

# Révolution dans la prise en charge du risque thromboembolique de la FA

## ESC 2012 : un nouveau regard

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# New /Modified Recommendations

Topic	A	B	C	I	IIa	IIb	III
Anticoagulation risk stratification	6	7		6	7		
Anticoagulation	2	5	1	3	4		1
Left atrial appendage occlusion		1	1			2	
Pharmacological cardioversion	1	2		1	2		
Oral antiarrhythmic therapy	1	2		1		1	1
Left atrial catheter ablation	2	3		1	4		
Total n (%)	12 (35%)	20 (59%)	2 (9%)	12 (35%)	17 (50%)	3 (9%)	2 (9%)

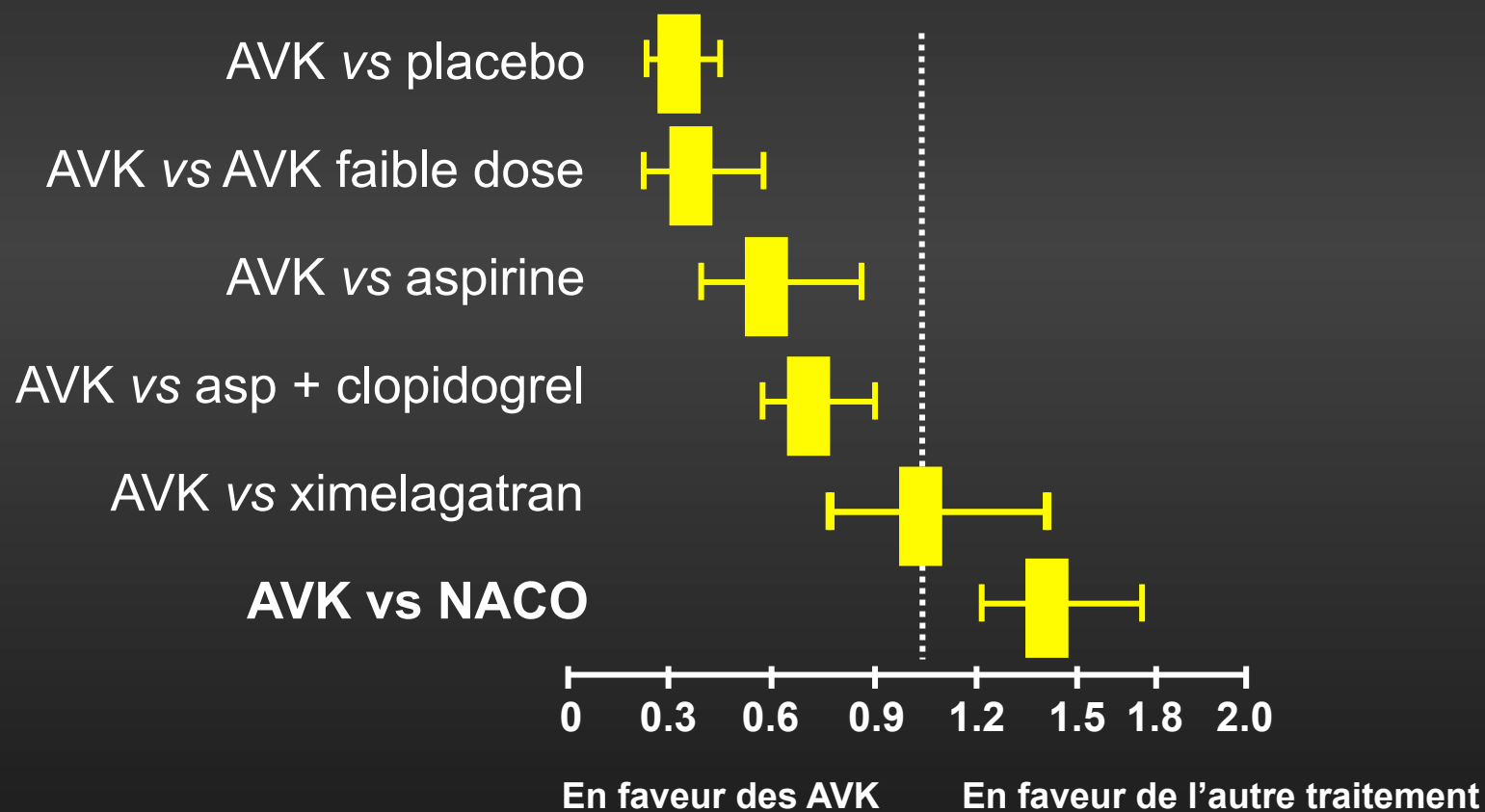
# Anticoagulation - General

## Recommendations for prevention of thromboembolism in non-valvular AF - general

Recommendations	Class	Level
Antithrombotic therapy to prevent thromboembolism is recommended for all patients with AF except in those patients (both male and female) who are at low risk (aged <65 years and lone AF), or with contraindications.	I	A
The choice of antithrombotic therapy should be based upon the absolute risks of stroke/thromboembolism and bleeding and the net clinical benefit for a given patient.	I	A
The CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score is recommended as a means of assessing stroke risk in non-valvular AF.	I	A

# Prévention des AVC dans la FA

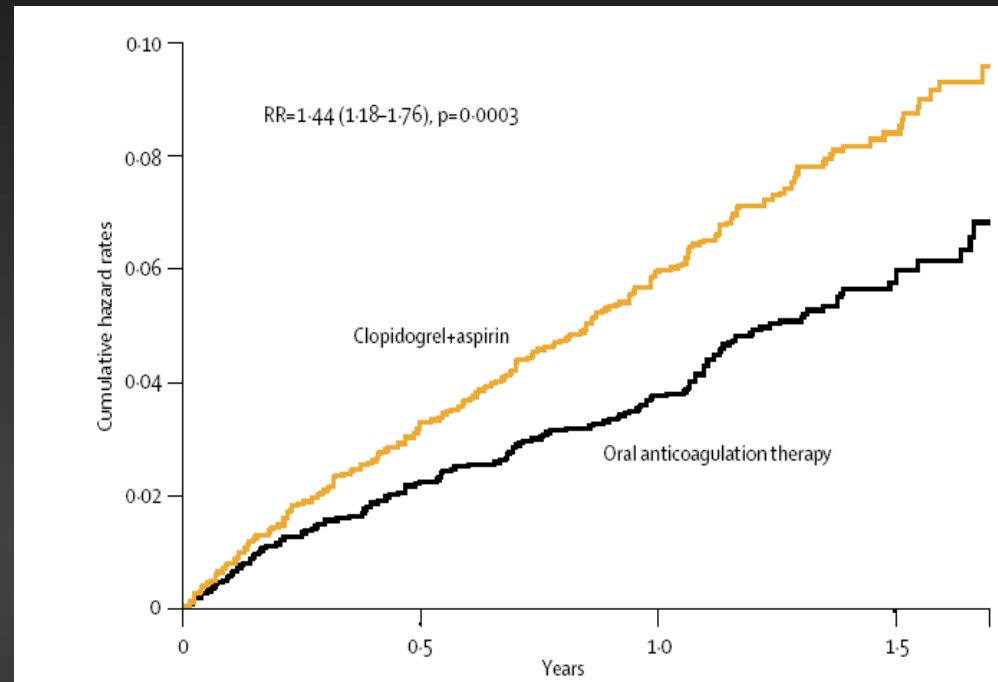
## Meta-analyse : AVC ischémique ou embolie systémique



NACO : Nouveaux AntiCoagulants Oraux

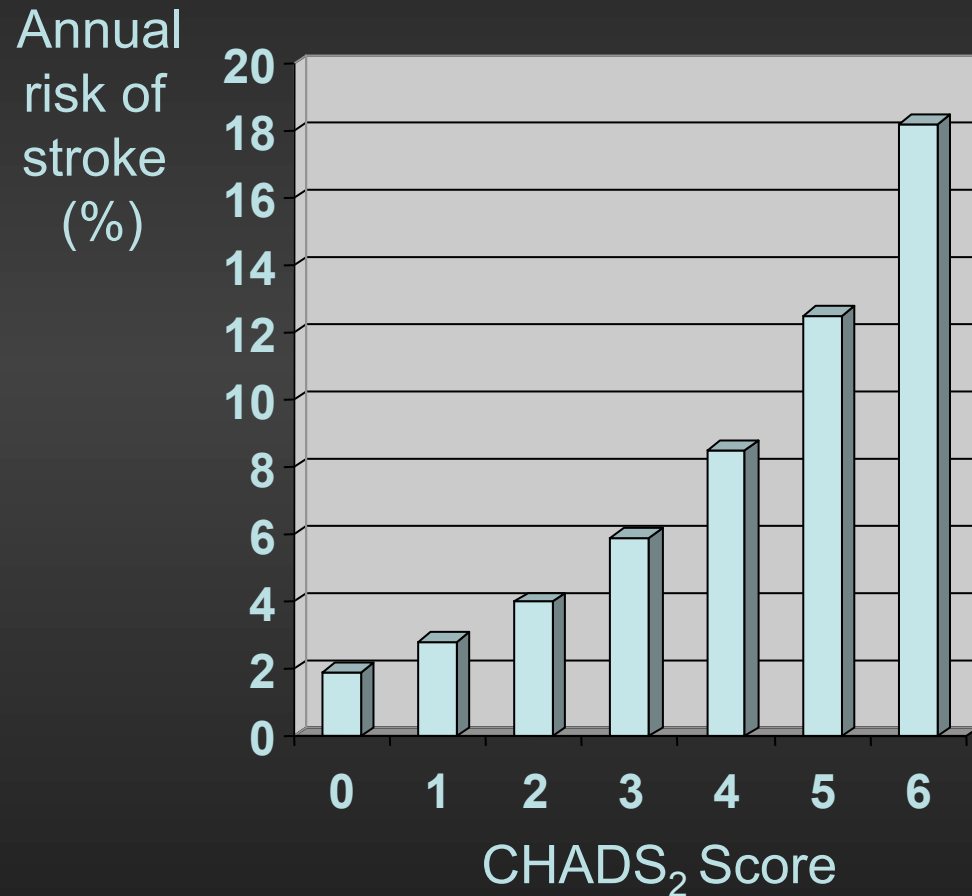
# ACTIVE W, *Lancet* 2006

Primary outcome :  
stroke, non-CNS  
systemic embolus, MI,  
or vascular death.



	Clopidogrel+aspirin		Oral anticoagulation		Clopidogrel+aspirin vs oral anticoagulation	
	Number	Risk (% per year)	Number	Risk (% per year)	RR (95% CI)	p
<b>Haemorrhage</b>						
Major (includes severe and fatal)	101	2.42	93	2.21	1.10 (0.83-1.45)	0.53
Severe	71	1.70	66	1.57	1.09 (0.78-1.52)	0.62
Fatal	7	0.17	11	0.26	0.64 (0.25-1.66)	0.36
Minor	568	13.58	481	11.45	1.23 (1.09-1.39)	0.0009
Total	644	15.40	555	13.21	1.21 (1.08-1.35)	0.001
<b>Net benefit</b>						
Primary outcome and major bleed	316	7.56	229	5.45	1.41 (1.19-1.67)	<0.0001
Primary outcome, major bleed, and death	348	8.32	271	6.45	1.31 (1.12-1.54)	0.0008

# AF : CHADS<sub>2</sub> Score

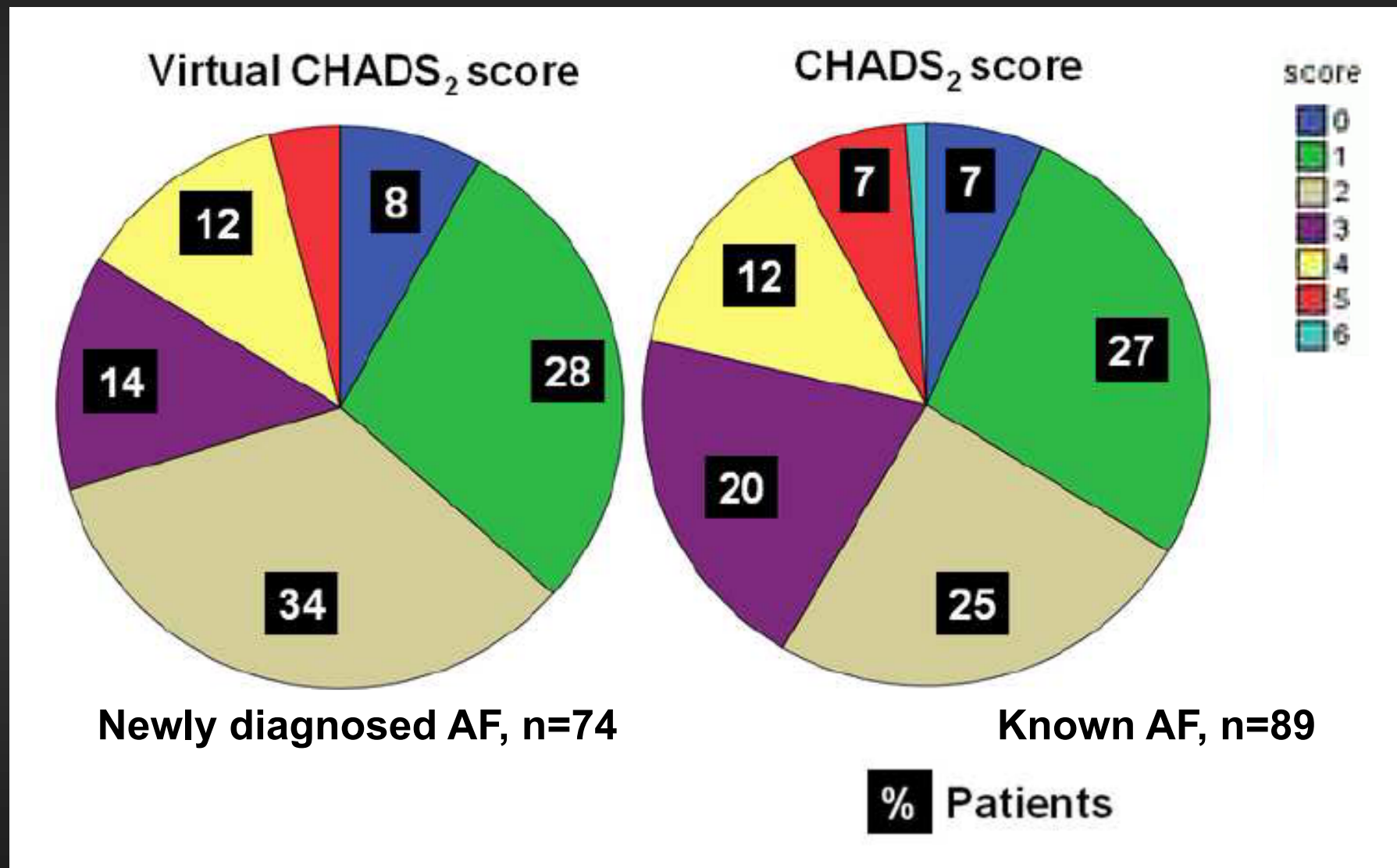


- CHF +1
- Hypertension +1
- Age >75 +1
- Diabetes +1
- Stroke +2

Score CHADS<sub>2</sub> max = 6

Adapted from Gage et al, *JAMA* 2001

# Patients with Ischemic Stroke (n=1120) and AF





# The CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>VASc score in non-valvular AF

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Stroke risk factors	Score
<u>C</u> ongestive heart failure/LV dysfunction	1
<u>H</u> ypertension	1
<u>A</u> ged ≥75 years	2
<u>D</u> iabetes mellitus	1
<u>S</u> troke/TIA/TE	2
<u>V</u> ascular disease [prior MI, PAD, or aortic plaque]	1
<u>A</u> ged 65–74 years	1
<u>S</u> ex category [i.e. female gender]	1

# Validation of risk stratification schemes for predicting stroke and thromboembolism in patients with AF

Olesen, Lip et al *BMJ* 2011

Scale†	Event rates per 100 person-y			At 1 y
	Low risk (score 0)	Intermediate risk (score 1)	High risk (score > 1)	C-statistic (95% CI)‡
CHADS <sub>2</sub>	1.7	4.8	12	0.72 (0.69 to 0.75)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc	0.78	2.0	8.8	0.85 (0.83 to 0.87)
<b>At 5 y</b>				
CHADS <sub>2</sub>	1.3	3.7	8.3	0.80 (0.78 to 0.81)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc	0.69	1.5	6.0	0.88 (0.87 to 0.89)
<b>At 10 y</b>				
CHADS <sub>2</sub>	1.2	3.6	8.0	0.81 (0.80 to 0.83)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc	0.66	1.5	5.7	0.89 (0.88 to 0.90)

†CHADS<sub>2</sub> = Congestive heart failure, Hypertension, Age ≥ 75 y, Diabetes mellitus, and previous thromboembolism (double points); CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc = Congestive heart failure, Hypertension, Age ≥ 75 y (double points), Diabetes mellitus, previous thromboembolism (double points), Vascular disease, Age 65 to 74 y, and female Sex.

‡Based on Cox regression models using 3 risk groups and with covariates analyzed as categorical variables.

# CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc adds when CHADS<sub>2</sub> = 0–1

## A nationwide cohort study

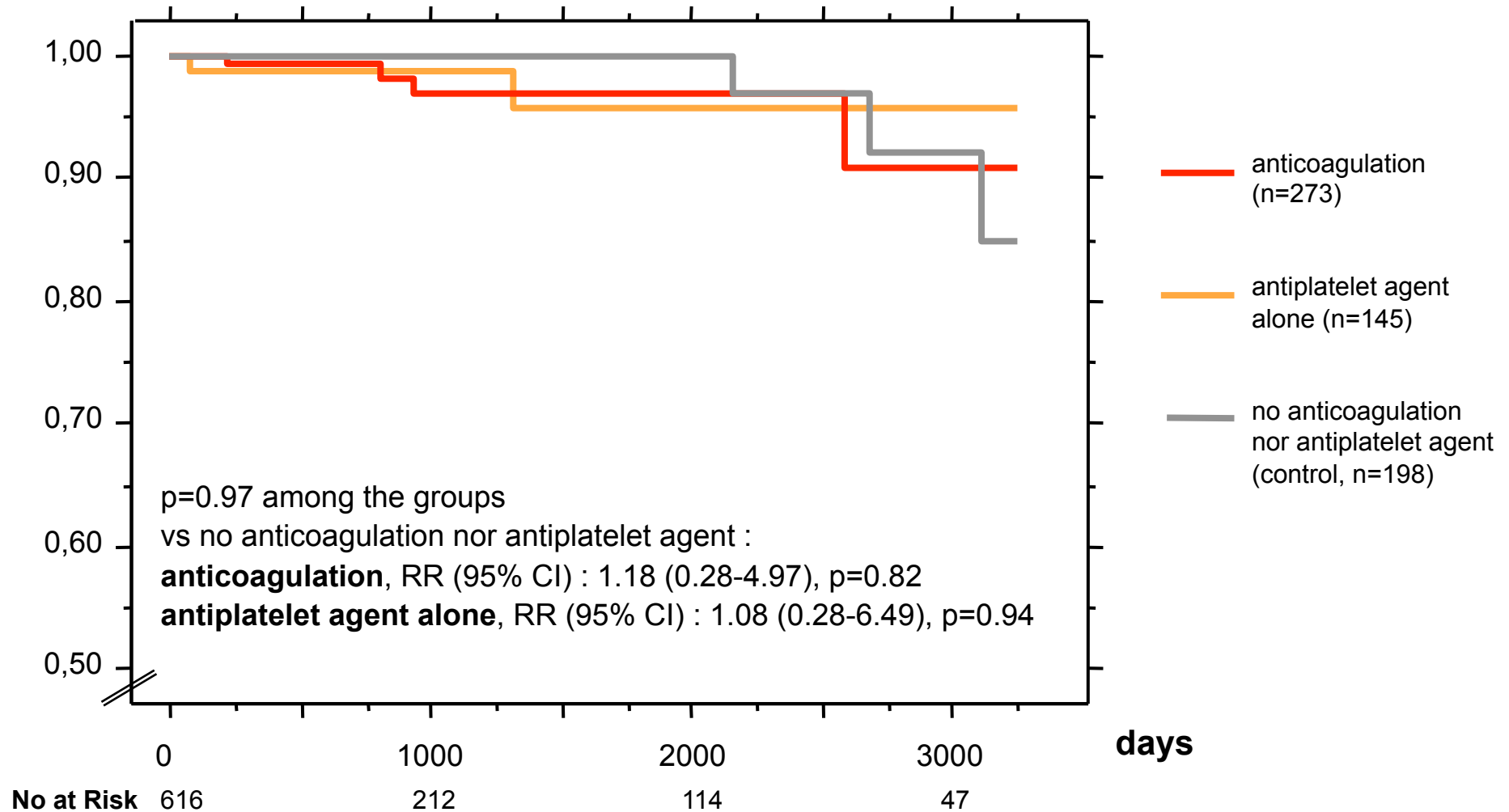
	CHADS <sub>2</sub> score = 0 n=19,444	CHADS <sub>2</sub> score = 1 n=28,132
Age, mean (SD)	58.8 (11.9)	76.8 (11.6)
Congestive heart failure	0	949 (3.4)
Hypertension	0	8,081 (28.7)
Age ≥75 years	0	18,183 (64.6)
Diabetes mellitus	0	919 (3.3)
Stroke (previous)	0	0
Vascular disease	1,592 (8.2)	4,199 (14.9)
Age 65–74 years	7,526 (38.7)	5,517 (19.6)
Sex category (female)	7,258 (37.3)	14,759 (52.5)
Antiplatelet treatment		
Aspirin	3,322 (17.1)	8,937 (31.8)
Clopidogrel or persantine	332 (1.7)	1,040 (3.7)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score		
0	7,536 (38.8)	0
1	7,739 (39.8)	2,323 (8.3)
2	3,870 (19.9)	10,440 (37.1)
3	299 (1.5)	13,889 (49.4)
4	0	1,480 (5.3)

	1 year follow-up Stroke rate (95%CI)
CHADS <sub>2</sub> score 0–1	3.49 (3.31–3.68)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 0	0.84 (0.65–1.08)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 1	1.79 (1.53–2.09)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 2	3.67 (3.34–4.03)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 3	5.75 (5.33–6.21)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 4	8.18 (6.68–10.02)
CHADS <sub>2</sub> score = 0	1.59 (1.41–1.79)
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CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 2	2.69 (2.19–3.31)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 3	3.20 (1.60–6.40)
CHADS <sub>2</sub> score = 1	4.92 (4.65–5.22)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 1	1.93 (1.42–2.64)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 2	4.05 (3.65–4.50)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 3	5.81 (5.38–6.27)
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc = 4	8.18 (6.68–10.02)

# Stroke/TE event in AF with CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>VASc score =0

616 patients, 862±1122 days FU, 10 events  
Annual risk of stroke =0.64%

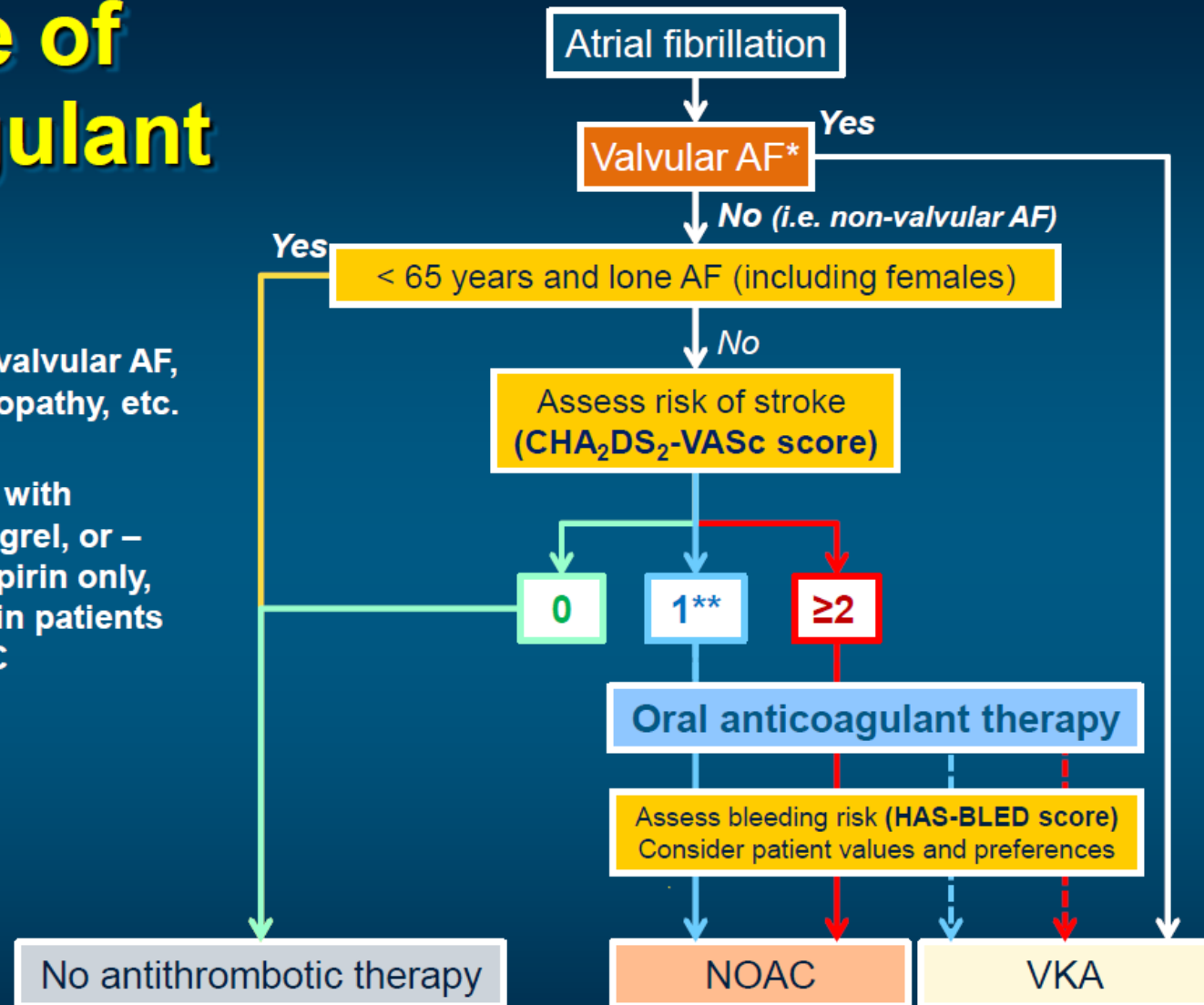
Event free



# Choice of Anticoagulant

\* Includes rheumatic valvular AF, hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, etc.

\*\* Antiplatelet therapy with aspirin plus clopidogrel, or – less effectively – aspirin only, may be considered in patients who refuse any OAC



# The CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc risk factors

## The Loire Valley Atrial Fibrillation Project

- 6,438 patients with non-valvular AF, 2000-2010
- Risk of stroke and thromboembolism in patients aged <65 years

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	Multivariate Hazard ratio (95% CI)
<u>Heart failure</u>	1.95 (1.04-3.66)
Hypertension	0.90 (0.49-1.66)
Diabetes	1.76 (0.86-3.59)
<u>Previous stroke</u>	5.66 (2.91-11.02)
<u>Vascular disease</u>	2.19 (1.22-3.92)
Female gender	0.70 (0.34-1.43)

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Female gender as a risk factor does vary in different studies...

# L'évaluation du risque de saignement

Scoring system	% Annual bleeding risk		
	Low bleed risk	Medium bleed risk	High bleed risk
<b>OBRI (outpatient bleeding risk index)<sup>34</sup></b> <i>One point each:</i> age $\geq 65$ , history of stroke, history of GI bleed <i>One point (max) for any of the following:</i> recent MI, Hct $< 30\%$ , Cr $> 1.5$ mg/dL, diabetes	Score = 0; 3%	Score = 1–2; 8%	Score = 3–4; 30%
<b>HEMORR<sub>2</sub>HAGES<sup>35</sup></b> <i>One point each:</i> hepatic or renal disease, ethanol abuse, malignancy, older age (age $> 75$ years), reduced platelet count or function, uncontrolled hypertension, anaemia, genetic factors, excessive fall risk, stroke <i>Two points:</i> rebleeding risk	Score = 0–1; $\sim 2$ –2.5%	Score = 2–3; $\sim 5$ –8%	Score = 4–11; $> 10\%$
<b>Shireman et al.<sup>33</sup></b> Score = $0.49(X)_{\text{Age } 70+} + 0.32(X)_{\text{Female}} + 0.58(X)_{\text{Remote bleed}} + 0.62(X)_{\text{Recent bleed}} + 0.71(X)_{\text{Alcohol/drug abuse}} + 0.27(X)_{\text{Diabetes}} + 0.86(X)_{\text{Anaemia}} + 0.32(X)_{\text{Antiplatelet}}$ X = 1 when the specific characteristic is present and 0 if absent	Score $\leq 1.07$ ; 1%	$1.07 < \text{score} < 2.19$ ; 2%	Score $\geq 2.19$ ; 5%
<b>HAS-BLED<sup>36</sup></b> <i>One point each:</i> hypertension, abnormal renal function, abnormal liver function, stroke, bleeding, labile INRs, elderly age $> 65$ , drugs, alcohol	Score = 1–2; $\sim 1$ –2%	Score = 3–4; $\sim 4$ –9%	Score = 5–9; $> 12\%$

**Table 10** Clinical characteristics comprising the **HAS-BLED** bleeding risk score

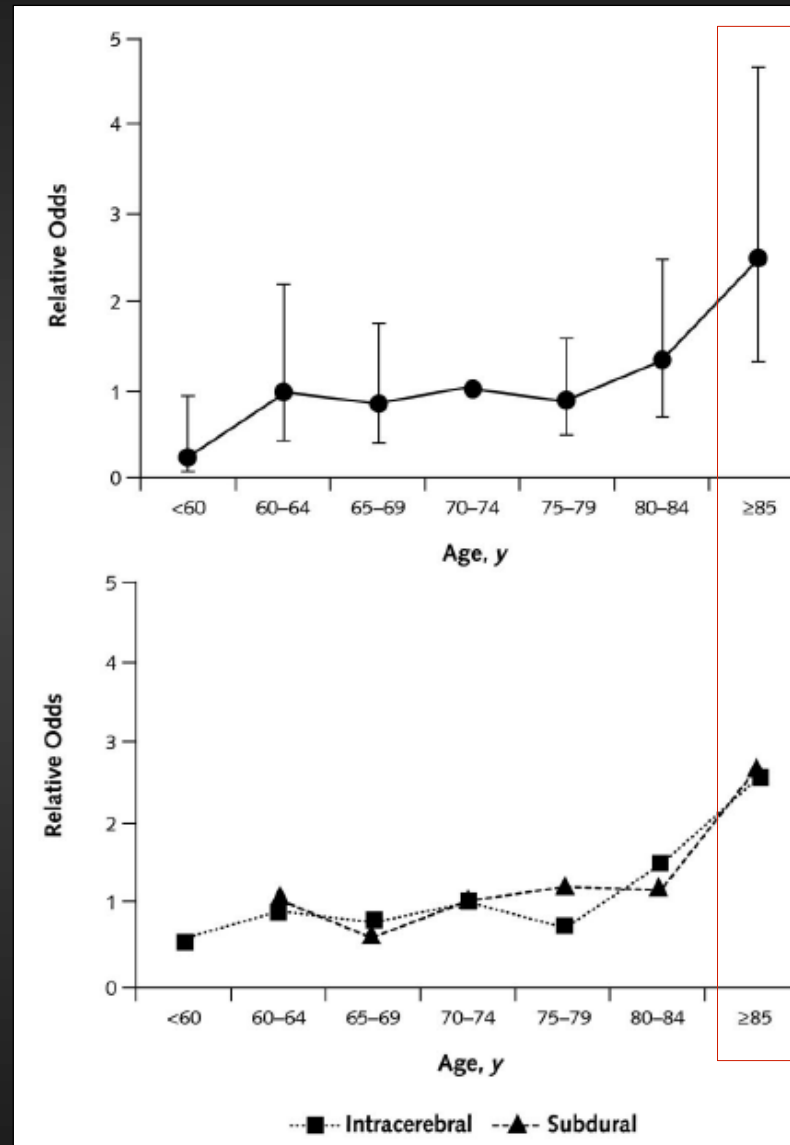
Letter	Clinical characteristic <sup>a</sup>	Points awarded
<b>H</b>	Hypertension	1
<b>A</b>	Abnormal renal and liver function (1 point each)	1 or 2
<b>S</b>	Stroke	1
<b>B</b>	Bleeding	1
<b>L</b>	Labile INRs	1
<b>E</b>	Elderly (e.g. age >65 years)	1
<b>D</b>	Drugs or alcohol (1 point each)	1 or 2
		Maximum 9 points



# Age et hémorragie intracrânienne

Hémorragies  
intra-crâniennes

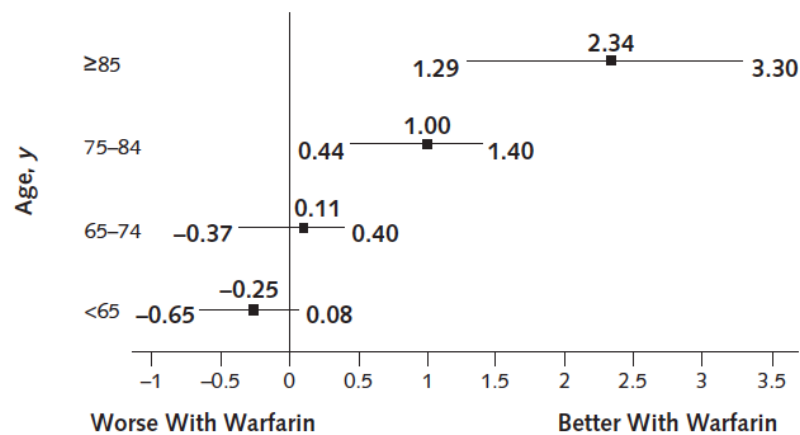
Cas-témoins  
175 pts H<sup>i</sup>e intra-crânienne  
vs 1020 témoins



# Net Clinical Benefit of Warfarin in AF ATRIA cohort, *Ann Int Med* 2009

*Table 3. Annual Net Clinical Benefit of Warfarin Therapy Overall and by Individual Risk Factors, Using Different Weights for ICH*

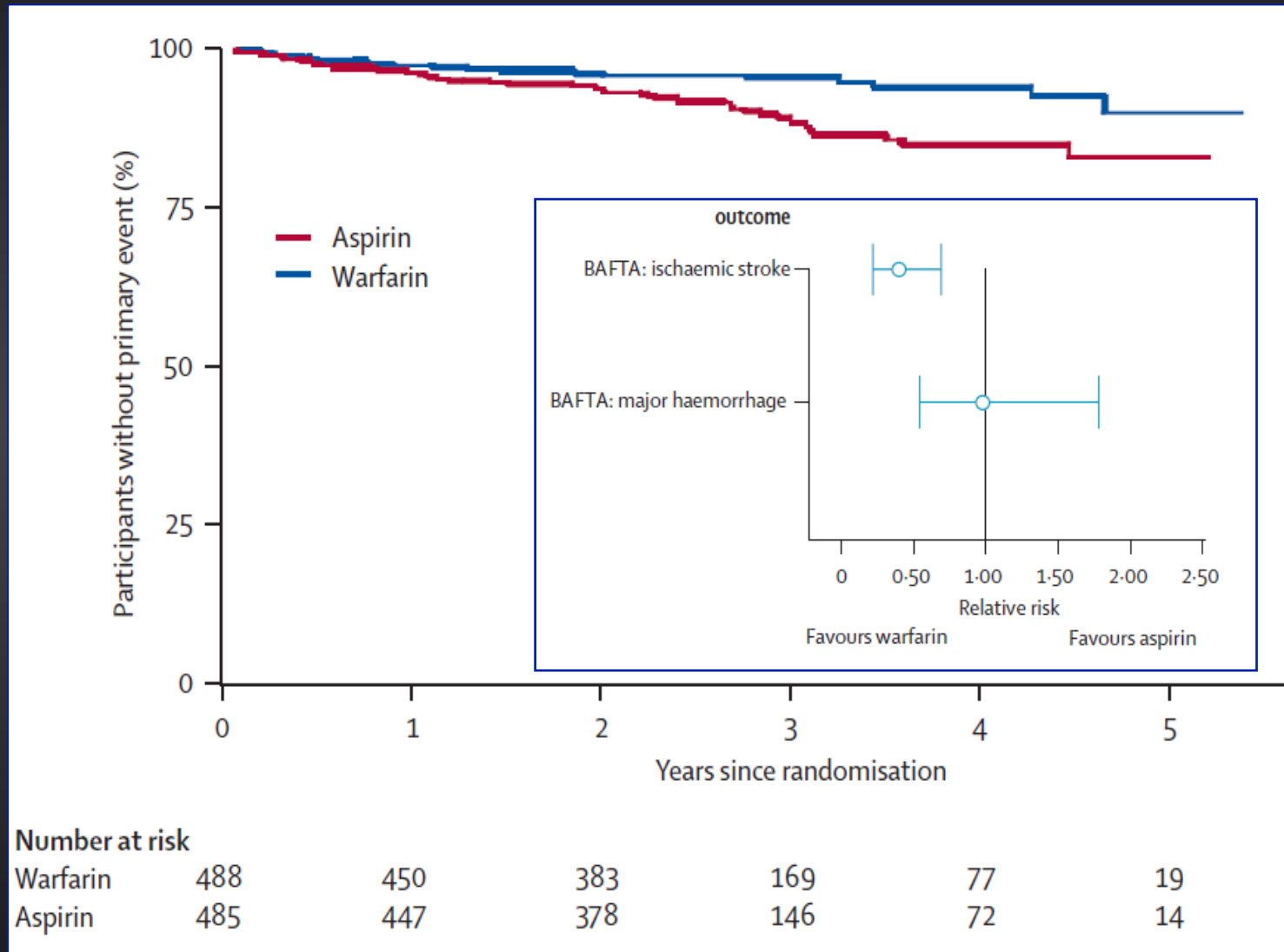
Risk Factor	Net Clinical Benefit (95% CI)*		
	ICH Weight = 1.5 (Base Case)	ICH Weight = 1	ICH Weight = 2
All patients	0.68 (0.34 to 0.87)	0.80 (0.51 to 0.96)	0.56 (0.18 to 0.77)
<b>Age</b>			
<65 y	-0.25 (-0.65 to 0.08)	-0.15 (-0.48 to 0.14)	-0.35 (-0.81 to 0.05)
65-74 y	0.11 (-0.37 to 0.40)	0.27 (-0.16 to 0.55)	-0.05 (-0.58 to 0.27)
75-84 y	1.00 (0.44 to 1.40)	1.09 (0.59 to 1.44)	0.92 (0.29 to 1.34)
≥85 y	2.34 (1.29 to 3.30)	2.51 (1.62 to 3.37)	2.17 (0.93 to 3.18)



Net Clinical Benefit, *Events Prevented per 100 Person-Years*

# BAFTA : AF age $\geq$ 75 - 1ary endpoint

Fatal or disabling stroke, intracranial haemorrhage, or arterial embolism.



## FA: Risque de saignement

- Un score HASBLED  $\geq 3$  témoigne d'un risque hémorragique plus élevé...
- ... mais ne constitue pas une contreindication au traitement anticoagulant
- Des précautions et un suivi régulier du patient sont alors nécessaires après l'initiation du traitement antithrombotique

# FA: Risque de saignement

## 2012 update of the ESC Guidelines for the management of AF

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
<b>Recommendations for prevention of thromboembolism in non-valvular AF—bleeding</b>		
Assessment of the risk of bleeding is recommended when prescribing antithrombotic therapy (whether with VKA, NOAC, aspirin/clopidogrel, or aspirin).	I	A
<p>The HAS-BLED score should be considered as a calculation to assess bleeding risk, whereby a score <math>\geq 3</math> indicates 'high risk' and some caution and regular review is needed, following the initiation of antithrombotic therapy, whether with OAC or antiplatelet therapy (LoE = A).</p> <p>Correctable risk factors for bleeding [e.g. uncontrolled blood pressure, labile INRs if the patient was on a VKA, concomitant drugs (aspirin, NSAIDs, etc.), alcohol, etc.] should be addressed (LoE = B).</p> <p>Use of the HAS-BLED score should be used to identify modifiable bleeding risks that need to be addressed, but should not be used on its own to exclude patients from OAC therapy (LoE = B).</p>	IIa	A    B
The risk of major bleeding with antiplatelet therapy (with aspirin–clopidogrel combination therapy and – especially in the elderly – also with aspirin monotherapy) should be considered as being similar to OAC.	IIa	B

# Risks of thromboembolism and bleeding with thromboprophylaxis in patients with AF: A net clinical benefit analysis in a 'real world' nationwide cohort study

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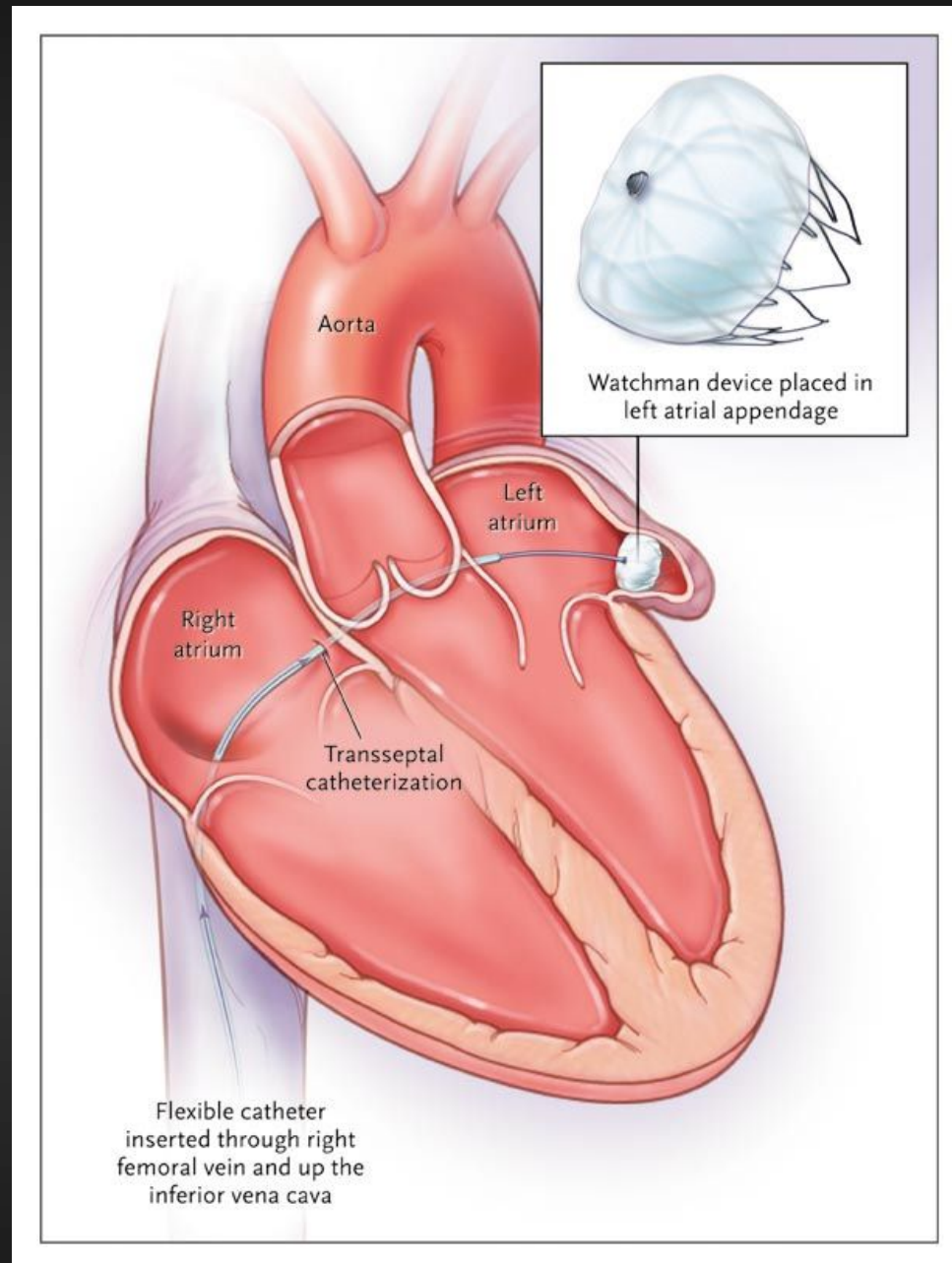
\*Net clinical benefit = (ischaemic stroke rate with no treatment - ischaemic stroke rate on treatment) - 1.5\*(ICH rate on treatment - ICH rate with no treatment)

<u>Net clinical benefit* (% , 95%CI)</u>		VKA vs. no Rx	
		HAS-BLED ≤2	HAS-BLED ≥3
<b>CHADS<sub>2</sub></b>	Score 0	-0.02 (-0.09 to 0.06)	0.19 (-1.39 to 1.77)
	Score 1	0.84 (0.70 to 0.99)	0.56 (0.16 to 0.95)
	Score 2-6	1.95 (1.70 to 2.20)	2.68 (2.33 to 3.04)
<b>CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc</b>	Score 0	-0.11 (-0.20 to -0.03)	...
	Score 1	-0.02 (-0.15 to 0.11)	0.25 (-0.86 to 1.36)
	Score 2-9	1.19 (1.07 to 1.32)	2.21 (1.93 to 2.50)

**Negative net clinical benefit (ischaemic stroke vs. intracranial haemorrhage) with VKA only in patients with a CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc score of 0, reflecting their 'truly low risk' status.**

# WATCHMAN<sup>®</sup> device

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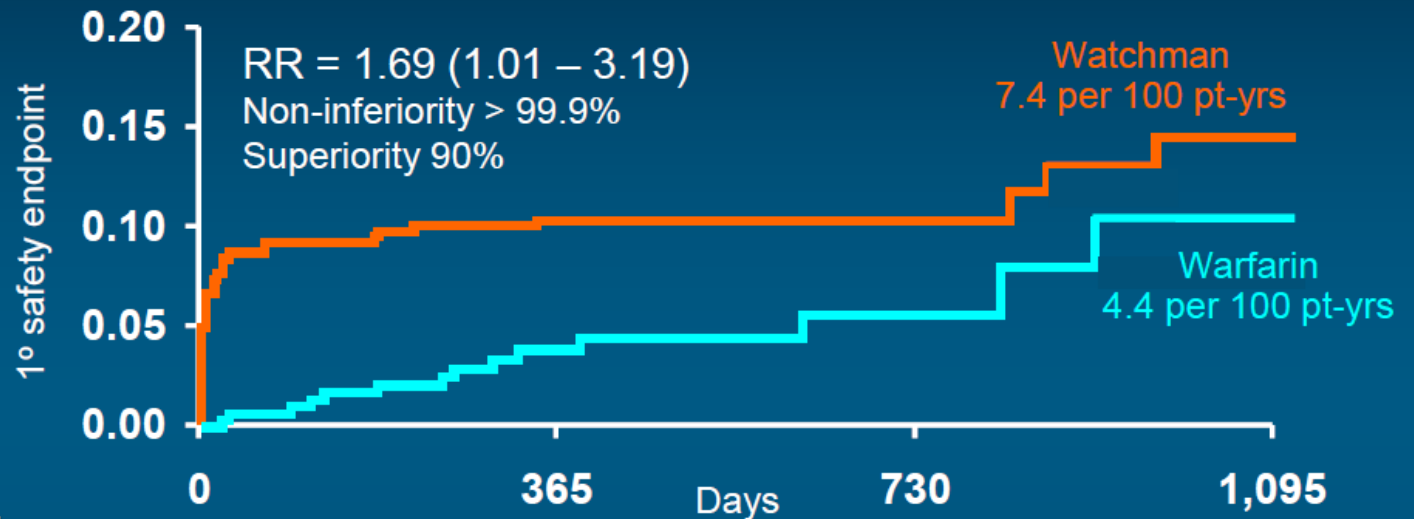


# PROTECT-AF

## Primary Safety and Efficacy Endpoints

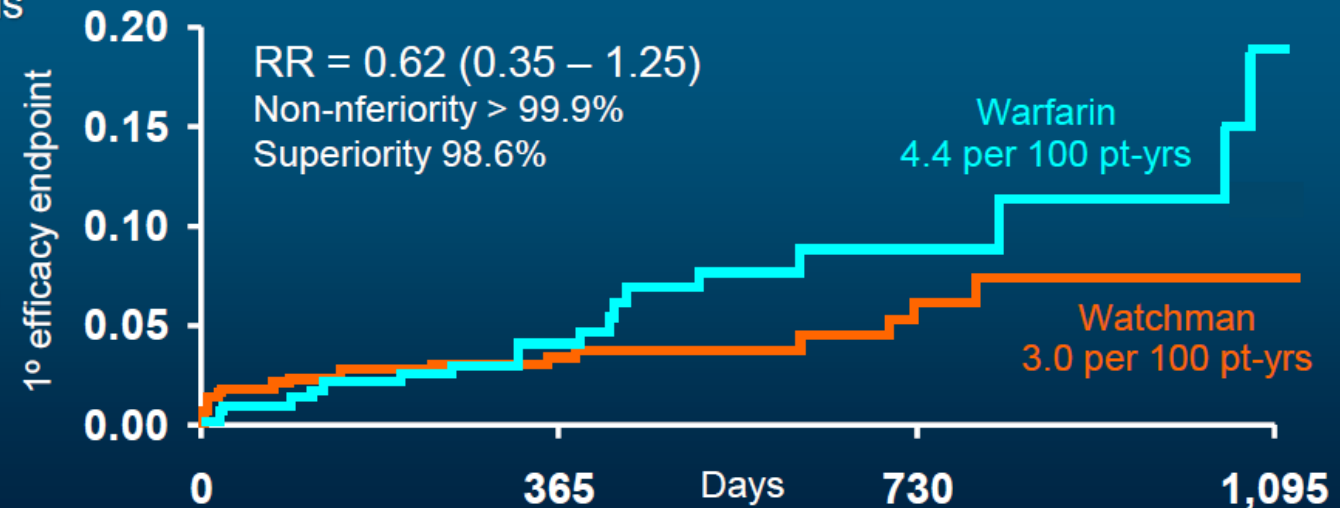
Major bleeding (IC, GI)  
Serious procedure  
related complications:

- Tamponade
- Device embolization
- Stroke



Intention-to-treat analysis

- All strokes
- CV deaths
- Unexplained death





# LAA Closure/Occlusion/Excision

## Recommendations for LAA closure/occlusion/excision

Recommendations	Class	Level
Interventional, percutaneous LAA closure may be considered in patients with a <u>high stroke risk and contraindications for long-term oral anticoagulation</u> .	IIb	B
Surgical excision of the LAA may be considered in patients undergoing open heart surgery.	IIb	C



# FA et maladie athéromateuse stable

- Environ 30% des patients avec FA ont une maladie coronaire ou artérielle périphérique stable.
- Une pratique fréquente est de traiter ces patients par AVK et antiagrégant (aspirine en général)
- L'ajout d'aspirine aux AVK ne diminue pas le risque d'AVC ou d'évènements vasculaires (en particulier d'IDM)...
- ...mais augmente franchement le risque hémorragique.

# Antithrombotic Therapy in AF Patients with ACS and/or Undergoing PCI/ Stenting

**Table 11** Antithrombotic strategies following coronary artery stenting in patients with AF at moderate to high thrombo-embolic risk (in whom oral anticoagulation therapy is required)

Haemorrhagic risk	Clinical setting	Stent implanted	Anticoagulation regimen
Low or intermediate (e.g. HAS-BLED score 0–2)	Elective	Bare-metal	<u>1 month</u> : triple therapy of VKA (INR 2.0–2.5) + aspirin ≤100 mg/day + clopidogrel 75 mg/day <u>Lifelong</u> : <u>VKA (INR 2.0–3.0) alone</u>
	Elective	Drug-eluting	<u>3 (–olimus<sup>a</sup> group) to 6 (paclitaxel) months</u> : triple therapy of VKA (INR 2.0–2.5) + aspirin ≤100 mg/day + clopidogrel 75 mg/day <u>Up to 12th month</u> : combination of VKA (INR 2.0–2.5) + clopidogrel 75 mg/day <sup>b</sup> (or aspirin 100 mg/day) <u>Lifelong</u> : <u>VKA (INR 2.0–3.0) alone</u>
	ACS	Bare-metal/ drug-eluting	<u>6 months</u> : triple therapy of VKA (INR 2.0–2.5) + aspirin ≤100 mg/day + clopidogrel 75 mg/day <u>Up to 12th month</u> : combination of VKA (INR 2.0–2.5) + clopidogrel 75 mg/day <sup>b</sup> (or aspirin 100 mg/day) <u>Lifelong</u> : <u>VKA (INR 2.0–3.0) alone</u>
High (e.g. HAS-BLED score ≥3)	Elective	Bare-metal <sup>c</sup>	<u>2–4 weeks</u> : triple therapy of VKA (INR 2.0–2.5) + aspirin ≤100 mg/day + clopidogrel 75 mg/day <u>Lifelong</u> : <u>VKA (INR 2.0–3.0) alone</u>
	ACS	Bare-metal <sup>c</sup>	<u>4 weeks</u> : triple therapy of VKA (INR 2.0–2.5) + aspirin ≤100 mg/day + clopidogrel 75 mg/day <u>Up to 12th month</u> : combination of VKA (INR 2.0–2.5) + clopidogrel 75 mg/day <sup>b</sup> (or aspirin 100 mg/day) <u>Lifelong</u> : <u>VKA (INR 2.0–3.0) alone</u>

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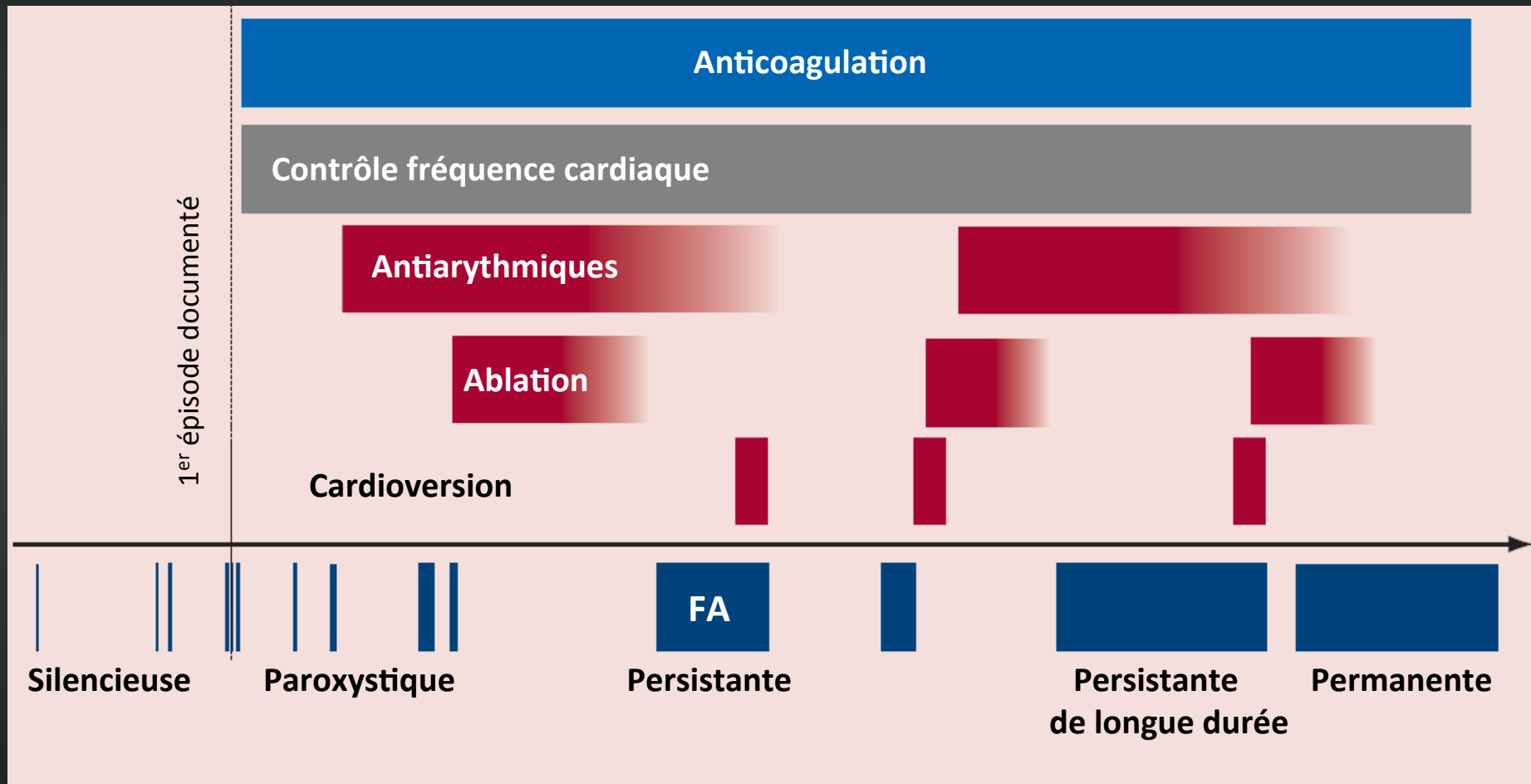
Table 2: Hazard ratios of thromboembolism at maximum 12 years follow-up.

	Whole cohort (n=132,372)		No preMI (n=112,916)		With preMI (n=19,456)	
	Years of exposure	TE events	Hazard ratio (CI)*	Hazard ratio (CI)‡ (Adjusted)	Hazard ratio (CI)‡ (Adjusted)	Hazard ratio (CI)‡ (Adjusted)
<b>CHADS<sub>2</sub></b>						
<b>Low (score 0)</b>						
VKA only	40,960	428	Reference	Reference	Reference	Reference
No treatment	82,214	1,280	1.53 (1.37–1.71)	2.09 (1.86–2.34)	2.09 (1.86–2.35)	2.10 (1.42–3.10)
ASA only	22,310	439	1.90	1.92	2.04	1.34

*“Acetylsalicylic acid should not be used for thromboprophylaxis in any patient with atrial fibrillation”.*

ASA only	31,217	1,554	2.45 (2.25–2.67)	1.98 (1.82–2.16)	2.08 (1.88–2.27)	1.47 (1.15–1.89)
VKA + ASA	9,685	230	1.34 (1.16–1.55)	1.41 (1.22–1.64)	1.47 (1.25–1.73)	1.09 (0.76–1.56)
<b>High (2–6)</b>						
VKA only	48,879	2,159	Reference	Reference	Reference	Reference
No treatment	60,550	5,100	1.92 (1.82–2.01)	1.82 (1.73–1.92)	1.88 (1.78–1.99)	1.56 (1.38–1.76)
ASA only	42,984	3,512	1.86 (1.76–1.96)	1.73 (1.64–1.83)	1.79 (1.69–1.91)	1.47 (1.30–1.67)
VKA + ASA	12,590	606	1.00 (0.92–1.10)	1.05 (0.96–1.15)	1.05 (0.94–1.17)	1.00 (0.84–1.20)

# Conclusion



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- L'évaluation du risque thrombo embolique dans la FA (score CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>VASc) et les recommandations récentes incitent à traiter une majorité de patients par anticoagulant oral.
- L'évaluation du risque hémorragique (score HAS BLED) n'a pas pour but de contraindre le traitement anticoagulant mais peut inciter à proposer une surveillance très attentive.
- La disponibilité des nouveaux anticoagulants oraux devrait aider à atteindre ces objectifs de traitement.