

Come e perché scelgo tra i vari anticoagulanti diretti?

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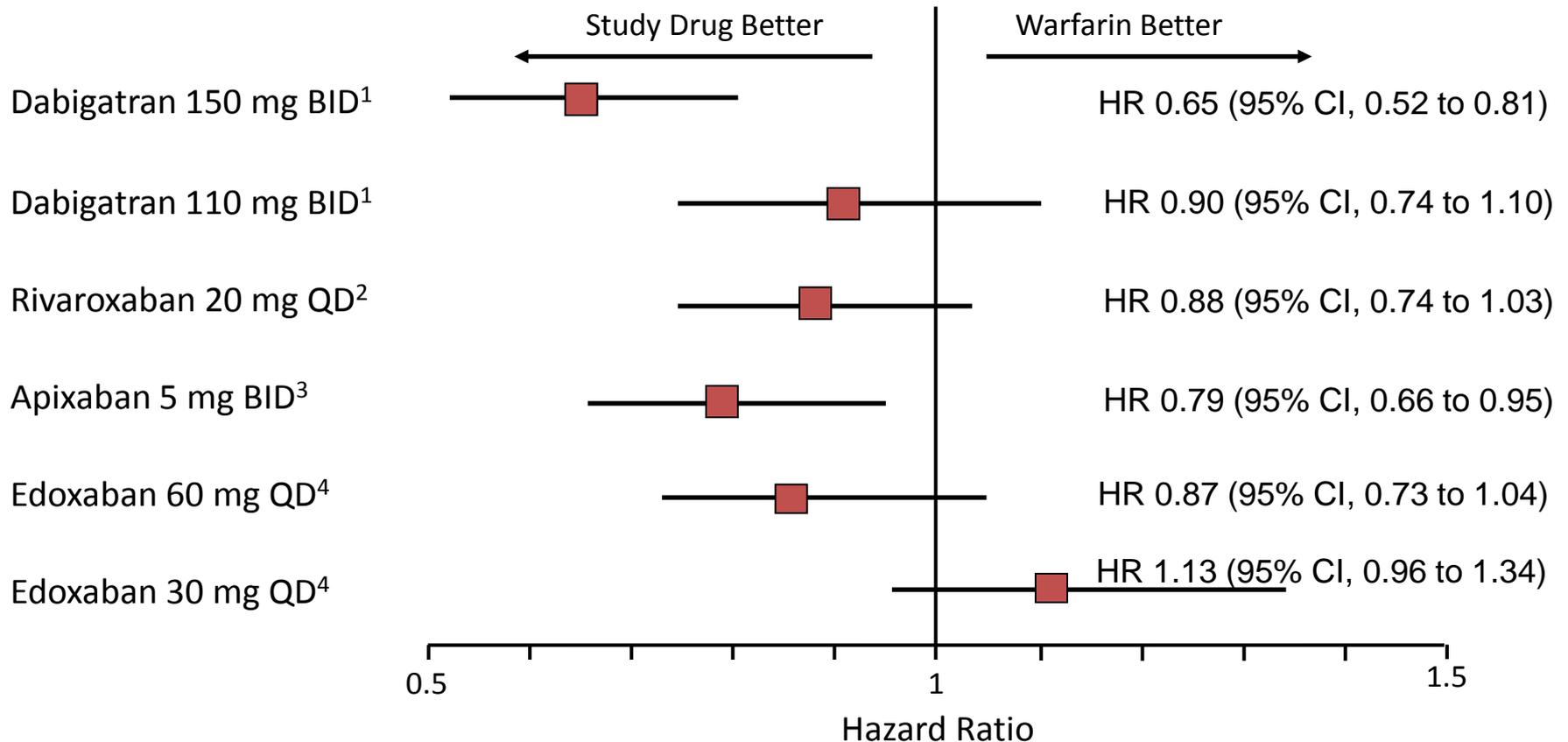
Attuali indicazioni ai farmaci anticoagulanti orali diretti

- Prevenzione dell'ictus nei pazienti con fibrillazione atriale non valvolare (tutti)
- Sindromi coronariche acute (rivaroxaban)
- Prevenzione del tromboembolismo venoso in pazienti sottoposti a chirurgia protesica di anca e ginocchio (apixaban, dabigatran, rivaroxaban)
- Terapia acuta e prevenzione secondaria di TVP ed embolia polmonare (tutti)

Come scegliere tra i vari anticoagulanti orali diretti

- Valutando i risultati degli studi registrativi
 - Punti di forza e punti di debolezza negli studi
- Valutando i risultati degli studi post-marketing
 - Confronti diretti e indiretti
- Valutando le caratteristiche delle molecole
 - Vie di eliminazione, interferenze, reversibilità
- Valutando aspetti pratici
 - Frequenza di somministrazione, tollerabilità

Direct Oral Anticoagulants Compared to Warfarin: Stroke or Systemic Embolism



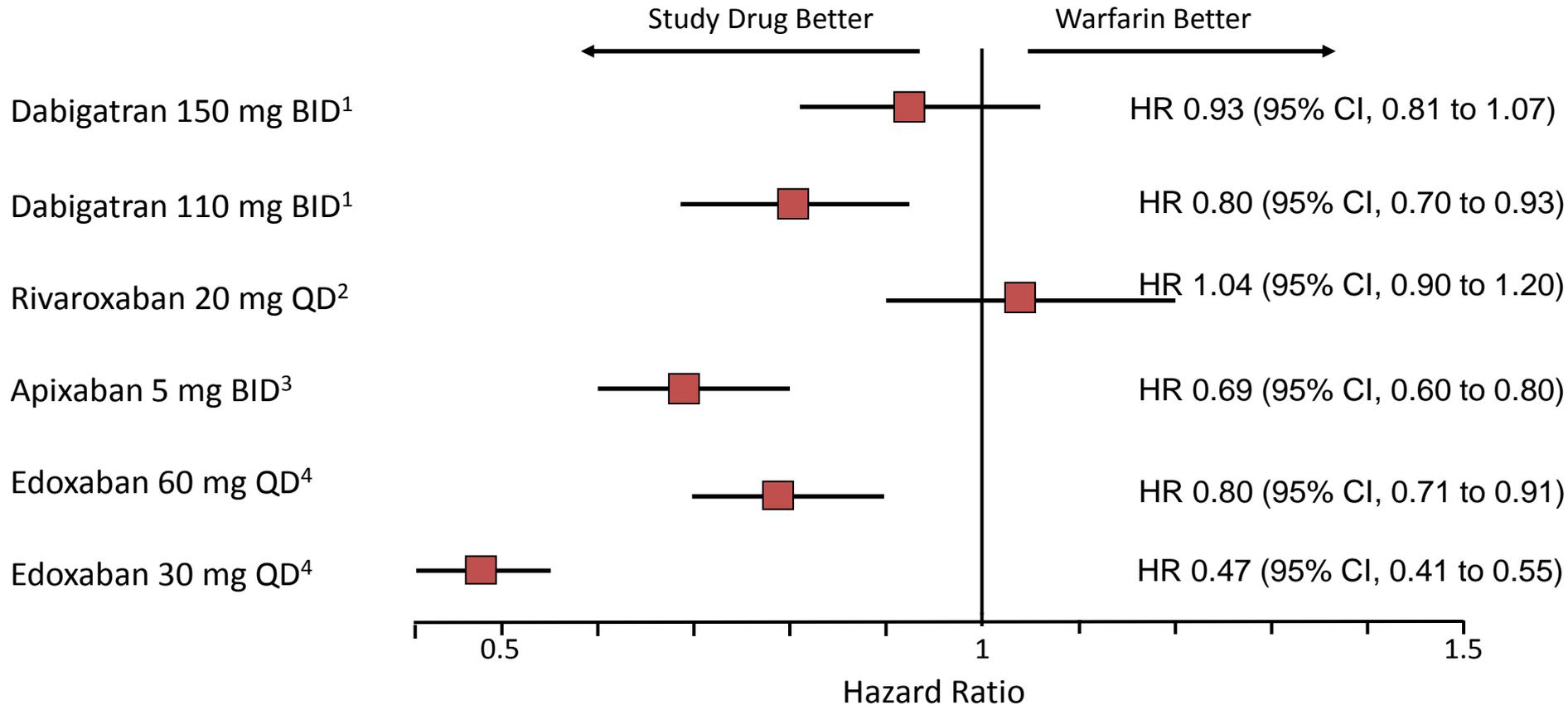
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Direct Oral Anticoagulants Compared to Warfarin: Major Bleeding



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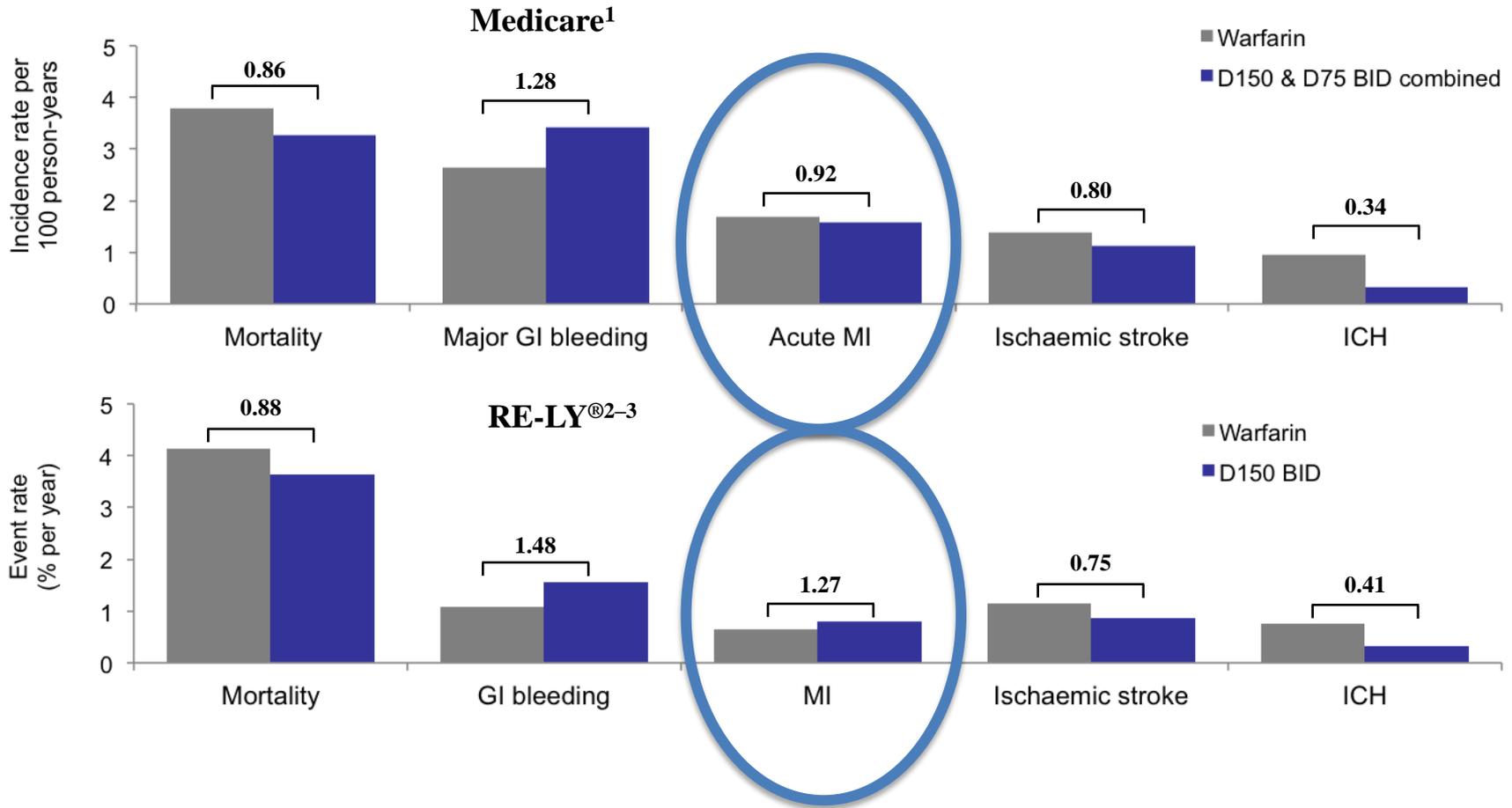
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Principali messaggi dagli studi: fibrillazione atriale

- Superiorità/equivalenza in efficacia
- Dabigatran 150 mg bid riduce ictus ischemico
- Superiorità/equivalenza in sicurezza
- Maggior incidenza emorragie digestive (tranne apixaban)
- Aumentata incidenza cardiopatia ischemica (dabigatran)
- Significativa riduzione emorragie intracraniche
- Simile riduzione mortalità

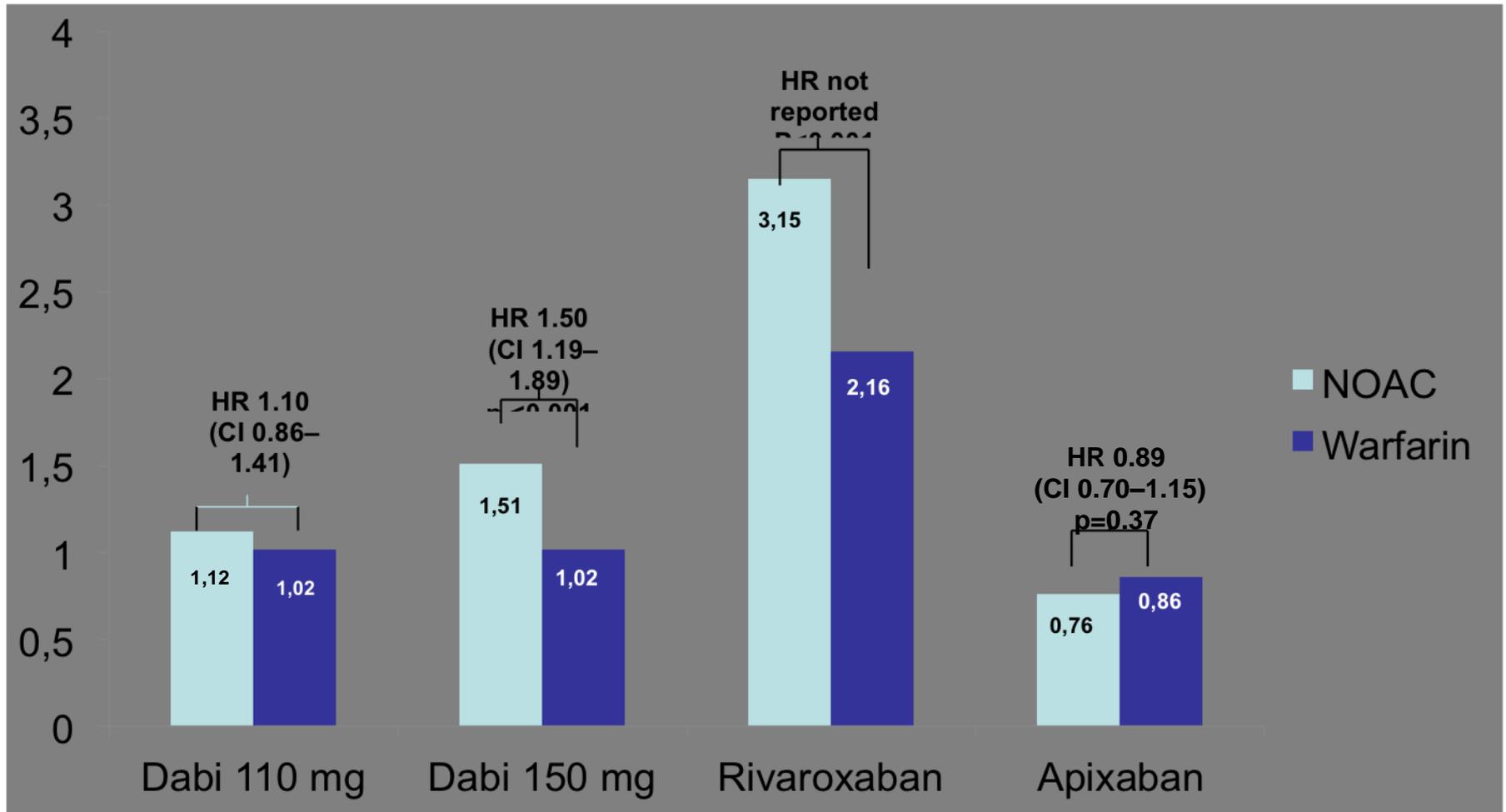
Independent FDA Medicare analysis and findings from RE-LY[®]



Numbers on bars denote HRs vs warfarin. D75 = dabigatran 75 mg; D150 = dabigatran 150 mg

1. Graham DJ et al Circulation 2014; 2. Connolly SJ et al. N Engl J Med 2009;361:1139–51; 3. Connolly SJ et al. N Engl J Med 2010;363:1875–6

GI bleeding in NOACs clinical trial



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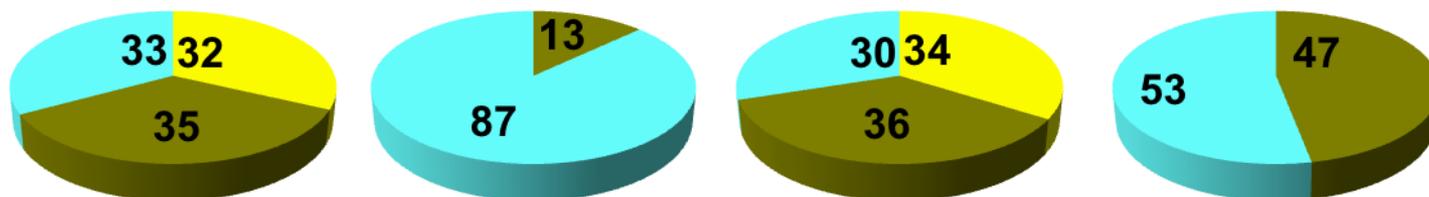
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Baseline Characteristics: 4 Trials

| | RE-LY (Dabigatran) | ROCKET-AF (Rivaroxaban) | ARISTOTLE (Apixaban) | ENGAGE AF (Edoxaban) |
|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| # Randomized | 18,113 | 14,264 | 18,201 | 21,105 |
| Age, years | 72 ± 9 | 73 [65-78] | 70 [63-76] | 72 [64-78] |
| Female, % | 37 | 40 | 35 | 38 |
| Paroxysmal AF | 32 | 18 | 15 | 25 |
| VKA naive | 50 | 38 | 43 | 41 |
| Aspirin Use | 40 | 36 | 31 | 29 |

CHADS₂

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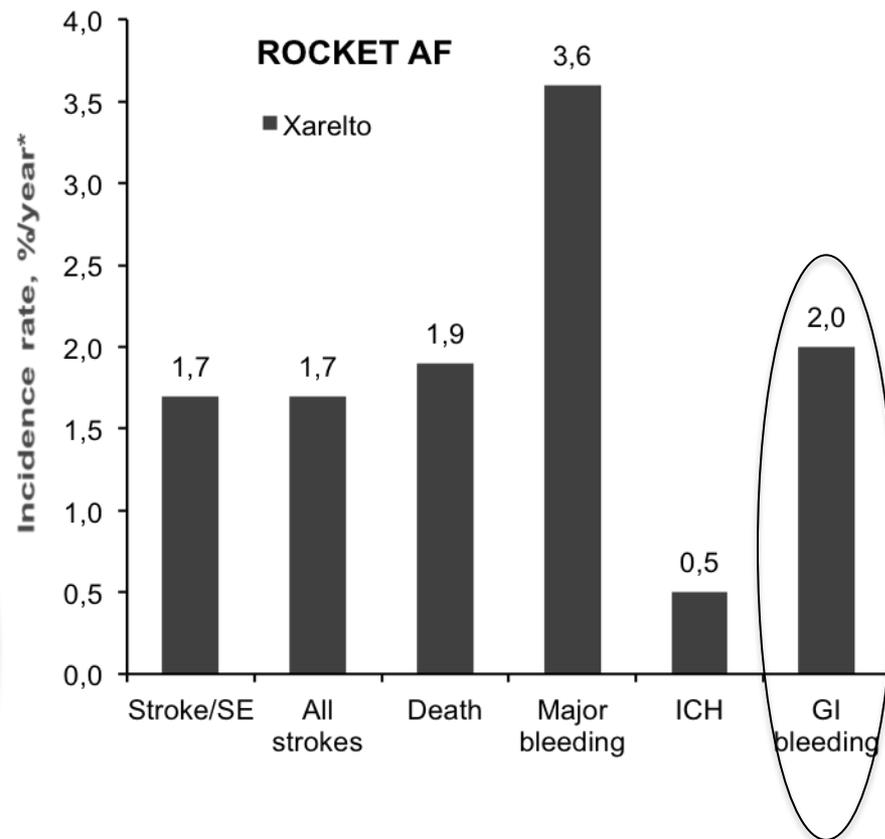
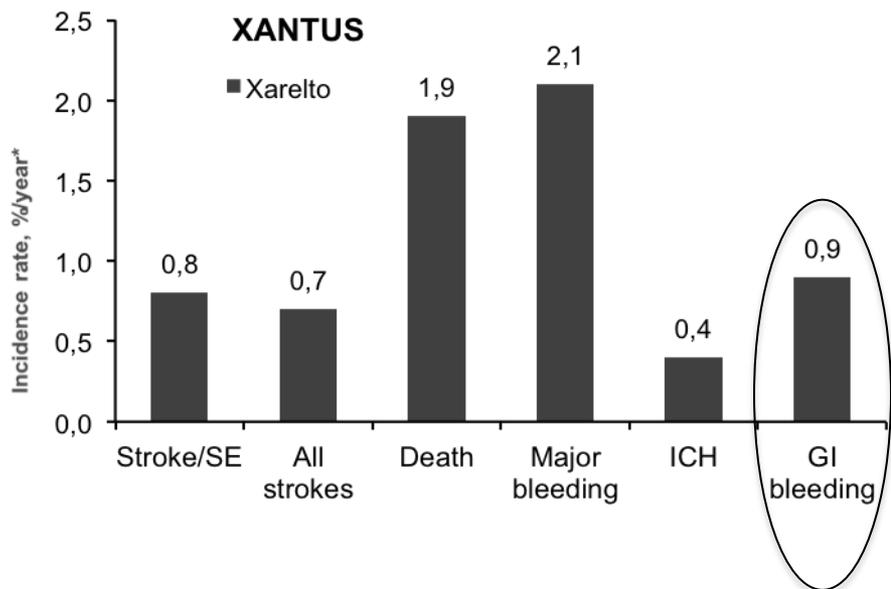
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Comparison of Main Outcomes: XANTUS versus ROCKET AF

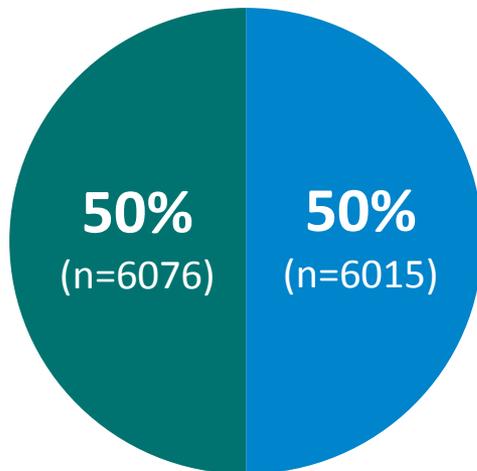
| | CHADS ₂ | Prior stroke [#] |
|------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| ROCKET AF ¹ | 3.5 | 55% |
| XANTUS ² | 2.0 | 19% |



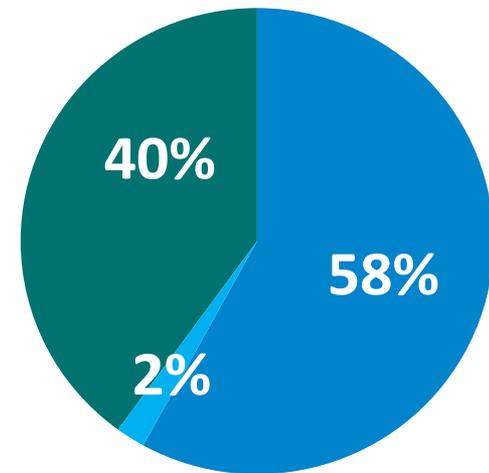
[#]Includes prior stroke, SE or TIA; *Events per 100 patient-years

Dabigatran 110 mg BID is used more widely in clinical practice

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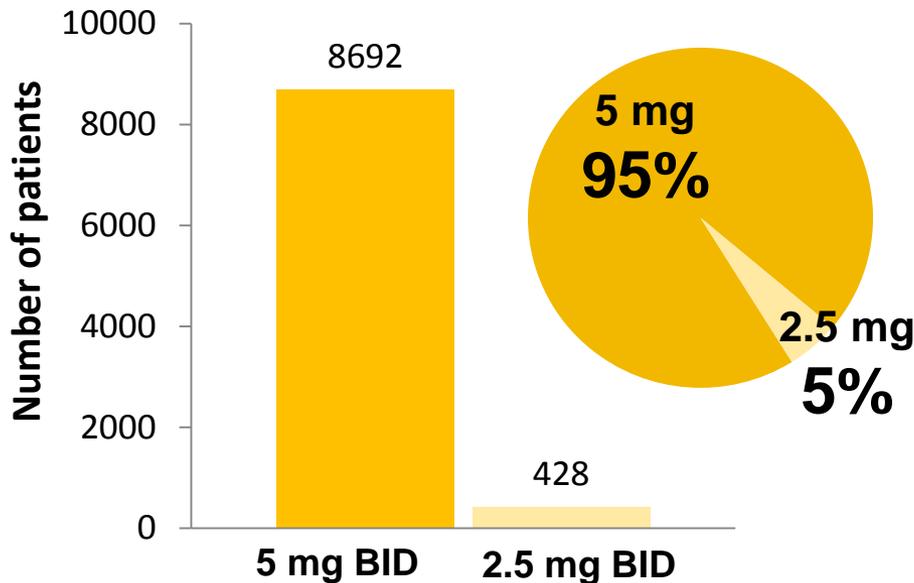
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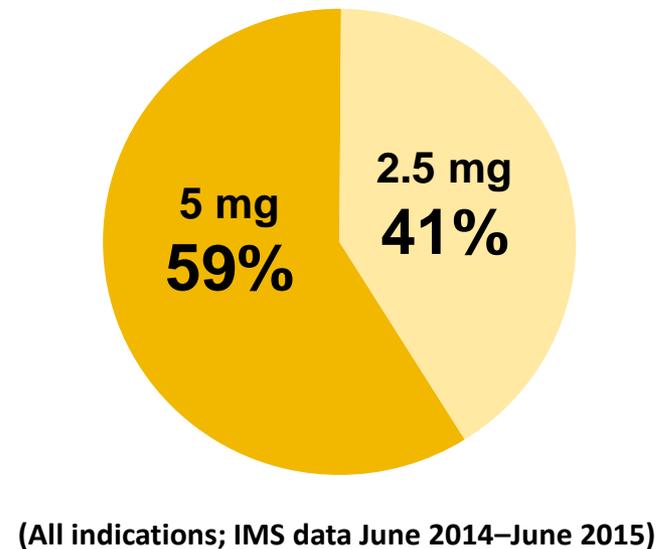
(All indications; IMS data June 2014–June 2015)

Apixaban 2.5 mg dose is used more widely in clinical practice

ARISTOTLE¹



Prescription data²



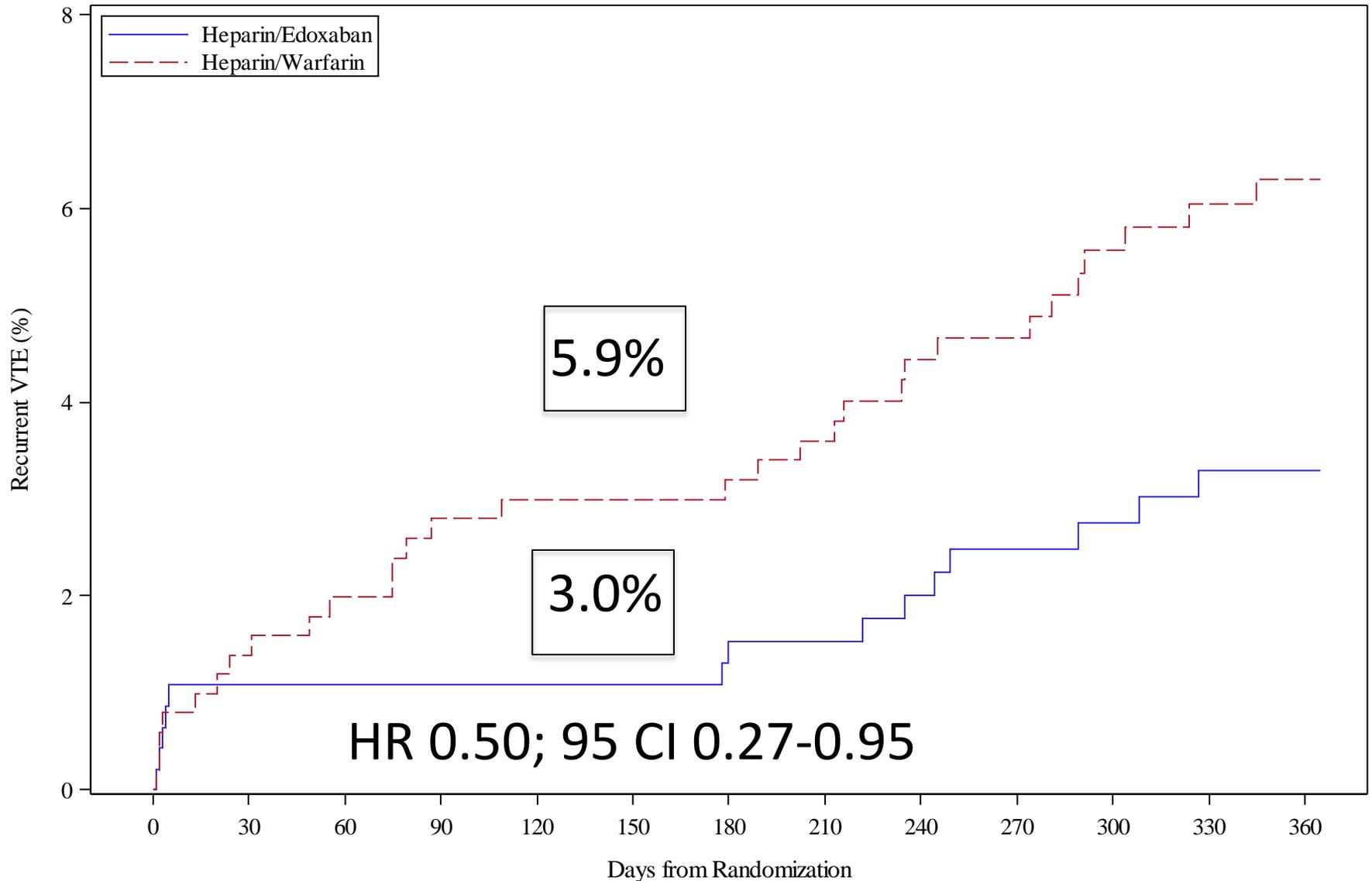
*Dose reduction to 2.5 mg BID if ≥ 2 criteria: age ≥ 80 years, weight ≤ 60 kg, serum creatinine ≥ 1.5 mg/dL (133 μ mol /L).

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Principali messaggi dagli studi: tromboembolismo venoso

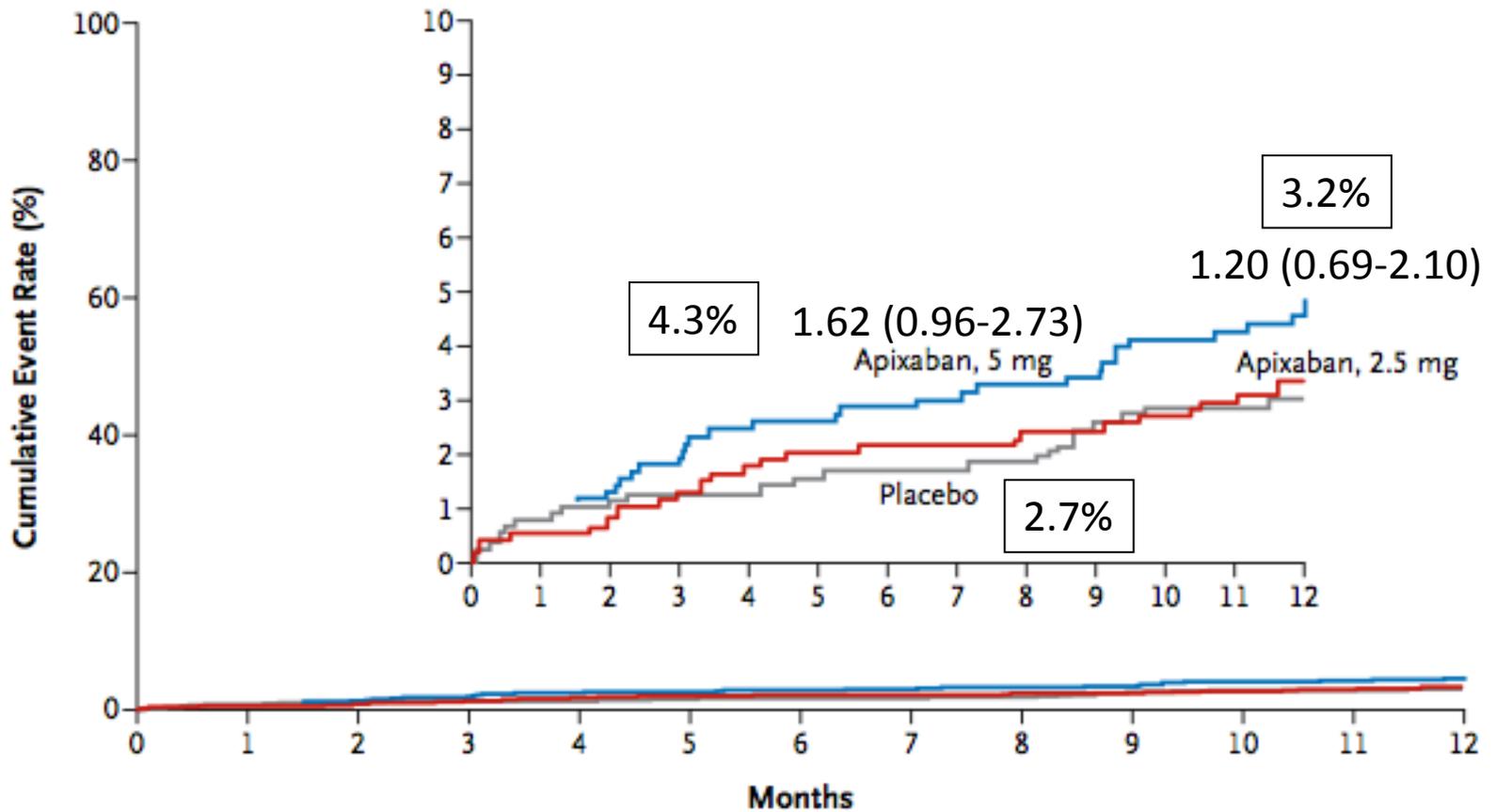
- Disegni diversi: eparina nei primi 5-7 giorni (dabigatran-edoxaban) vs terapia orale da subito (rivaroxaban-apixaban)
- Difficile valutazione dei pazienti con embolia polmonare: livello di rischio?
- Pazienti candidati ad una prevenzione secondaria a lungo termine: riduzione del dosaggio?

Hokusai study: Subgroup analysis in PE patients with NT-proBNP ≥ 500 pg/mL



AMPLIFY-Extension safety results

B Major or Clinically Relevant Nonmajor Bleeding

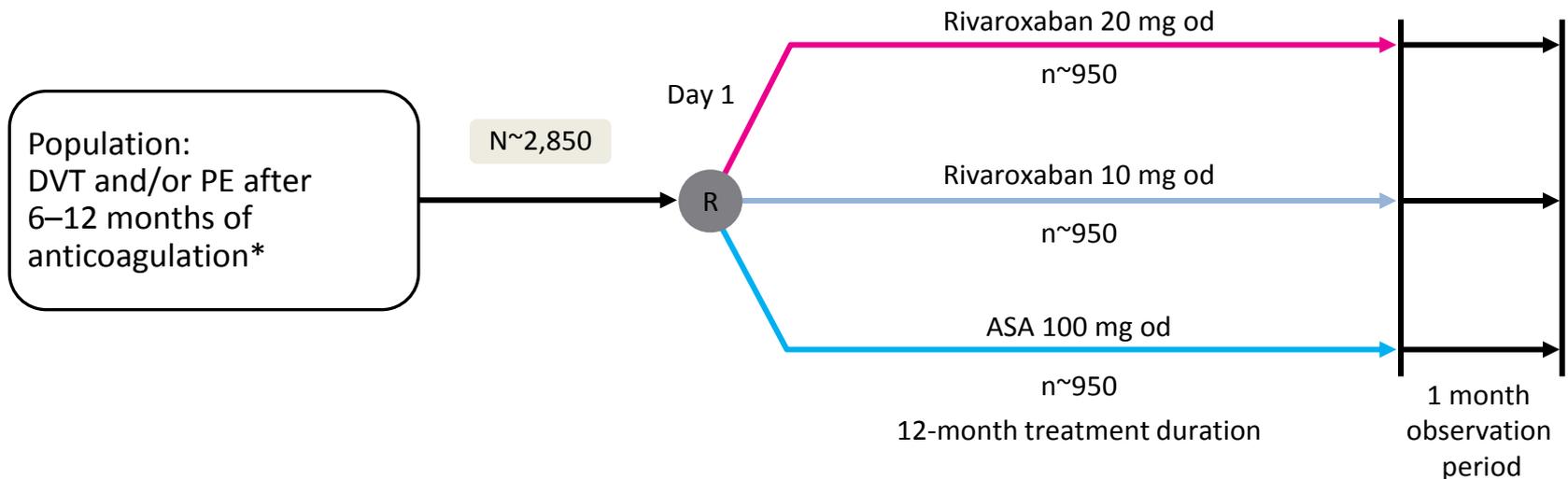


EINSTEIN CHOICE

Long-Term Secondary VTE Prevention Study

Official study title: Reduced-dosed Rivaroxaban and Standard-dosed Rivaroxaban Versus ASA in the Long-term Prevention of Recurrent Symptomatic Venous Thromboembolism in Patients With Symptomatic Deep-vein Thrombosis and/or Pulmonary Embolism

Objective: efficacy and safety of reduced-dosed rivaroxaban, standard-dosed rivaroxaban versus ASA for the long-term secondary prevention of recurrent symptomatic VTE in patients with symptomatic DVT and/or PE



Short design: Multicentre, randomized, double-blind, active-controlled, event-driven, superiority study

Indication: VTE_x

FPFV: Q1-14
LPLV: Q4-16

*Completed 6–12 months (± 1 month) with interruption of anticoagulation ≤ 1 week at randomization
www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT02064439 Weitz JI et al. Thromb Haemost 2015

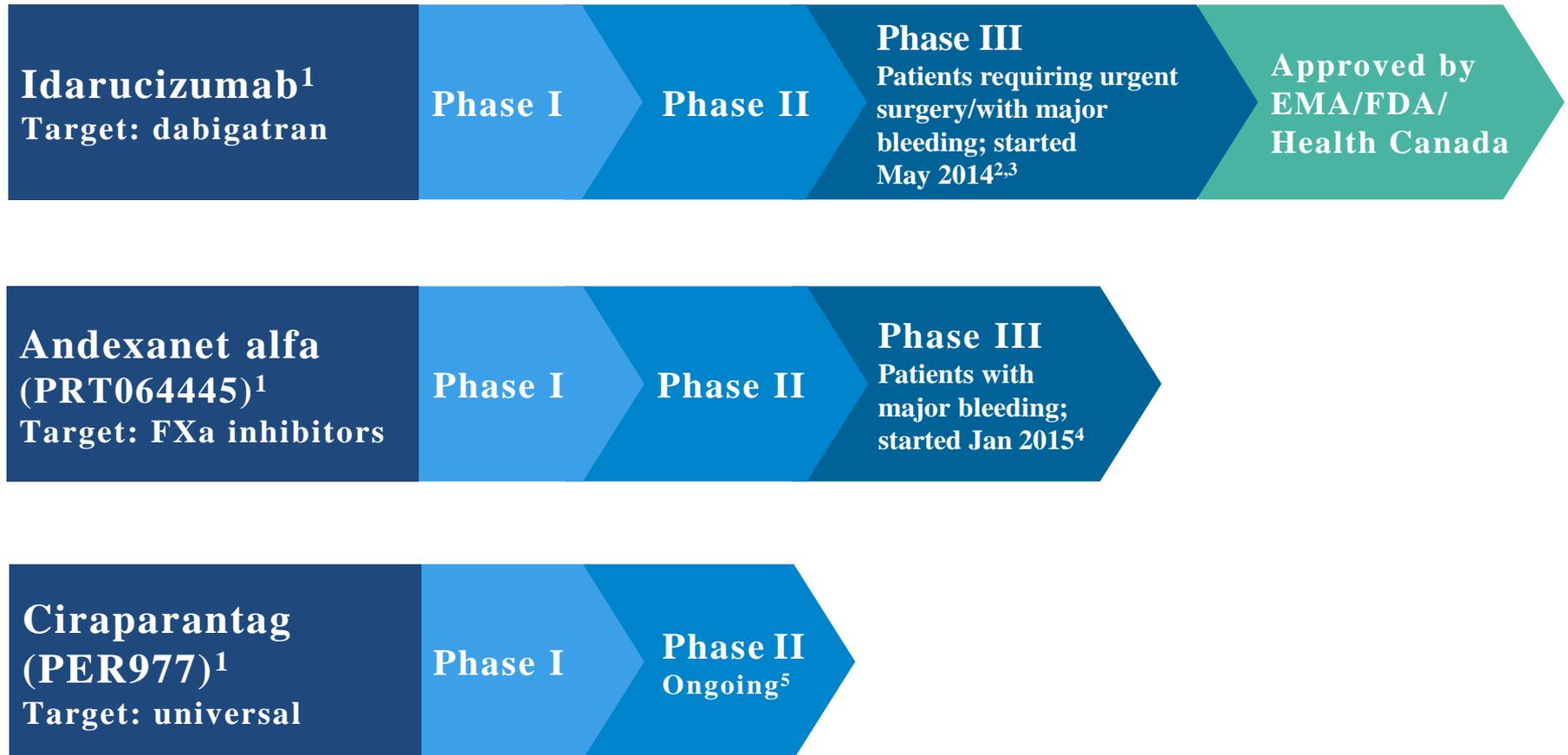
PK/PD of the 4 DOACs

| | Dabigatran (Pradaxa®) | Rivaroxaban (Xarelto®) | Apixaban (Eliquis®) | Edoxaban (Lixiana®) |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Target | IIa (thrombin) | Xa | Xa | Xa |
| Hrs to Cmax | 2 | 2-4 | 1-3 | 1-2 |
| CYP metabolism | None | 32% | 15% | <4% |
| Bioavailability | 7% | 80% | 66% | 62% |
| Transporters | P-gp | P-gp/BCRP | P-gp | P-gp |
| Protein binding | 35% | >90% | 87% | 55% |
| Half-life | 12-14h | 9-13h | 8-15h | 10-14h |
| Renal elimination | 80% | 66%* | 27% | 50% |

*Approximately half of which is excreted unchanged in the urine

BCRP = breast cancer resistance protein; CYP = cytochrome P450; NR = not reported; P-gp = P-glycoprotein

DOAC reversal agents in development



DOAC reversal agents are investigational compounds under development and have not been approved for use in the EU.

1. Adapted from Greinacher A et al. *Thromb Haemost* 2015;113:931–42;

2. [ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT02104947](https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT02104947); 3. Pollack CV et al. *Thromb Haemost*. 2015;114:198–205;

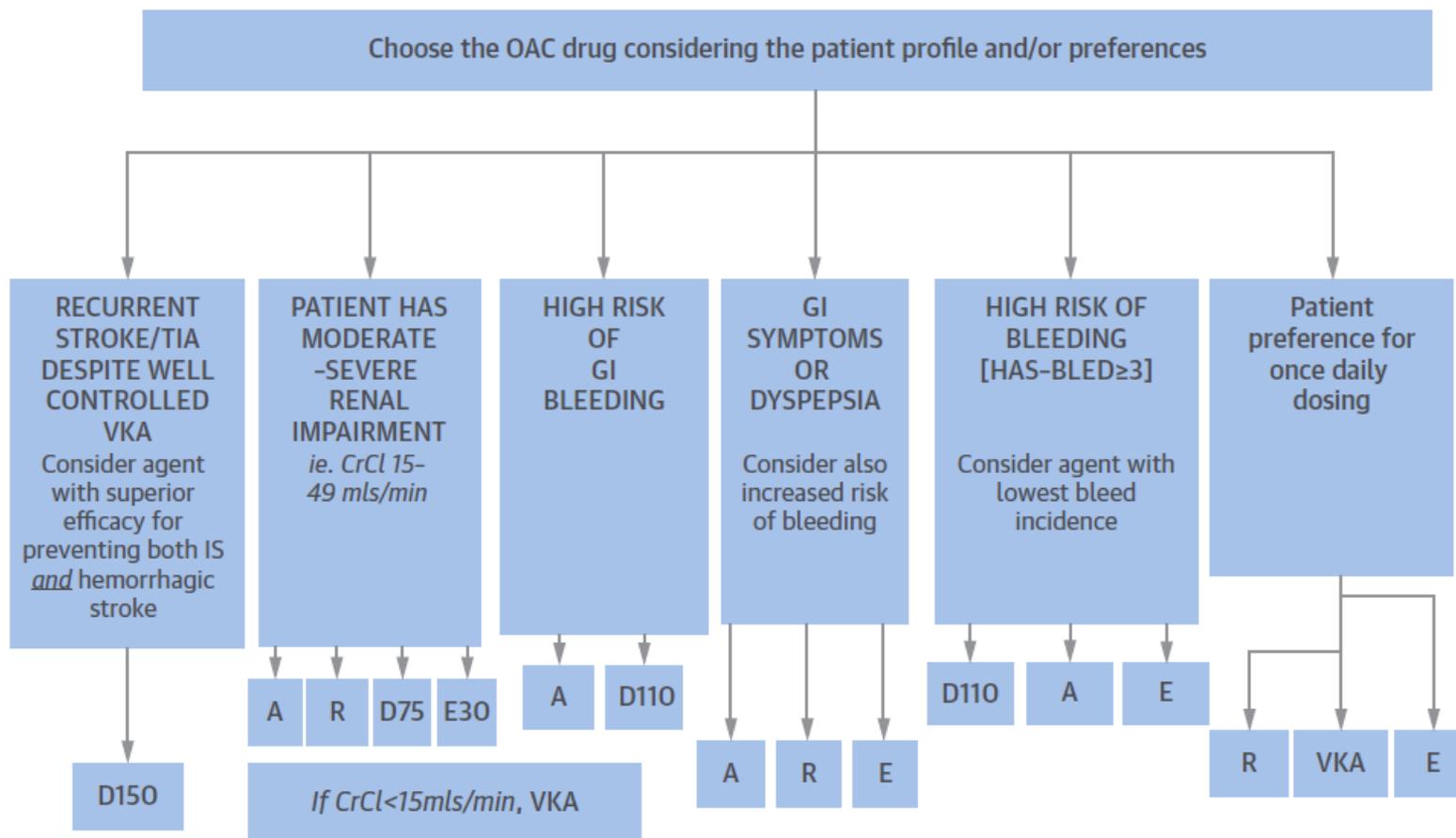
4. [ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02329327](https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT02329327); 5. [ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02207257](https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT02207257)

Altri aspetti nella scelta del farmaco

- Monosomministrazione vs doppia somministrazione (praticità vs stabilità?)
- Intolleranza gastrica con dabigatran
- Aumento sanguinamenti vaginali con rivaroxaban (e gli altri?)

Impatto sull'aderenza al trattamento?

Selecting the Optimal Oral Anticoagulant for Stroke Prevention in Atrial Fibrillation: some suggestion for Initial Treatment Options



A = apixaban; CrCl = creatinine clearance; D = dabigatran (D75, 75 mg bid does in United States only; D110 = 110 mg bid dose, not in the United States); E = edoxaban; E30 = edoxaban 30 mg; GI = gastrointestinal; IS = ischemic stroke; OAC = oral anticoagulation; R = rivaroxaban; TIA = transient ischemic attack; VKA = vitamin K antagonist.