

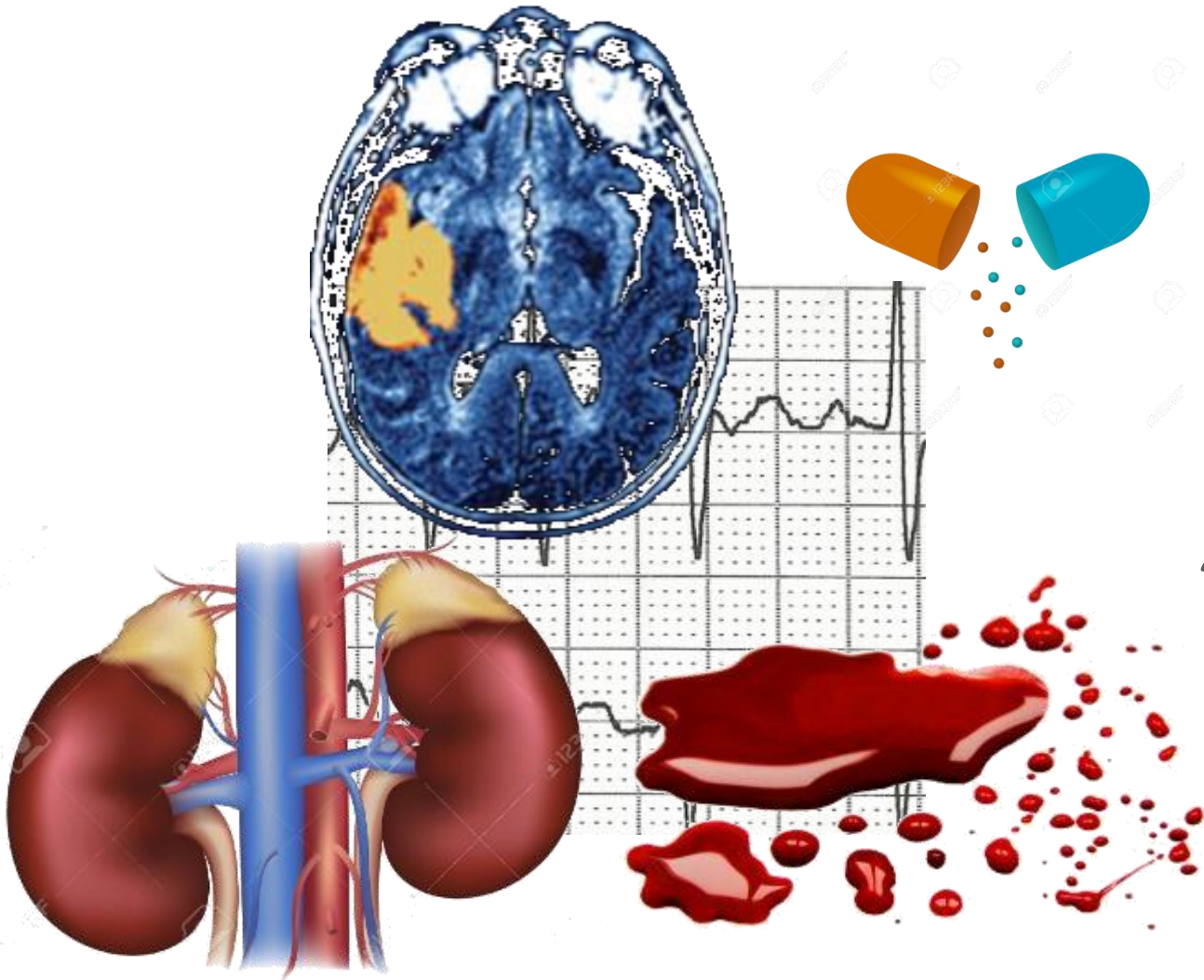
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In Memoriam



Anticoagulation Therapy in 2019 Are we There Yet?



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Declaration of Competing Interests

Guidelines: **Chairman:** ESC Guidelines on Atrial Fibrillation, 2010 and Update, 2012; ACC/AHA/ESC Guidelines on VAs and SCD; 2006; NICE Guidelines on ACS and NSTEMI, 2012; NICE Guidelines on Heart Failure, 2008; **Member:** NICE Guidelines on AF, 2006; ESC VA and SCD Guidelines, 2015; **Reviewer:** AHA/ACC/HRS Guidelines on AF, 2014; ACC/AHA/HRS SVT Guidelines, 2015; ESC AF Guidelines, 2016.

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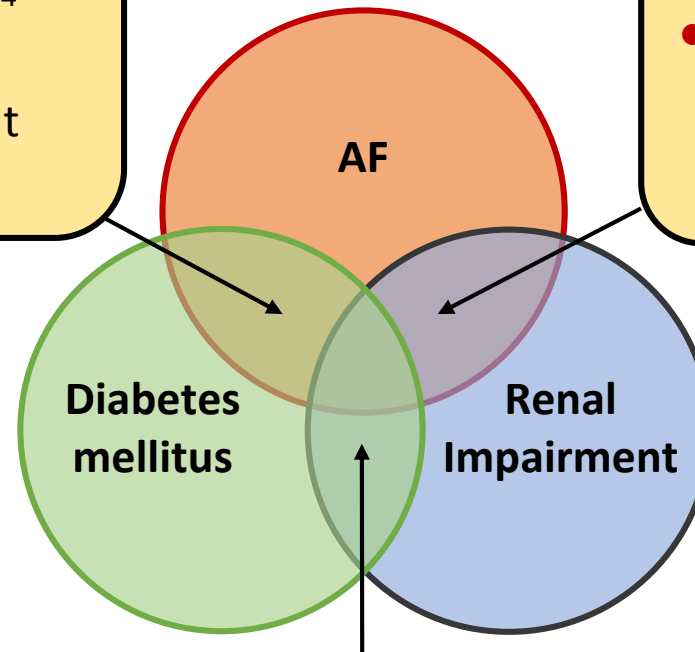
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Overlapping Comorbidities Increase the Complexity of Stroke Prevention in AF Patients

- Up to **40%** of AF patients have DM¹⁻³
- DM is an independent risk factor for stroke in patients with AF (RR: 1.7)⁴
- Risk of death following a stroke is greater for patients with vs without DM⁵

- **25-35%** of patients with AF have renal impairment⁶
- CKD is associated with an increased risk of developing AF and vice versa⁷, as well as bleeding^{8,9}

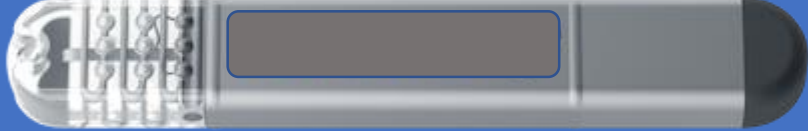


- Microvascular complications in DM can damage the kidneys¹⁰
- Diabetic kidney disease occurs in around one-third of patients with type 2 DM¹¹

AF on ILR Recordings during Dialysis

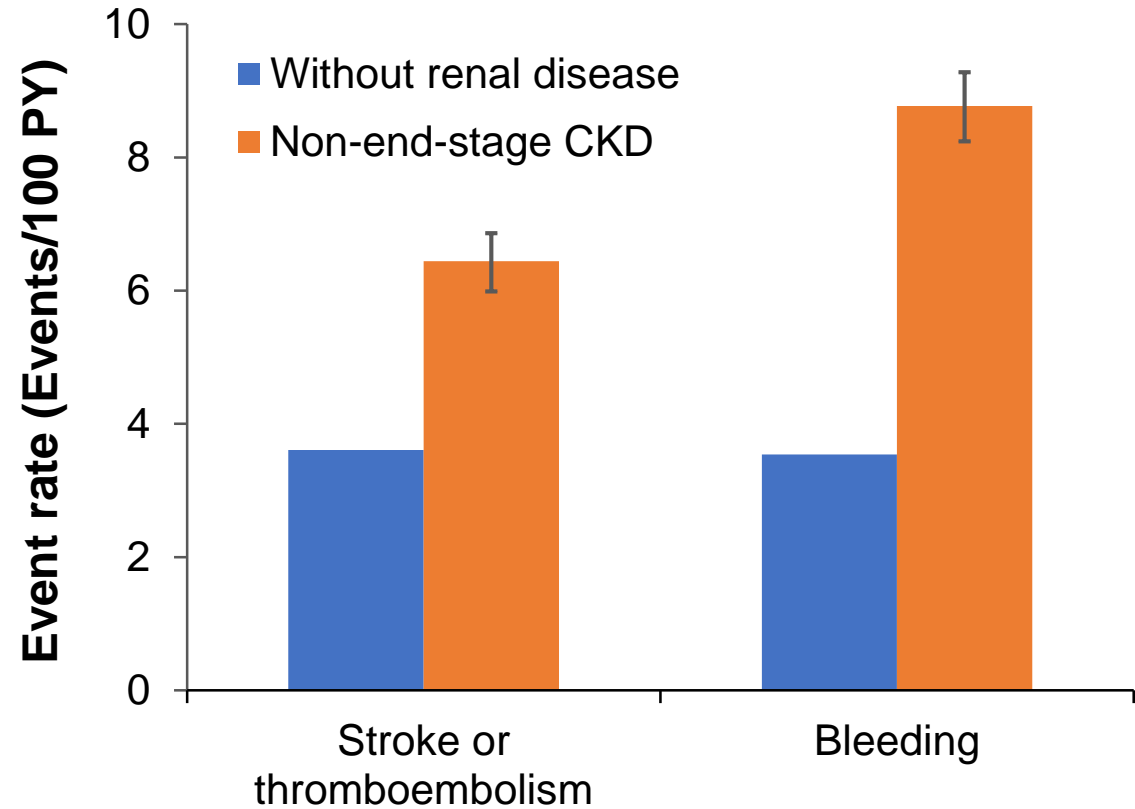
Number and Rate of AF Events

66 patients on maintenance hemodialysis (mean age 56, 70% male) underwent ILR placement.

 ILR detected AF	ILR Detected AF ≥ 6 Minutes	
Number of Events	4419	1710
Subjects with Events (% of Subjects with Any ILR Data)	27 (41%)	23 (35%)
Estimated Events Per Patient Month [95% CI Bounds]	11.9 [4.9,28.7]	4.62 [1.8,11.5]

Why Does Kidney Disease Matter?

Patients with NVAF and renal impairment are at higher risk of bleeding and stroke

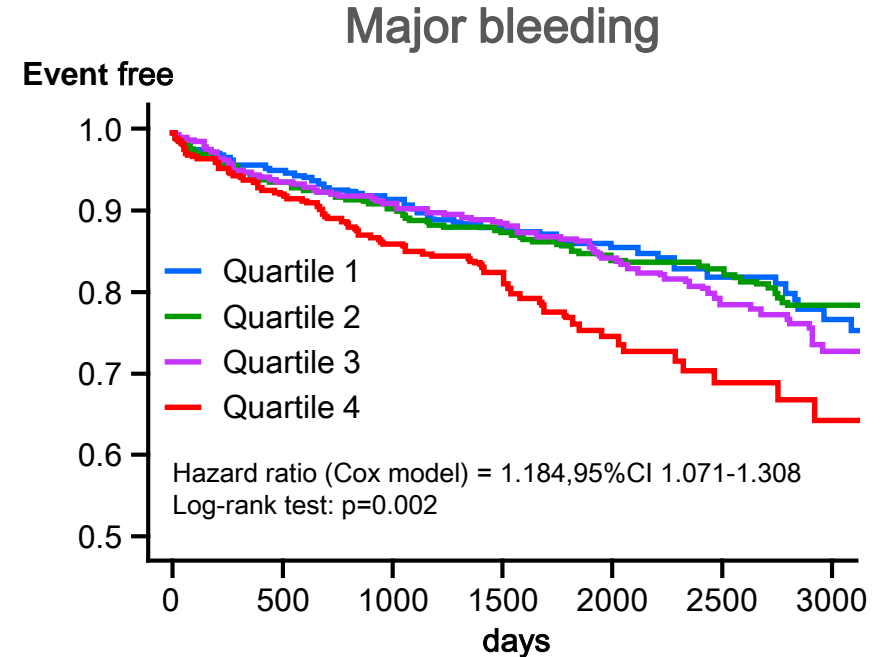
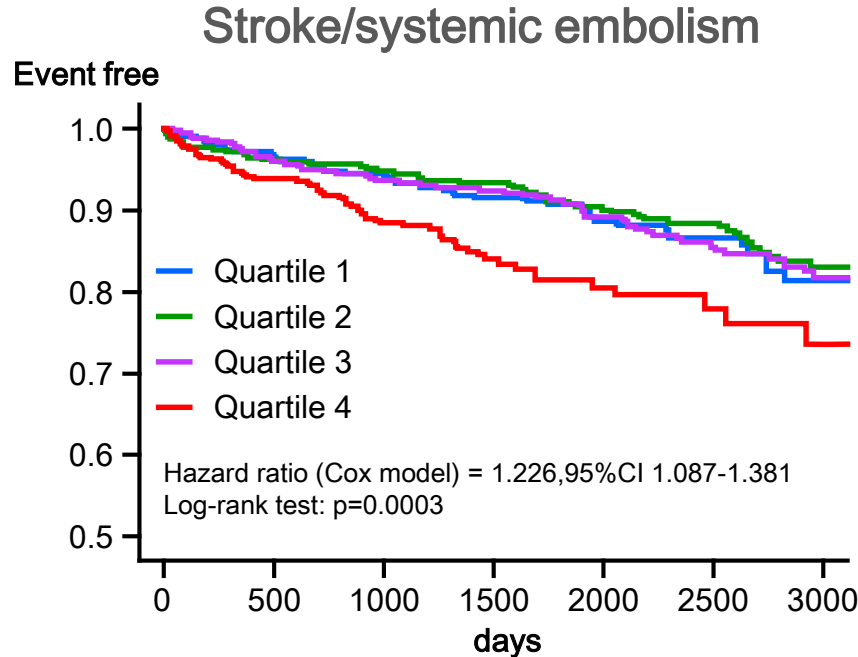


Large Danish cohort study (N=132,372) in AF patients with chronic kidney disease. 28% of patients with no renal disease received warfarin.

Olesen JB et al. N Engl J Med 2012;367:625–635.

CV Risk (Stroke or Bleeding) is Aggravated by deterioration of Renal Function

Event non-incidence rates in AF patients by quartile of annual eGFR change



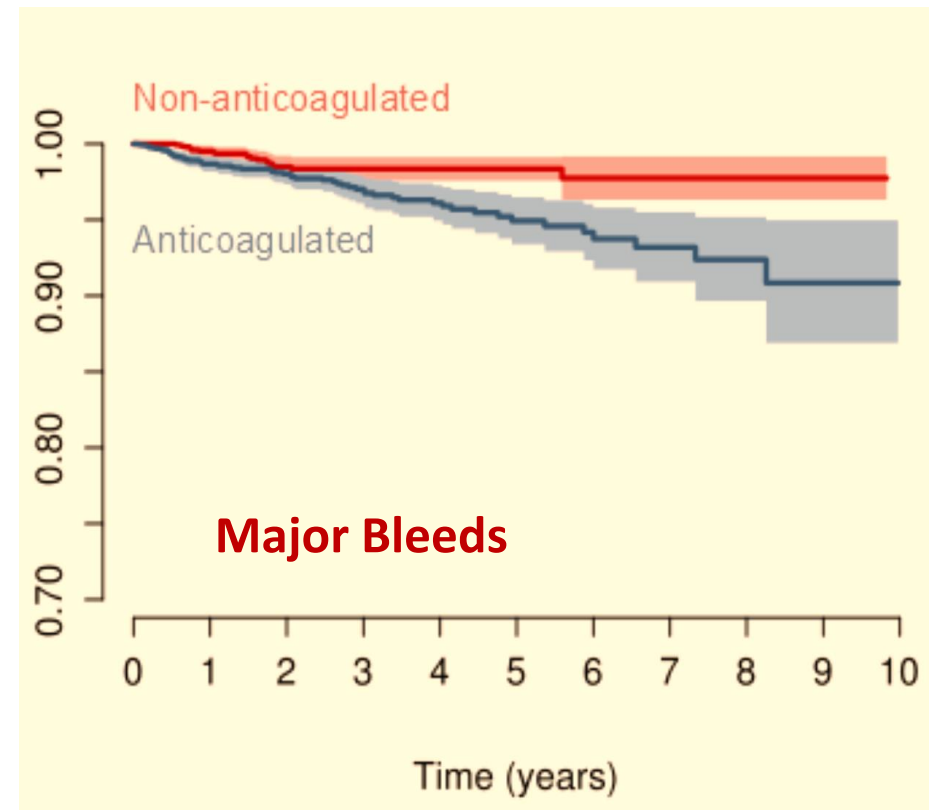
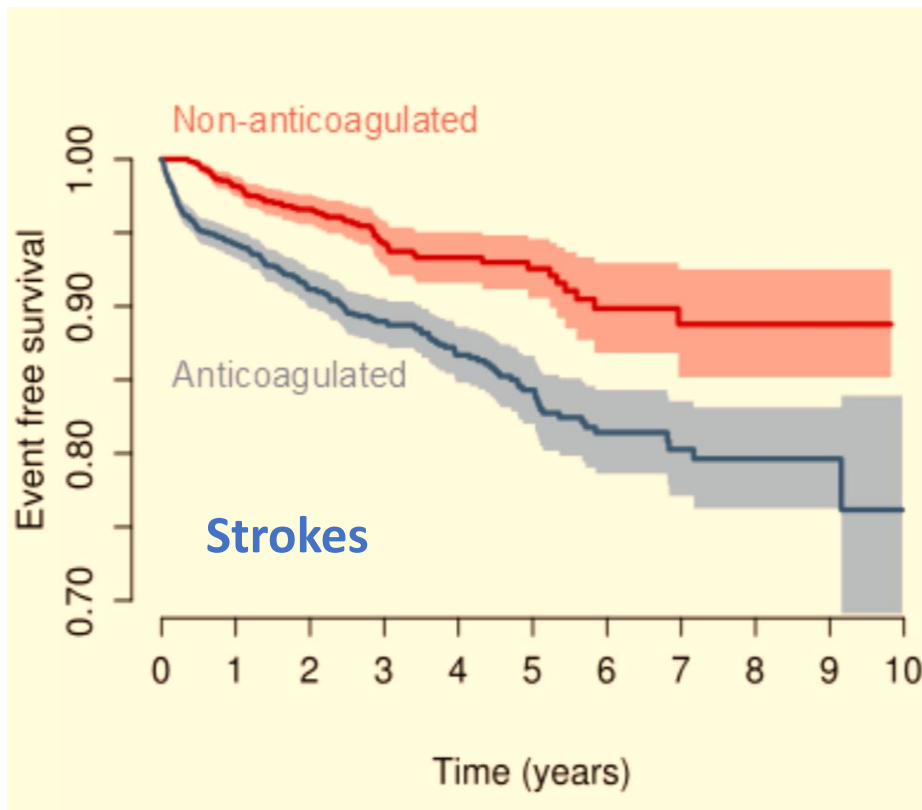
	Quartile 1	Quartile 2	Quartile 3	Quartile 4
No. of patients	661	662	666	664
eGFR change (mL/min/1.73m ² /year)	> 1.56	1.56 to -1.25	-1.25 to -4.81	< -4.81

Subjects and methods: We retrospectively analyzed 2,653 patients with AF at a single site in France between 2000 and 2010.

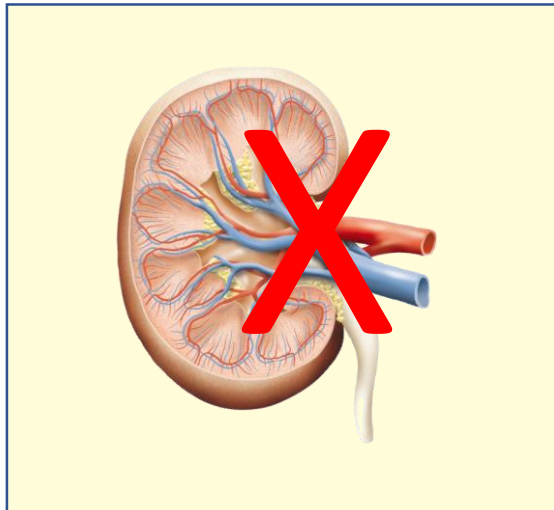
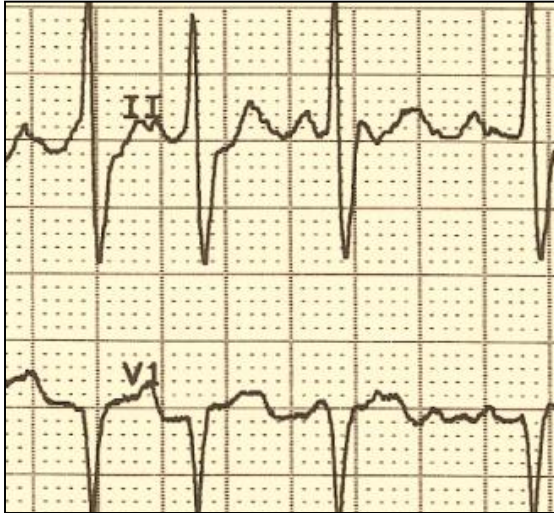
Mean observation period: 1499 days. Treatment with VKA: 62-68%.

Elderly AF Patients with Chronic Kidney Disease receiving Anticoagulation

Patients aged 65 years and over with a new diagnosis of AF and eGFR of <50 ml/min/1.73 m²
2,434 pairs using propensity scores by exposure to anticoagulant and followed for a median of 506 days



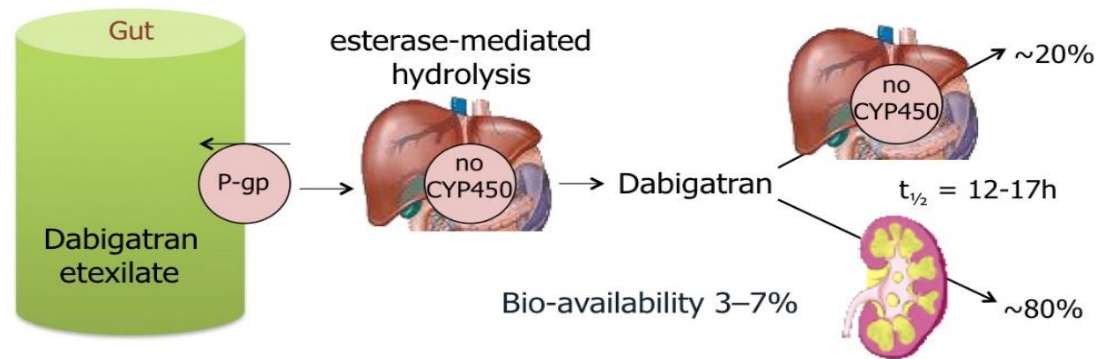
Warfarin in Patients with AF and ESRD



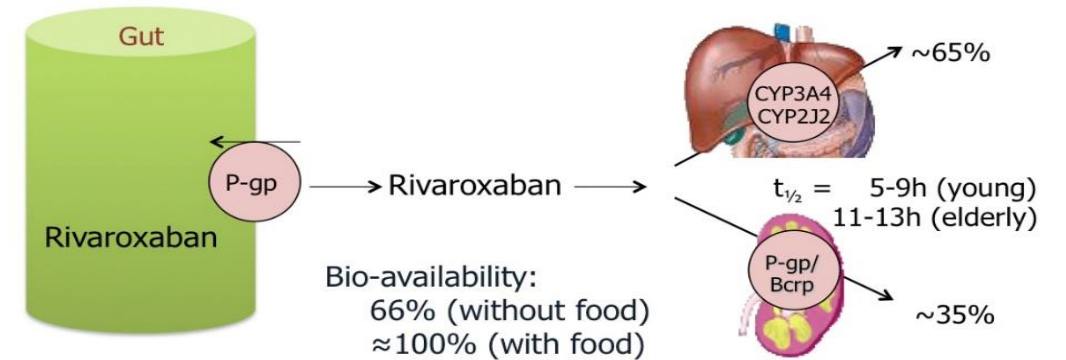
Study	Design	Number of patients	Outcome on warfarin vs no warfarin
Lai, 2010	Retrospective cohort	93	Warfarin effective against ischemic stroke
Winkelmayer, 2011	Prospective cohort	1185	No effect on overall stroke
Wizemann, 2010	Prospective cohort	17,513	Warfarin increased risk of stroke 2-fold in over 75 y.o.
Phelan, 2011	Retrospective cohort	845	Warfarin increased risk of hemorrhagic stroke 2-fold
Chan, 2009	Retrospective cohort	1671	Warfarin increased risk of stroke 2-fold
Wiesholzer, 2001	Retrospective cohort	430	Warfarin increased risk of stroke 3-fold
Wang, 2016	Prospective cohort	141	Warfarin increased risk of ICH 11-fold; no difference in SE
Dahal, 2016	Meta-analysis of 6 retro- and 5 prospective cohorts	48,500	No effect on stroke/SE, 1.3-fold risk of ICH
Liu, 2016	Meta-analysis of 11 studies	25,407	No effect on stroke/SE, 1.27-fold risk of MB

Absorption, Metabolism and Elimination Different NOACs

Dabigatran



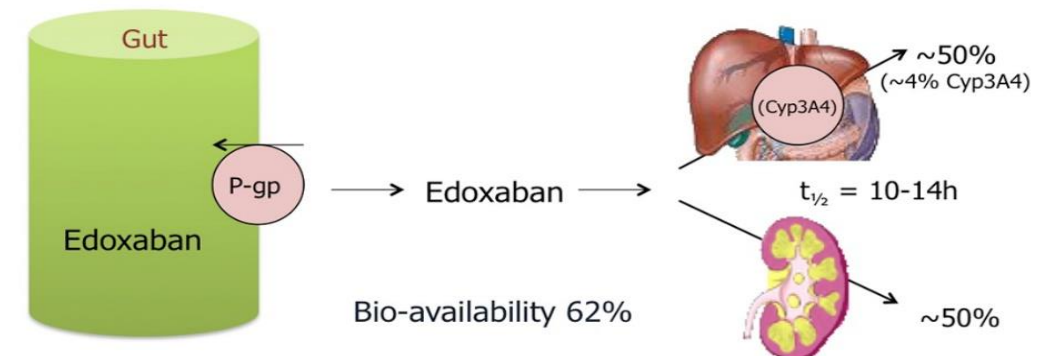
Rivaroxaban



Apixaban



Edoxaban



Oral Anticoagulants

Pharmacokinetics in Renal Disease

	Warfarin	Dabigatran	Rivaroxaban	Apixaban	Edoxaban
Target	VKA	Ila	Xa	Xa	Xa
Hours to C _{max}	3 days	1.25–3	2–4	3–4	1–2
Half-life: normal renal function	35 h	14 – 17 h	7 – 8 h	11-12 h	9-10 h
Half life: CrCl<30 ml/min	35 h	27 h	10 h	N/A	17 h
Dose for SPAF	Variable	150 mg BID	20 mg OD	5 mg BID	60 mg OD
Dose in CKD	Variable OD	110 mg BID CrCl<50	15 mg OD CrCl<50	2.5 mg BID CrCl<30*	30mg OD CrCl<50
Lowest allowed CrCL	-	30ml/min	15ml/min	15ml/min	15ml/min
Dialysis effect	Not effective	62-68% drug removal	Not effective	Not effective	Not effective

*If accompanied by one of the following criteria: 1) Age >80 years, body weight ≤60 kg

As there have been no head to head trials; it is not possible to make comparisons between the DOACs

- In the absence of hard endpoint studies it is advised to avoid the routine use of NOACs in patients with severe renal dysfunction (CrCl <15 mL/min) as well as in patients on dialysis¹

Table adapted from Mar et al. Int J Cardiol 2016; 202:578–85

1. Steffel J, et al. Eur Heart J. 2018;39:1330–93.

Patients With Renal Impairment:

Higher Exposure for Dabigatran vs Factor Xa Inhibitors

Renal clearance
(of absorbed dose)¹

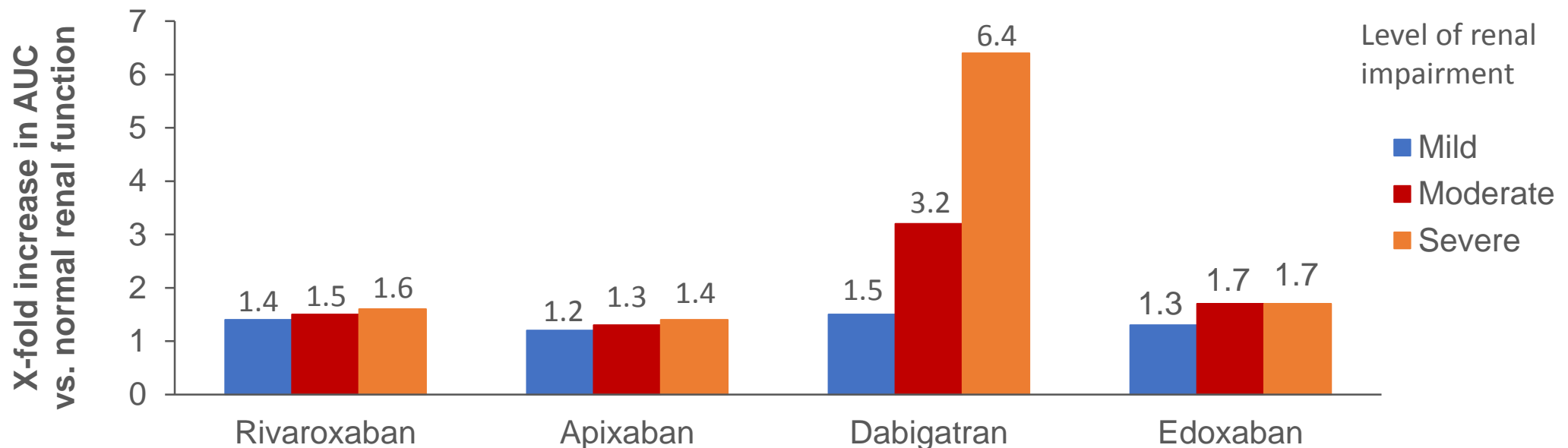
33%

27%

80%

~50%

Dabigatran is predominantly
renally excreted



Dabigatran is contraindicated for patients with CrCl <30ml/min

NOTE: Graphs based on data in respective SmPCs. No head to head comparison. Data for edoxaban are currently not available.

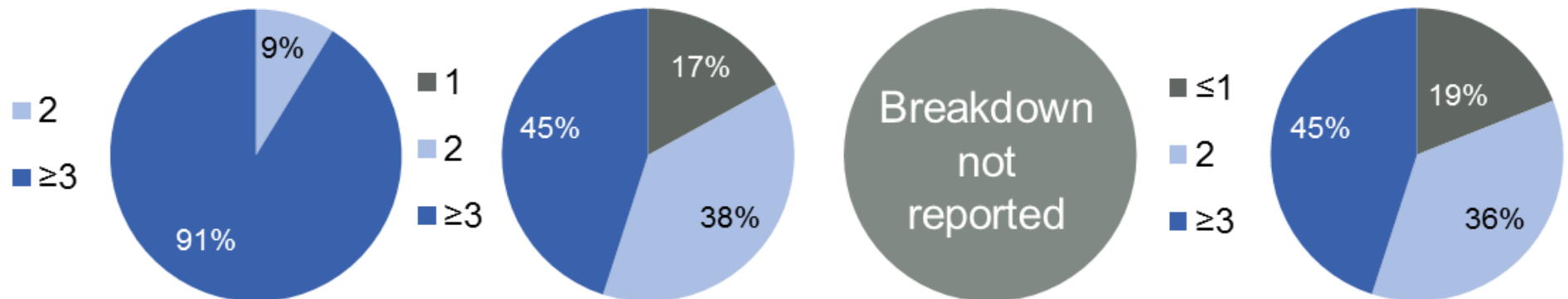
1. Rivaroxaban SmPC; 2. Apixaban SmPC; 3. Dabigatran SmPC; 4. Stangier J et al. Clin Pharmacokinet. 2010;49(4):259–268;

Patients with Renal Impairment in the Phase III NOAC Trials

Renal impairment

	ROCKET AF ¹	ARISTOTLE ²	ENGAGE AF ³	RE-LY ⁴
Proportion of patients	N=2950 (20.7%)	N=3017 (16.6%)	N=2740 (19.5%)	N=3374 (18.9%)
Mean CHADS ₂ score	3.7	2.6	3.1	–
CHF, %	65.7	32.7	55	32.6
Hypertension, %	91.9	84.9	92	85.6
Diabetes mellitus, %	32.5	21.1	28	29.1
Prior stroke/TIA/SE, %	49.6	25.1	30	20.1 [#]

CHADS₂ score

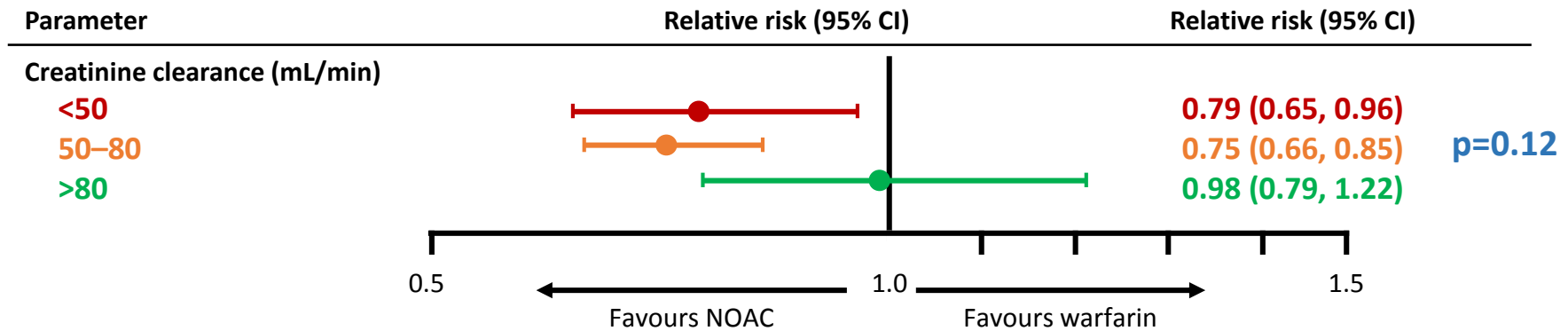


1. Fox KAA et al, *Eur Heart J* 2011;32:2387–2394; 2. Hohnloser SH et al, *Eur Heart J* 2012;33:2821–2830; 3. Bohula EA et al, *Circulation* 2016;134:24–36
 4. Hijazi Z et al, *Circulation* 2014;129:961–970

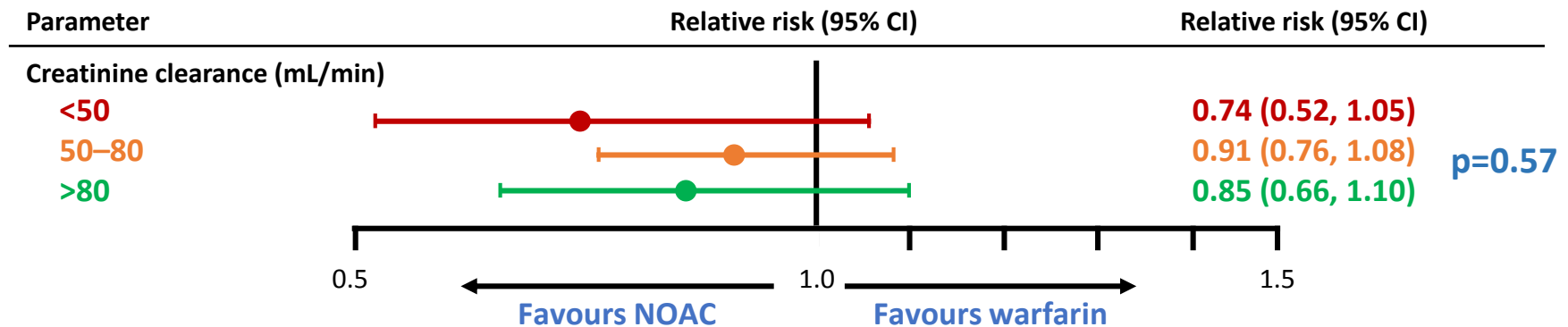
Meta-analysis of All NOACs vs Warfarin

Renal Function Subgroups

Stroke or SEE



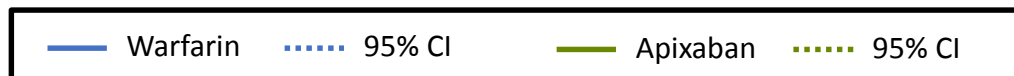
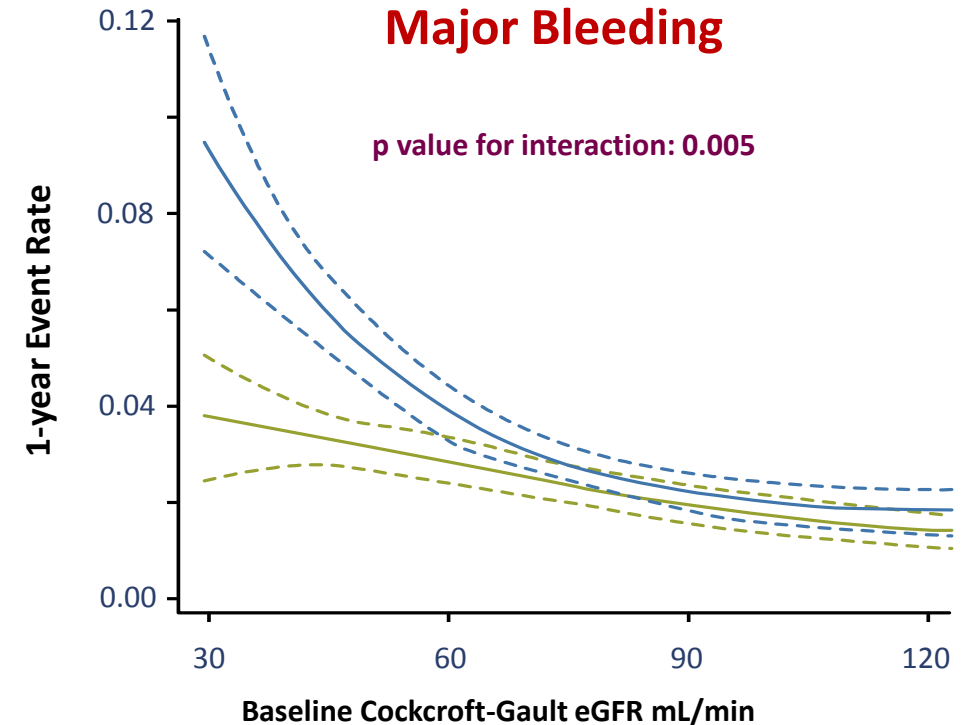
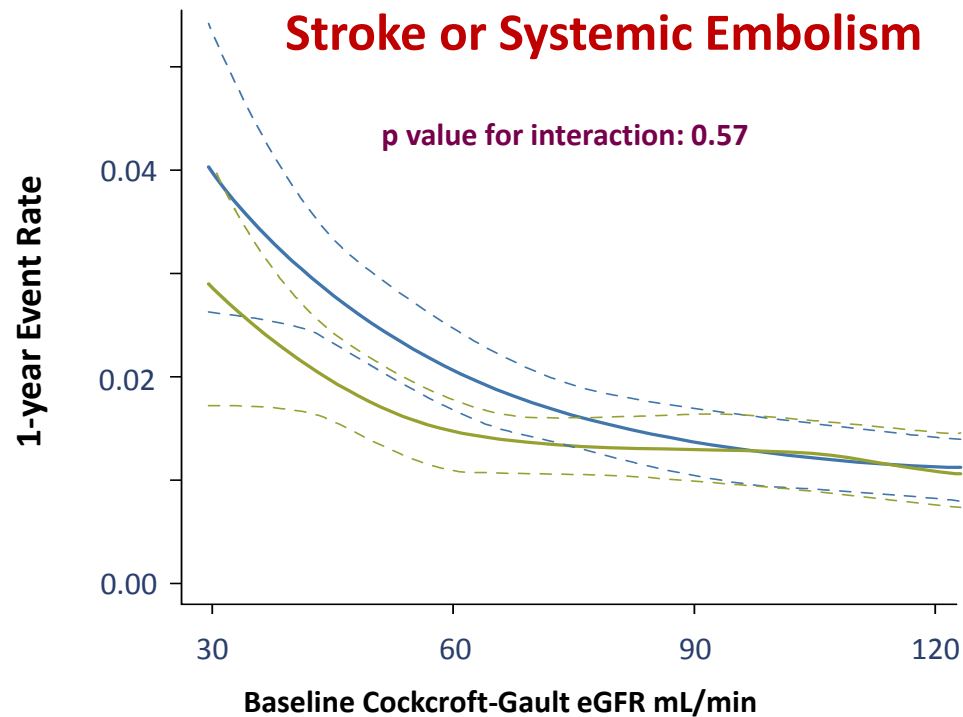
Major bleeding



ARISTOTLE: Apixaban versus Warfarin

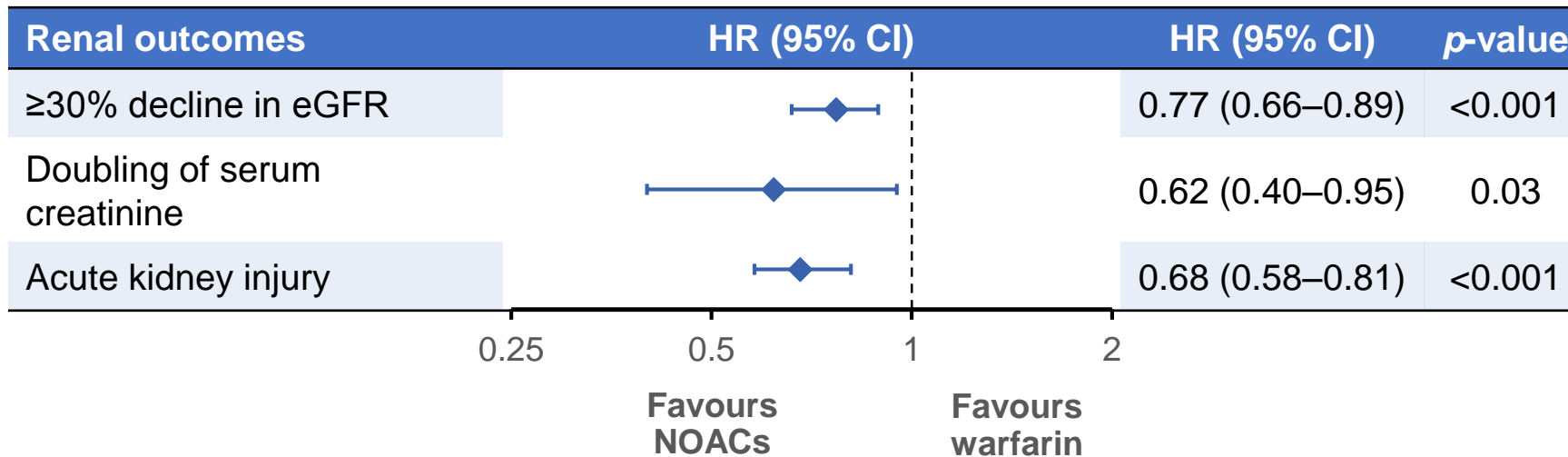
According to Renal Function

7518 patients (42%) with an estimated GFR (eGFR) of >80 mL/min, 7587 (42%) between 50 and 80 mL/min, and 3017 (15%) with an eGFR of ≤50 mL/min



Renal Outcomes in AF Patients on NOACs

- At 2 years, the cumulative risk was
 - 24.4% for $\geq 30\%$ decline in eGFR
 - 4.0%, doubling of serum creatinine
 - 14.8% for AKI
 - 1.7% for kidney failure
- Compared with warfarin, the use of NOACs was associated with reduced risks of $\geq 30\%$ decline in eGFR, doubling of serum creatinine and acute kidney disease



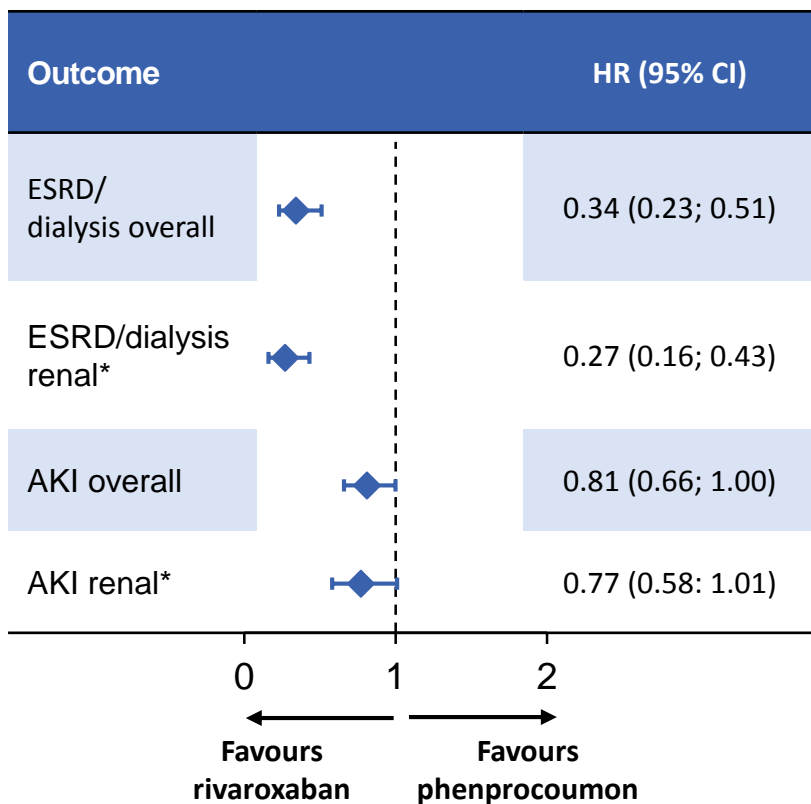
RIVAL: Rivaroxaban Associated with Lower Risk of Acute Kidney Injury or Progression to Stage 5 CKD Than Warfarin

- Analysis of US Truven MarketScan claims data for patients with NVAF initiating rivaroxaban or warfarin
 - Patients with stage 5 CKD or on haemodialysis at baseline excluded

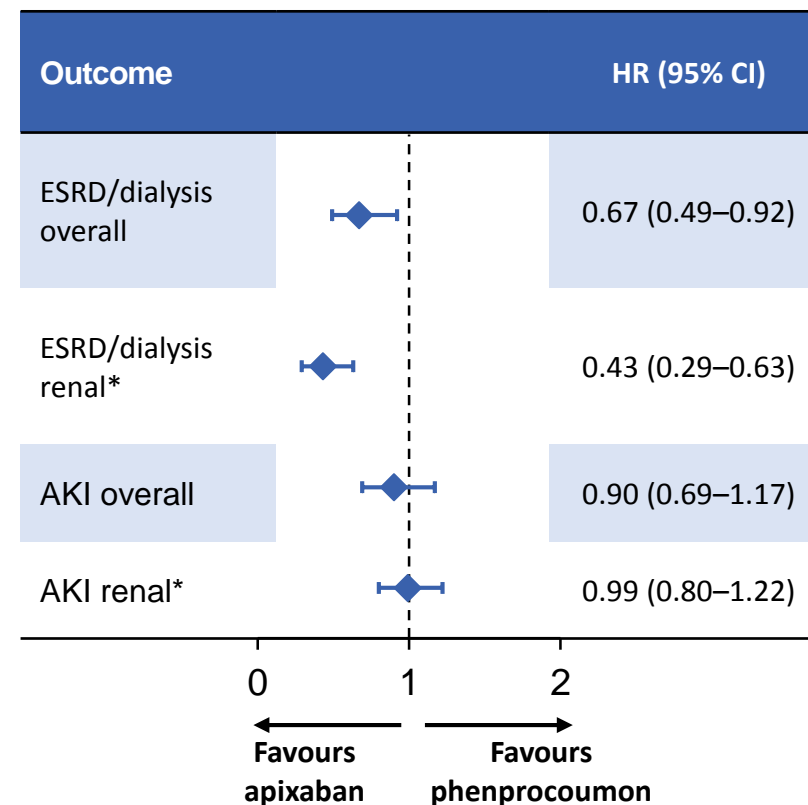
	Event rate (per 100 person-years)		HR (95% CI)	
	Rivaroxaban N=36,318	Warfarin N=36,281		
AKI	4.91	8.45		0.81 (0.75–0.87)
Stage 5 CKD or dialysis	2.67	4.12		0.82 (0.74–0.91)

RELOADED: Rivaroxaban and Apixaban Showed Risk Reductions for ESRD/Dialysis, and Only Rivaroxaban Showed Benefit for AKI

Rivaroxaban vs phenprocoumon



Apixaban vs phenprocoumon



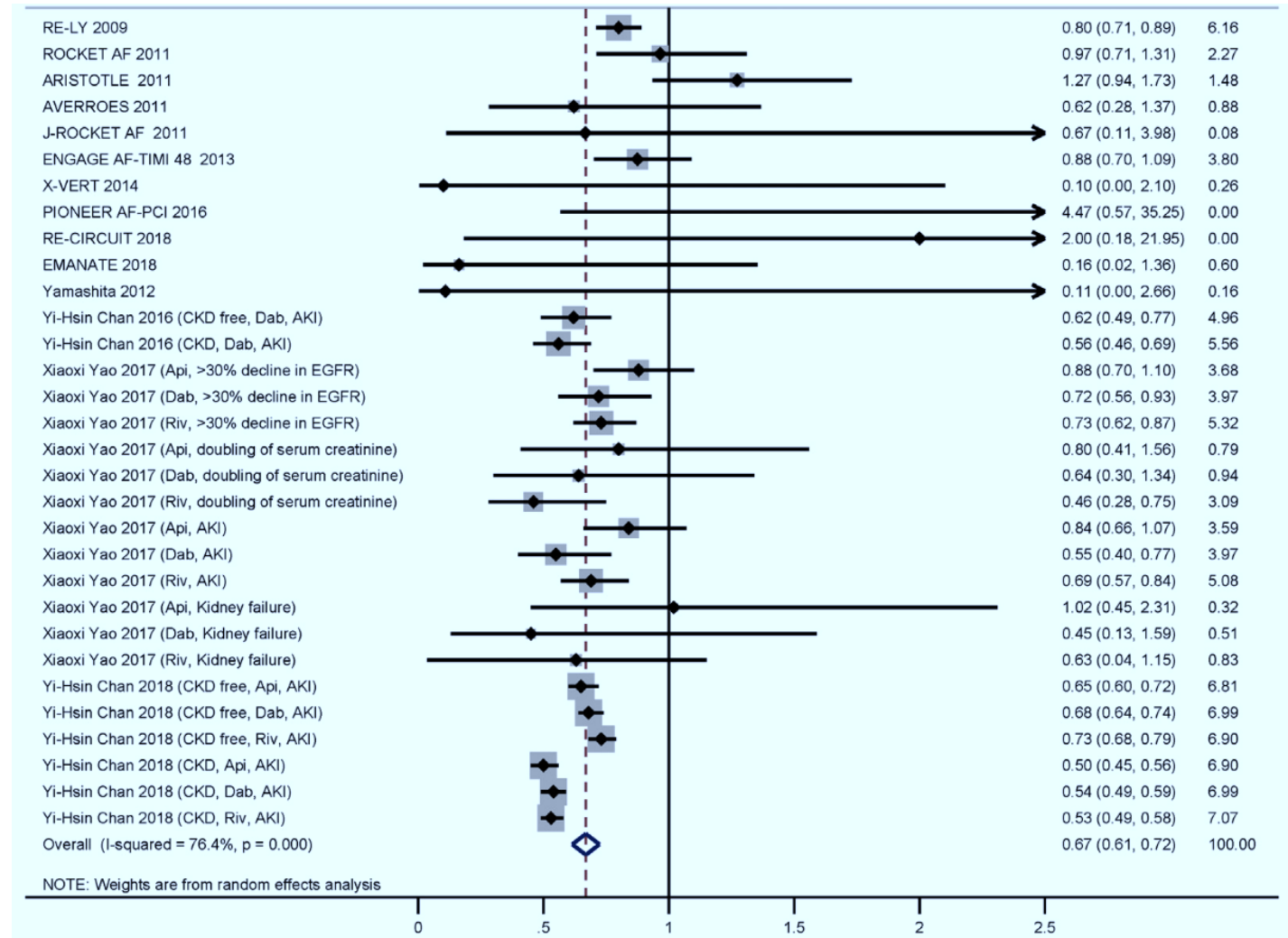
*Renal insufficiency subgroup defined by following ICD-10 codes: D63.1, E10.2, E11.2, E13.2, I12, I13, N02, N03, N04, N05, N07, N08, N14, N18.1-N18.4, N18.9, N19, Q61.

Risk of Renal Impairment in Patients with NOACs vs. VKAs/ASA

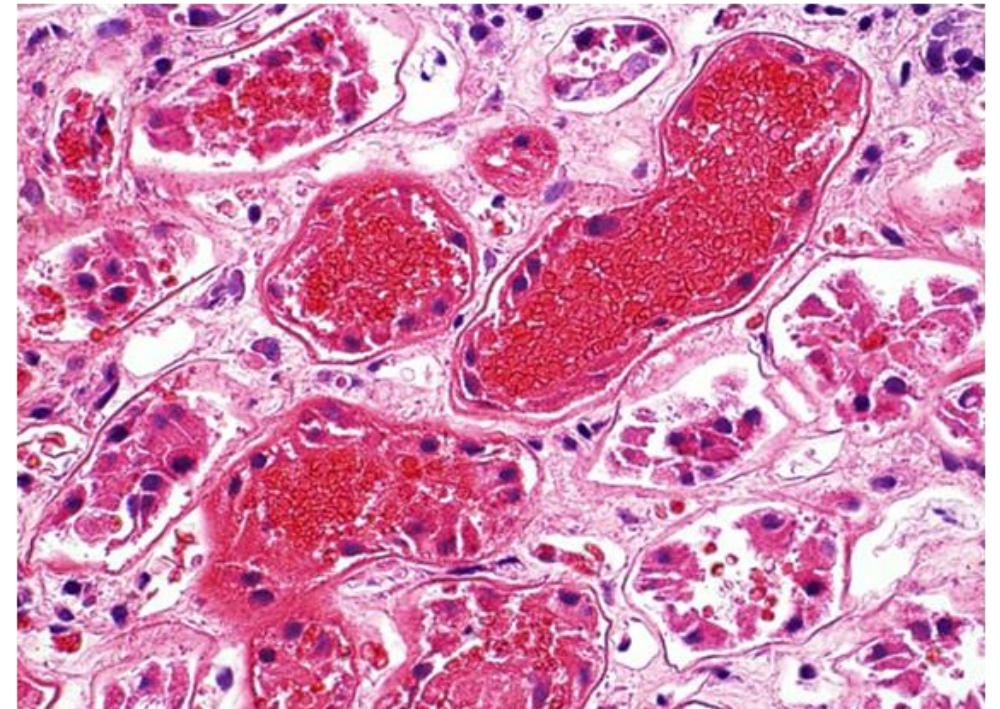
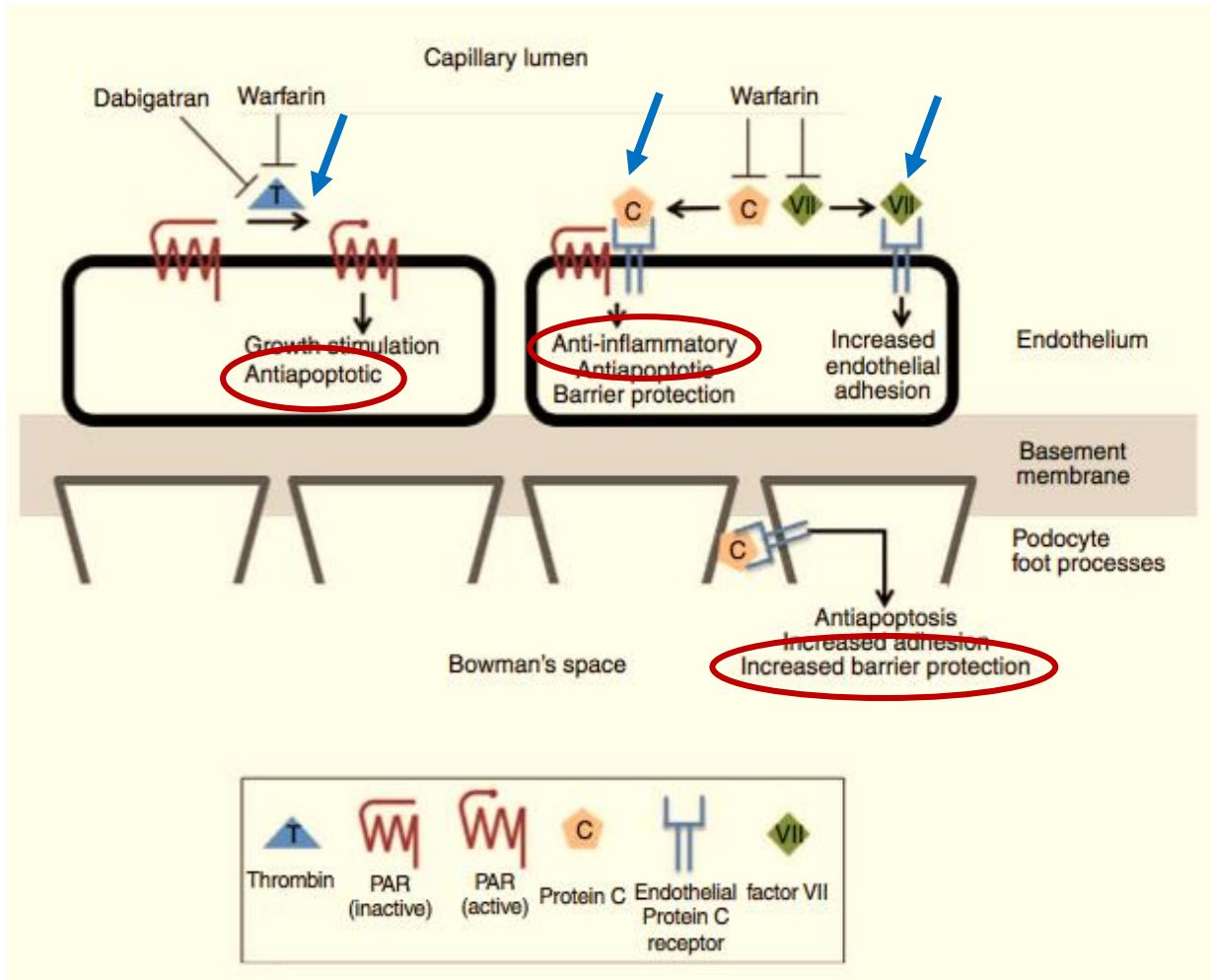
11 RCTs and
3 observational studies
189,483 (119,188 patients
with NOACs and 70,295
patients with VKA/ASA)

**33% reduction in renal
impairment with NOACs**

Zhang C, et al. *Thrombosis Research* 2019;174:16-23

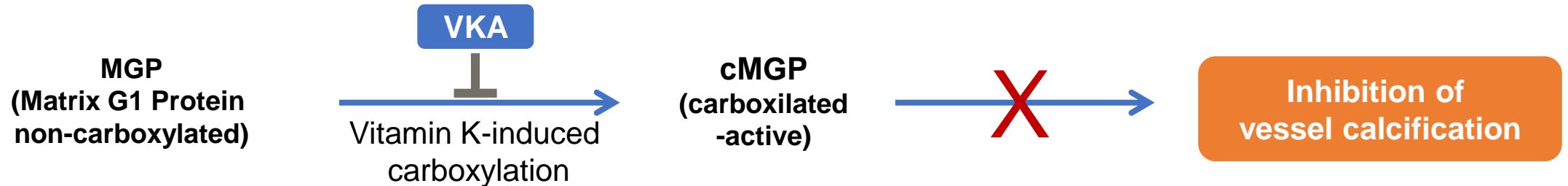


Anticoagulation-Related Nephropathy and AKI

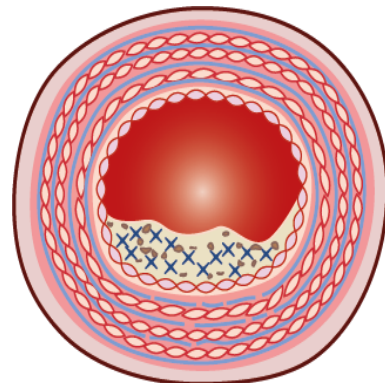


Microscopic pathology of patient with anticoagulation-related nephropathy

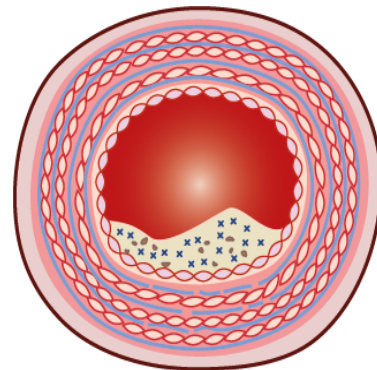
VKAs Promote Vascular Calcification and Decline in Renal Function



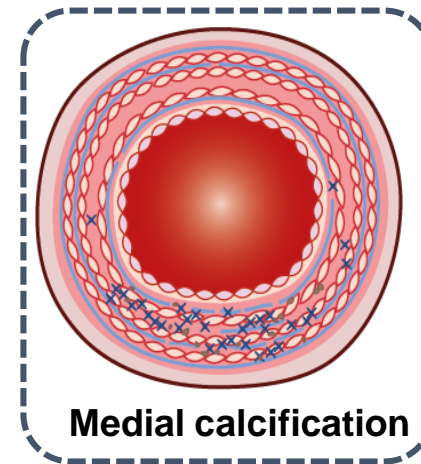
MGP is the main inhibitor of vascular calcification, and vitamin K is required for full activity of MGP¹



Intimal calcification (macro calcification)



Intimal calcification (micro calcification)



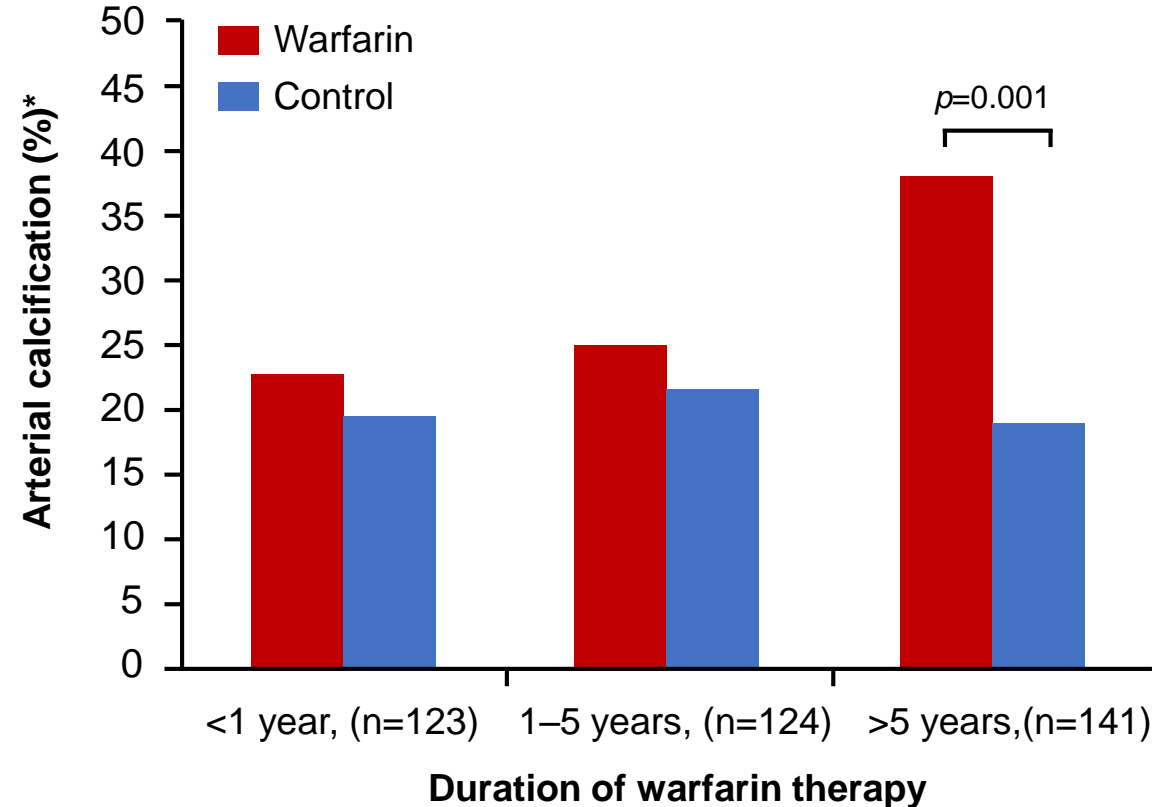
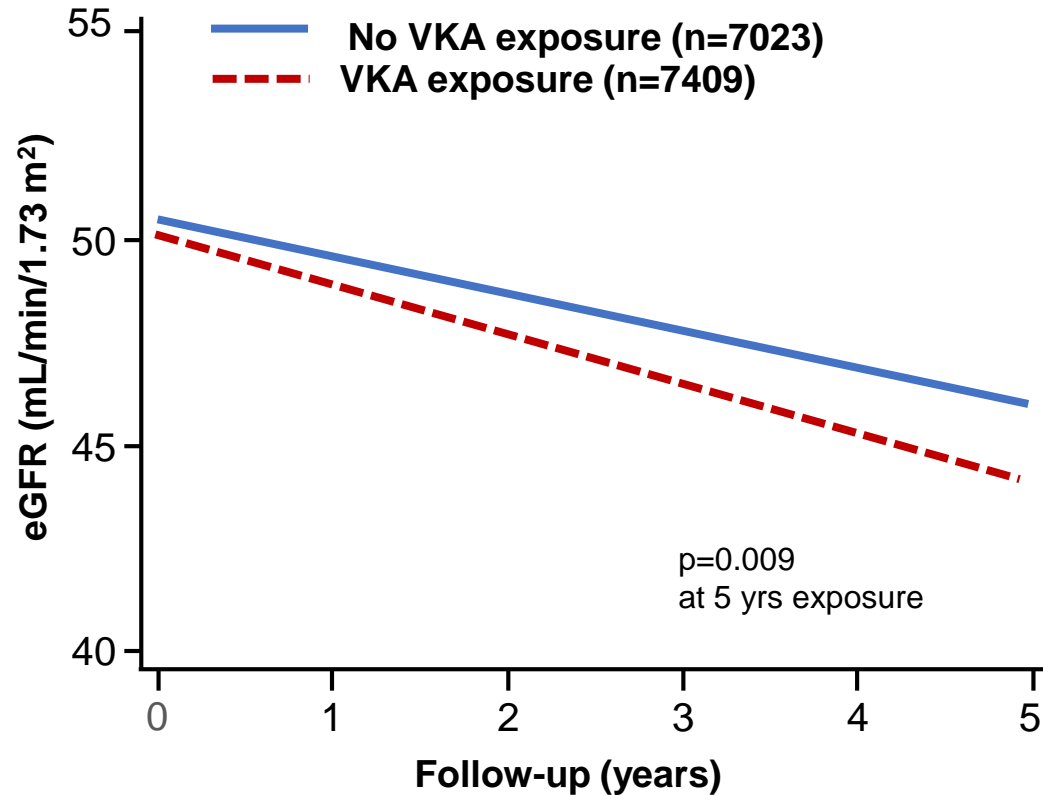
Medial calcification

Medial calcification is highly prevalent in patients with CKD²



1. Van Gorp RH, Schurgers LJ. *Nutrients* 2015;7:9538–9557; 2. Willems BAG et al. *Mol Nutr Food Res* 2014;58:1620–1635.

Effects of VKA on Calcification



In patients with AF and CKD, renal function declines faster in those with VKA exposure vs no VKA exposure¹

Arterial calcification is increased in warfarin-treated patients vs control patients²

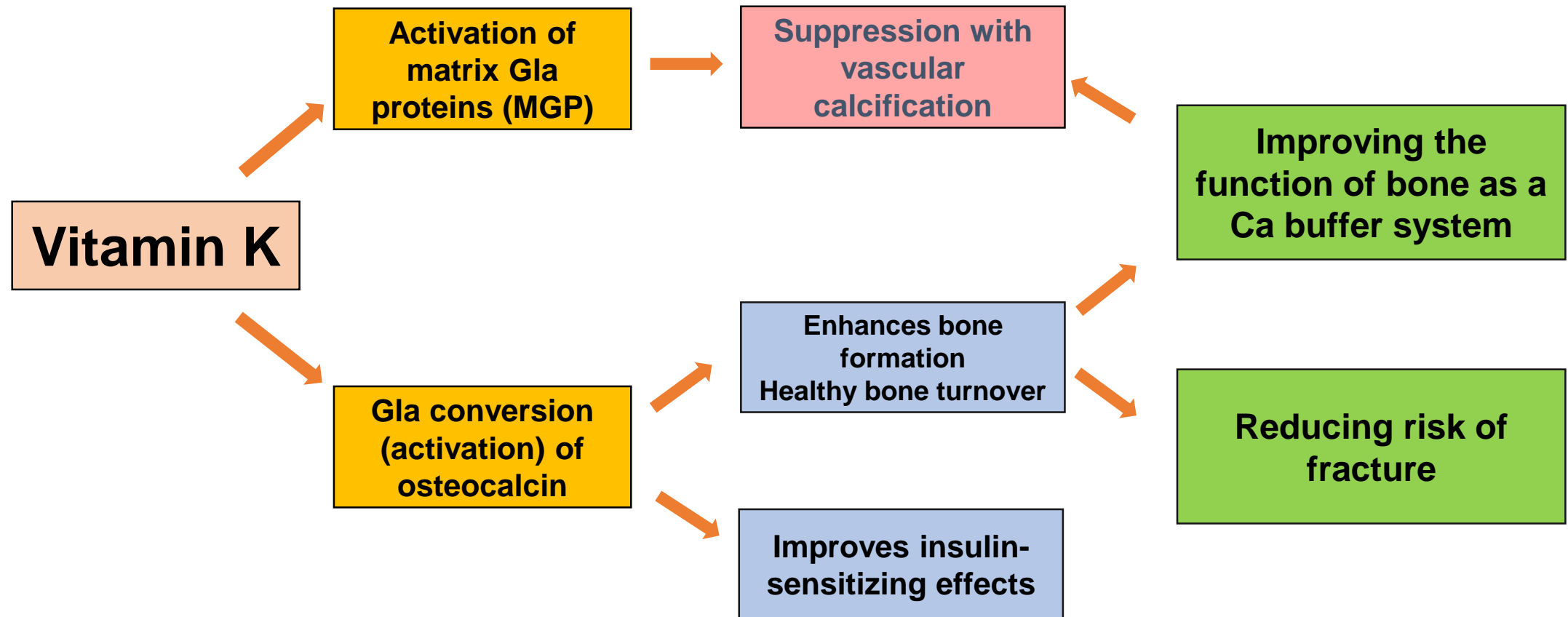
*Calcification analysis in X-rays of lower extremity arteries at knee level and below.

chi-square test

1. Posch F, et al. Presented at ÖGIM 2017, poster 07; 2. Han KH, O'Neill WC. *J Am Heart Assoc* 2016;5:e002665.

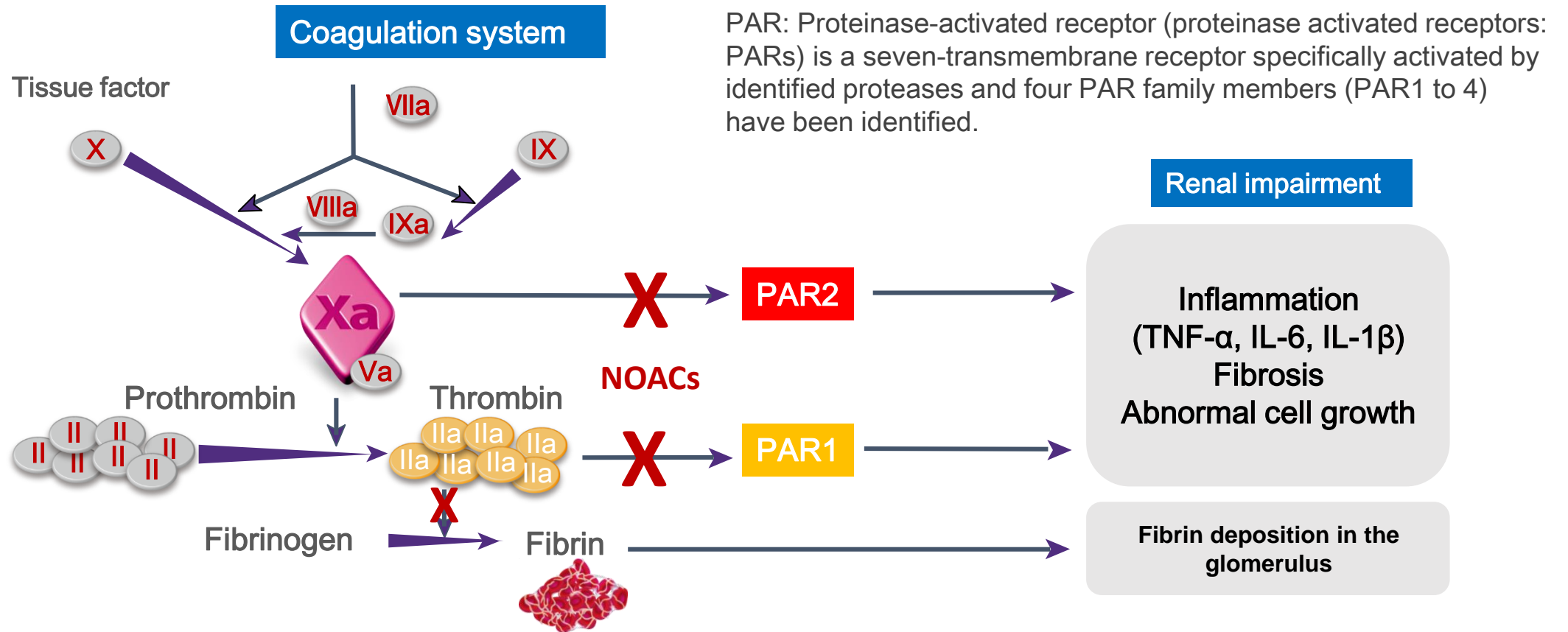
Vitamin K is Required to Inhibit Vascular Calcification

Warfarin Antagonizes the Activity of Vitamin K



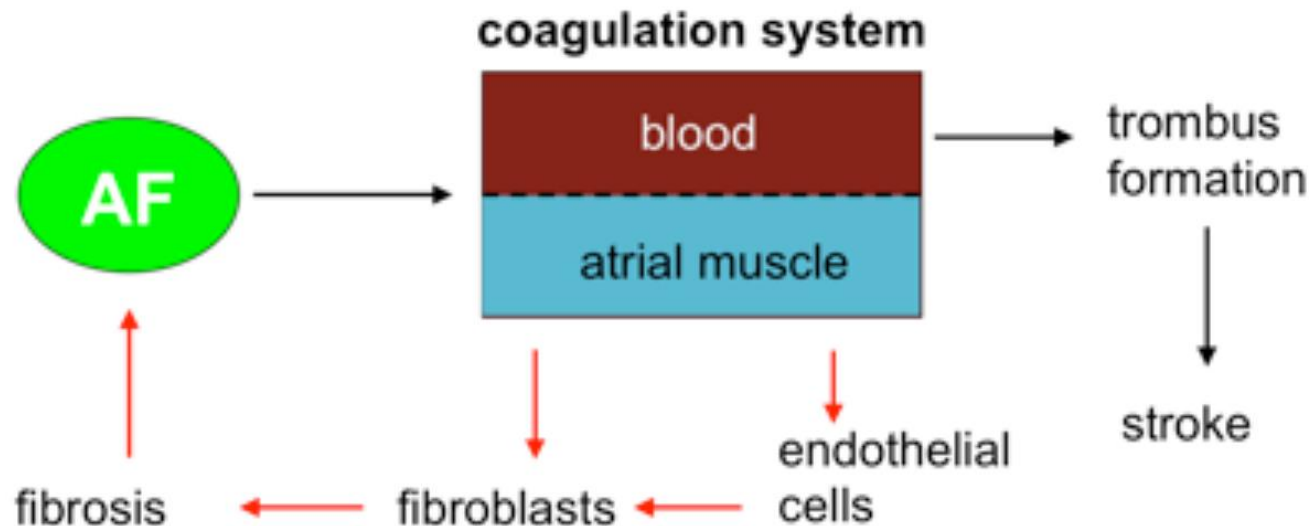
Coagulation System and Renal Impairment

In IgA nephropathy and diabetic nephropathy, it has been suggested that the coagulation system is involved in the disease state formation of renal impairment



Hypercoagulability Causes Atrial Fibrosis and Promotes Atrial Fibrillation?

Reappraisal of Atrial Fibrillation: Interaction between hyperCoagulability, Electrical remodeling, and Vascular Destabilisation in the Progression of AF (RACE V)



The hypercoagulable state during AF causes pro-fibrotic and pro-inflammatory responses in adult atrial fibroblasts.

Inhibition of coagulation may not only prevent strokes but also inhibit the development of a substrate for AF.

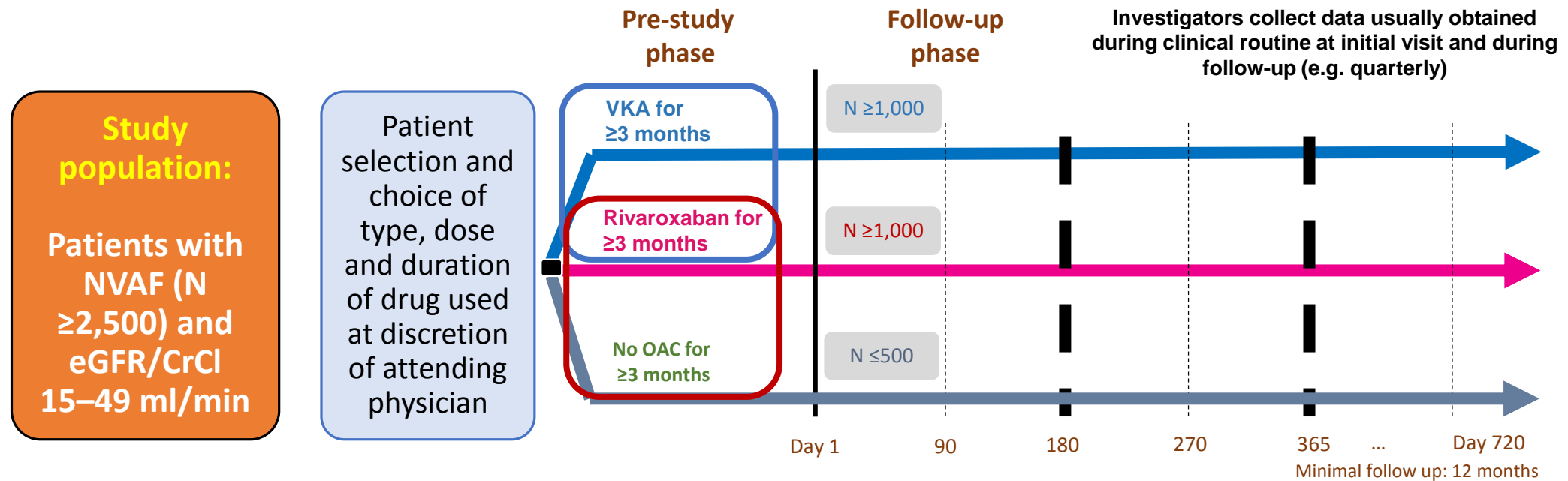
In isolated rat atrial fibroblasts, thrombin enhanced the phosphorylation of the pro-fibrotic signalling molecules..... All effects could be attenuated by the thrombin inhibitor dabigatran.

2019 ACC Guideline Recommendations

- Section 4.2.2.2 – Anticoagulant options – “Over time, NOACs (particularly dabigatran and rivaroxaban) may be associated with **lower risks of adverse renal outcomes** than warfarin in patients with AF (S4.2.2.2-16).”

Factor XA – inhibition in RENal patients with non-valvular atrial fibrillation Observational registry

XARENO



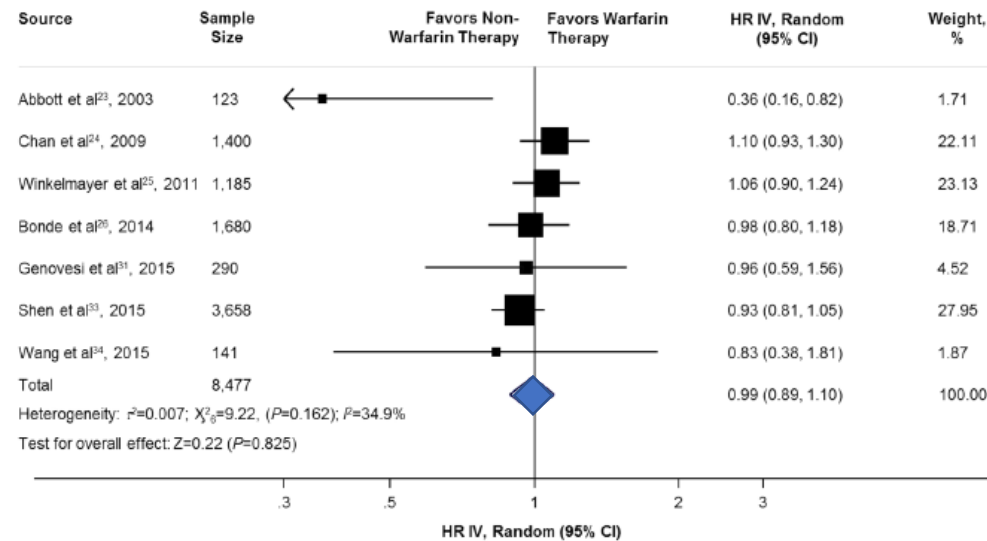
AC, anticoagulation; APT, antiplatelet therapy; VKA, vitamin K antagonist. Patients in the rivaroxaban or VKA arm can also receive APT in addition to AC

XARENO Clinicaltrials.gov. NCT NCT02663076. Available at <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT02663076> (accessed November 2017)

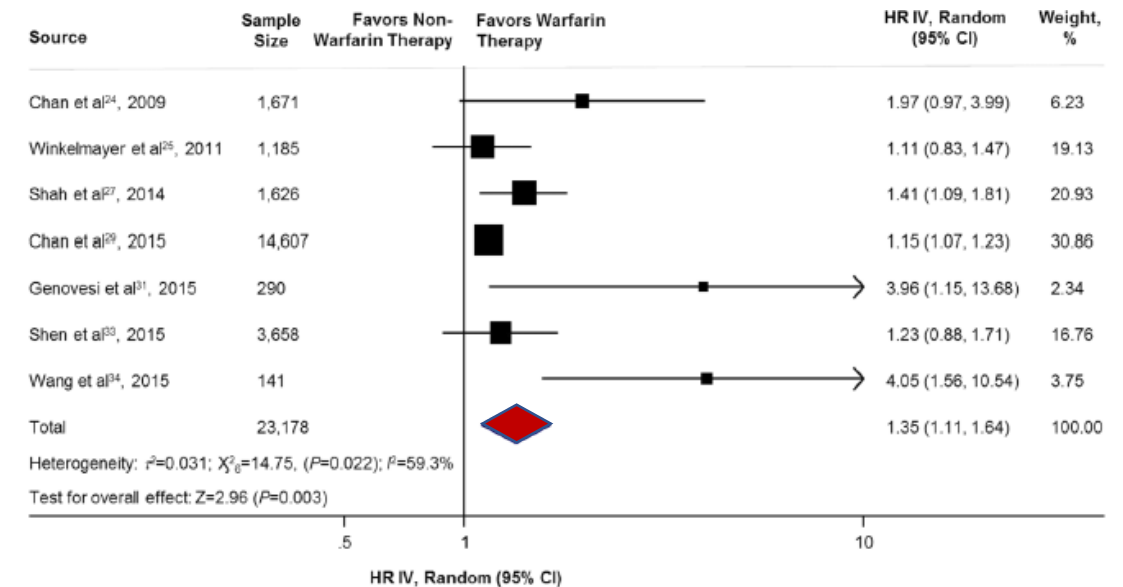


What is the Evidence for Warfarin in AF Patients undergoing Haemodialysis?

All-cause mortality



Major bleeding



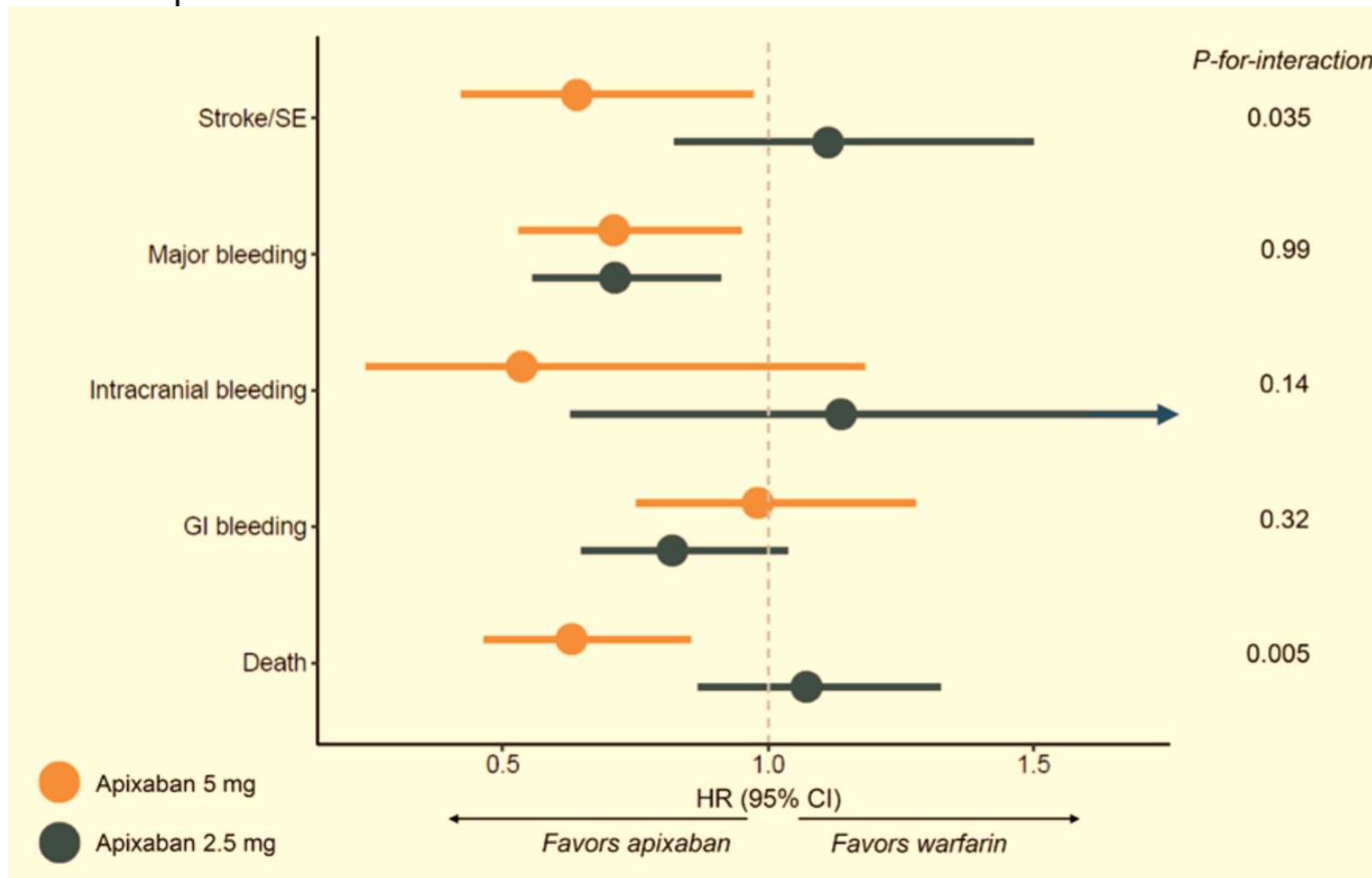
Systematic review and meta-analysis

In AF patients undergoing dialysis, warfarin therapy (vs nothing or placebo) was **not associated with and increase of mortality and stroke/thromboembolism**, but **significantly increased the risk of major bleeding**

Nochaiwong S, et al. Open Heart 2016;3:e000441.

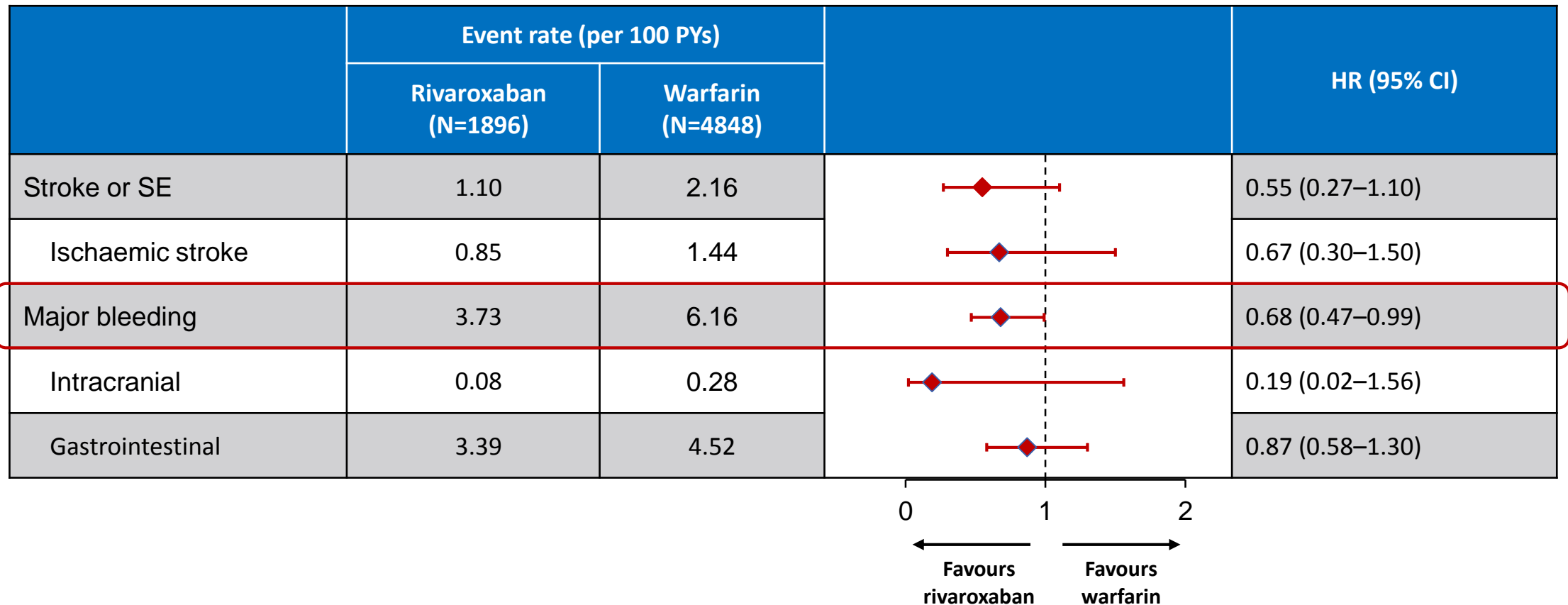
Apixaban Use in End-Stage Kidney Disease

Retrospective cohort study of Medicare beneficiaries: 25,523 patients (45.7% women; age 68.2±11.9 years), including 2,351 patients on apixaban and 23,172 patients on warfarin
Matched cohorts - Apixaban 1:3 Warfarin



All Apixaban
N= 2321
Apixaban 5 mg BID
N = 1004
Apixaban 2.5 mg BID
N= 1317

Rivaroxaban Appears to be Associated with Similar Efficacy and Significantly Less Major Bleeding vs Warfarin in ERSD Patients



US FDA Labeling on ESRD

Apixaban¹

Patients with End-Stage Renal Disease on Dialysis

Clinical efficacy and safety studies with ELIQUIS did not enroll patients with end-stage renal disease (ESRD) on dialysis. In patients with ESRD maintained on intermittent hemodialysis, administration of ELIQUIS at the usually recommended dose [see *Dosage and Administration (2.1)*] will result in concentrations of apixaban and pharmacodynamic activity similar to those observed in the ARISTOTLE study [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*]. It is not known whether these concentrations will lead to similar stroke reduction and bleeding risk in patients with ESRD on dialysis as was seen in ARISTOTLE.

Hemodialysis in ESRD subjects: Systemic exposure to apixaban administered as a single 5 mg dose in ESRD subjects dosed immediately after the completion of a 4-hour hemodialysis session (post-dialysis) is 36% higher when compared to subjects with normal renal function (Figure 3).

The systemic exposure to apixaban administered 2 hours prior to a 4-hour hemodialysis session with a dialysate flow rate of 500 mL/min and a blood flow rate in the range of 350 to 500 mL/min is 17% higher compared to those with normal renal function. The dialysis clearance of apixaban is approximately 18 mL/min. The systemic exposure of apixaban is 14% lower on dialysis when compared to not on dialysis.

Protein binding was similar (92%-94%) between healthy controls and ESRD subjects during the on-dialysis and off-dialysis periods.

Rivaroxaban²

Patients with End-Stage Renal Disease on Dialysis

Clinical efficacy and safety studies with XARELTO did not enroll patients with end-stage renal disease (ESRD) on dialysis. In patients with ESRD maintained on intermittent hemodialysis, administration of XARELTO 15 mg once daily will result in concentrations of rivaroxaban and pharmacodynamic activity similar to those observed in the ROCKET AF study [see *Clinical Pharmacology (12.2, 12.3)*]. It is not known whether these concentrations will lead to similar stroke reduction and bleeding risk in patients with ESRD on dialysis as was seen in ROCKET AF.

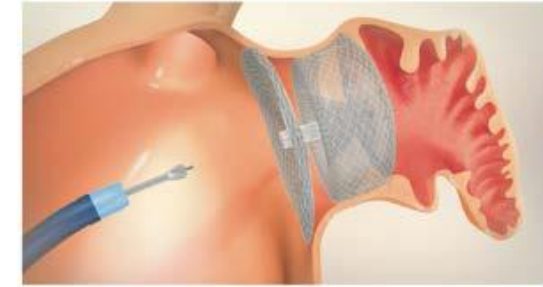
Hemodialysis in ESRD subjects: Systemic exposure to rivaroxaban administered as a single 15 mg dose in ESRD subjects dosed 3 hours after the completion of a 4-hour hemodialysis session (post-dialysis) is 56% higher when compared to subjects with normal renal function (see Table 9). The systemic exposure to rivaroxaban administered 2 hours prior to a 4-hour hemodialysis session with a dialysate flow rate of 600 mL/min and a blood flow rate in the range of 320 to 400 mL/min is 47% higher compared to those with normal renal function. The extent of the increase is similar to the increase in patients with CrCl 15 to 50 mL/min taking XARELTO 15 mg. Hemodialysis had no significant impact on rivaroxaban exposure. Protein binding was similar (86% to 89%) in healthy controls and ESRD subjects in this study.

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IIb	B-R	<p>14. For patients with AF (except with moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis or a mechanical heart valve) and <u>moderate-to-severe CKD</u> (serum creatinine ≥ 1.5 mg/dL [apixaban], CrCl 15 to 30 mL/min [dabigatran], CrCl ≤ 50 mL/min [rivaroxaban], or CrCl 15 to 50 mL/min [edoxaban]) with an elevated CHA₂DS₂-VASc score, treatment with reduced doses of direct thrombin or factor Xa inhibitors may be considered (e.g., dabigatran, rivaroxaban, apixaban, or edoxaban) (S4.1.1-11).</p> <p>MODIFIED: Exclusion criteria are now defined as moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis or a mechanical heart valve, and this recommendation has been changed in response to the approval of edoxaban. LOE was updated from C to B-R. (Section 4.1. in the 2014 AF Guideline)</p>
IIb	B-NR	<p>13. For patients with AF who have a CHA₂DS₂-VASc score of 2 or greater in men or 3 or greater in women and who have <u>end-stage chronic kidney disease</u> (CKD; creatinine clearance [CrCl] < 15 mL/min) or are on dialysis, it might be reasonable to prescribe warfarin (INR 2.0 to 3.0) or apixaban for oral anticoagulation (S4.1.1-26, S4.1.1-29, S4.1.1-30).</p> <p>MODIFIED: New evidence has been added. LOE was updated from B to B-NR. (Section 4.1. in the 2014 AF Guideline)</p>

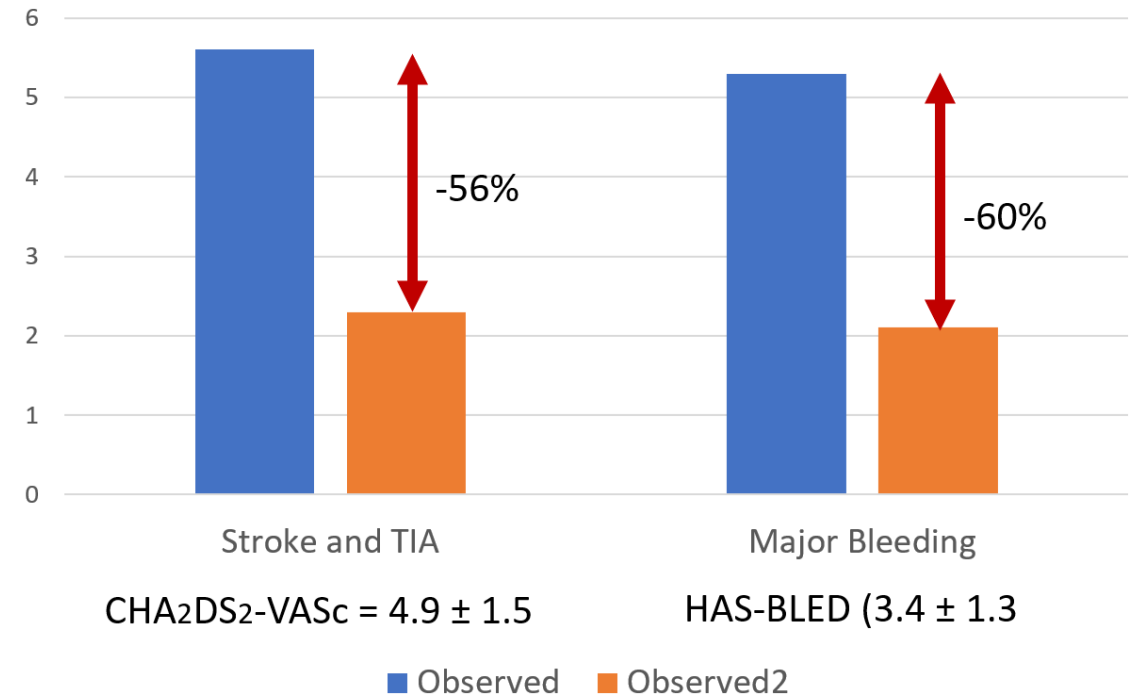
LAAO for AF Patients with CKD

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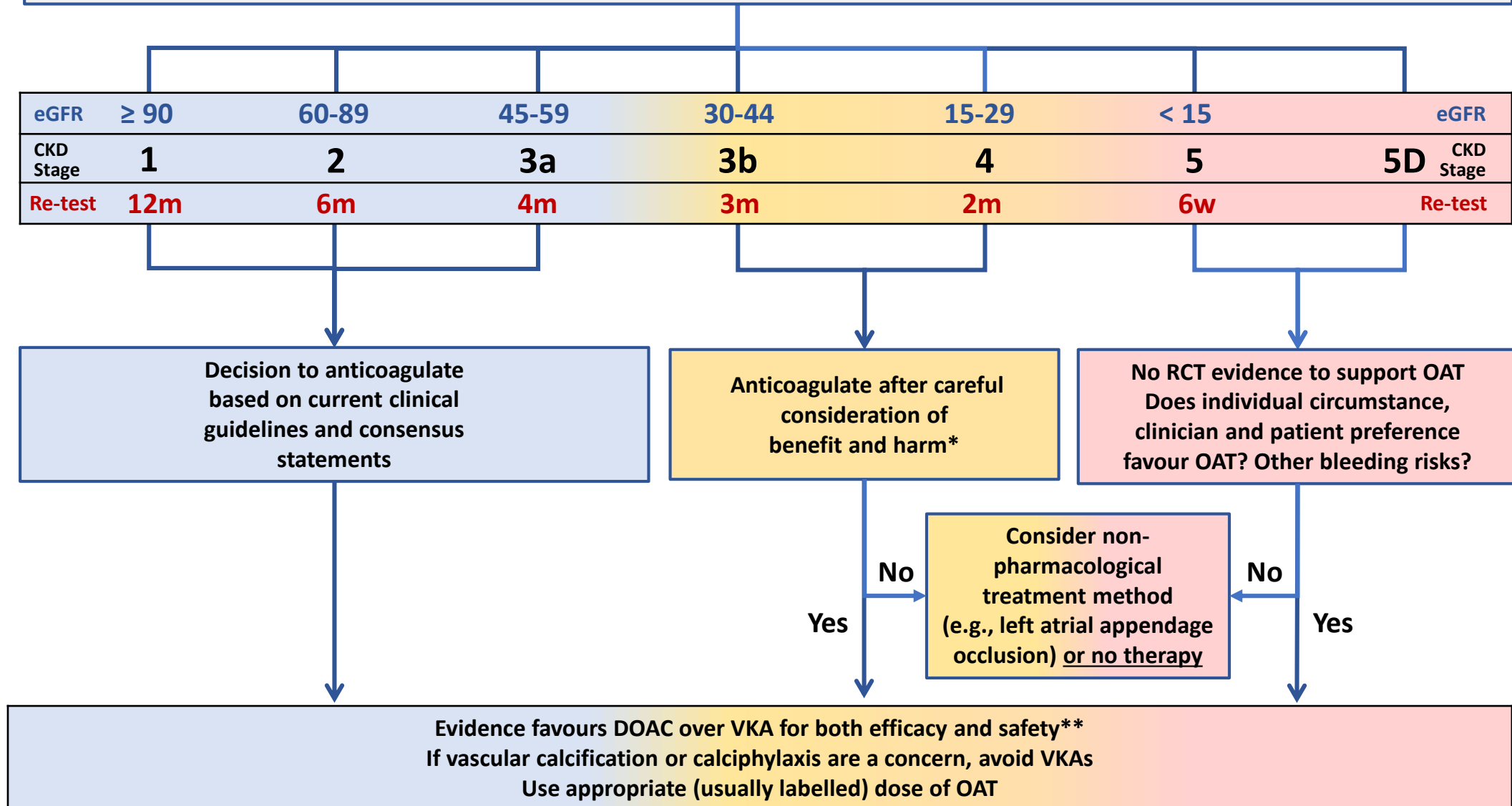


- ACP multicentre registry, 1014 pts (75±8yrs)
 - CKD (N=375, CHA₂DS₂-VASc: 4.9±1.5, HASBLED: 3.4±1.3)
 - High procedural (97%) and occlusion (99%) success
 - Peri-procedural major adverse events:
 - 5.1% of patients,
 - 0.8% death
 - No difference between patients with and without CKD (6.1 vs 4.5%, p=0.47)
 - 1319 patient years follow up
 - Survival:
 - 1 yr: 84 vs 96%
 - 2 yr: 84 vs 93%; p<0.001
- } patients with an eGFR <30ml/min/1.73m

Observed vs. expected thrombo-embolic and major bleeding event rates



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* Existing scoring systems are not validated in this setting; ** Please refer to current dosage recommendations

Conclusions

- Renal impairment increases the likelihood of AF and the consequent stroke and bleeding risks
- Vitamin K antagonists (VKA) have not been shown to be advantageous in to provide net clinical benefit to patients with modest to severe chronic kidney disease (CKD)
- All non vitamin K oral anticoagulants (NOACs) are partially excreted via the kidney and dose reduction strategies are often needed in patients with renal impairment
- Anticoagulation with vitamin K antagonist therapy may lead to further impairment of renal function via a variety of mechanisms, and factor Xa inhibitors may themselves reduce progressive renal impairment
- NOAC therapy is generally preferred in patients with moderate renal impairment, particularly when diabetes is also present
- For patients with ESRD/CKD class 5, OAC may be possible but LAAC may be preferable

*Thank you for your
attention...*

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