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## **GESTIONE INTEGRATA DEL PAZIENTE A RISCHIO CARDIOVASCOLARE: ANTICOAGULAZIONE & DIABETE SFIDE ED OPPORTUNITÀ**

**Sicurezza nella scelta di strategie terapeutiche in pazienti  
con FANV e gestione delle emergenze/urgenze**

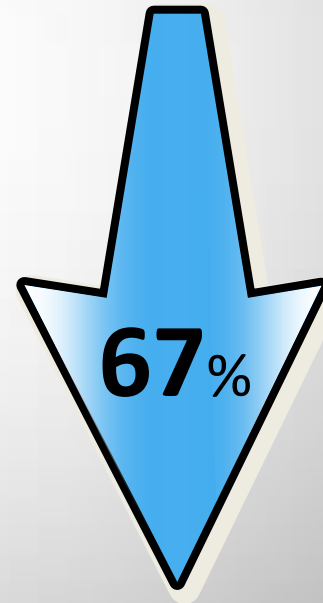
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# L'ictus correlato a FA può essere prevenuto

- **Due terzi degli ictus dovuti a FA possono essere prevenuti** mediante un adeguato trattamento anticoagulante con un antagonista della vitamina K (VKA) (INR 2,0–3,0)<sup>1</sup>
- Una meta-analisi di 29 trials su 28.044 pazienti ha mostrato che warfarin con dosaggio ben controllato determina **una riduzione del tasso di ictus ischemico e di mortalità per tutte le cause** <sup>1</sup>
- I VKA sono associati a complicanze, quali un aumentato rischio di sanguinamento
  - Anticoagulazione con un VKA è consigliata per i pazienti con più di un fattore di rischio moderato <sup>2</sup>

Effetto di VKA  
rispetto al placebo

**Ictus ischemico**



**Morte**



# Limitazioni della terapia con AVK

Risposta  
imprevedibile

Finestra terapeutica  
Ristretta  
(range INR 2,0–3,0)

Azione lenta  
insorgenza/cessazione

La terapia AVK presenta  
parecchie limitazioni  
che la rendono difficile  
da usare nella pratica  
clinica

Numerose interazioni  
con il cibo

Numerose interazioni  
con i farmaci

Farmaco-resistenza

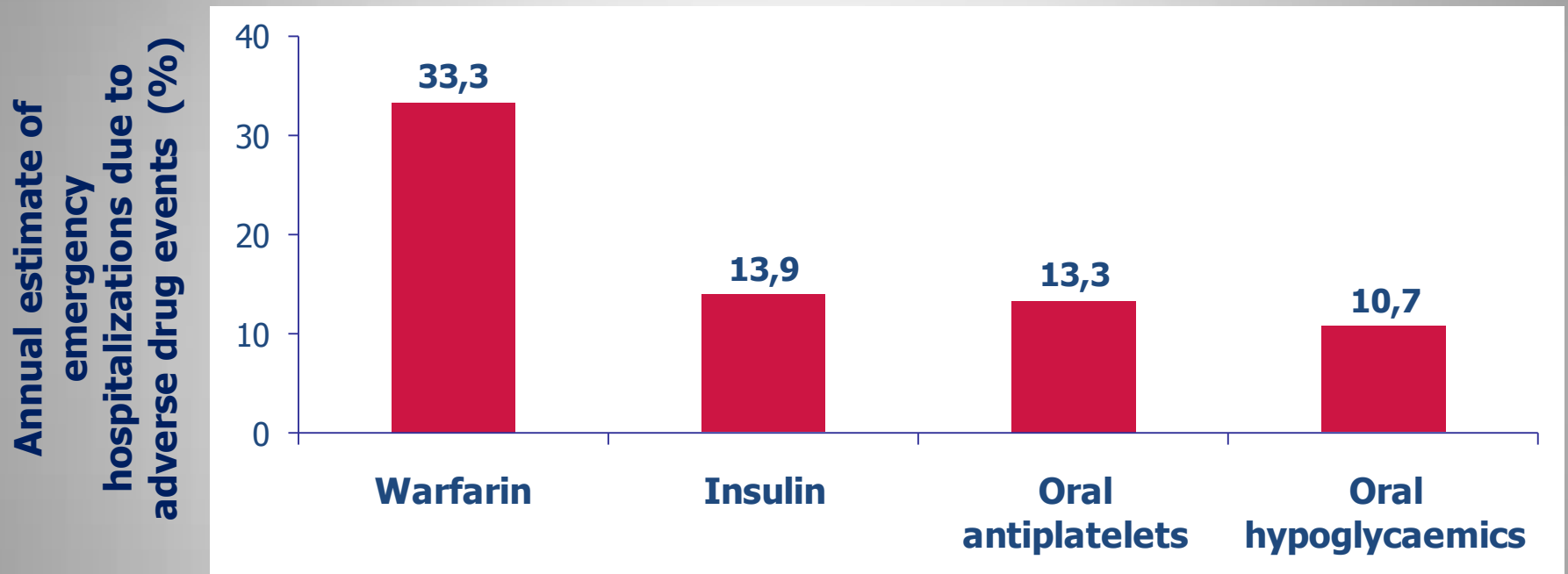
Monitoraggio routinario  
della coagulazione



Frequenti aggiustamenti  
di dose

# VKAs are implicated in large numbers of hospitalizations due to adverse drug events

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63.3% of all warfarin-related hospitalizations were due to haemorrhage

Costs for warfarin-related haemorrhages estimated at hundreds of millions of dollars annually

**Budnitz DS et al. *N Engl J Med* 2011;365:2002–12**

# Complicanze emorragiche da AVK

## Emorragie intracraniche

**3-10 %** incidenza annuale di emorragie intracraniche in pazienti con fibrillazione atriale trattati con AVK in studi clinici

*Flaherty ML, Semin Neurol 2010; 30(5): 565-572*

**≈20%** di tutte le emorragie intracraniche primarie sono associate a trattamento anticoagulante orale

*Flaherty ML, Semin Neurol 2010; 30(5): 565-572*

**50%-90%** delle emorragie intracraniche si verificano con AVK in range INR tra 2 e 3

*Bechtel et al. International Journal of Emergency Medicine 2011, 4:40*

**46%-68%** mortalità associata ad emorragie intracraniche in pazienti trattati con anticoagulanti orali

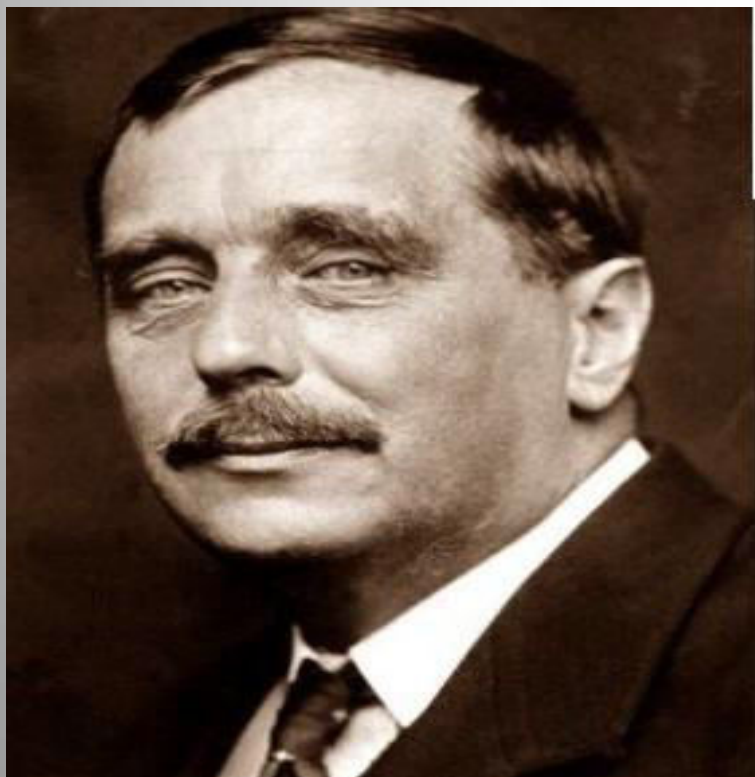
*Hart RG et al. Stroke. 1995; 26: 1471-1477*



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Ogni progresso è  
dovuto agli scontenti.  
Le persone contente  
non desiderano  
alcun cambiamento.

H. G. Wells



# Comparison of Phase 3 SPAF Trials for NOACs: A Robust Trial Base

## Novel Anticoagulants

### FIIa Inhibitor

### Dabigatran

Open Label

Two Doses

Twice Daily

**RE-LY**

N Engl J Med  
2009; 361:1139-  
1151

### Fxa Inhibitor

### Rivaroxaban

Double Blind

Two Doses

Once Daily

**ROCKET-AF**

N Engl J Med  
2011; 365:883-891

### Apixaban

Double Blind

Two Doses

Twice Daily

**ARISTOTLE**

N Engl J Med 2011;  
365:981-92.

### Edoxaban

Double Blind

Two Doses

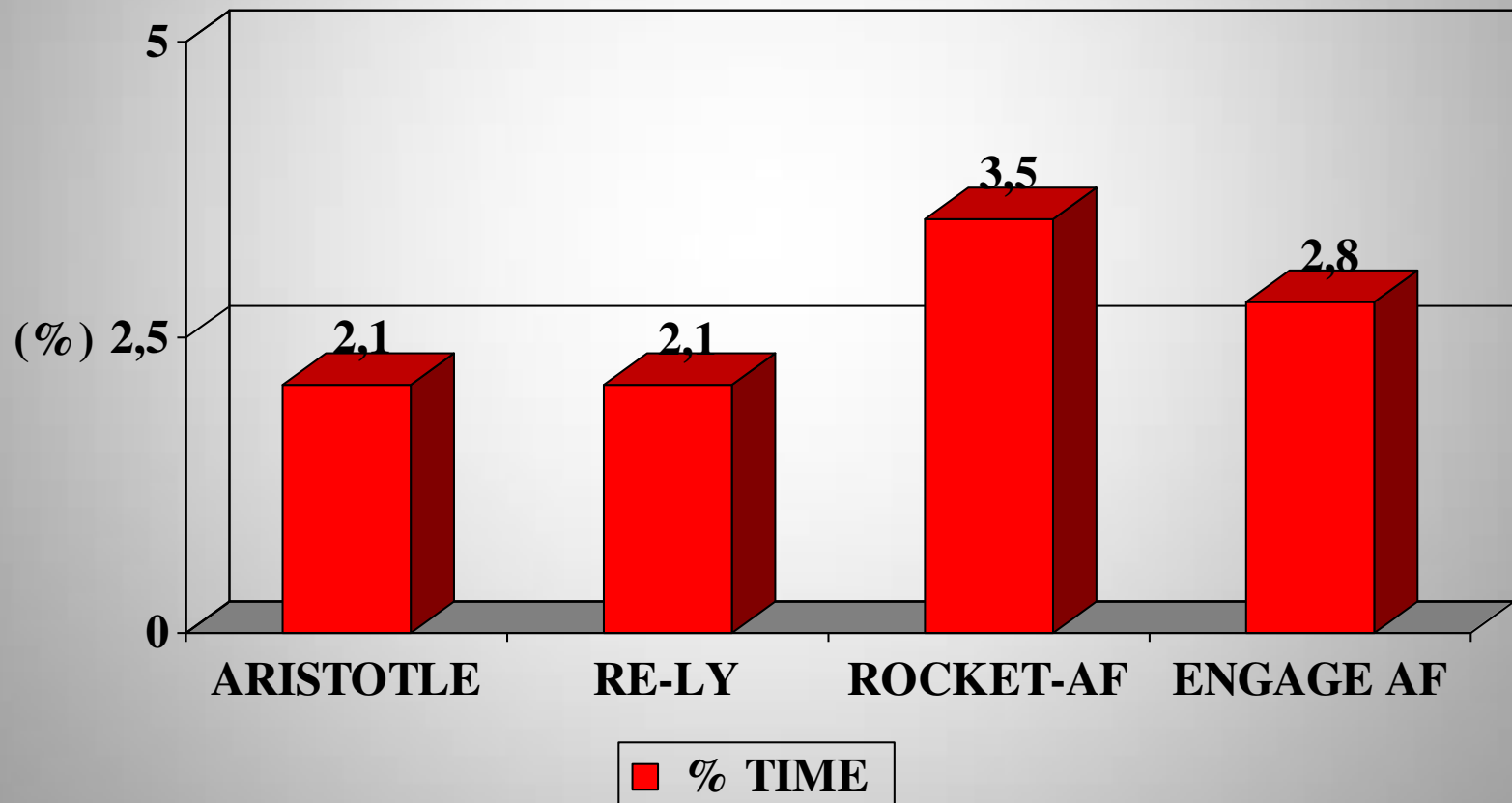
Once Daily

**ENGAGE AF**

N Engl J Med  
2013; 369:2093-  
2104

# Patients characteristics in the four trials with NOACs

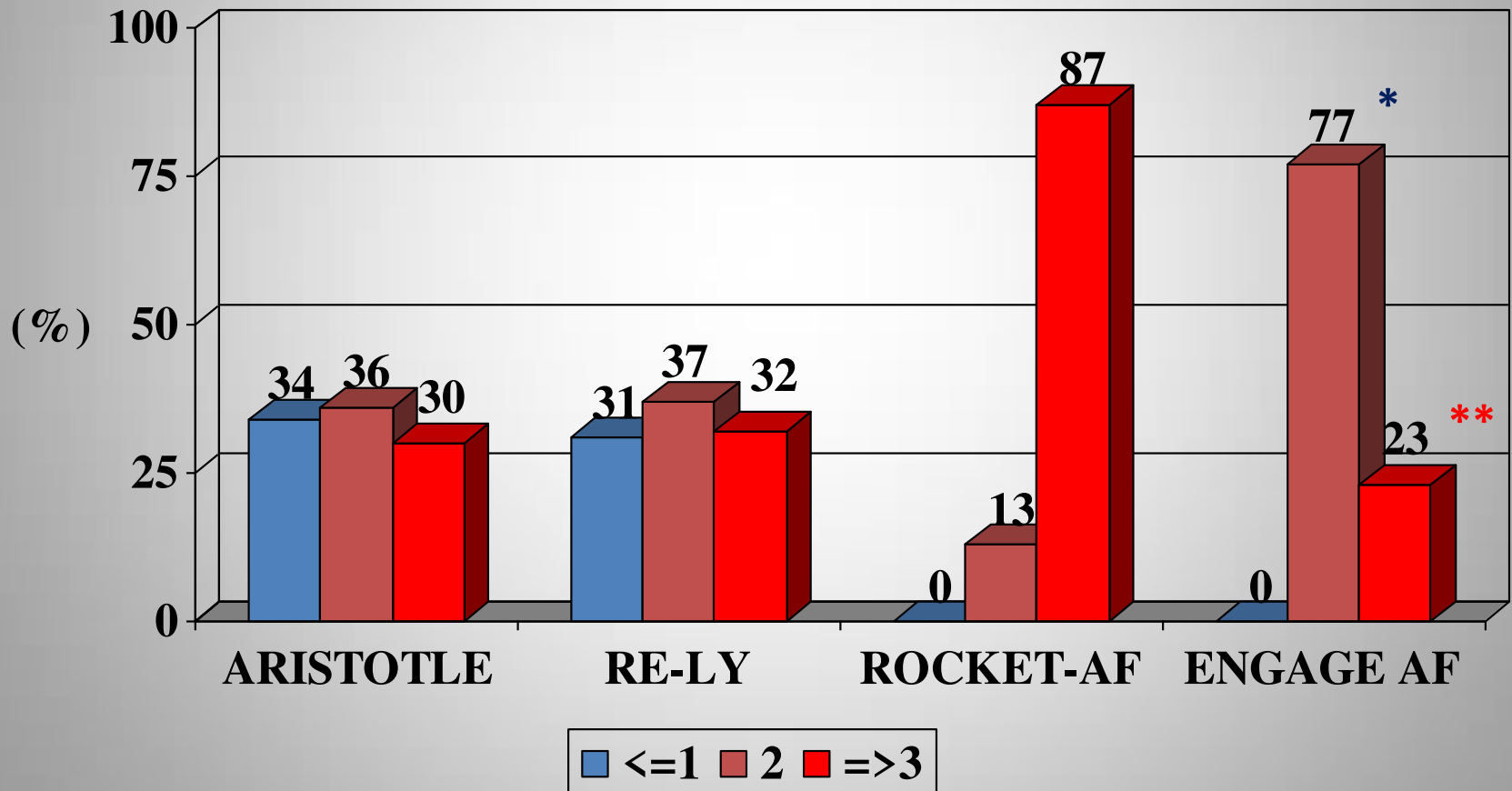
## Mean CHADS2 score





# Patients characteristics in the four trials with NOACs

## CHADS2 score in the four trials

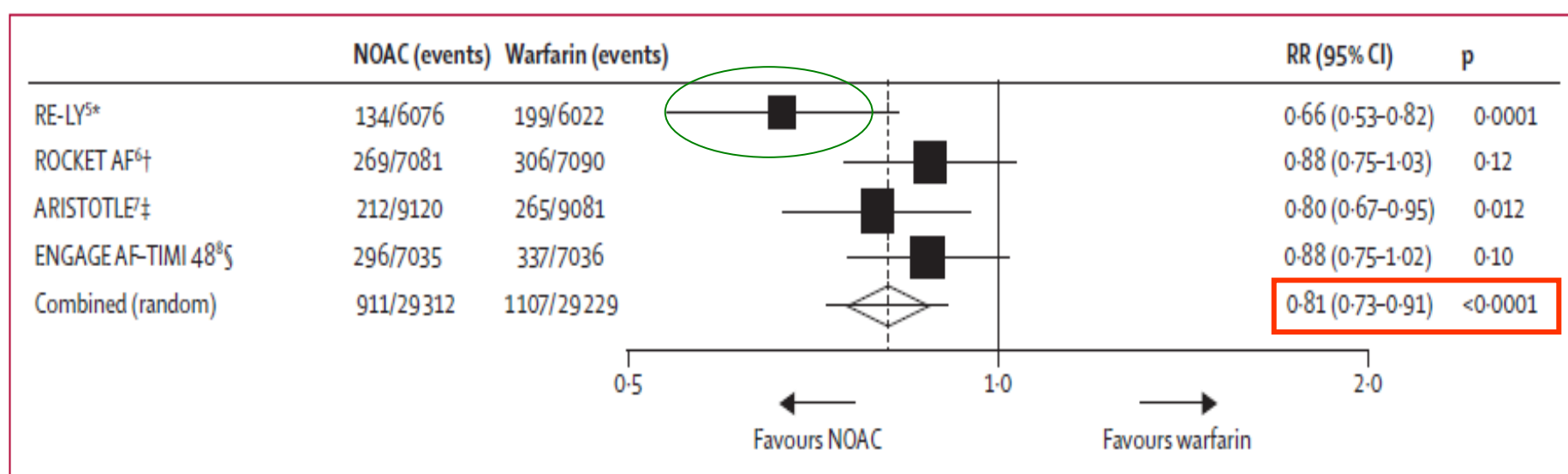


\* CHADS2 score <=3; \*\* CHADS2 score >3

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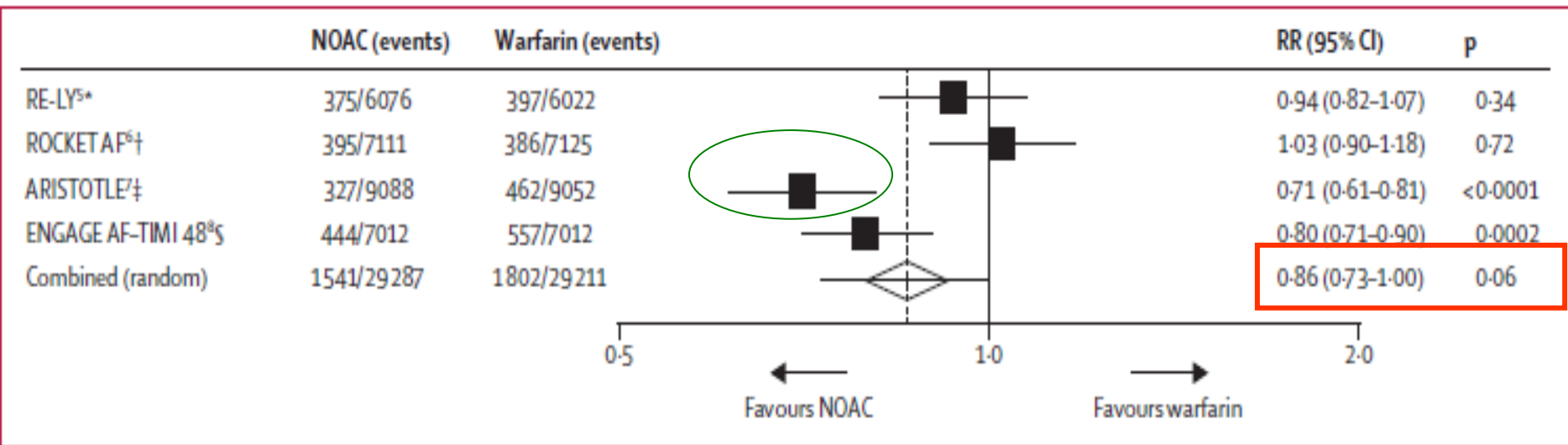
## Effects on stroke or systemic emboli



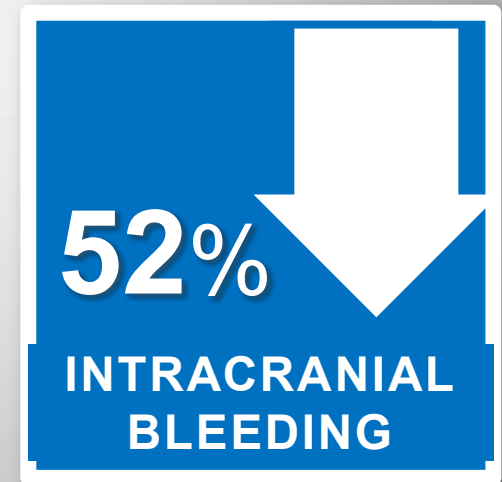
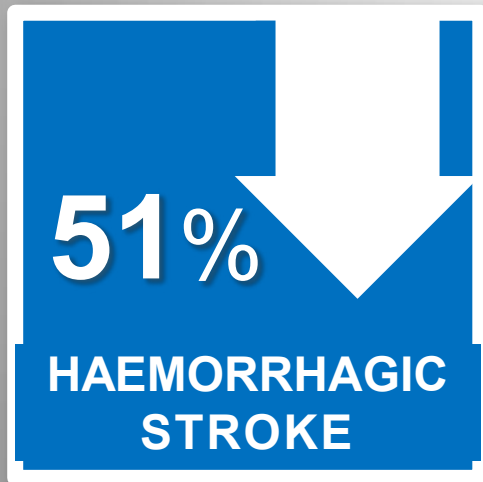
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## Major bleeding



# NOAC innovation means improved outcomes on key stroke endpoints vs VKA therapies



Meta-analysis of data from RE-LY®, ROCKET AF, ARISTOTLE, ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48

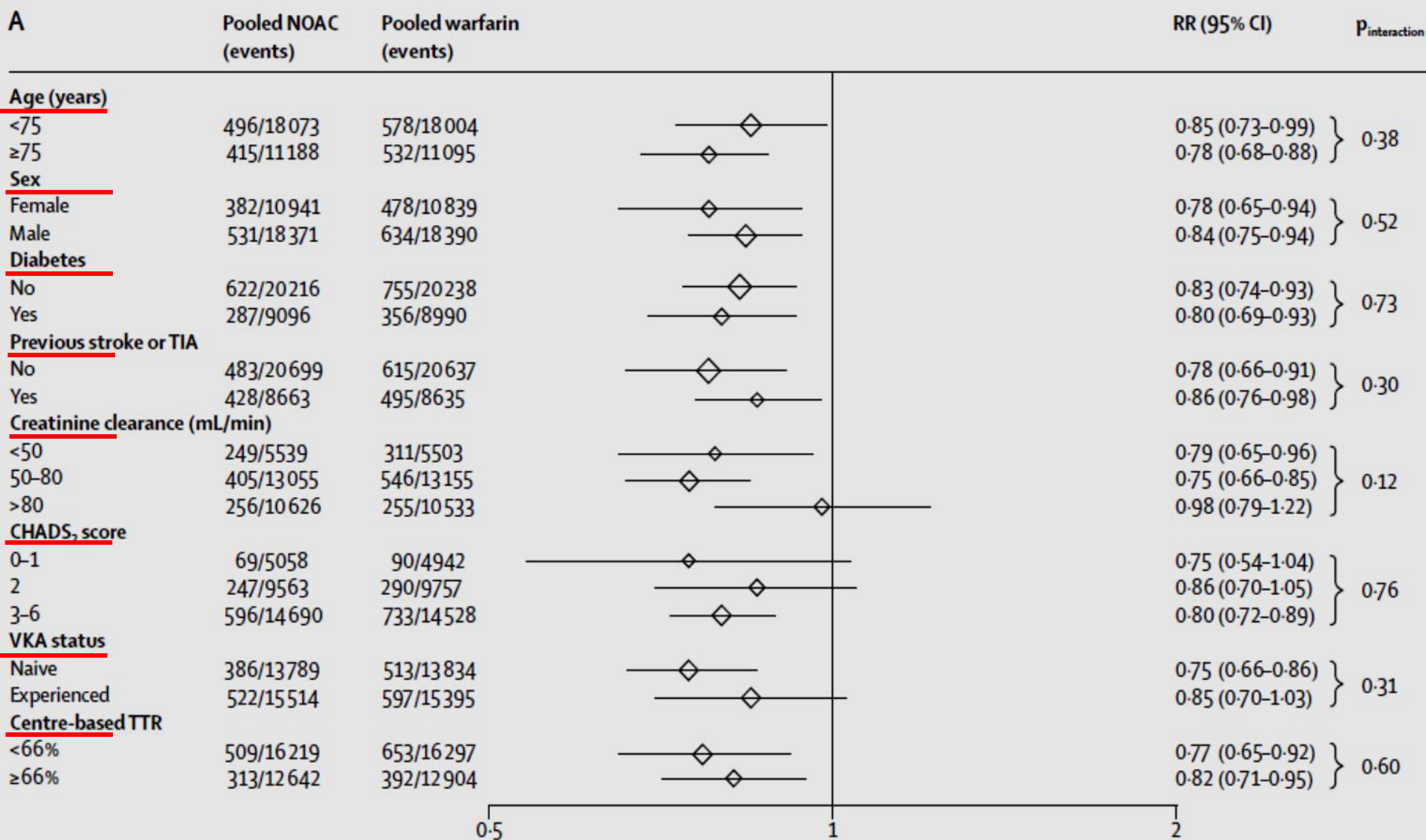
Ruff et al. Lancet 2013

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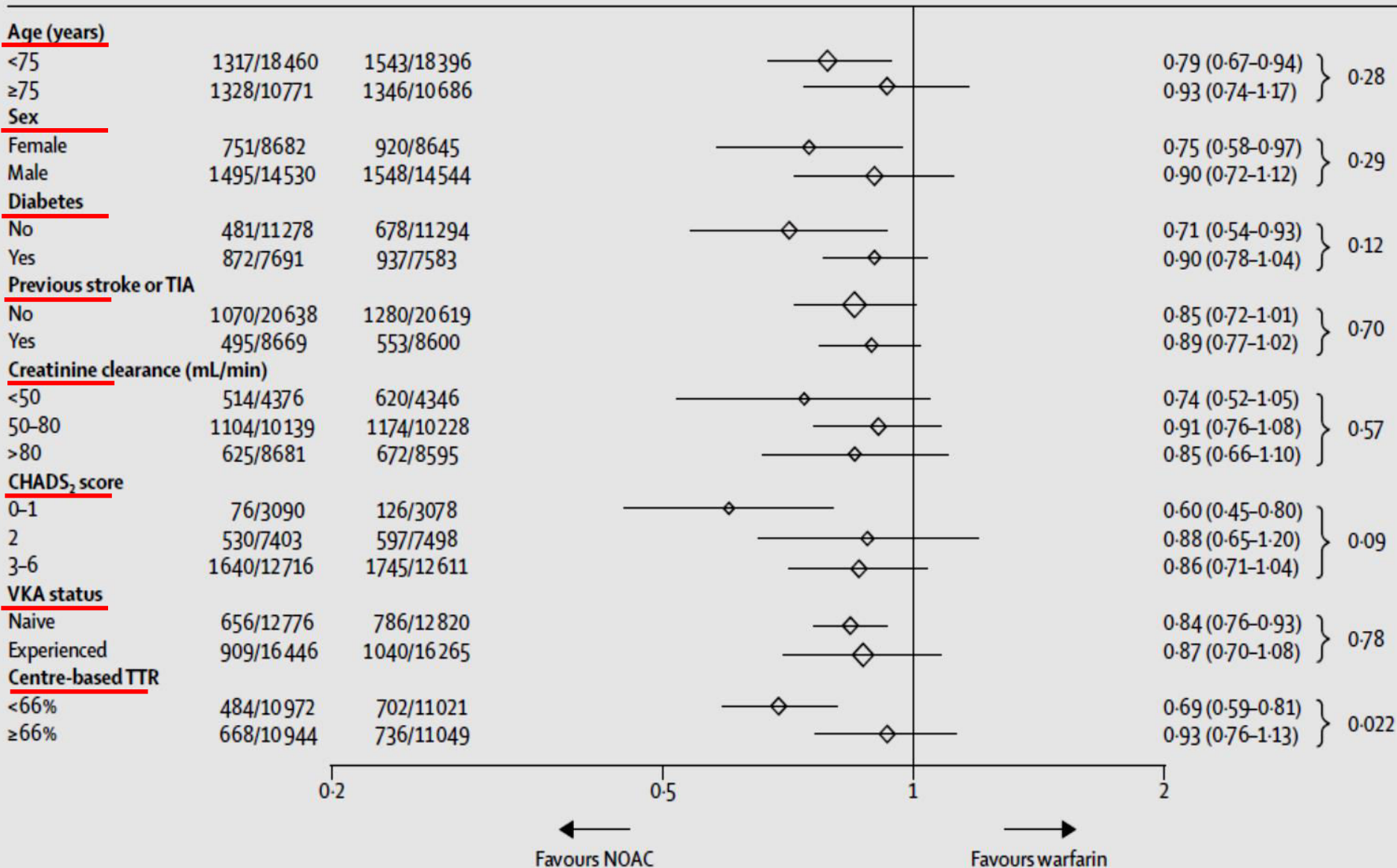
	<b>Risk Ratio (95% CI)</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>P Heterogeneity</b>
ICH	0.48 (0.39-0.59)	< .0001	.22
GI bleeding	1.25 (1.01-1.55)	.043	.009

# Stroke or Systemic embolic events (A)



# Major bleeding events subgroups (B)

B



# Effects of **Dabigatran** according to age in atrial fibrillation

Dabigatran: la sicurezza sia nel paziente giovane che nell'anziano



**DABI 150 mg**

ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE

## Effects of dabigatran according to age in atrial fibrillation

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**STROKE o  
EMBOLISMO  
SISTEMICO**

**<75 aa**

**-37%**

**75-79 aa**

**-35%**

**80-84 aa**

**-33%**

**>84 aa**

**-30%**

**EMORRAGIA  
INTRACRANICA**

**<75 aa**

**-57%**

**75-79 aa**

**-77%**

**80-84 aa**

**-45%**

**>84 aa**

**-39%**



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## *The Elderly Patients*

**DABI 110 mg**

STROKE o  
EMBOLISMO  
SISTEMICO

<75 aa

-7%

80-84 aa

-25%

>84 aa

-48%

<75 aa

-78%

75-79 aa

-49%

80-84 aa

-70%

>84 aa

-87%

EMORRAGIA  
INTRACRANICA

# Diabetes Mellitus



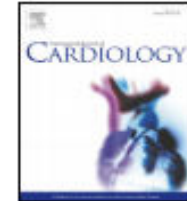
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## Comparison of dabigatran versus warfarin in diabetic patients with atrial fibrillation: Results from the RE-LY trial☆



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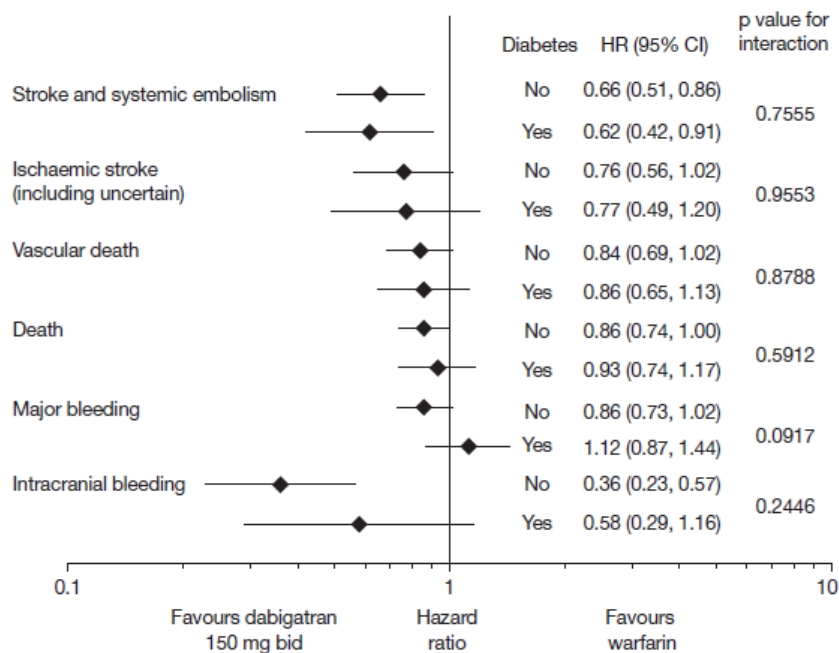
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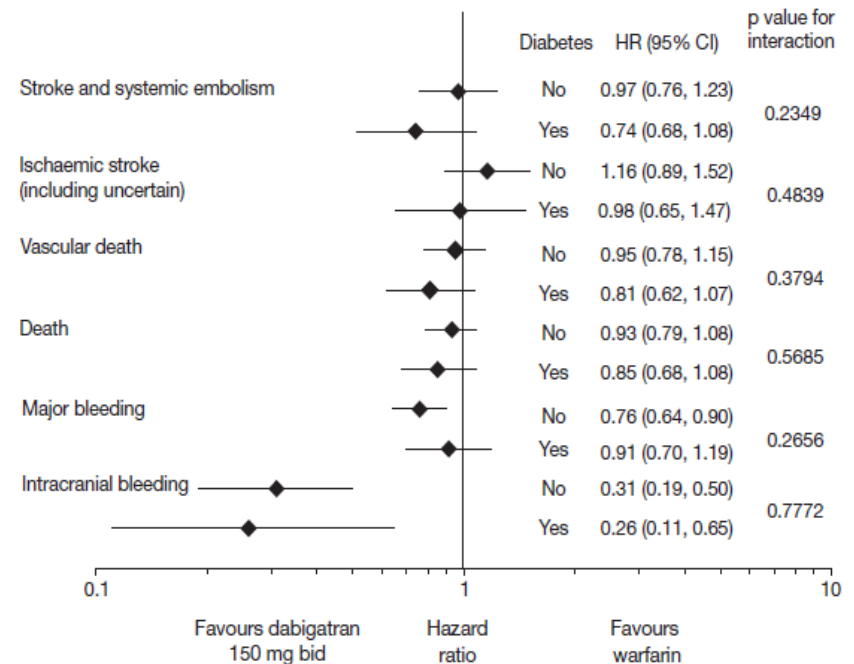
# Dabigatran la sicurezza anche nel paziente diabetico

**Figure 2: Hazard ratios (95% CI) for efficacy and safety outcomes for dabigatran 150 mg bid versus warfarin in patients with or without diabetes**



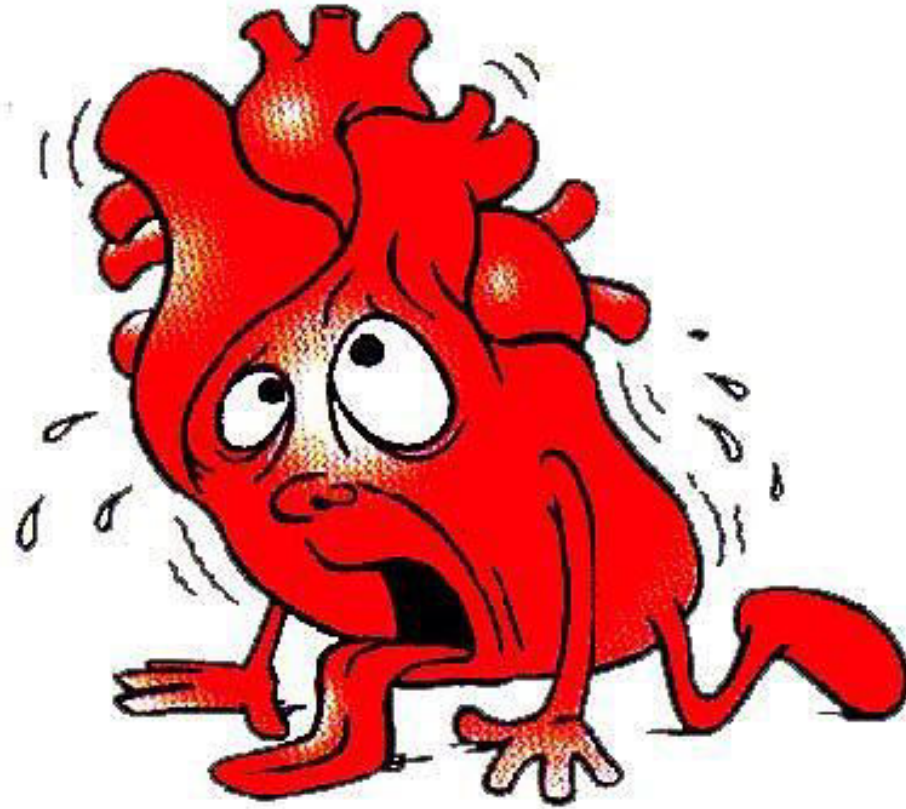
CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio.

**Figure 3: Hazard ratios (95% CI) for efficacy and safety outcomes for dabigatran 110 mg bid versus warfarin in patients with or without diabetes**



CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio.

# Symptomatic heart failure subgroup analysis



# Symptomatic heart failure subgroup analysis: rationale



- Heart failure and AF frequently co-exist
  - AF predicts poor prognosis in heart failure
  - Heart failure is a risk factor for stroke in patients with AF
- **In RE-LY<sup>®</sup>, 4904 patients had symptomatic heart failure at baseline**
- Subanalysis conducted to investigate:
  - Effects of dabigatran vs. warfarin on efficacy and safety outcomes in these patients
  - Impact of symptomatic heart failure on outcomes

# Symptomatic heart failure subgroup analysis: safety outcomes

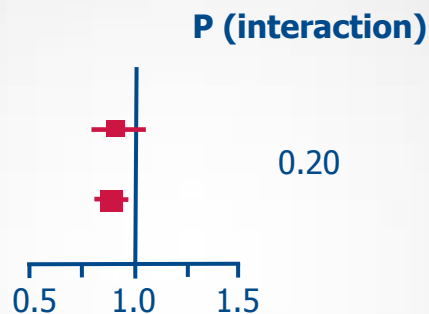
Dabigatran la sicurezza anche nel paziente con insufficienza cardiaca

- Benefits of dabigatran vs. warfarin not significantly affected by sHF status

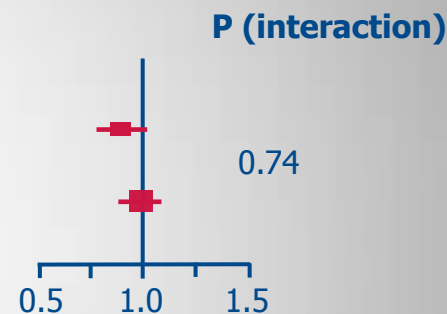
## Major bleeding

	Rate (% per year)		
	D110	D150	W
With sHF	3.26	3.10	3.90
Without sHF	2.73	3.39	3.45

## D110 vs. warfarin

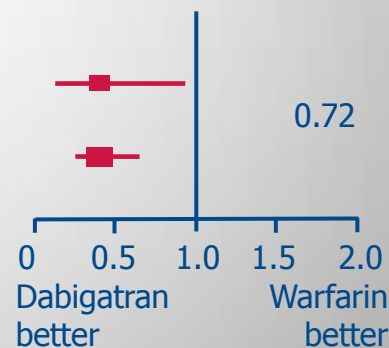
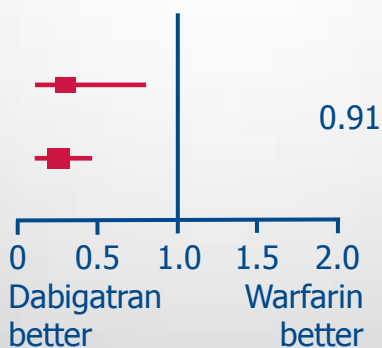


## D150 vs. warfarin



## Intracranial bleeding

With sHF	0.22	0.26	0.65
Without sHF	0.23	0.34	0.80



ε 110 = dabigatran 110 mg twice daily; DE 150 = dabigatran 150 mg twice daily;

sHF = symptomatic heart failure; W = warfarin

Ferreira J et al. *Circulation* 2011;124:A10956; data presented at AHA 2011

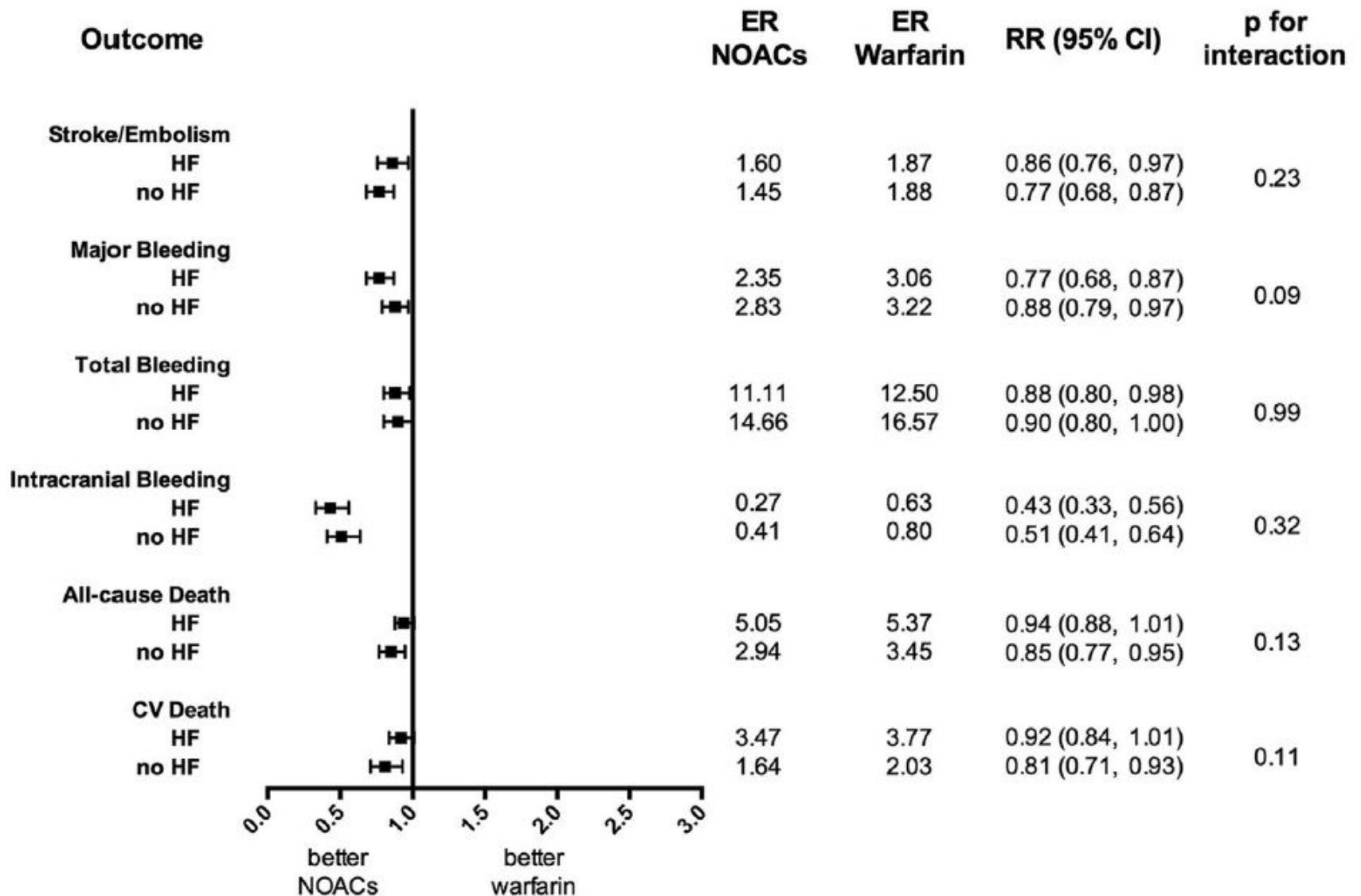


# Efficacy and Safety of Novel Oral Anticoagulants in Patients With Atrial Fibrillation and Heart Failure

## A Meta-Analysis

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# Effects of NOAC in HF Versus No HF Subgroups





## **Efficacy and safety of dabigatran in a “real-life” population at high thromboembolic and hemorrhagic risk: data from MonaldiCare registry**

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# Caratteristiche cliniche dei pazienti MonaldiCare rispetto ai pazienti MEDICARE e RE-LY

Characteristics, %	Medicare*		MonaldiCare		RE-LY®		
	Dabigatran* (n=67 207)	Warfarin (n=67 207)	Dab 150 (n=1075)	Dab 110 (n=1033)	Dabigatran 150 mg (n=6076)	Dabigatran 110 mg (6015)	Warfarin (n=6022)
<b>Mean age</b>	<b>59% &gt; 75</b>	59% > 75	<b>64,9</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>71.5</b>	<b>71.4</b>	71.6
Male sex	<b>49</b>	48	<b>56,7</b>	<b>49.4</b>	<b>63.2</b>	<b>64.3</b>	63.3
CHADS <sub>2</sub> score ≥ 3	<b>31</b>	32			<b>33</b>		32
<b>CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>VASC ≥ 3</b>			<b>94,3</b>	<b>73.4</b>	<b>77,7</b>		
<b>HAS-BLED ≥ 3</b>			<b>59,7</b>	<b>87,4</b>			
<b>Hypertension</b>	<b>87</b>	87	<b>92.9</b>	<b>97.4</b>	<b>78.9</b>	<b>78.8</b>	78.9
Prior MI	<b>2</b>	2	<b>15.5</b>	<b>26.8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16.8</b>	16
Diabetes	<b>33</b>	34	<b>14.2</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>23.1</b>	<b>23.4</b>	23.4
Heart failure	<b>18</b>	18	<b>16.8</b>	<b>24.7</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>32.2</b>	31.9
<b>Prior stroke</b>	<b>3</b>	4	<b>30.9</b>	<b>19.6</b>	<b>20.3</b>	<b>19.9</b>	20.8
<b>Prior TIA</b>	<b>7</b>	7					
Prior VKA			<b>84.5</b>	<b>81.8</b>	<b>50.2</b>	<b>50.1</b>	51.4
<b>Antiplatelets</b>	<b>17</b>	17	<b>44.6</b>		<b>38.7</b>	<b>40.0</b>	40.6

\*16% of Medicare patients received dabigatran 75 mg BID

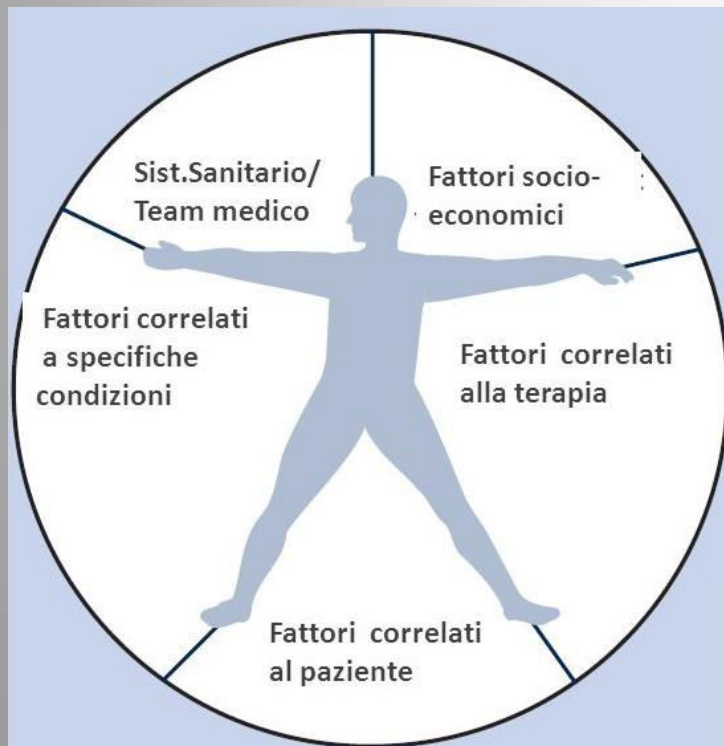
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## Outcome: *Aderenza e Compliance alla terapia*



- Solo il **6%** dei pazienti ha occasionalmente dimenticato una assunzione del farmaco
- Tutti i pazienti in trattamento hanno affermato di preferire la nuova terapia perché non necessitava di controllo periodico dell'INR e non obbligava a restrizioni dietetiche.

## MonaldiCare: **120 Cardioversioni Elettriche**

	DAB 110		DAB 150	
	n	%	n	%
CVE performed	23	19	97	81
TEE	23	100	31	31,9

Tutti i pazienti hanno assunto DAB per almeno 3 settimane prima della CVE e 4 settimane dopo

Il **34%** dei pazienti ha effettuato TEE: **NESSUN TROMBO RILEVATO**





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***MonaldiCare* registry showed a safety profile of both dosages of dabigatran regarding major of fatal bleeding in a “real life” single center italian population at high thromboembolic and hemorrhagic risk.**

## Transesophageal echocardiography in patients with persistent atrial fibrillation undergoing electrical cardioversion on new oral anticoagulants: A multi center registry<sup>☆</sup>

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Clinical characteristics of study population (n = 219 patients).

Variable	Mean ± SD or %
Mean age (years)	67 ± 9.9
Sex (male/female)	156/63
Heart disease (%)	86
Hypertension (%)	83
Coronary artery disease (%)	26
Valvulopathy	13
Dilated cardiomyopathy	4
Diabetes (%)	17
Previous stroke (%)	4
Mean CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score	2.37 ± 1.44

**The incidence of atrial thrombus in patients assuming NOACs before electrical cardioversion is reasonably low (1.3%) and similar to the incidence observed with VKA treatment (0.8-1.8%).**



**86 pazienti dabigatran (39%)  
73 pazienti apixaban (33%)  
61 pazienti rivaroxaban (28%)**

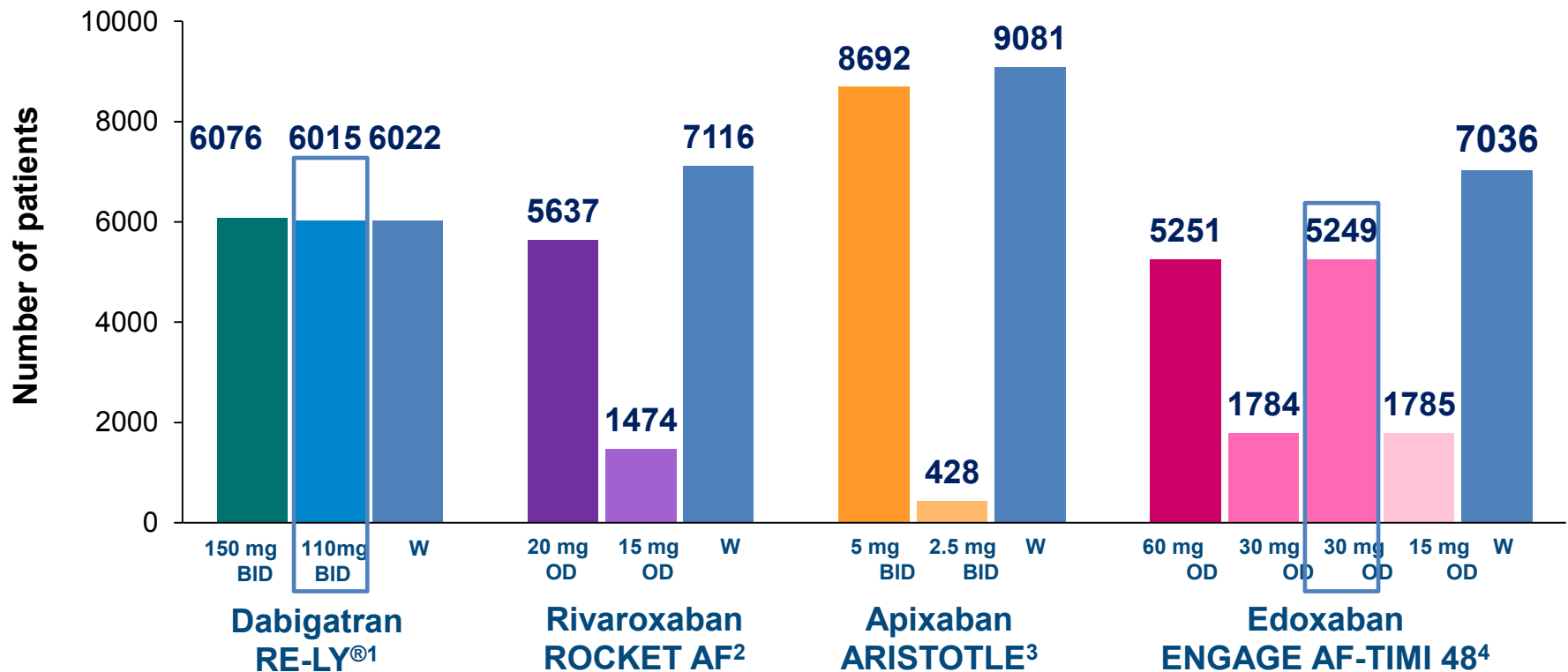


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# **DOACs e utilizzo appropriato dei bassi dosaggi**

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# In RE-LY<sup>®</sup>, both dabigatran doses were compared with warfarin in an adequately powered number of patients



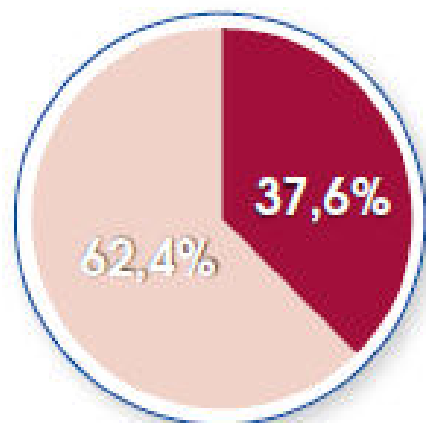
Dose adjustments for rivaroxaban and apixaban were tested in a limited prespecified population

1. Connolly et al. N Engl J Med 2009; 2. Fox et al. Eur Heart J 2011; 3. Granger et al. N Engl J Med 2011; 4. Giugliano et al. N Engl J Med 2013

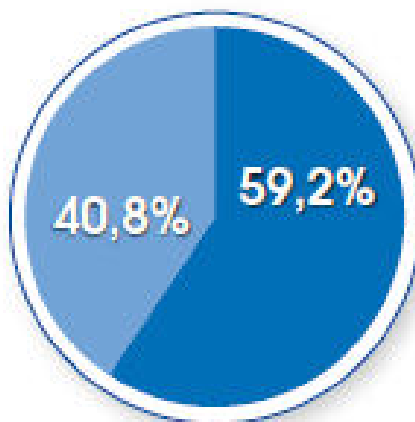


# Utilizzo nella pratica clinica italiana dei dosaggi ridotti dei DOACs

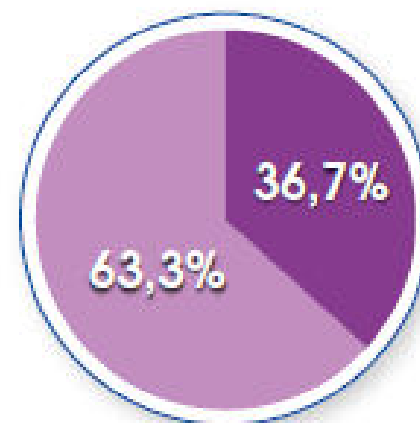
## Uso in Italia<sup>1</sup>



■ apixaban 2,5 mg  
■ apixaban 5 mg



■ dabigatran 110 mg  
■ dabigatran 150 mg



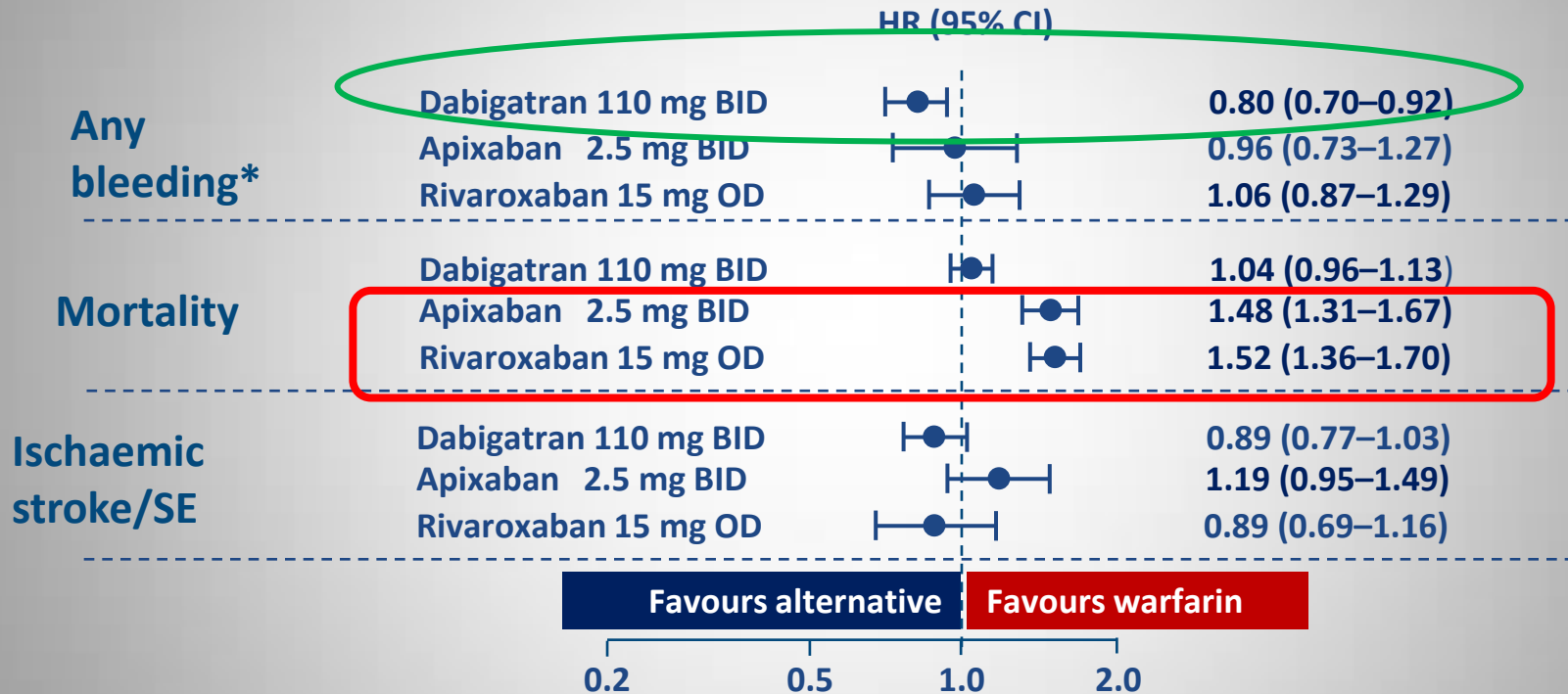
■ rivaroxaban 15 mg  
■ rivaroxaban 20 mg

1. Dati IMS 2016/2017

# Effectiveness and Safety of Reduced Dose NOAC and Warfarin in AF

Independent

## Safety and Effectiveness at one-year follow-up Reduced NOAC doses

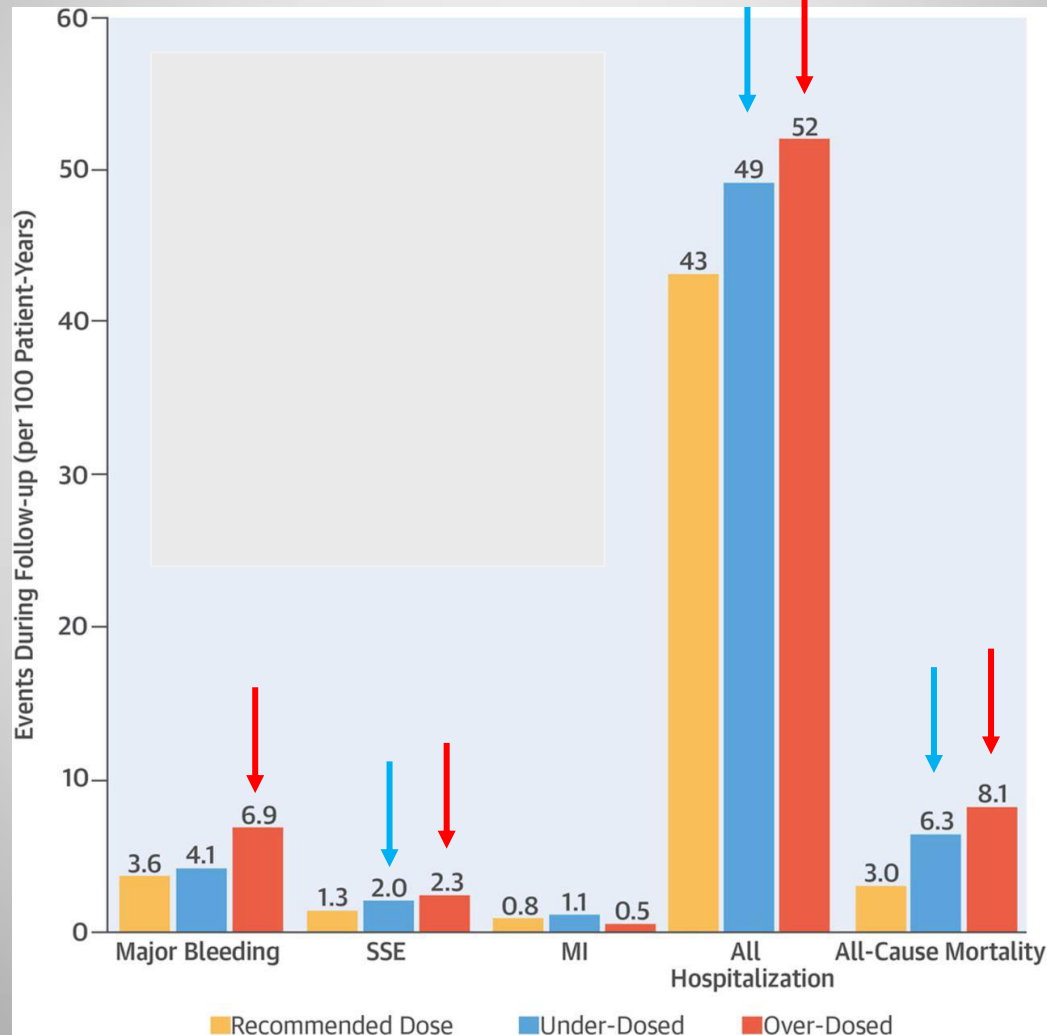


- \*Haemorrhagic stroke, major gastrointestinal bleeding; SE, systemic embolism; Propensity-weighted cohort study of three nationwide Danish registries of OAC-naïve patients with AF, safety outcomes at one year follow-up; dabigatran 110 mg BID, n=8875; apixaban 2.5 mg BID, n=4400; rivaroxaban 15 mg OD, n=3476; warfarin, n=38 893

# Off-Label Dosing of Non-Vitamin K Antagonist Oral Anticoagulants and Outcome



N=5,738





**What is the rationale  
for a specific reversal agent?**

# Reversal agents for NOACs may encourage appropriate stroke prevention in patients with AF



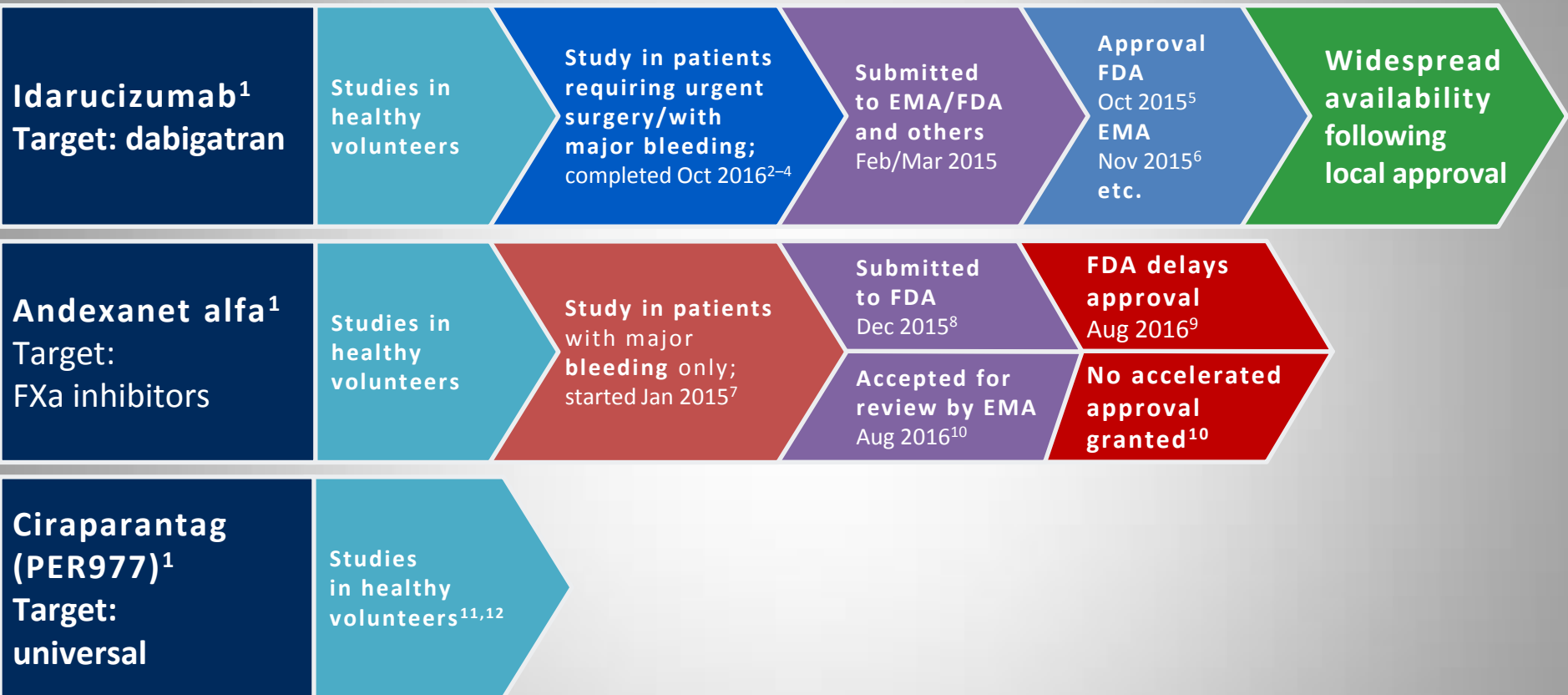
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**‘The availability of specific reversal agents for the NOACs would improve the confidence of clinicians and patients in these new agents and encourage an increase in appropriate stroke preventive therapy for patients with NVAf’<sup>1</sup>**

**In addition, reversal agents would be beneficial in rare emergency situations to manage patients who require urgent surgery or interventions and to treat those with life-threatening bleeds<sup>1</sup>**

1. Sarich TC et al. Am Heart J 2015 (Anticoagulant-Induced Bleeding and Reversal Agents Think Tank co-sponsored by the Cardiac Safety Research Consortium and the FDA on 22 April 2014)

# Idarucizumab is the only approved and widely available NOAC reversal agent



1. Greinacher A et al. Thromb Haemost 2015; 2. Pollack C et al. N Engl J Med 2017; 3. Pollack C et al. Thromb Haemost 2015; 4. Boehringer Ingelheim, data on file; 5. US FDA 2015 press release, 16 October 2015; 6. European Commission Community Register of Medicinal Products for Human Use 2015; 7. ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02329327; 8. Portola Pharmaceuticals press release, 18 Dec 2015; 9. Portola Pharmaceuticals press release, 17 August 2016; 10. Portola Pharmaceuticals press release, 19 August 2016; 11. Ansell JE et al. N Engl J Med 2014; 12. Ansell JE et al. Thromb Res 2016

# Idarucizumab was designed as a specific reversal agent for the anticoagulant activity of dabigatran

Humanized antibody fragment (Fab)

Specific to dabigatran

Binding affinity for dabigatran  $\sim 350\times$  higher than dabigatran to thrombin, resulting in essentially irreversible binding

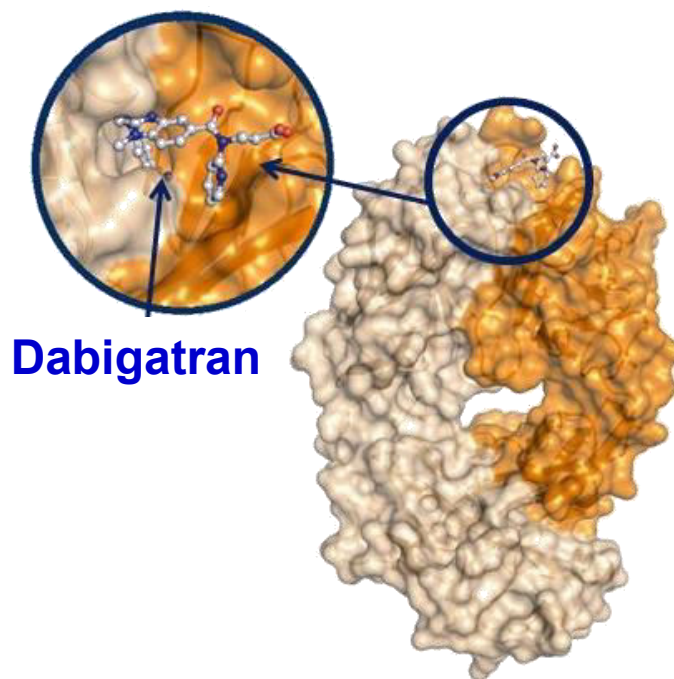
No endogenous targets

Ready to use solutions for IV administration

Immediate onset of action

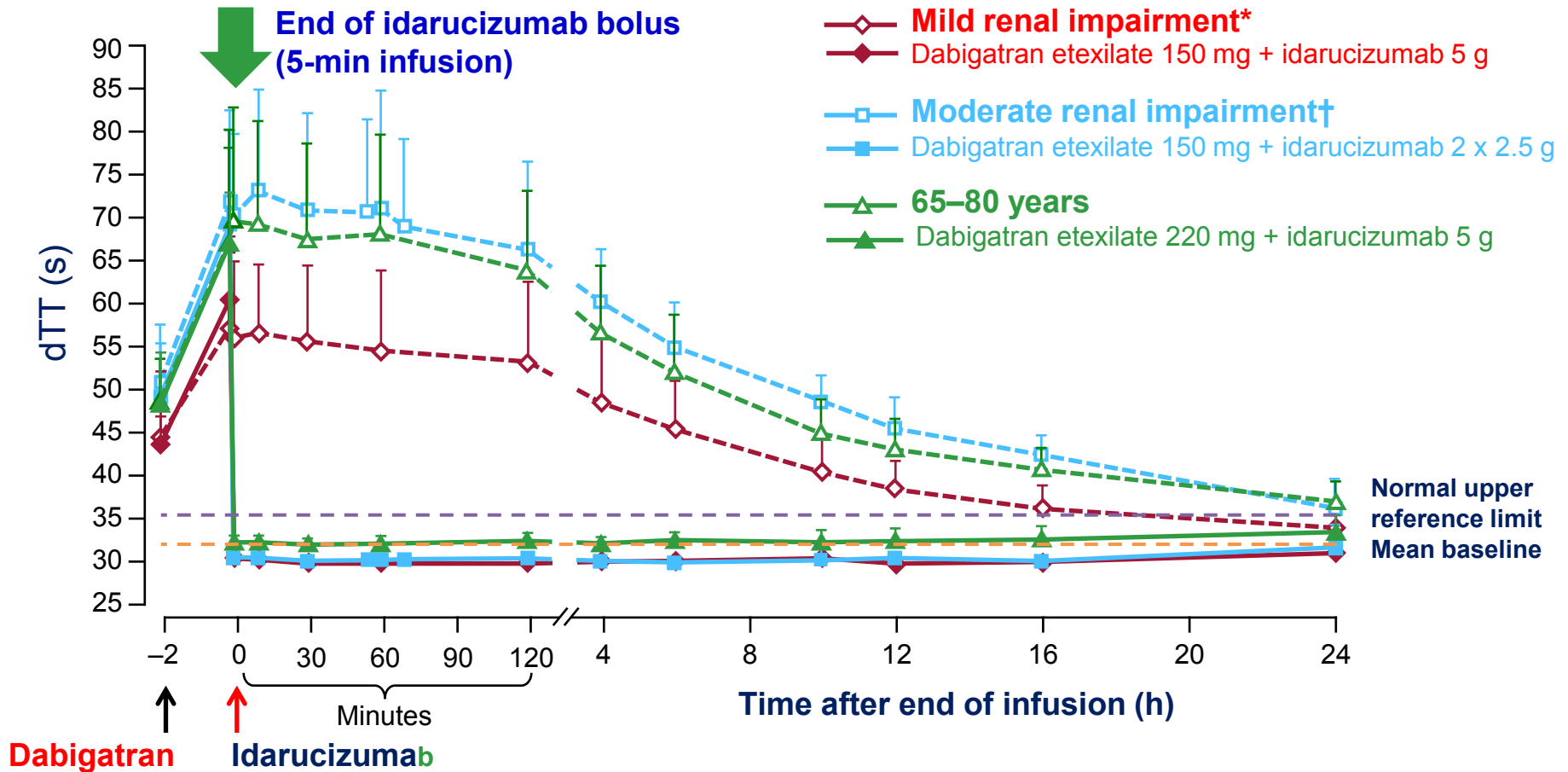
No intrinsic procoagulant or anticoagulant activity

Idarucizumab–dabigatran complex is eliminated quickly (within a few hours)



Idarucizumab

# Idarucizumab shows immediate, complete, and sustained reversal in healthy elderly subjects and those with mild or moderate renal impairment

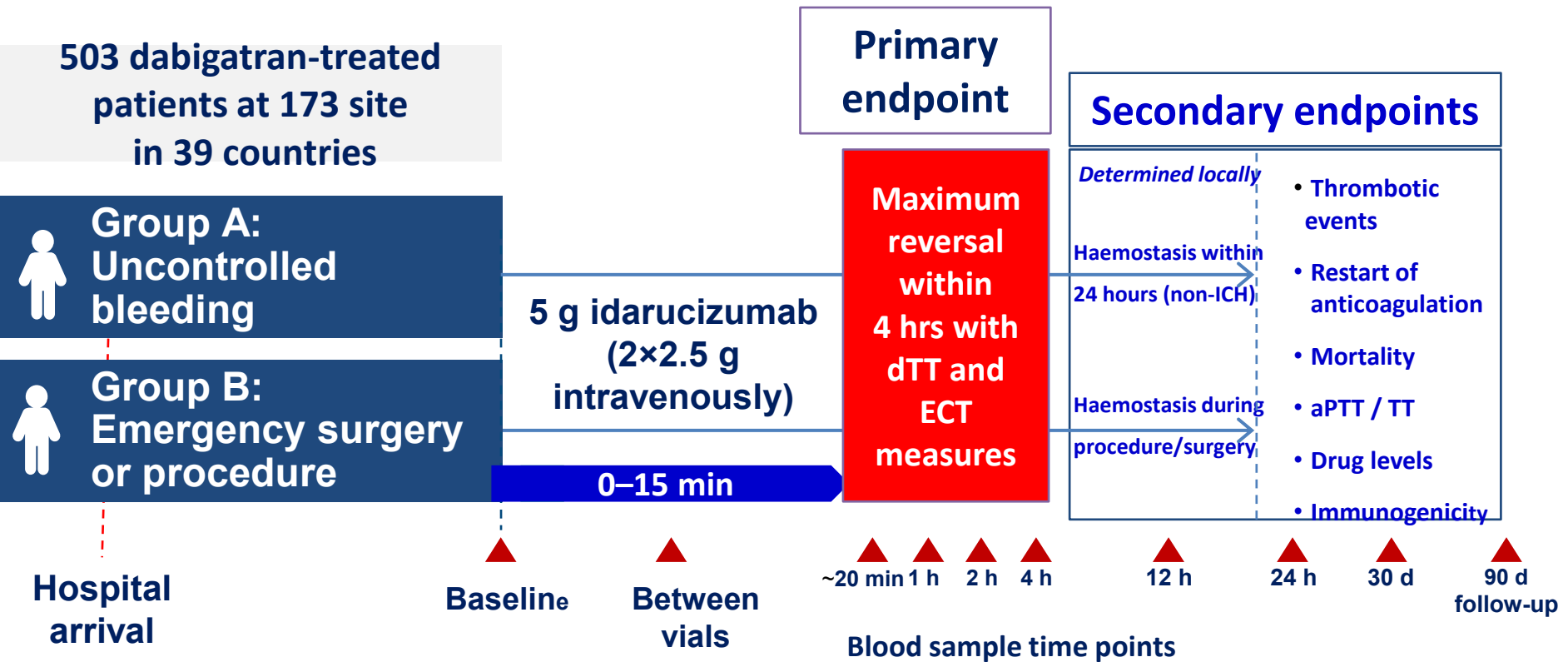


- \*CrCl ≥60–<90 mL/min; †CrCl ≥30–<60 mL/min; dTT, diluted thrombin time
- Glund S et al. Clin Pharmacokinet 2016



# RE-VERSE AD

a multicentre, open-label, single-arm Phase III trial



• aPTT, activated partial thromboplastin time; dTT, diluted thrombin time; ECT, ecarin clotting time; TT, thrombin time;

• Pollack C et al. N Eng J Med 2017; Pollack C et al. Thromb Haemost 2015

# RE-VERSE AD: on average, enrolled patients were elderly with moderate renal impairment

Characteristic	Group A (n=301)	Group B (n=202)	Total (N=503)
Age (yrs)*	79 (24–96)	77 (21–96)	78 (21–96)
Male sex, n (%)	172 (57.1)	102 (50.5)	274 (54.5)
Creatinine clearance (mL/min)*	50.8 (6.1–216.9)	56.0 (7.9–198.7)	52.6 (6.1–216.9)
<b>Comorbidities, n (%)</b>			
Congestive heart failure	117 (38.9)	65 (32.2)	182 (36.2)
Diabetes	95 (31.6)	57 (28.2)	152 (30.2)
Coronary artery disease	110 (36.5)	68 (33.7)	178 (35.4)
Prior stroke / TIA	73 (24.3) / 27 (9.0)	36 (17.8) / 20 (9.9)	109 (21.7) / 47 (9.3)
<b>Dabigatran, n (%)</b>			
Atrial fibrillation indication	288 (95.7)	190 (94.1)	478 (95.0)
Daily dose			
150 mg BID	94 (31.2)	57 (28.2)	151 (30.0)
110 mg BID	185 (61.5)	126 (62.4)	311 (61.8)
75 mg BID	16 (5.3)	8 (4.0)	24 (4.8)
Patient-reported time since last dose (hrs)*	14.6 (1.5, 90.4)	18.0 (2.6, 105.8)	15.6 (1.5, 105.8)
Elevated dTT at baseline, n (%)	244 (81.1)	152 (75.2)	396 (78.7)
Elevated dTT or ECT at baseline, n (%)	276 (91.7)	185 (91.6)	461 (91.7)

\*Shown as median (range); TIA, transient ischaemic attack

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

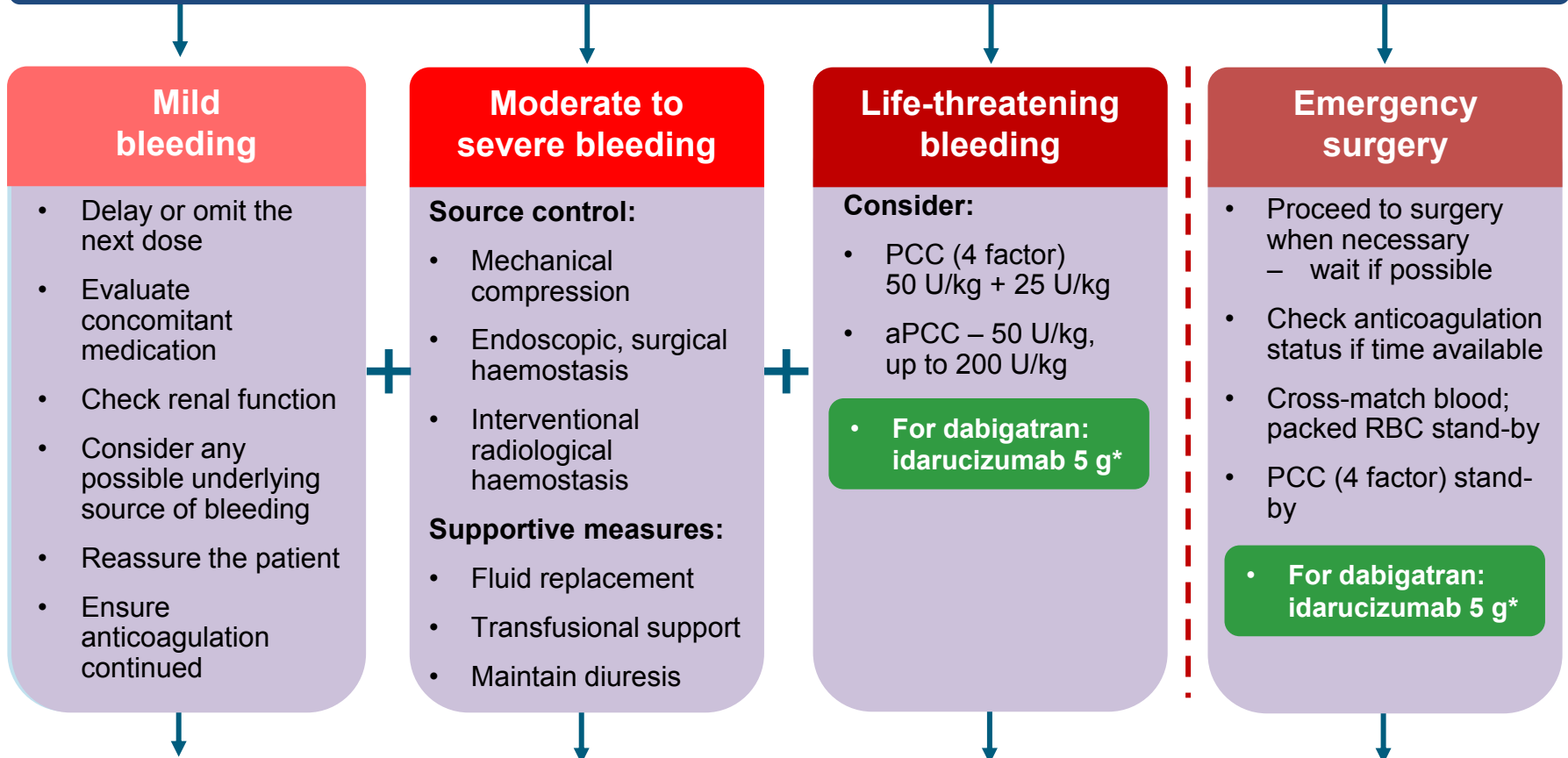
- 1** 5 g of idarucizumab resulted in immediate, complete, and sustained reversal of dabigatran anticoagulation
- 2** Median time to cessation of assessable extracranial bleeding in Group A was 2.5 hours after reversal
- 3** Median time to surgery after reversal was 1.6 hours, with 'normal' intraoperative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



**How can idarucizumab  
improve the management of  
emergency situations?**

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

## Bleeding or need for surgery in anticoagulated patients



Resume anticoagulant as soon as haemostasis satisfactory and patient stabilized

• 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

# Conclusions

**1**

Dabigatran has a favourable safety profile shown in clinical trials and confirmed in real-world studies

**2**

Dabigatran is the only NOAC with a specific reversal agent

**3**

Idarucizumab provides immediate, complete, and sustained reversal of dabigatran's anticoagulant effect; there are no contraindications

**4**

Idarucizumab provides an additional option in the emergency management of dabigatran-treated patients taking the NOAC effect out of the equation



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