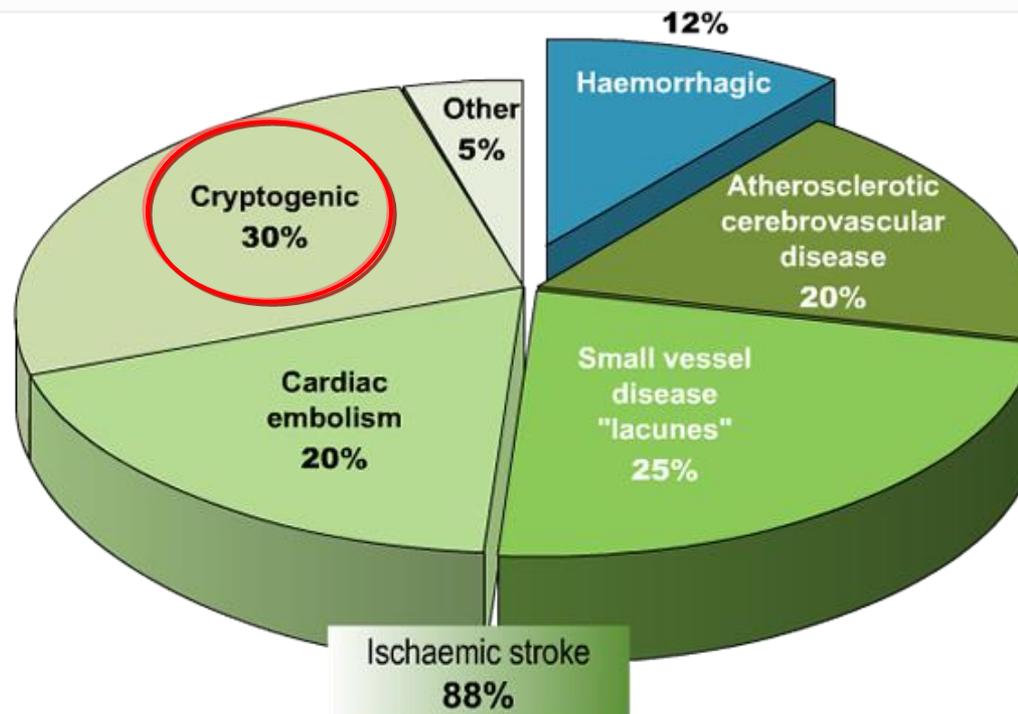
Cardioembolia (possibile/probabile)

Occlusione dei piccoli vasi

Ictus da cause diverse

Ictus da cause non determinate

- a. identificazione di due o più cause
- b. valutazione negativa
- c. valutazione incompleta

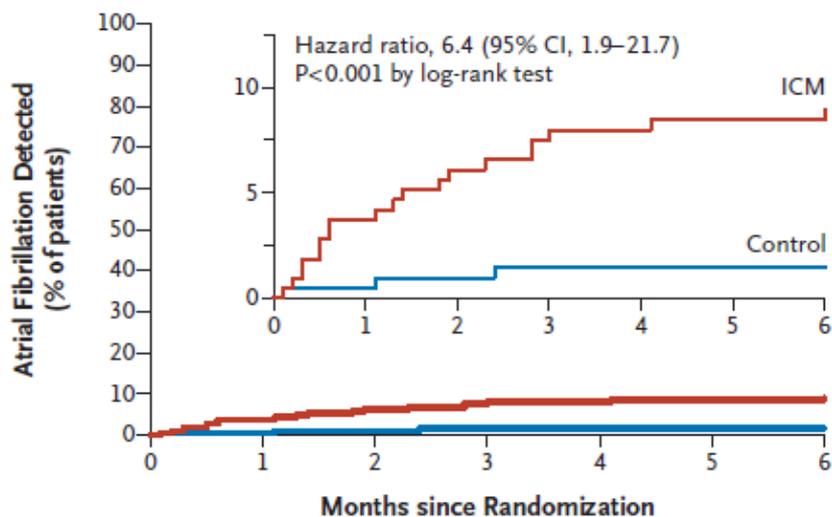


Cryptogenic Stroke and Underlying Atrial Fibrillation

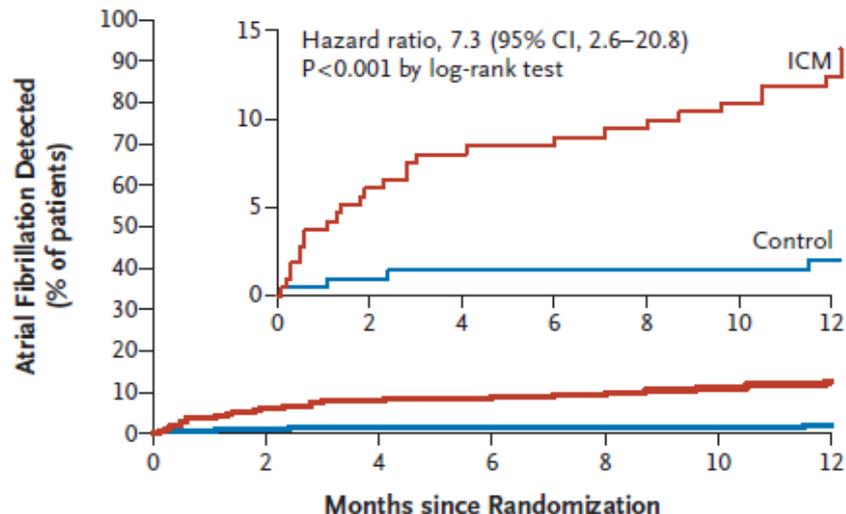
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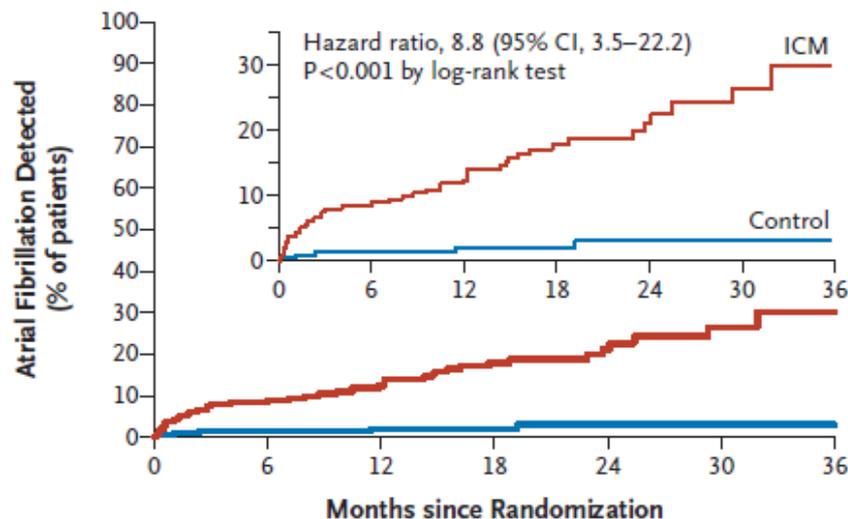
A Detection of Atrial Fibrillation by 6 Months



B Detection of Atrial Fibrillation by 12 Months



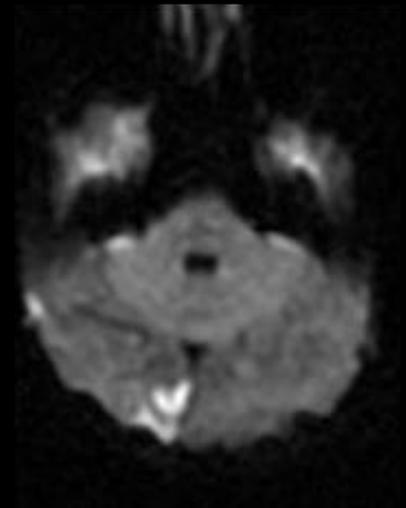
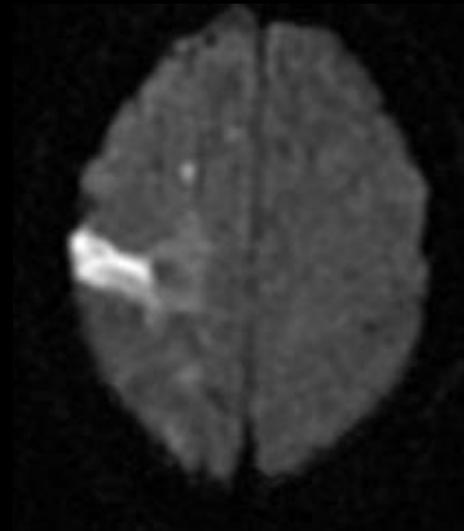
C Detection of Atrial Fibrillation by 36 Months



6 m → 1,4 vs 8,9%
12 m → 2 vs 12,4%
36 m → 3 vs 30%

Stroke embolico criptogenetico:

E' proprio necessario e costo-efficace insistere con i monitoraggi ECG prolungati alla ricerca della FA ?



Embolic strokes of undetermined source: the case for a new clinical construct

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Panel 2: Criteria for diagnosis of embolic stroke of undetermined source*

- Stroke detected by CT or MRI that is not lacunar†
- Absence of extracranial or intracranial atherosclerosis causing $\geq 50\%$ luminal stenosis in arteries supplying the area of ischaemia
- No major-risk cardioembolic source of embolism‡
- No other specific cause of stroke identified (eg, arteritis, dissection, migraine/vasospasm, drug misuse)

Panel 3: Proposed diagnostic assessment for embolic stroke of undetermined source*

- Brain CT or MRI
- 12-lead ECG
- Precordial echocardiography
- Cardiac monitoring for ≥ 24 h with automated rhythm detection†
- Imaging of both the extracranial and intracranial arteries supplying the area of brain ischaemia (catheter, MR, or CT angiography, or cervical duplex plus transcranial doppler ultrasonography)

*Imaging of the proximal aortic arch is not needed; special blood tests for prothrombotic states only if the patient has a personal or family history of unusual thrombosis or associated systematic signs or disorder. †Cardiac telemetry is not sufficient.

Additional advanced diagnostic testing is unlikely to be a pragmatic solution for cryptogenic stroke because of the expense, additional diagnostic delays, and poor general availability...

...in terms of net clinical benefit that combines stroke and major haemorrhage (and particularly intracranial haemorrhage), NOACs seem likely to be of overall benefit in patients with ESUS.

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Comparative PK/PD of NOACs

	Dabigatran ^a	Rivaroxaban ^{a,b}	Apixaban ^{a,c}	Edoxaban ^{d-f}
Target	Ila (thrombin)	Xa	Xa	Xa
Hours to C _{max}	1.25-3	2-4	3-4	1-2
CYP metabolism, %	None	66	15	< 4
Bioavailability, %	6.5	80	50	62
Transporters	P-gp	P-gp	P-gp	P-gp
Protein binding, %	35	93	87	55
Half-life, hours	12-14	5-9	8-15	8-10
Renal clearance, %	80	35*	25	35

*An additional 33% is excreted unchanged in urine

a. Eriksson BI, et al. *Clin Pharmacokinet*. 2009;48:1-22^[24]; b. Xarelto[®] PI 2011^[25]; c. Elikvis[®] Summary of Product Characteristics. Bristol Myers Squibb/Pfizer EEIG, UK. 2012^[26]; d. Ruff CT, et al. *Hot Topics Cardiol*. 2009;18:7-14^[27]; e. Matsushima N, et al. AAPS 2011. Poster T2632^[28]; f. Ogata K, et al. *J Clin Pharmacol*. 2010;50:743-753.^[29]

Table 5 Effect on NOAC plasma levels ('area under the curve, AUC') from drug–drug interactions and clinical factors and recommendations towards NOAC dosing

	Via	Dabigatran	Apixaban	Edoxaban ^a	Rivaroxaban
Atorvastatin	P-gp competition and CYP3A4 inhibition	+18% ²⁹	No data yet	No effect ³⁰	No effect ^{27,31}
Digoxin	P-gp competition	No effect ³²	No data yet	No effect ³⁰	No effect ^{27,33}
Verapamil	P-gp competition (and weak CYP3A4 inhibition)	+12–180% ^{2,4} (reduce dose and take simultaneously)	No data yet	+53% (SR) ³⁰ (reduce dose by 50%) ^a	Minor effect (use with caution if CrCl 15–50 ml/min)
Diltiazem	P-gp competition and weak CYP3A4 inhibition	No effect ²⁴	+40% ^{5mPC}	No data yet	Minor effect (use with caution if CrCl 15–50 ml/min)
Quinidine	P-gp competition	+50%	No data yet	+80% ³⁰ (reduce dose by 50%) ^b	+50%
Amiodarone	P-gp competition	+12–60% ^{2,4}	No data yet	No effect ³⁰	Minor effect (use with caution if CrCl 15–50 ml/min)
Dronedarone	P-gp and CYP3A4 inhibitor	+70–100% (US: 2 × 75 mg)	No data yet	+85% (reduce dose by 50%) ^a	No data yet
Ketoconazole; itraconazole; voriconazole; posaconazole	P-gp and BCRP competition; CYP3A4 inhibition	+140–150% (US: 2 × 75 mg)	+100% ^{5mPC}	No data yet	Up to +160% ²⁷
Fluconazole	Moderate CYP3A4 inhibition	No data yet	No data yet	No data yet	+42% (if systemically administered) ²⁷
Cyclosporin; tacrolimus	P-gp competition	No data yet	No data yet	No data yet	+50%
Clarithromycin; erythromycin	P-gp competition and CYP3A4 inhibition	+15–20%	No data yet	No data yet	+30–54% ^{26,27}
HIV protease inhibitors (e.g. ritonavir)	P-gp and BCRP competition or inducer; CYP3A4 inhibition	No data yet	Strong increase ^{5mPC}	No data yet	Up to +153% ²⁷
Rifampicin; St John's wort; carbamazepine; phenytoin; phenobarbital	P-gp/ BCRP and CYP3A4/CYP2J2 inducers	–66% ¹⁴	–54% ^{5mPC}	–35%	Up to –50%
Antacids (H2B; PPI; Al-Mg-hydroxide)	GI absorption	–12–30% ^{22–24}	No data yet	No effect	No effect ^{21,25}

NOAC Dose Reduction

RE-LY^a Dabigatran

- None
- US Regulators
 - CrCl 15-30 mL/min: 75 mg BID
 - Age >80 years
 - CrCl 30-50 mL/min + P-gp inhibitor, dronedarone, or ketoconazole

ROCKET AF^b Rivaroxaban

- 20 → 15 mg QD for
 - CrCl <30-49 mL/min

ARISTOTLE^c Apixaban

- 5 → 2.5 mg BID for ANY TWO of
 - Age ≥80 years
 - Body weight ≤60 kg
 - Serum creatinine ≥1.5 mg/dL
- US Regulators
 - Strong dual inhibitors of CYP3A4 and P-gp

ENGAGE-AF^d Edoxaban

- 60 → 30 mg QD or 30 → 15 mg QD for
 - CrCl 30-50 mL/min
 - Body weight ≤60 kg
 - Use of quinidine, verapamil, or dronedarone

BID = twice daily; QD = once daily; CrCl = creatinine clearance; P-gp = P-glycoprotein

a. Connolly SJ, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2009;361:1139-1151^[15]; b. Patel MR, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2011;365:883-891^[16]; c. Granger CB, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2011;365:981-992^[17]; d. Giuliano RP, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2013;369:2093-2104.^[18]

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Sospensione NAO in caso di interventi chirurgici programmati

Table 10 Classification of elective surgical interventions according to bleeding risk

Interventions not necessarily requiring discontinuation of anticoagulation

Dental interventions

Extraction of 1 to 3 teeth

Paradental surgery

Incision of abscess

Implant positioning

Ophthalmology

Cataract or glaucoma intervention

Endoscopy without surgery

Superficial surgery (e.g. abscess incision; small dermatologic excisions; . . .)

Interventions with low bleeding risk

Endoscopy with biopsy

Prostate or bladder biopsy

Electrophysiological study or radiofrequency catheter ablation for supraventricular tachycardia (including left-sided ablation via single transeptal puncture)

Angiography

Pacemaker or ICD implantation (unless complex anatomical setting, e.g. congenital heart disease)

Interventions with high bleeding risk

Complex left-sided ablation (pulmonary vein isolation; VT ablation)

Spinal or epidural anaesthesia; lumbar diagnostic puncture

Thoracic surgery

Abdominal surgery

Major orthopedic surgery

Liver biopsy

Transurethral prostate resection

Kidney biopsy

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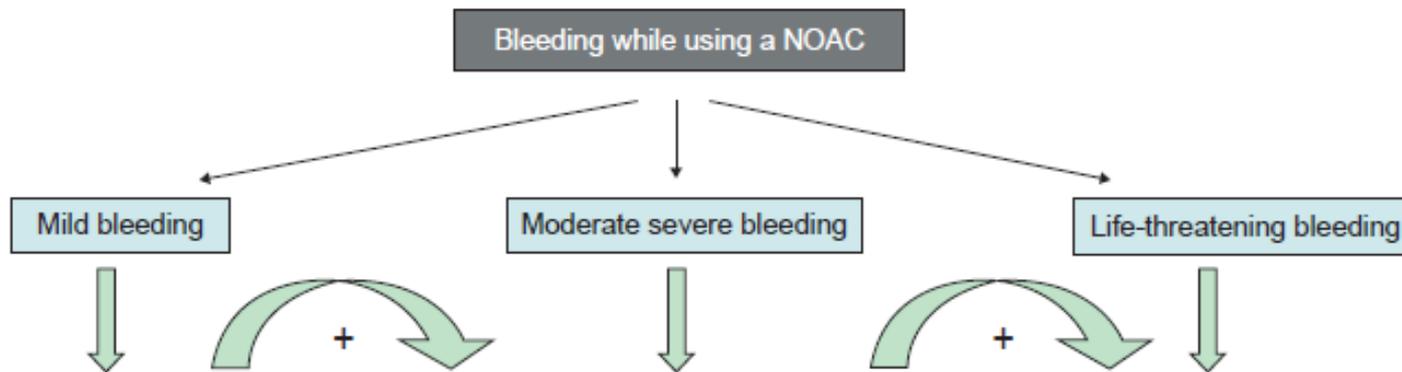
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Table 9 Last intake of drug before elective surgical intervention

	Dabigatran		Apixaban		Edoxaban ^a		Rivaroxaban	
	Low risk	High risk	Low risk	High risk	Low risk	High risk	Low risk	High risk
No important bleeding risk and/or adequate local haemostasis possible: perform at trough level (i.e. ≥ 12 h or 24 h after last intake)								
CrCl ≥ 80 ml/min	≥ 24 h	≥ 48 h	≥ 24 h	≥ 48 h	No data	No data	≥ 24 h	≥ 48 h
CrCl 50–80 ml/min	≥ 36 h	≥ 72 h	≥ 24 h	≥ 48 h	No data	No data	≥ 24 h	≥ 48 h
CrCl 30–50 ml/min ^b	≥ 48 h	≥ 96 h	≥ 24 h	≥ 48 h	No data	No data	≥ 24 h	≥ 48 h
CrCl 15–30 ml/min ^b	Not indicated	Not indicated	≥ 36 h	≥ 48 h	No data	No data	≥ 36 h	≥ 48 h
CrCl <15 ml/min	No official indication for use							

COMPLICANZE EMORRAGICHE



- Delay or discontinue next dose
- Reconsider concomitant medication

- Supportive measures:
- Mechanical compression
 - Surgical hemostasis
 - Fluid replacement (colloids if needed)
 - RBC substitution if needed
 - Fresh frozen plasma (as plasma expander)
 - Platelet substitution (if platelet count $\leq 60 \times 10^9/L$)
- For dabigatran:
- Maintain adequate diuresis
 - Consider hemodialysis
 - ((charcoal haemoperfusion?: await more data))

- Consider:
- PCC (e.g. CoFact®) 25 U/kg; repeat 1×/2× if indicated
 - aPCC (Feiba®) 50IE/kg; max 200 IE/kg/day
 - (rFVIIa (NovoSeven®) 90 $\mu g/kg$ no data about additional benefit)

Pro: “Antidote for new anticoagulants” – Specific target of inhibition requires a specific target for neutralisation

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Contra: “Antidotes for novel anticoagulants?” – Do we really need them

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Antidoto

Contro

- Emivita Breve
- Minor numero di complicanze emorragiche (Intracraniche!!!)
- Simile a EBPM/Fonda (antidoto?)

NOAC Antidotes in Clinical Trials

Andexanet^a
(PRT064445)

- Antidote for factor Xa inhibitors
- Recombinant protein, targets and sequesters both direct and indirect Factor Xa inhibitors with high specificity

Aripazine^b
(PER977)

- Antidote for factor Xa inhibitors, DTIs, LMW heparins, and fondaparinux
- Synthetic small molecule; reversal effect through direct binding to anticoagulant

Idarucizumab^c
(BI 655075)

- Antidote for DTIs
- Fully humanized antibody fragment

DTI = direct thrombin inhibitor; LMW = low-molecular-weight

NAO e ICH

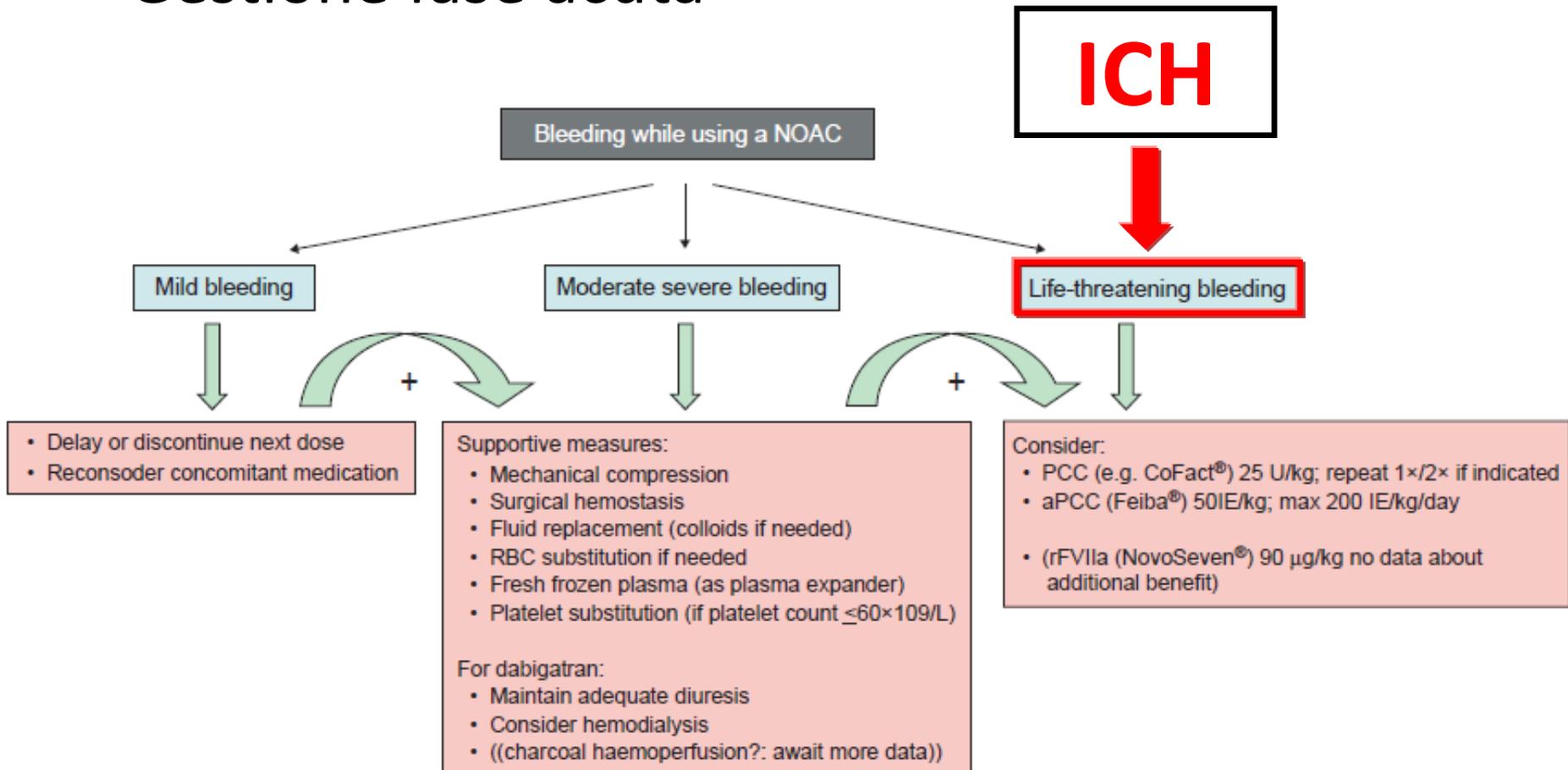
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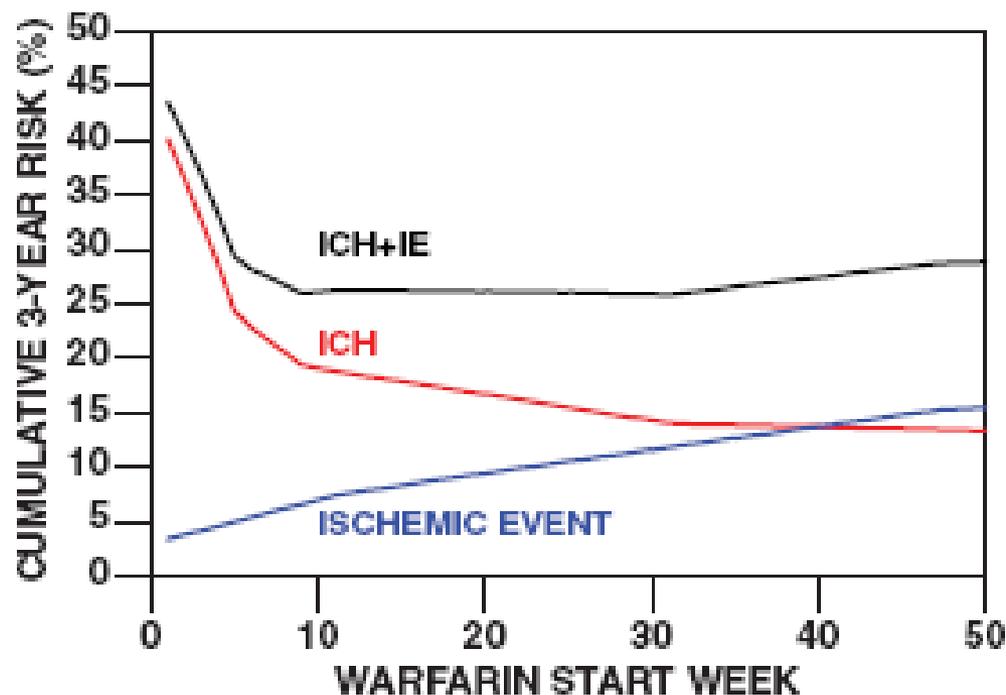
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Optimal Timing of Resumption of Warfarin After Intracranial Hemorrhage

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Conclusion—The optimal timing for resumption of warfarin therapy appears to be **between 10 and 30 weeks** after warfarin-related intracranial hemorrhage. (*Stroke*. 2010;41:2860-2866.)



Raccomandazioni ripresa TAO dopo ICH

Sintesi 12-14

Per la ripresa del trattamento anticoagulante in pazienti con pregressa emorragia cerebrale va tenuto conto che: A) il rischio emorragico è del 2,1%-3,7% annuo. B) la ripresa della terapia anticoagulante aumenta il rischio di sanguinamento cerebrale di cinque volte ma riduce il rischio di eventi ischemici del 90%.

➔ Controindicazioni assolute alla ripresa della TAO

Emorragia lobare correlabile ad angiopatia amiloidea

➔ Ripresa della terapia TAO dopo tre settimane

Nel paziente a rischio trombo embolico elevato per: CHA₂DS₂-VASC₂>₂ o CHADS₂ >3, protesi valvolare meccanica mitralica, trombosi delle camere cardiache, tromboembolismo venoso e arterioso <30 giorni.

➔ Ripresa della terapia TAO dopo la trentesima settimana

Pazienti ad alto rischio emorragico per: microbleeds multiple alla RIM-gradient ECHO, leucoaraiosi, emorragie lobari non correlabili ad angiopatia amiloidea

➔ In tutti gli altri casi ripresa della terapia TAO tra la decima e la trentesima settimana

* GPP

Il gruppo Spread ritiene che in casi particolari sia possibile riprendere la terapia con anticoagulanti orali prima della terza settimana.

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- precedente emorragia intracranica → controindicazione all' uso di Warfarin e NAO secondo RCP
- è possibile riprendere **NAO dopo 10-14 gg** dall' ICH se alto rischio tromboembolico e basso rischio emorragico
- considerare la significativa RR ICH con NAO rispetto a Warfarin
- considerare prevenzione non farmacologica (ablazione o chiusura auricola).

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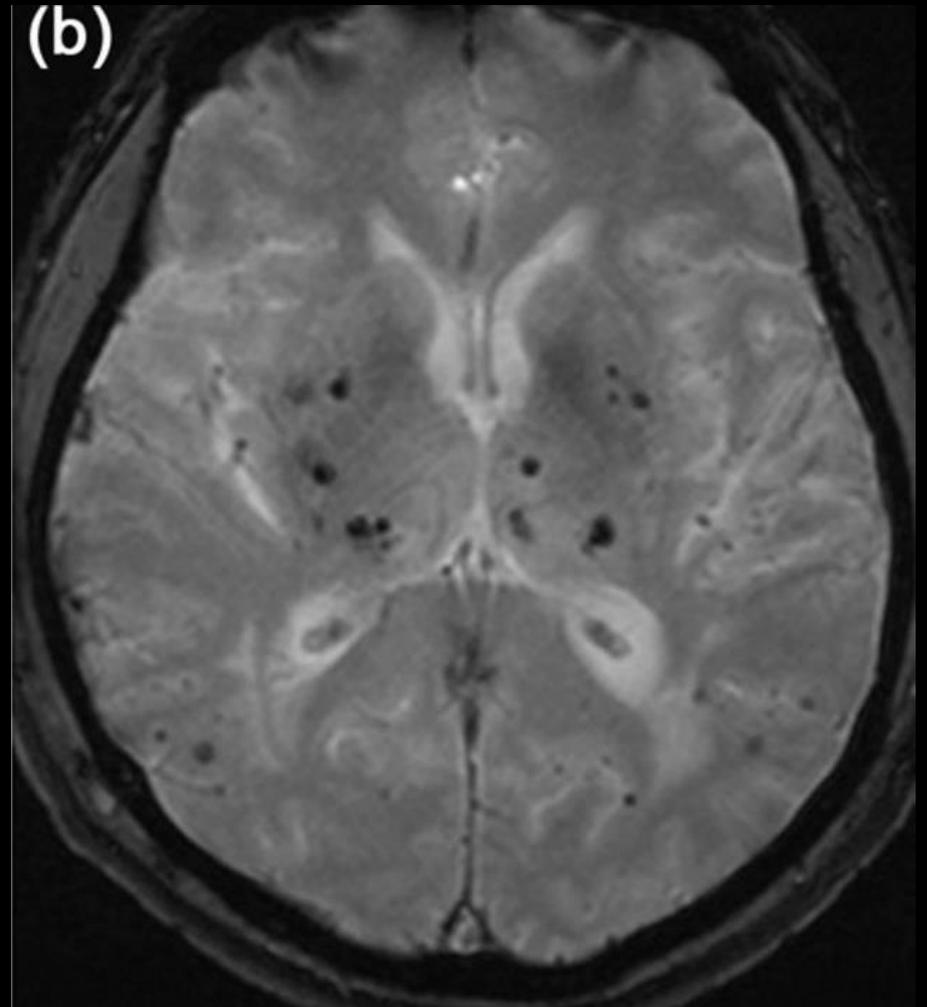
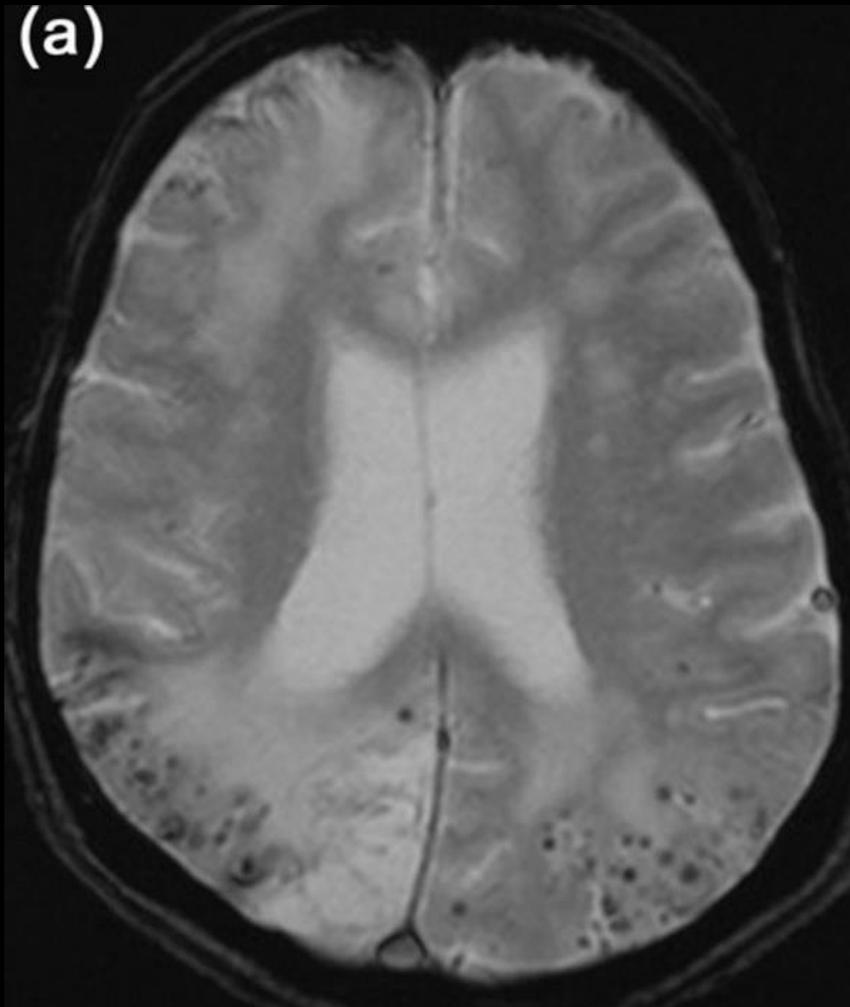
Anticipare (1-3 sett) se:

- $CHA_2DS_2-VASc \geq 2$
- Protesi meccaniche
- Disfunzione Vsx
- Trombosi in Asx/Vsx
- Asx dilatato
- PA ben controllata
- PLTs nella norma

Ritardare (>30 sett) o cambiare strategia se:

- Emorragia lobare
- Diabete
- Microbleeds (GE-MRI)
- Leucoaraiosi
- PA di difficile controllo
- Piastrinopenia
- Abuso alcol

Lobar (a) and deep (b) microbleeds



NOAC e AIS

- Gestione **fase acuta**

Trombolisi ev possibile se:

- ultima assunzione nota e **> 24/48 h**
e
- **dTT** (Dabigatran) o **anti-Xa** (Rivaroxaban, Apixaban) normali
o, se non disponibili
- **aPTT** (Dabigatran) e **PT** (Rivaroxaban, Apixaban) normali

Se possibile, in presenza di occlusione di grossi vasi, preferire **rivascolarizzazione meccanica endovascolare**

Recanalization Therapies in Acute Ischemic Stroke Patients: Impact of Prior Treatment with Novel Oral Anticoagulants on Bleeding Complications and Outcome - A Pilot Study
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- **Gestione fase post-acuta**
Ripresa/avvio TAO dopo AIS

Considerare le dimensioni dell' area ischemica (regola 1-3-6-12)

Inclusione nei trials sui NAO dopo 7-14 giorni da AIS

Non necessario bridging EBPM – NAO

ASA non è un alternativa: se Warfarin controindicato, considerare Apixaban in quanto superiore ad ASA

Ripresa-avvio TAO dopo TIA/AIS

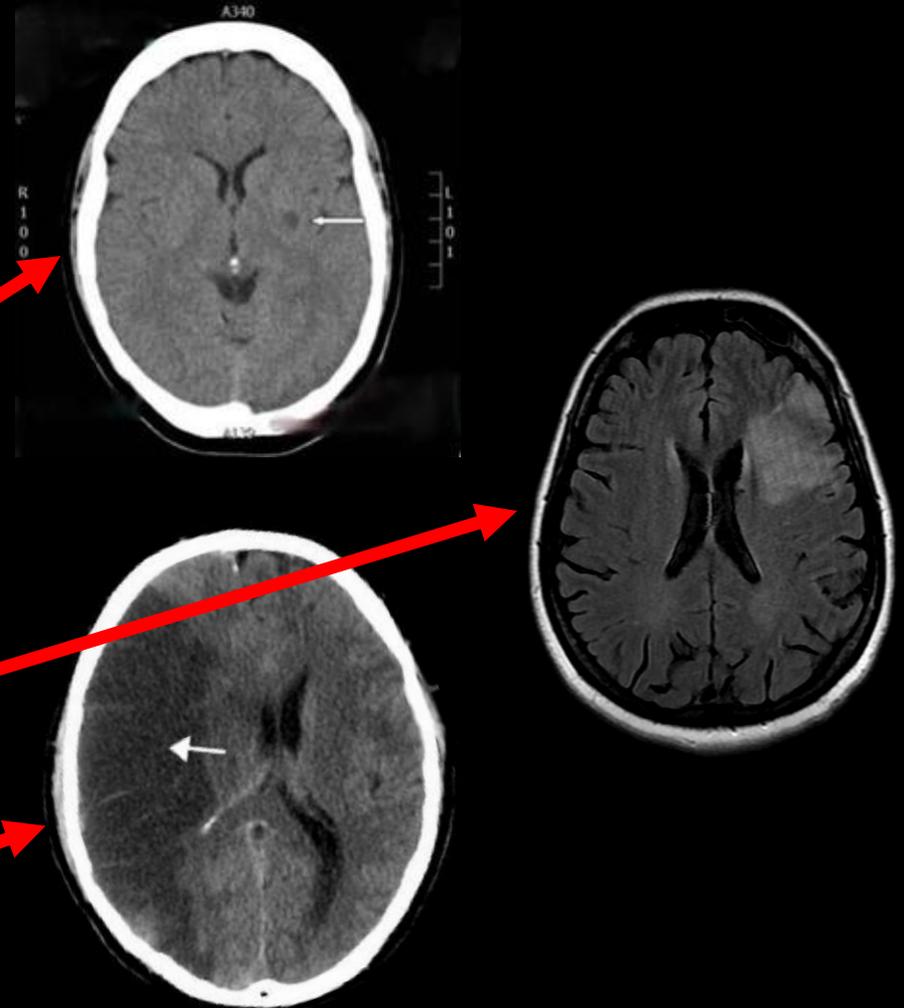
After days

1 → TIA

3 → Mild stroke

6 → Moderate stroke

12 → Severe stroke



Management of acute stroke in patients taking novel oral anticoagulants

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Ripresa-avvio TAO dopo AIS

Anticipare (1-3 gg) se:

- TIA o minor stroke
- $CHA_2DS_2-VASc \geq 2$
- Alto rischio embolico (protesi meccaniche, disfunzione Vsx, trombosi Asx/Vsx, Asx dilatato)
- PA ben controllata
- PLTs nella norma
- Glicemia nella norma

Ritardare (2-3 sett) se:

- Major stroke
- Basso rischio embolico (lone AF)
- Microbleeds (GE-MRI)
- Leucoaraiosi
- PA di difficile controllo
- Diabete

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 - necessità di dosi di AVK < 8,25 mg/sett. per warfarin e di 6 mg/sett. per acenocumarolo
 - pregressa emorragia maggiore in corso di INR sovraterapeutico
 - pregressa emorragia intracranica

- nuovo trattamento con anticoagulanti orali**
 - paz. in FA trattati solo con ASA
 - difficoltà logistico organizzative
 - condizioni cliniche che rendono gravosa o non accettabile la terapia con AVK
 - paz. ad alto rischio di interazioni farmacologiche con gli AVK
 - pregressa emorragia intracranica
 - FA di nuova diagnosi da sottoporre a cardioversione elettrica

Piano Terapeutico

Età < 65 (Dabigatran, Rivaroxaban) ≥ 65 (Dabigatran, Rivaroxaban, Apixaban)

F.A. non valvolare F.A. permanente (Dabigatran, Rivaroxaban, Apixaban)
F.A. parossistica (Dabigatran, Apixaban)

Clearance Creatinina (uso NAO non raccomandato se VFG < 30 ml/min)

Farmaco proposto: PRADAXA 110 mg PRADAXA 150 mg
ELIQUIS 2,5 mg ELIQUIS 5 mg
XARELTO 15 mg XARELTO 20 mg

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