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# La thrombose veineuse profonde : nouveau dans le traitement

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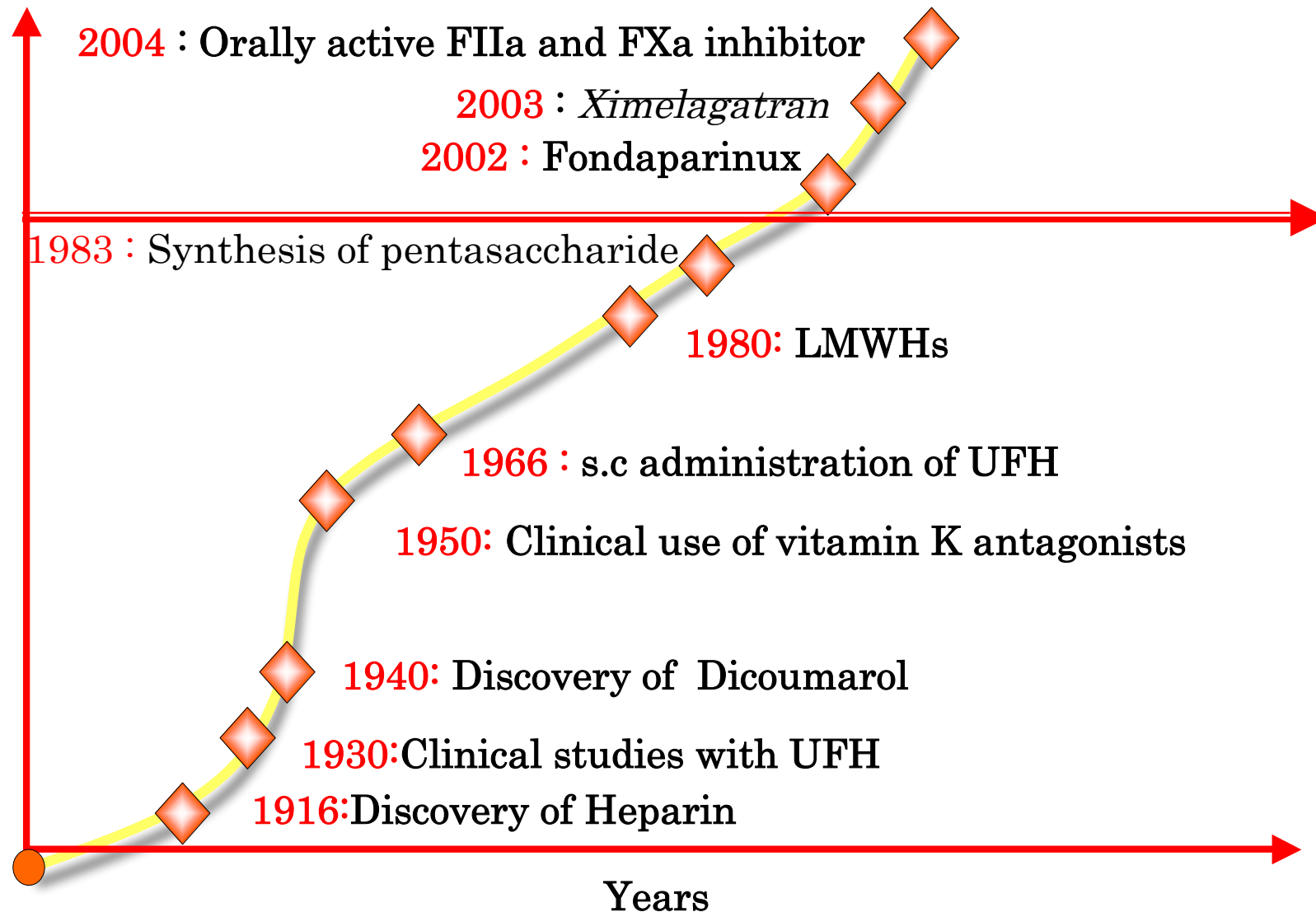
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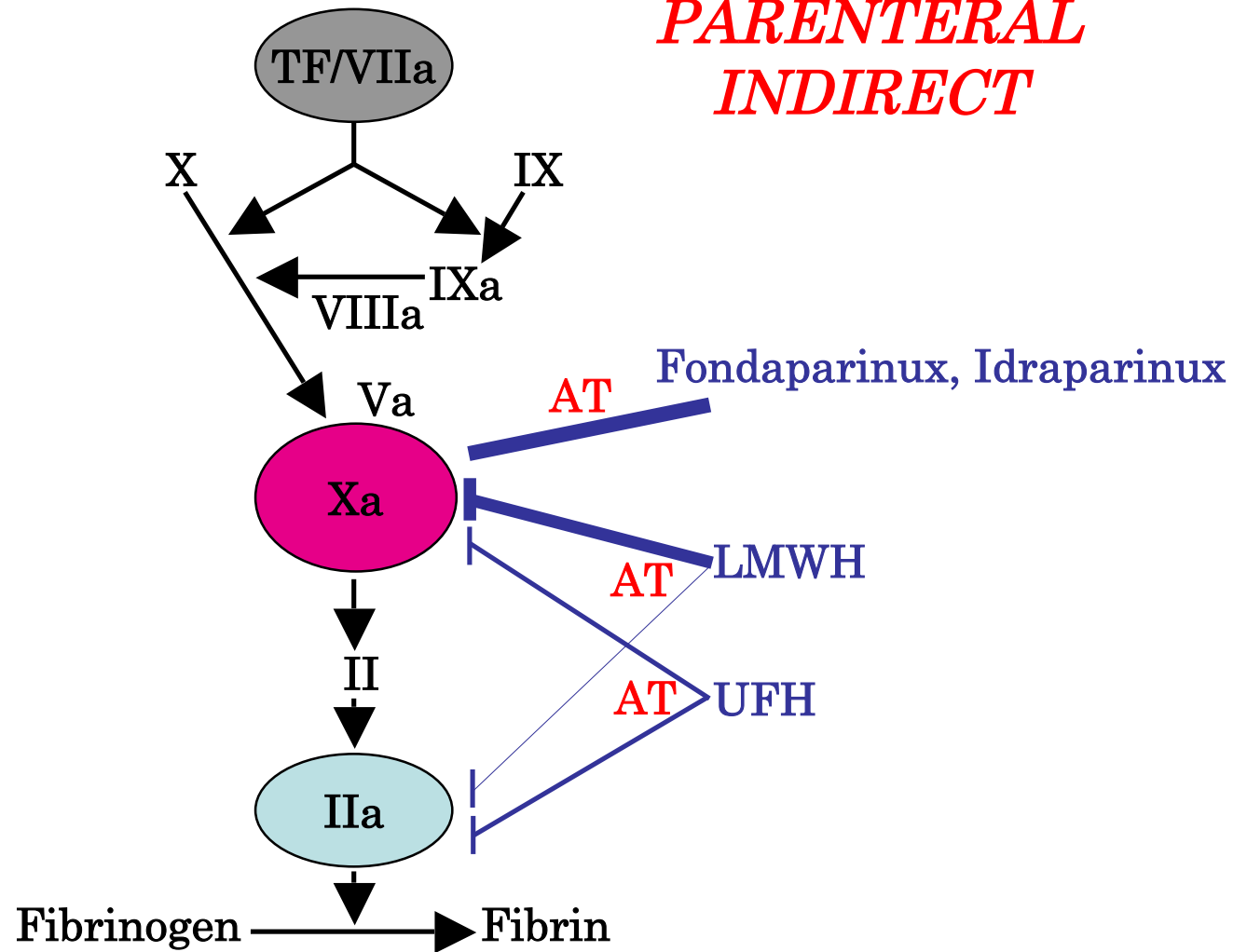
# History of antithrombotic agents



# Inhibitors of FXa

**ORAL  
DIRECT**

**PARENTERAL  
INDIRECT**

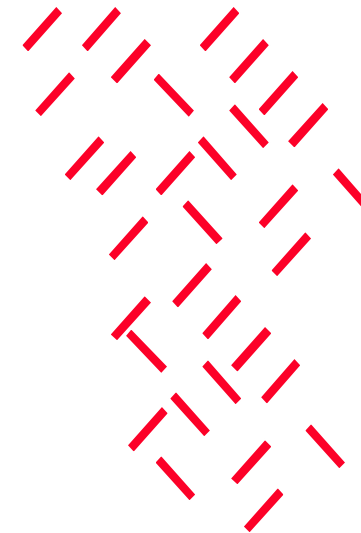
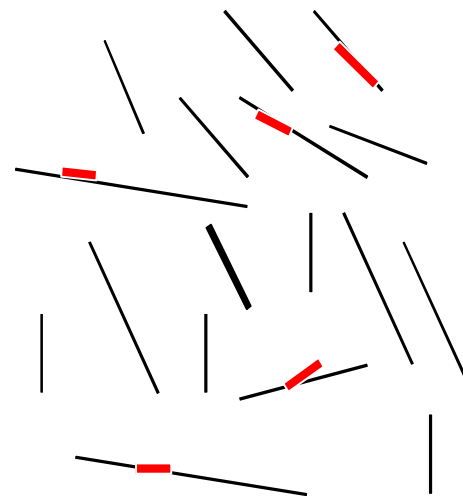
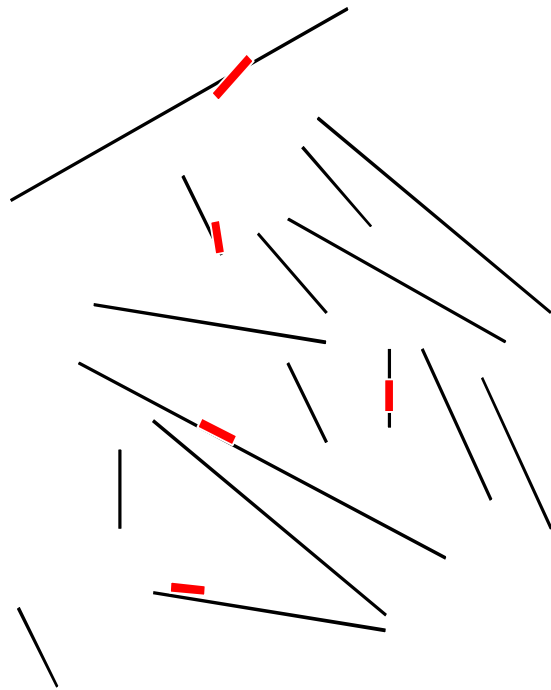


# Heparin and its derivatives

UFH

LMWH

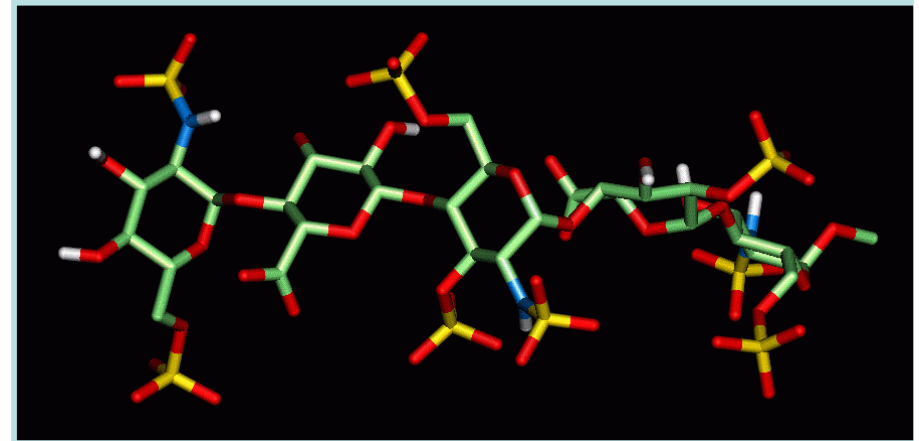
Fondaparinux



Antithrombin binding site

# Fondaparinux: First in New Class of Synthetic Inhibitors of Factor Xa

- Synthetic pentasaccharide
- Specificity for anti-Xa inhibition
  - Binds to AT and accelerates Xa inhibition by 300f
  - Unable to inactivate thrombin
- Absorbed by subcutaneous injection
- Peak concentration 2-3 hours
- Half life= 17-21 hours
- Renal excretion



Herbert JM et al. *Cardiovasc Drug Rev.* 1997;15:1.  
van Boeckel CAA et al. *Angew Chem, Int Ed Engl.* 1993;32:1671.



# Matisse study design

patients with PE  $\pm$   
DVT

n= 2213



$\geq 5$  days IV UFH (aPTT 1.5-2.5) +VKA (INR 2-3)

Open-Label

$\geq 5$  days 7.5 mg fondaparinux\* sc + VKA (INR 2-3)

patients with DVT

n=2205



Double-blind

$\geq 5$  days SC enoxaparin (1 mg/kg, bid) + VKA (INR 2-3)

\* 5 mg if body weight < 50 kg  
10 mg if body weight > 100 kg

← 90  $\pm$  7 Days →

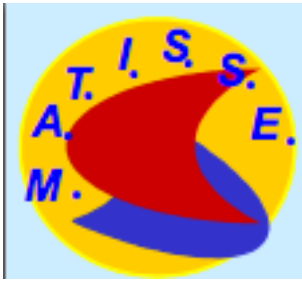
NEJM 2003 : 349 : 1695

Primary Efficacy Outcome (3 months)

- Fatal PE / unexplained death
- Recurrent symptomatic non-fatal PE or DVT

Principal Safety Outcome (initial treatment)

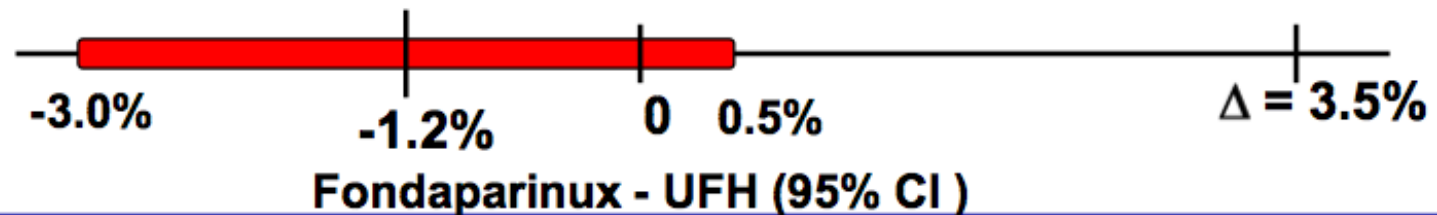
- Major bleed
- Clinically relevant non-major bleed



## Primary efficacy outcome

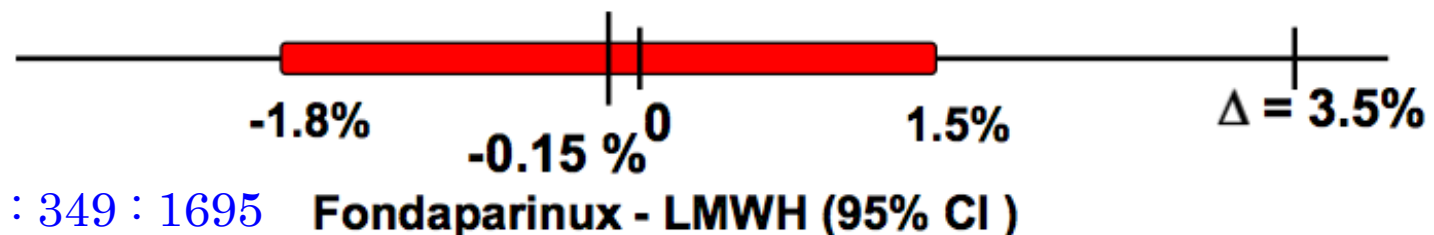
### Matisse PE

|                                 | Fondaparinux (N=1103) | UFH (N=1110) |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Fatal PE                        | 16 (1.5 %)            | 15 (1.4 %)   |
| Non-fatal PE or DVT             | 26 (2.4 %)            | 41 (3.6 %)   |
| Total symptomatic recurrent VTE | 42 (3.8 %)            | 56 (5.0 %)   |



### Matisse DVT

|                                 | Fondaparinux (N=1098) | LMWH (N=1107) |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Fatal PE                        | 5 (0.5 %)             | 5 (0.5 %)     |
| Non-fatal PE or DVT             | 38 (3.5 %)            | 40 (3.6 %)    |
| Total symptomatic recurrent VTE | 43 (3.9 %)            | 45 (4.1 %)    |

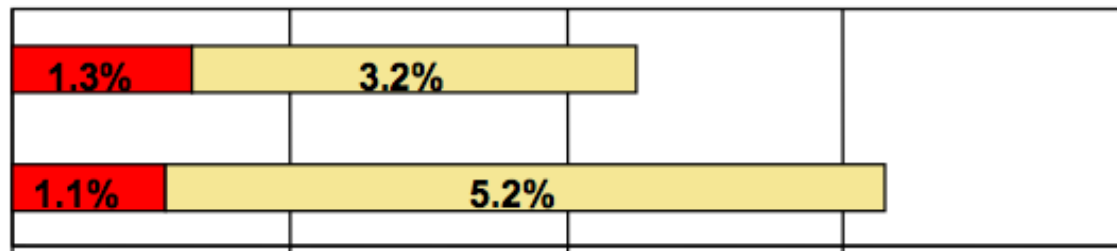




## Principal safety outcome

### Matisse PE

**Fondaparinux**



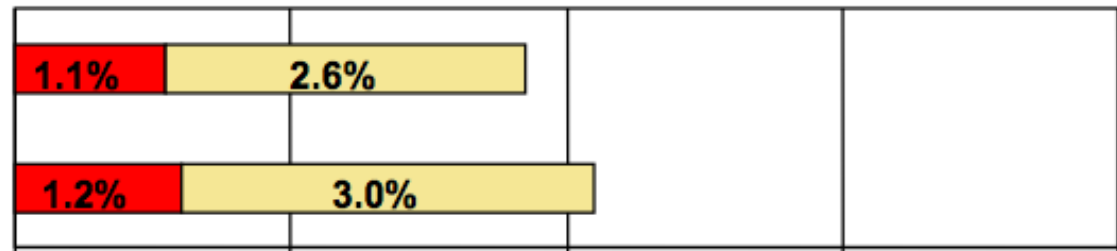
**UFH**

0% 2% 4% 6% 8%

■ Major bleed ■ Clinically relevant non-major bleed

### Matisse DVT

**Fondaparinux**



**LMWH**

0% 2% 4% 6% 8%

NEJM 2003 : 349 : 1695



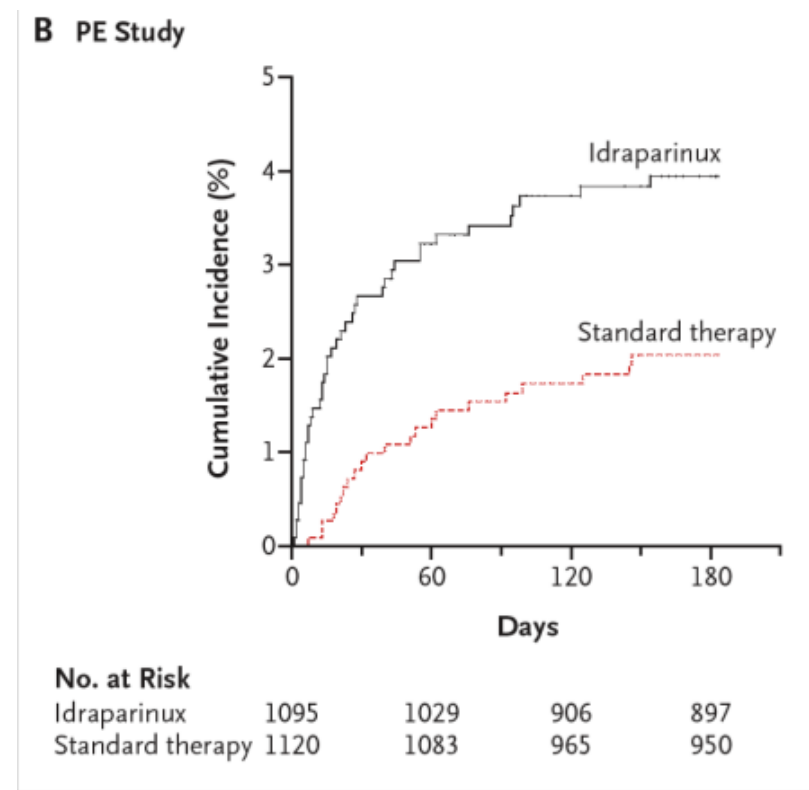
# Idraparinux

- Hypermethylated form of fondaparinux = tighter binding to antithrombin
- Status : phase III clinical trials
- 80-120 hr half-life = subcutaneous injection once weekly
- Renal elimination
- No antidote

# Idraparinux versus Standard Therapy for Venous Thromboembolic Disease

The van Gogh Investigators\*

- Randomised open label, non inferiority trials
- DVT n = 2904
- PE : n= 2215
- SC idraparinux (2.5 mg once weekly) or a heparin followed by an adjusted-dose oral vitamin K antagonist for either 3 or 6 months
- Primary efficacy outcome : 3 months for symptomatic recurrent VTE
- In patients with DVT : efficacy similar

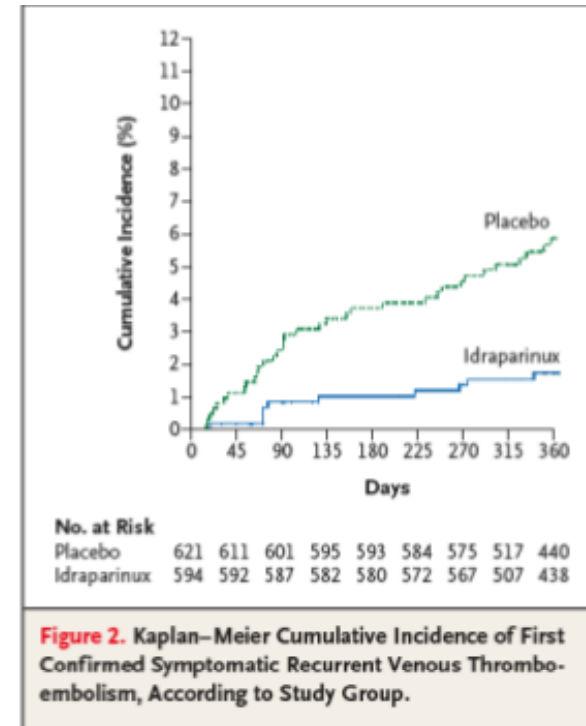


N Engl J Med 2007;357:1094-104

# Extended Prophylaxis of Venous Thromboembolism with Idraparinux

The van Gogh Investigators\*

N Engl J Med 2007;357:1105-12.



## RESULTS

Of 1215 patients, 6 of 594 (1.0%) in the idraparinux group and 23 of 621 (3.7%) in the placebo group had recurrent venous thromboembolism ( $P=0.002$ ). Major bleeding occurred in 11 patients (1.9%) in the idraparinux group and in none in the placebo group ( $P<0.001$ ). Of these 11 episodes, 3 were fatal intracranial hemorrhages. As compared with patients whose initial treatment was a vitamin K antagonist, patients whose initial treatment was idraparinux who were assigned to 6 months in the placebo group had a lower incidence of recurrent thromboembolism (0.7% vs. 5.9%); patients who received 6 additional months of idraparinux therapy had a higher incidence of major bleeding (3.1% vs. 0.9%).

# Comparison of idraparinux with vitamin K antagonists for prevention of thromboembolism in patients with atrial fibrillation : a randomised, open-label, non inferiority trial

- Trial stopped after randomisation of 4576 patients (2283 idraparinux, 2293 vitamin K antagonists)
- Mean follow-up period :  $10.7 \pm 5.4$  months
- Excess of clinical relevant bleeding with idraparinux (346 cases / 226 cases , 19.7 vs 11.3 per 100 patients-years)
- 21 instances of intracranial bleeding with idraparinux and 9 with vitamin K antagonists (1.1 vs 0.4per 100 patient-years ,  $p=0.014$ )

*Lancet 2008; 371 : 315-21*

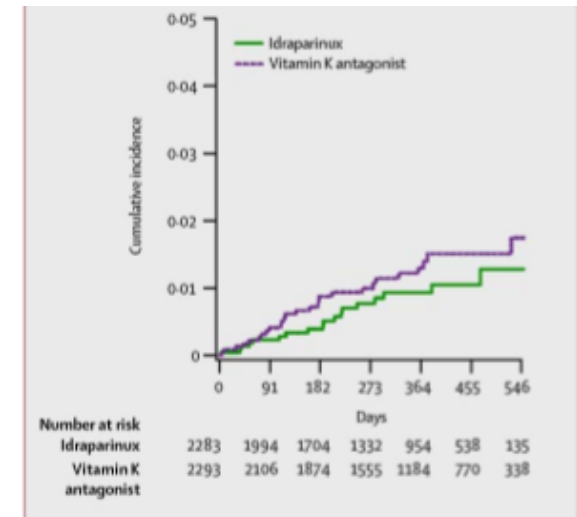


Figure 2: Kaplan-Meier cumulative incidence curves of first confirmed symptomatic recurrent stroke or non-CNS systemic embolism

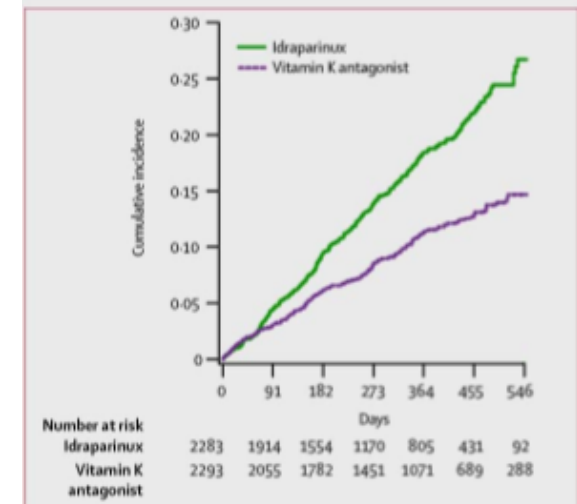
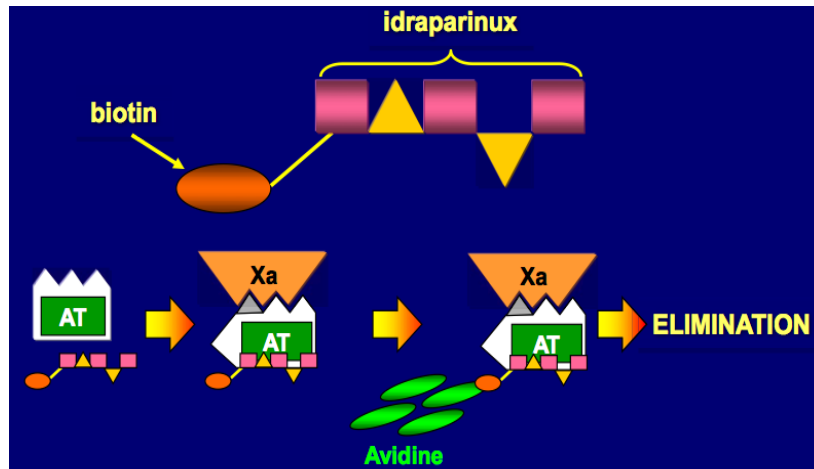


Figure 3: Kaplan-Meier cumulative incidence curves of first clinically relevant bleeding during the randomised treatment period

# Concept of biotinylated long-acting pentasaccharide as a neutralizable anticoagulant drug :idrabiota<sup>®</sup>parinux



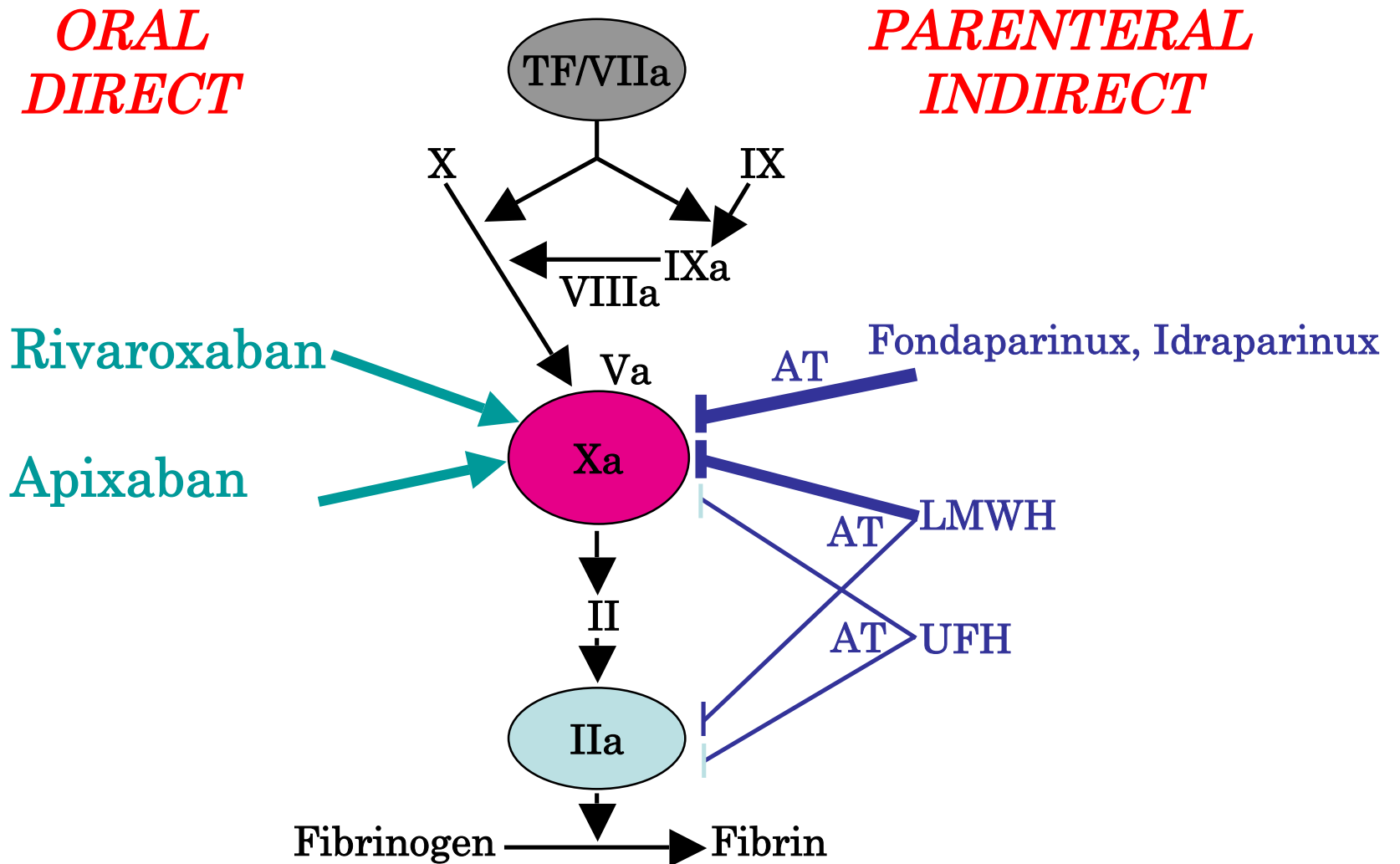
|                         | Fondaparinux  | Idraparinux | Idrabiota <sup>®</sup> parinux |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Target                  | factor Xa     | factor Xa   | factor Xa                      |
| Route of administration | sc            | sc          | sc                             |
| Therapeutic dose        | 7.5 (5–10) mg | 2.5 mg      | 3.0 mg                         |
| Bioavailability, %      | 100           | 100         | 100                            |
| Half-life               | 17 hours      | 60 days     | 60 days                        |
| s.c. dosing interval    | once daily    | once weekly | once weekly                    |
| Renal elimination       | yes           | yes         | yes                            |
| Antidote                | no            | no          | avidin                         |

# Development of idrabiotaparinux

## Equinox Study

- Patients with symptomatic and confirmed DVT
  - Idrabiotaparinux (3 mg, n=385)
  - Idraparinux (2.5 mg, n=370)
- In a substudy (n=52) : reversal of anti- coagulant effect and safety by 100 mg i.v. avidin infused over 30 min were assessed using avidin
- Clinically relevant bleedings occurred less frequently with idrabiotaparinux (5.2% versus 7.3%) compared to idraparinix as well as major bleedings (0.8% versus 3.8%), respectively
- Rates of recurrent VTE were similar with idrabiotaparinux and idraparinix (2.3% versus 3.2%)

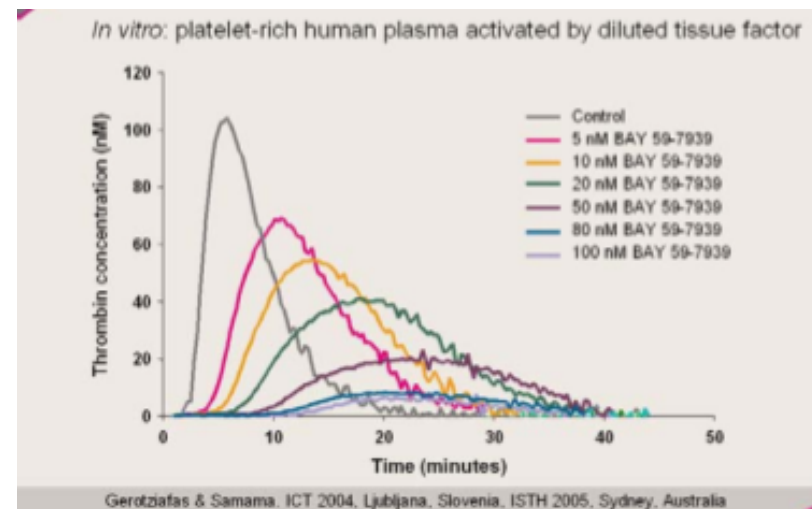
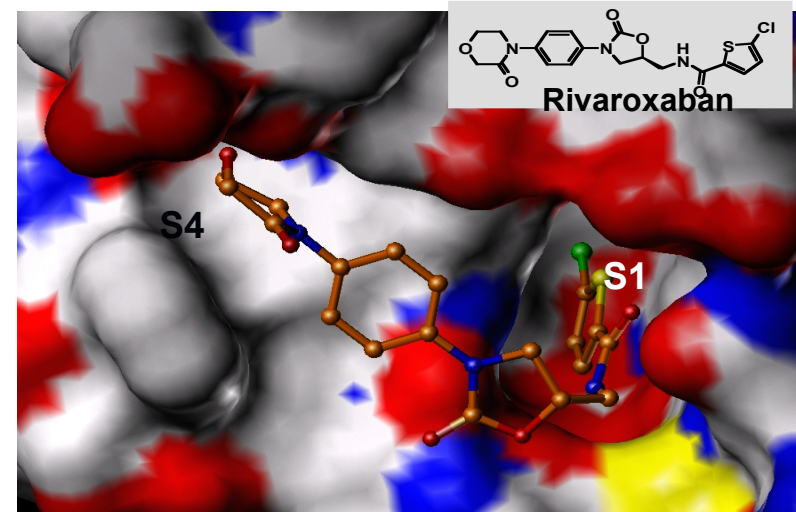
# Inhibitors of FX



AT, antithrombin; adapted from Weitz *et al.*, *J Thromb Haemost* 2005

# Rivaroxaban (Xarelto®)

- Specific, competitive, direct FXa inhibitor
- Inhibits free and clot-associated FXa activity, and prothrombinase activity
- Inhibits thrombin generation via inhibition of FXa activity
  - Prolongs time to thrombin generation
  - Inhibits peak thrombin generation
  - Reduces the total amount of thrombin generated
- Does not require a cofactor



Roehrig *et al.*, *J Med Chem* 2005;

Perzborn *et al.*, *J Thromb Haemost* 2005

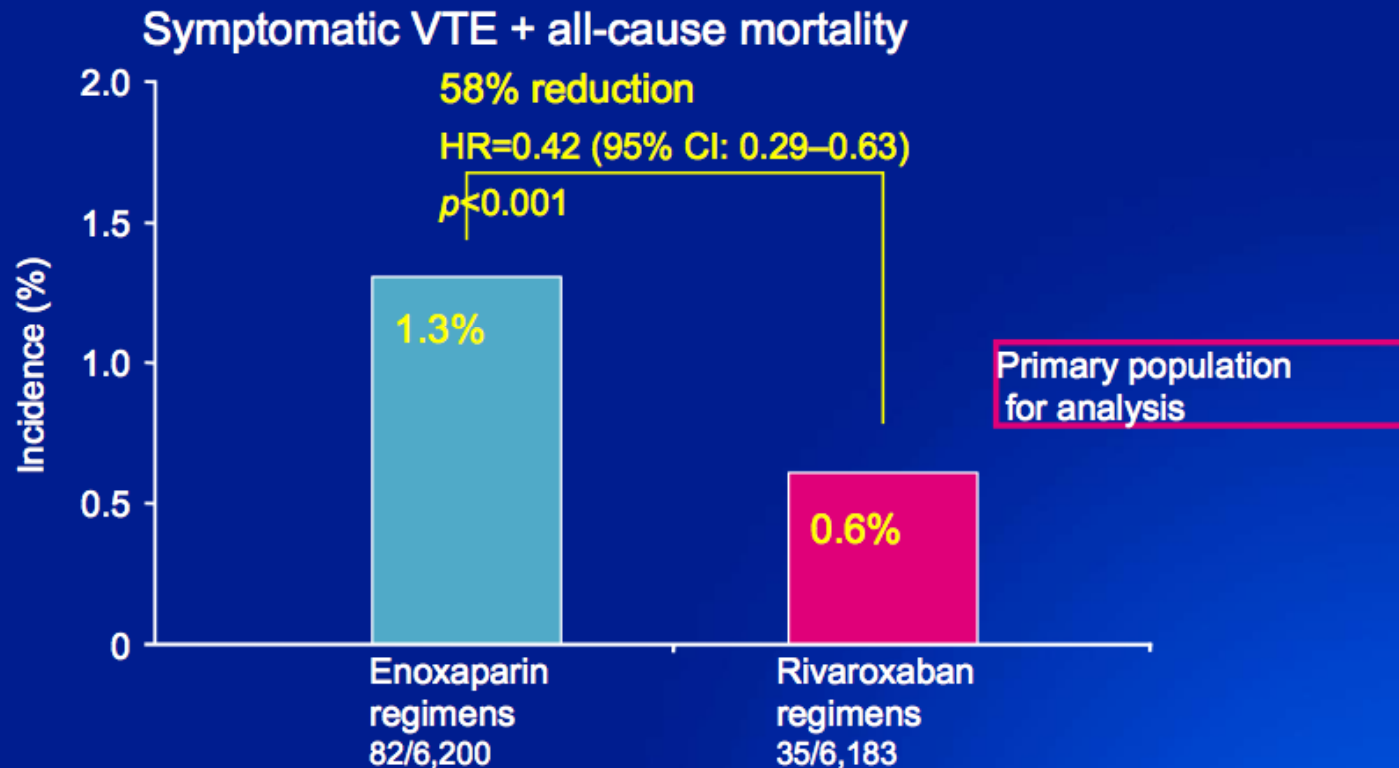


## Rivaroxaban has predictable pharmacokinetics

- High oral bioavailability
- Rapid onset of action – no substantial accumulation after multiple doses
- Low intra-individual variability/moderate inter-individual variability
- Terminal half-life from 7 to 11h
- A dual mode of elimination:
  - 1/3 of drug excreted unchanged by the kidneys
  - 2/3 of drug metabolized by the liver
  - No major or active circulating metabolites
- Food restrictions are not necessary
- No coagulation monitoring required

# A pooled analysis of the RECORD1, 2, 3, and 4 studies

## Primary efficacy outcome Total treatment duration pool



Homogeneity test,  $p=0.313$ ; safety population,  $n=12,383$

RECORD

# Treatment-emergent bleeding

## Total treatment duration pool

| n (%)  | Enoxaparin regimens (n=6,200) | Rivaroxaban regimens (n=6,183) | p-value <sup>#</sup> |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Major bleeding                                 | 13 (0.21)                     | 24 (0.39)                      | 0.076                |
| Major bleeding including surgical site         | 85 (1.37)                     | 111 (1.80)                     | 0.063                |
| Any clinically relevant non-major bleeding     | 145 (2.34)                    | 177 (2.86)                     | 0.076                |
| Major + clinically relevant non-major bleeding | 158 (2.55)                    | 197 <sup>†</sup> (3.19)        | 0.039                |
| Any bleeding                                   | 401 (6.47)                    | 434 (7.02)                     | 0.255                |



<sup>#</sup>Analyzed using a Cox regression model

<sup>†</sup>Patients may have had more than one type of event. safety population, n=12,383

**RECORD**  
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# Rivaroxaban-Clinical Studies



- VTE Treatment



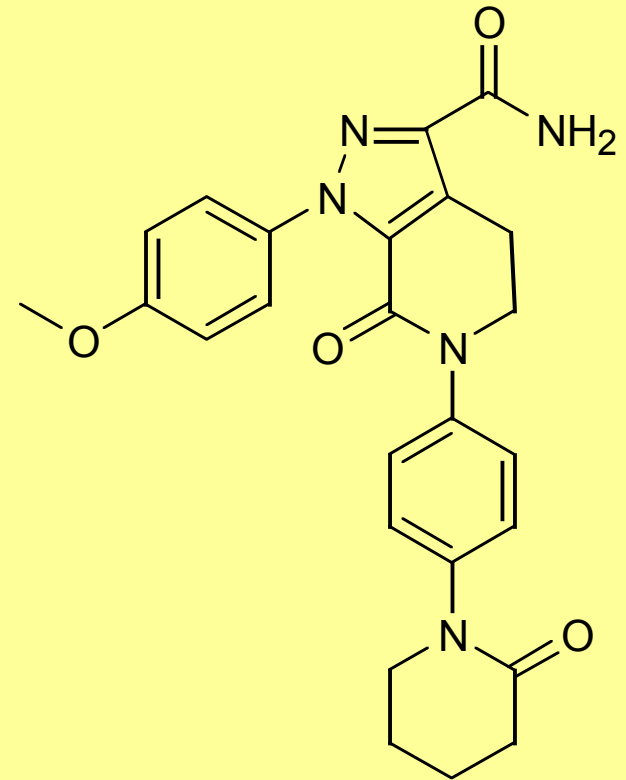
- Atrial Fibrillation



ACS treatment

# Apixaban

- Oral, direct, selective factor Xa inhibitor
- Produces concentration-dependent anticoagulation
- No formation of reactive intermediates
- No organ toxicity or LFT abnormalities in chronic toxicology studies
- Low likelihood of drug interactions or QTc prolongation
- Good oral bioavailability
- No food effect
- Balanced elimination (~25% renal)
- Half-life ~12 hrs



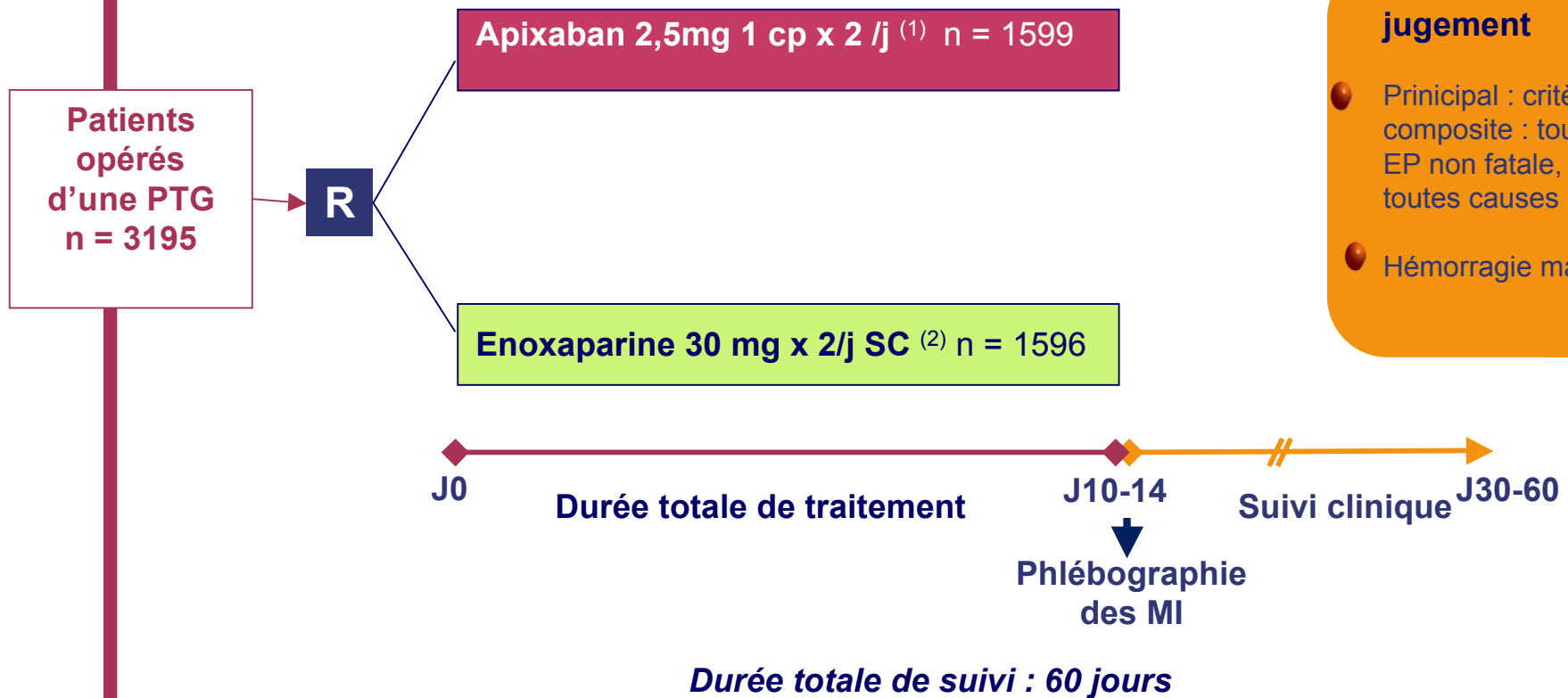
# ADVANCE-1

## Schéma

## de l'étude

### Critères de jugement

- Principal : critère composite : toute TVP, EP non fatale, décès toutes causes
- Hémorragie majeure



(1) 1ère prise 12-24h après la chirurgie pour l'énoxaparine et 6-8h pour le placebo oral

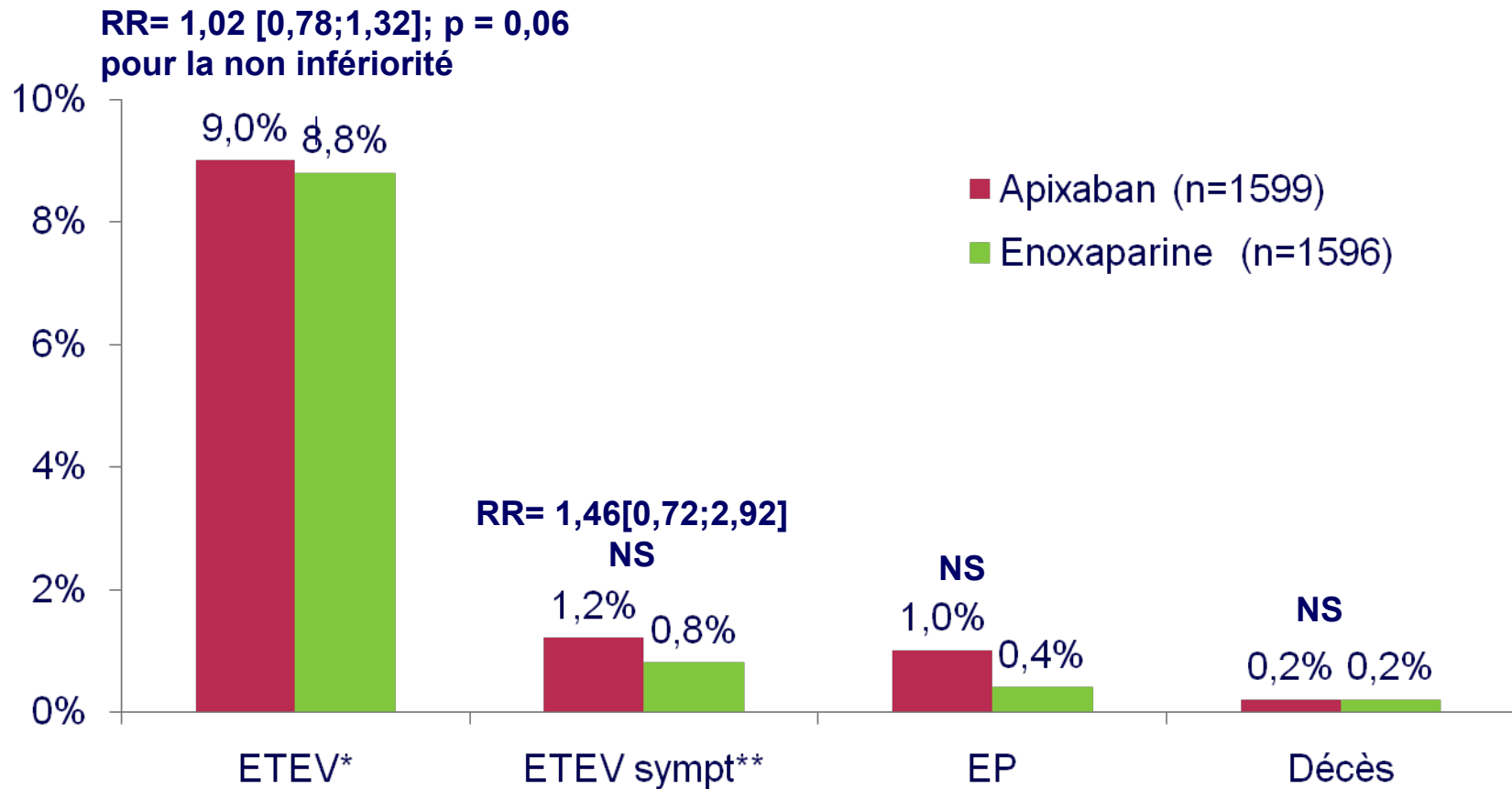
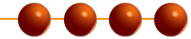
(2) 1ère prise 6-8h après la chirurgie pour le rivaroxaban et 12-24h pour le placebo sous cutané

TVP : thrombose veineuse profonde ; EP : embolie pulmonaire

## ADVANCE-1

# Résultats

## Effacité



**L'apixaban 2,5 mg x 2/j n'a pas montré sa non-infériorité par rapport à l'énoxaparine 30 mgx2/j**

\* Evénements thromboemboliques veineux définis en ITT sur la population avec phlébographie interprétable (n=1157 dans le groupe apixaban et n= 1130 dans le groupe enoxaparine)

\*\* ETEV symptomatiques définis par une thrombose veineuse proximale ou distale symptomatique, et embolie pulmonaire (EP)

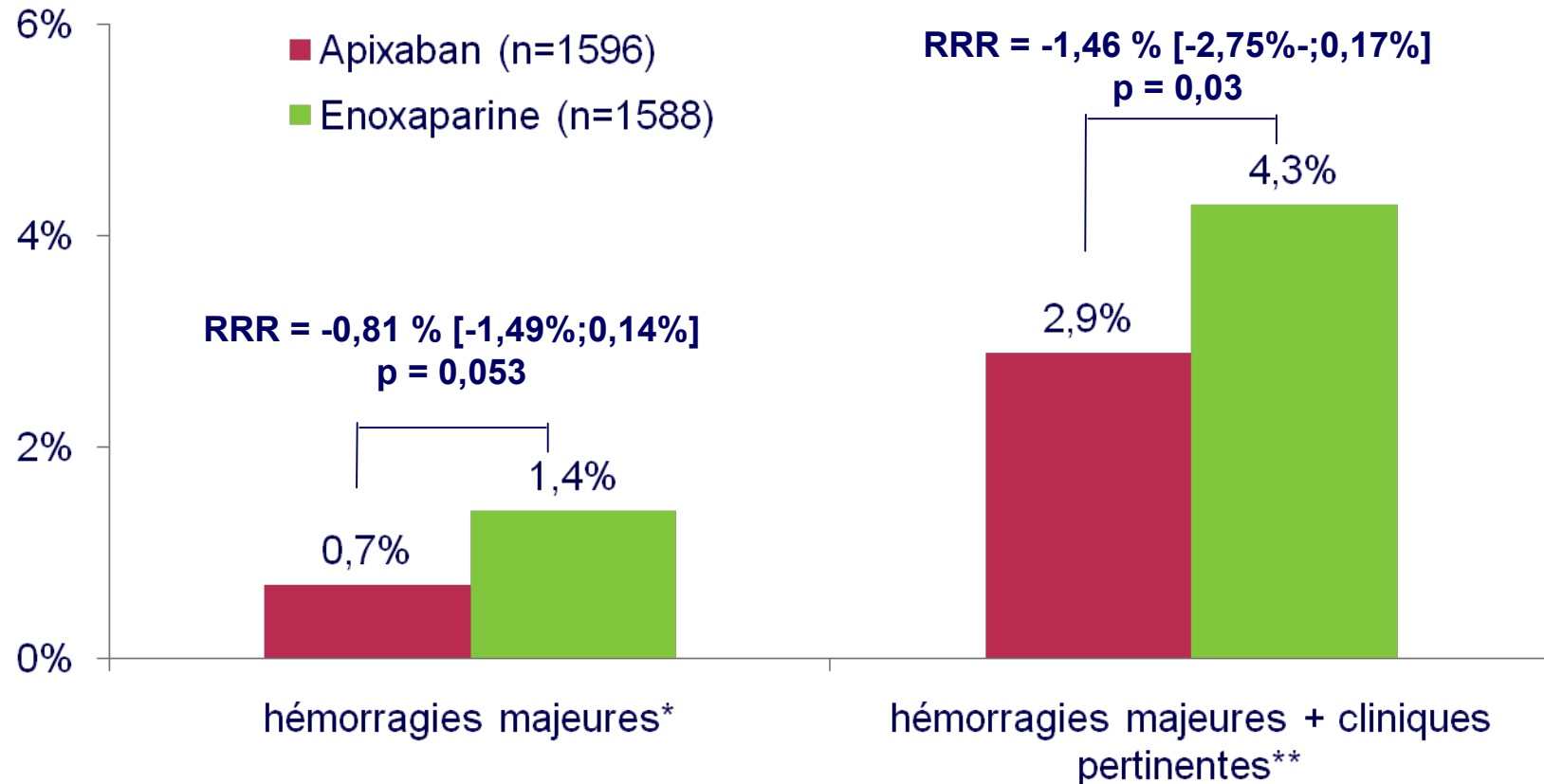
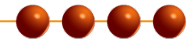
RR : risque relatif ; ITT : intention de traiter

Lassen MR et al.  
N Engl J Med 2009;361:594-604 .

## ADVANCE-1

# Résultats

## Tolérance



\* définies par un saignement survenant dans un organe critique (ex retro-péritone) nécessitant une chirurgie ou situé en dehors du site opératoire et associé à une chute de l'hémoglobine de 2 g/dL en 24 heures ou la transfusion de 2 CG.

\*\* définies par un hématome > 25 cm<sup>2</sup>, un hématome ou hémorragie du site opératoire important, épistaxis, gingivorragies, hématurie macroscopique, rectorragie, hémoptysie, vomissement sanglant.

Lassen MR et al.  
*N Engl J Med* 2009;361:594-604 .



## Overview of completed/ongoing phase 3 clinical trials involving apixaban

|                                 | Comparator  | No. of patients (approximate) | Results expected/published | Acronym                 |
|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| AF                              | VKA   | 15 000                        | 2011                       | ARISTOTLE               |
| <b>VTE, primary prophylaxis</b> |   |                               |                            |                         |
| Orthopedic                      | LMWH  | 6 200                         | 2009, <sup>7</sup> 2010    | ADVANCE-1,2             |
| Orthopedic                      | LMWH  | 5 400                         | 2010                       | ADVANCE-3               |
| Medical                         | LMWH  | 6 500                         | Early 2010                 | ADOPT                   |
| VTE acute treatment             | LMWH + VKA  | 2 900                         | 2012                       | AMPLIFY                 |
| VTE secondary prevention        | Placebo (before randomization, all patients have received 6-12 months of anticoagulation) | 2 400                         | 2012                       | AMPLIFY extension study |
| Post-acute coronary syndrome    | Placebo (all patients will receive standard treatment, such as aspirin, $\beta$ -blocker) | 11 000                        | 2012                       | APPRAISE-2              |

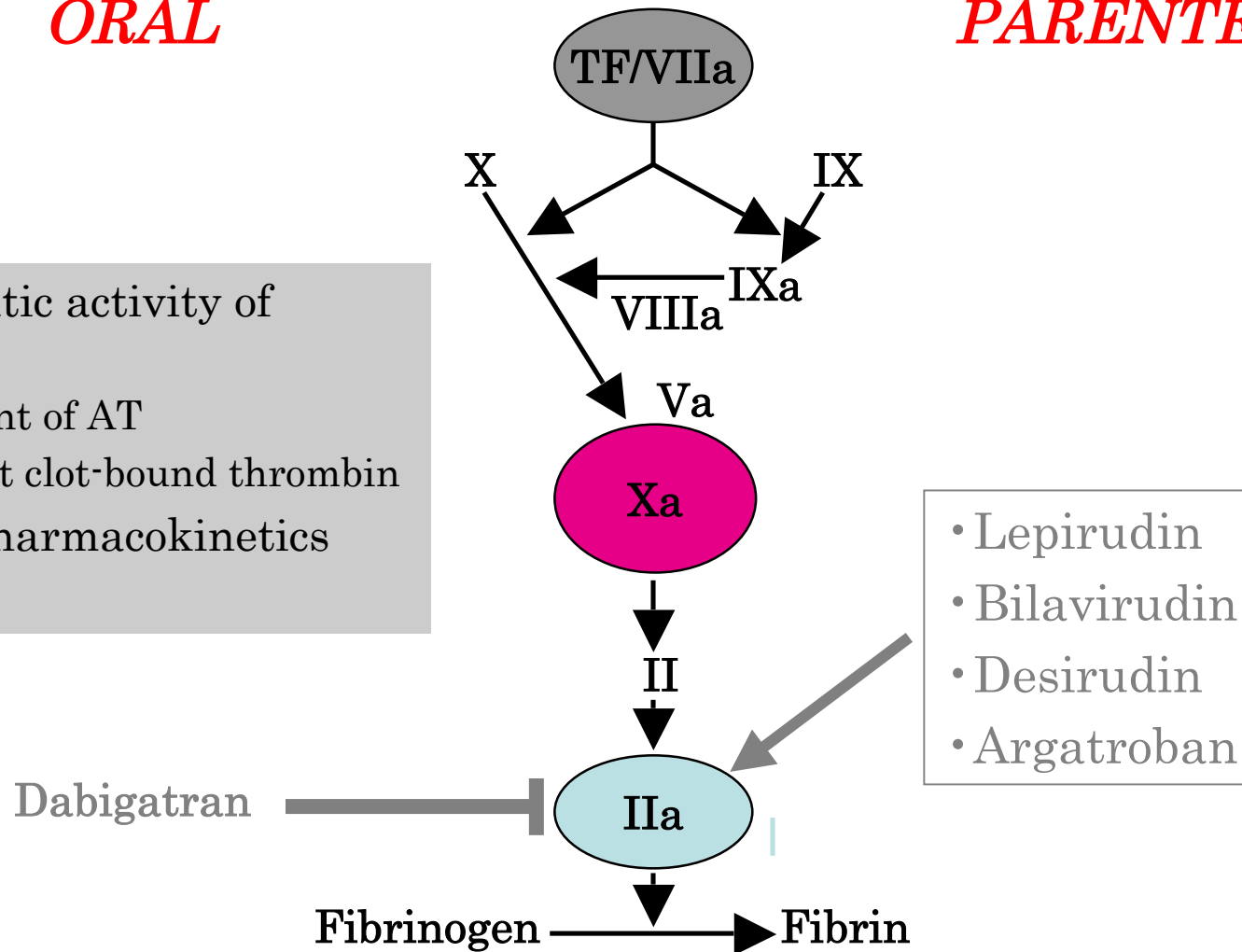
Garcia et al, Blood 2010 : 115 : 15

# Direct Thrombin Inhibitors

*ORAL*

*PARENTERAL*

- Block enzymatic activity of thrombin
  - Independent of AT
  - Also inhibit clot-bound thrombin
- Predictable pharmacokinetics
- Short half life



# Direct Thrombin Inhibitors

## Lepirudin (Refludan®)

- Renal clearance
- $\frac{1}{2}$  life=1-3 hours
- IV bolus and drip
- Monitored by PTT
- Bleeding potential
- Induces antibodies (40%)
- Prolonged anticoagulant action
- No antidote

## Argatroban

- Hepatic metabolism
- $\frac{1}{2}$  life=45 minutes
- IV drip
- Monitored by PTT
- Bleeding potential
- No antibody formation
- Rapidly cleared
- No antidote

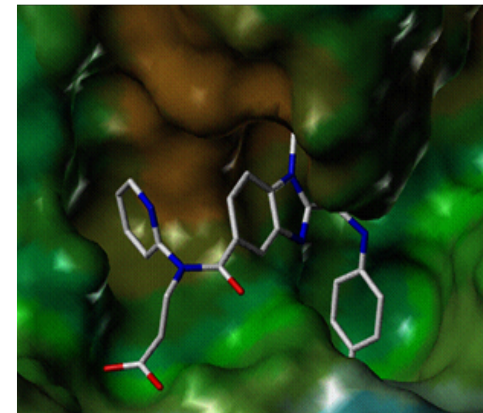
### Main indication:

HEPARIN-INDUCED THROMBOCYTOPENIA AND THROMBOSIS

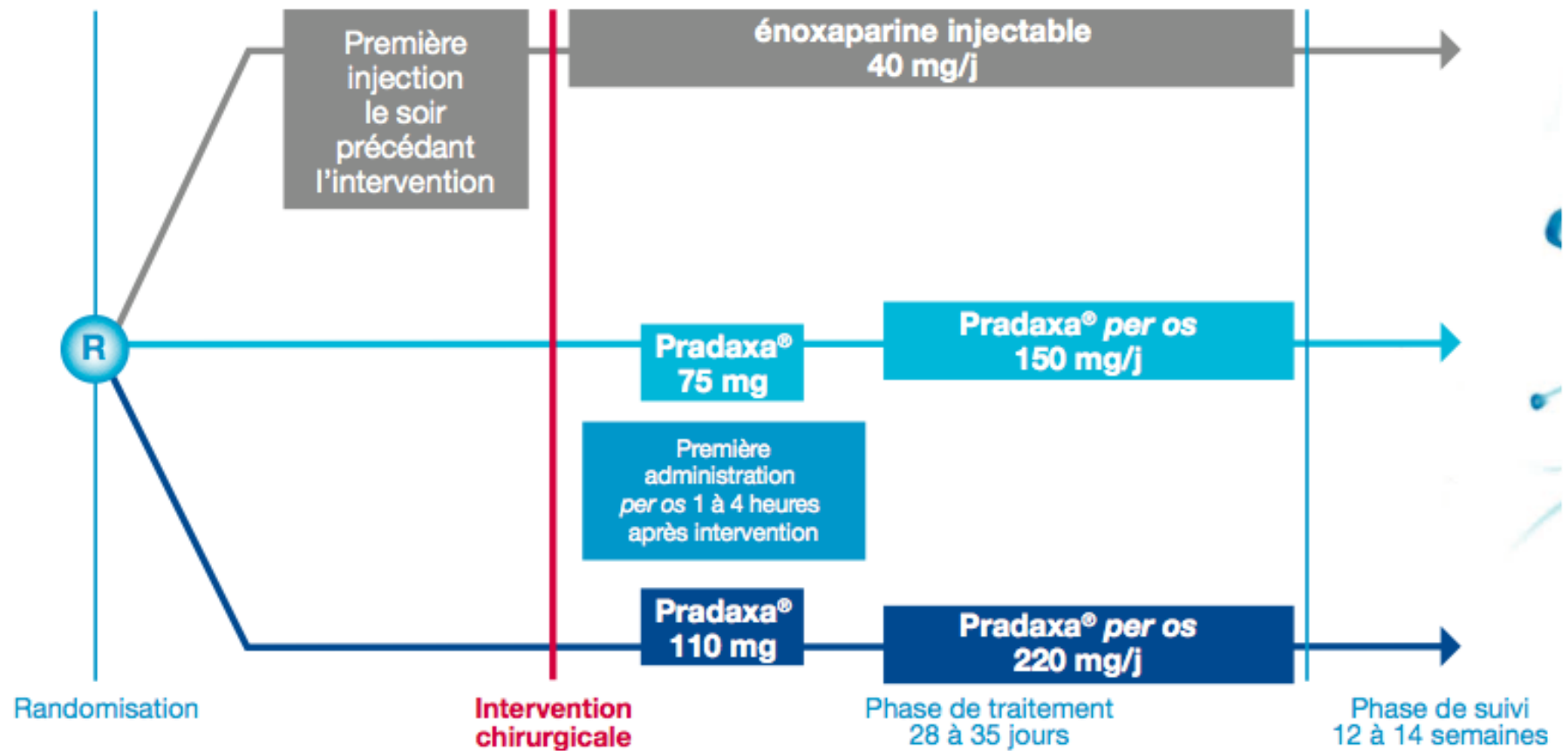
# Dabigatran etexilate (Pradaxa®)

## Oral direct thrombin inhibitor

- Dabigatran etexilate is an oral prodrug, converted to dabigatran, a potent reversible DTI
- Dabigatran
  - Binds clot-bound and free thrombin with high affinity and specificity
  - Bioavailability: 6.5%
  - Renal excretion: 80%
  - Half-life: 12–17 hours
  - No interaction with food
  - No participation with CYP450
  - Predictable anticoagulant effect
  - Fixed dose
  - No need for coagulation or platelet monitoring
  - No liver toxicity based on available clinical data



## Design de l'étude ÉTUDE RE-NOVATE<sup>12</sup>



# Dabigatran etexilate versus enoxaparin for prevention of venous thromboembolism after total hip replacement: a randomised, double-blind, non-inferiority trial

Bengt I Eriksson, Ola E Dahl, Nadia Rosencher, Andreas A Kurth, C Niek van Dijk, Simon P Frostick, Martin H Prins, Rohan Hettiarachchi, Stefan Hantel, Janet Schnee, Harry R Büller, for the RE-NOVATE Study Group

Lancet 2007; 370: 949-56

|   | Dabigatran etexilate       |                             | Enoxaparin                 |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
|   | 220 mg                     | 150 mg                      |                            |
| Primary efficacy outcome*   | 53/880 (6.0%, 4.5 to 7.6%) | 75/874 (8.6%, 6.7 to 10.4%) | 60/897 (6.7%, 5.1 to 8.3%) |
| Absolute difference vs enoxaparin   | -0.7% (-2.9 to 1.6%)       | 1.9% (-0.6 to 4.4%)         | ..                         |
| p value for non-inferiority vs enoxaparin†                                    | <0.0001                    | <0.0001                     | ..                         |
| Total asymptomatic deep-vein thrombosis‡                                      | 40/874 (4.6%)              | 63/871 (7.2%)               | 56/894 (6.3%)              |
| Proximal  | 18/905 (2.0%)              | 28/885 (3.2%)               | 32/914 (3.5%)              |
| Distal only   | 22/874 (2.5%)              | 35/871 (4.0%)               | 24/894 (2.7%)              |
| Symptomatic deep-vein thrombosis‡   | 6/1137 (0.5%)              | 9/1156 (0.8%)               | 1/1142 (0.1%)              |
| Symptomatic pulmonary embolism‡   | 5/1137 (0.4%)              | 1/1156 (0.1%)§              | 3/1142 (0.3%)              |
| Death¶  | 3/1137 (0.3%)              | 3/1156 (0.3%)§              | 0/1142 (0%)                |
| Major venous thromboembolism   and venous thromboembolism-related mortality** | 28/909 (3.1%, 2.0 to 4.2%) | 38/888 (4.3%, 2.9 to 5.6%)  | 36/917 (3.9%, 2.7 to 5.2%) |

No significant difference in major bleeding rates with either dose of dabigatran compared with enoxaparine

No increase in liver enzyme concentrations

# Design of RE-LY

Atrial fibrillation  
≥1 Risk Factor  
Absence of contra-indications  
*951 centers in 44 countries*

*PROBE=Prospective Randomized  
Open Trial with Blinded  
Adjudication of Events.*

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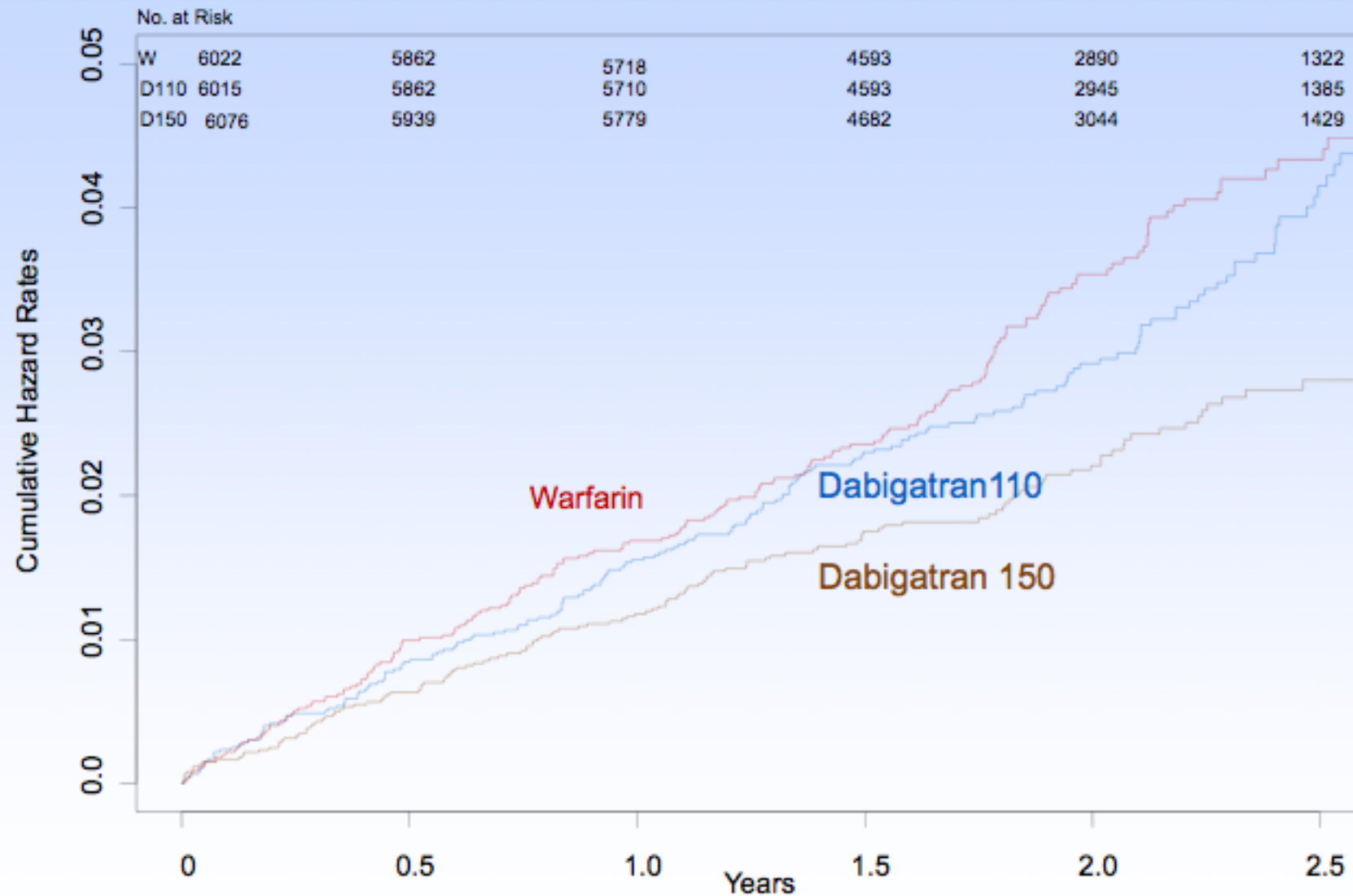
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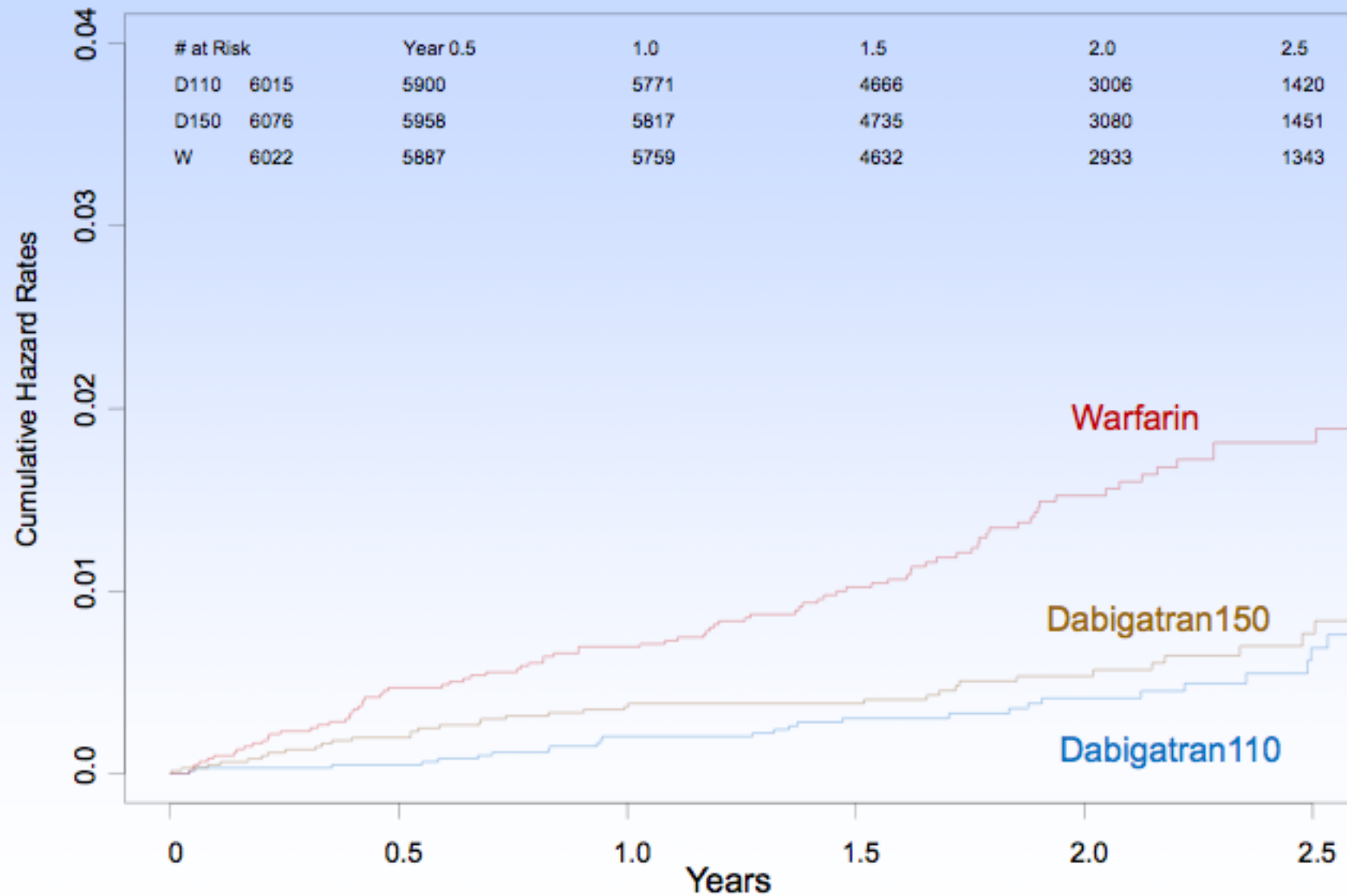
*1<sup>o</sup> efficacy outcome = stroke or systemic embolism  
1<sup>o</sup> safety outcome = major bleeding  
Non-inferiority margin 1.46*

# Stroke or Systemic Embolism

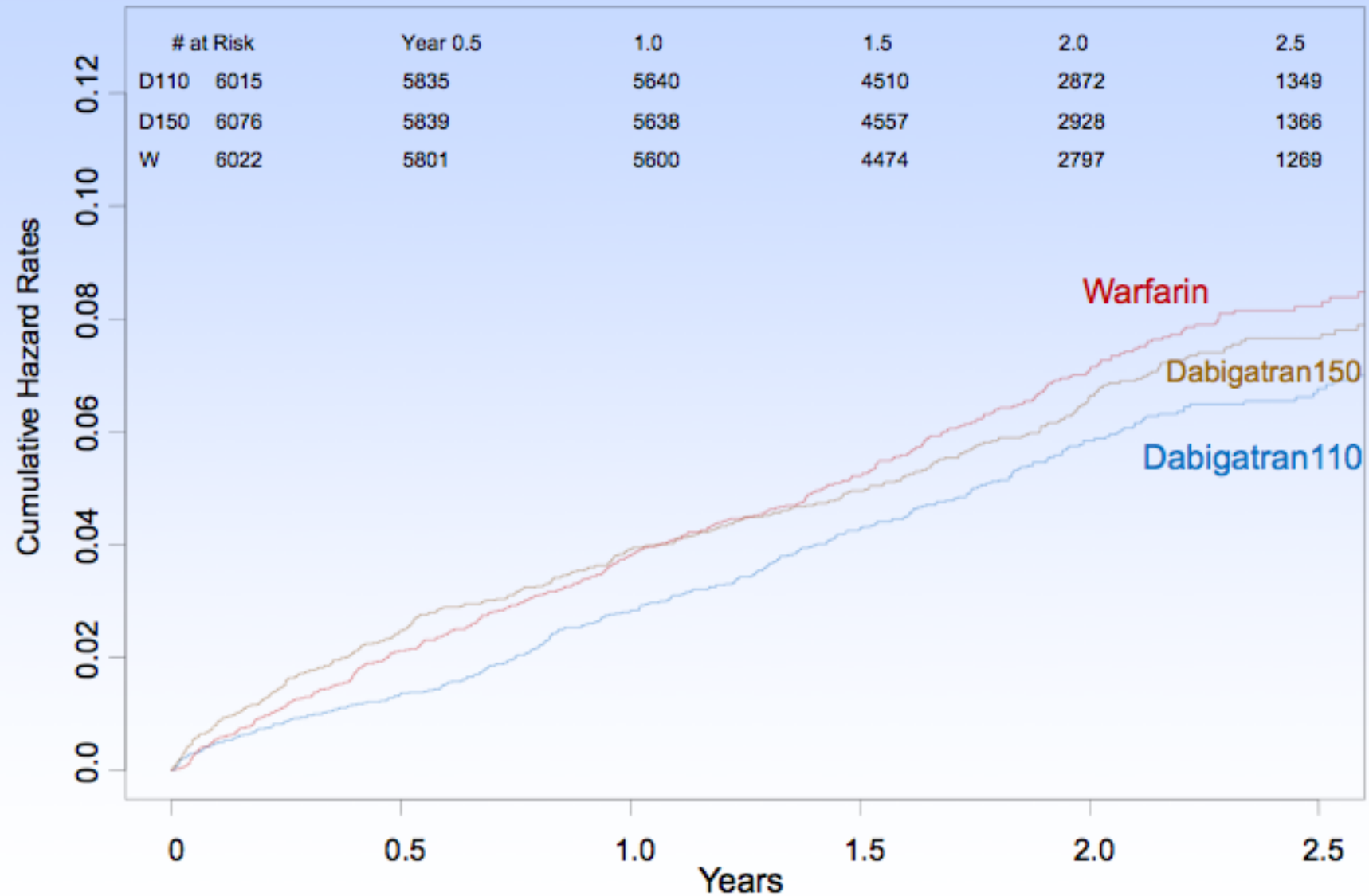




# All Intracranial Bleeding



# Major Bleeding

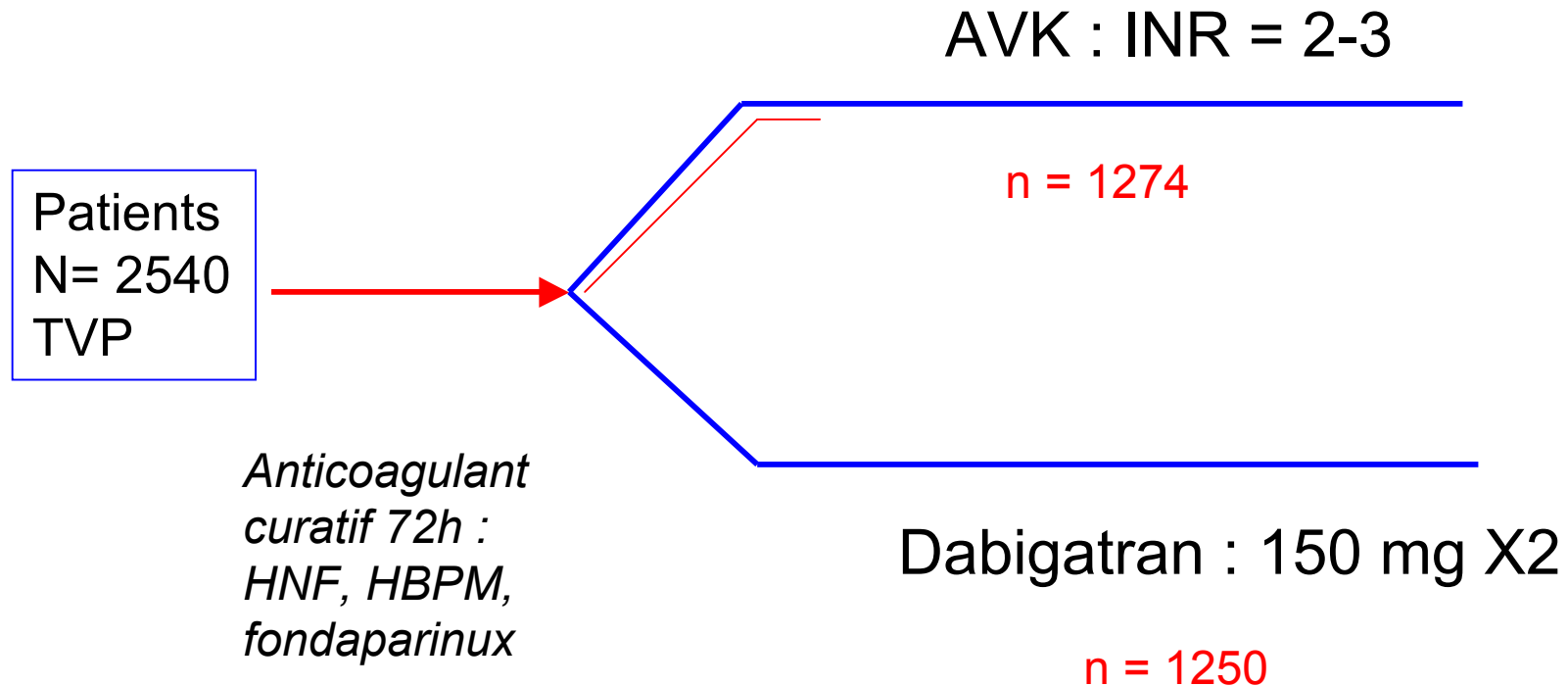


# Conclusions

- Dabigatran 110 mg had a similar rate of stroke as warfarin with significantly reduced major bleeding
- Dabigatran 150 mg significantly reduced stroke compared to warfarin with similar risk of major bleeding
- Both doses markedly reduced intra-cranial hemorrhage
- Both doses are free of liver and other major toxicity, although they increase dyspepsia and GI bleeding

# Intérêt du dabigatran dans la MTEV : RECOVER

228 centres, 29 pays



Schulman S et coll. Dabigatran exilate versus warfarine in the treatment of venous thromboembolism. Session plénière, ASH, 6 décembre 2009.

## RECOVER : efficacité et décès

|                      | Dabigatran<br>(n = 1274) | Warfarine<br>(1265) | RR                  |
|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| TVP symptomatique    | 16 (1,3 %)               | 18 (1,4 %)          | 0,87<br>(0,44-1,71) |
| TVP non fatale       | 13 (1 %)                 | 7 (0,6 %)           | 1,85<br>(0,74-4,64) |
| Décès liés à une TVP | 1 (0,1 %)                | 3 (0,2 %)           | 0,33(0,03-3,15)     |
| Décès totaux         | 21 (1,7 %)               | 21 (1,7 %)          | 0,98<br>(0,53-1,79) |

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# RECOVER : complications hémorragiques

|   | Dabigatran<br>(n = 1274) | Warfarine<br>(n = 1265) | RR               |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Hémorragies majeures  | 20 (1,6 %)               | 24 (1,9 %)              | 0,82 (0,45-1,48) |
| Hémorragies fatales   | 1                        | 1                       |                  |
| Hémorragies sur organe critique<br>(intracrânienne/hémarthrose/hémo-ptysie) | 1 (0/1/0)                | 9 (3/5/1)               |                  |
| Chute d'Hb $\geq$ 2 g/dL ou transfusion $\geq$ 2<br>culots                  | 20                       | 18                      |                  |
| Hémorragies majeures ou non majeures<br>mais impactant la clinique          | 71 (5,6 %)               | 111 (8,8 %)             | 0,63 (0,47-0,84) |
| Ensemble des complications<br>hémorragiques majeures et mineures            | 205 (16,1 %)             | 277 (21,9 %)            | 0,71 (0,59-0,85) |

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# Requirements of new prophylactic agents

- At least as efficacious as current standard therapy
- At least as safe as current standard therapy
- Available for oral administration
- Require no monitoring
- No relevant interactions with food and common drugs
- Cost-effective

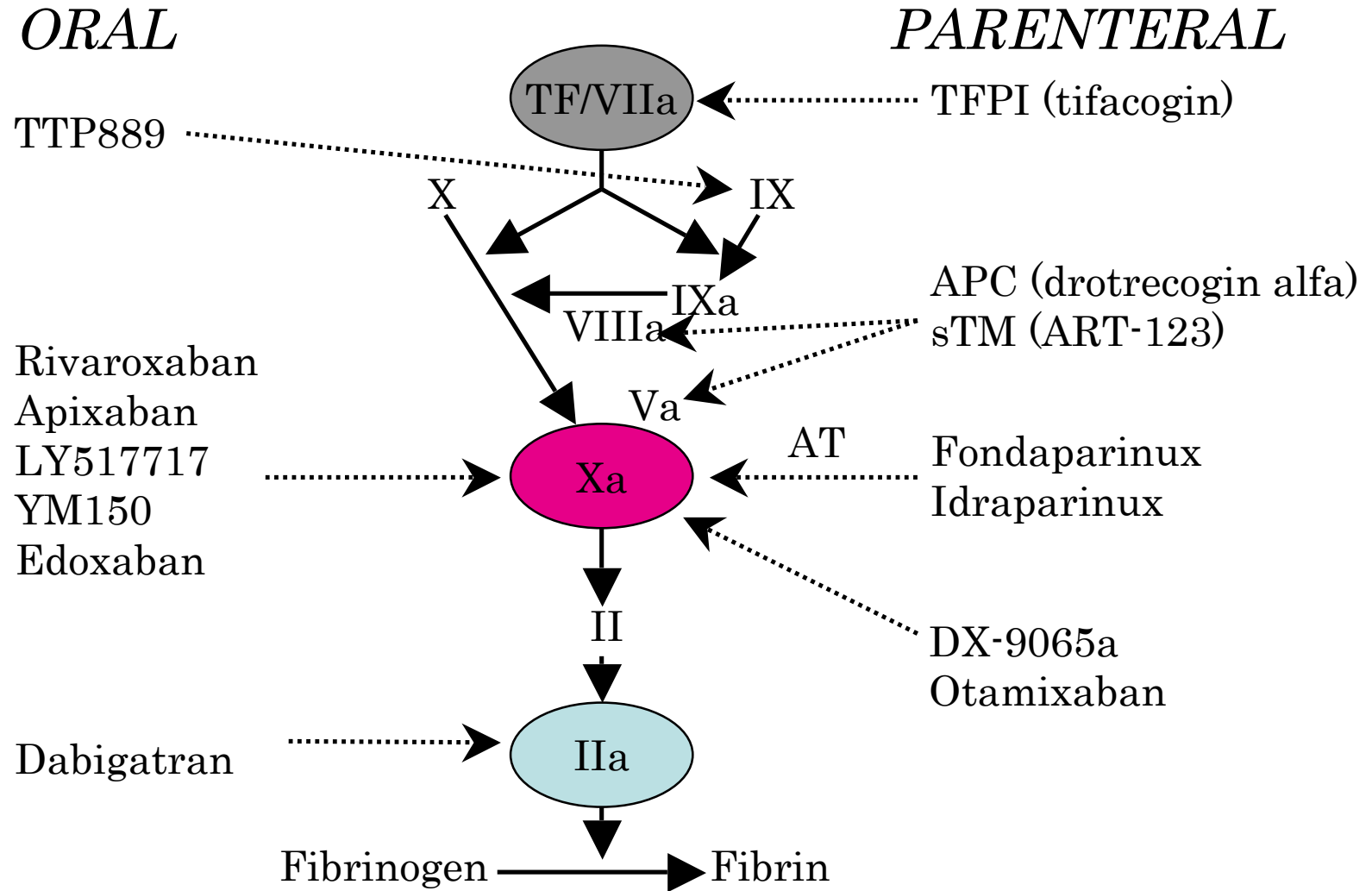
*... in order to aid treatment compliance and avoid the serious consequences of thrombosis and bleeding*

## Comparison of three upcoming novel specific oral anticoagulants

| Drug Class                                     | Company     | Half-life | Bioavailability | Elimination  |
|--|-------------|-----------|-----------------|--|
| <b>Apixaban</b><br>Anti-Xa                     | BMS/Pfizer  | 8-15      | 50-85 %         | 25 % renal<br>75 % liver   |
| <b>Rivaroxaban</b><br>Anti-Xa                  | Bayer/J & J | 7-13      | > 80 %          | 33 % renal (unchanged)<br>33% renal (inactive metabolites)<br>33 % biliary |
| <b>Dabigatran</b><br>Direct thrombin inhibitor | B-I         | 14-17     | 6-8 %           | 80 % renal<br>20 % biliary   |



# New anticoagulants



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