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Les NACOs: “tout” ce que vous devez en savoir actuellement

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A microscopic view of several red blood cells (erythrocytes) against a dark red background. The cells are biconcave and have a reddish-pink hue.

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Traditional anticoagulants

Main disadvantages

- **UFH¹**

- Parenteral administration
- Frequent monitoring and dose adjustment
- HIT

- **LMWH¹**

- Parenteral administration
- Weight adjusted titration

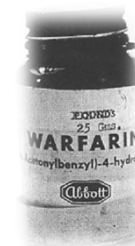


Qui va avoir sa petite piqûre ?



- **VKA¹**

- Narrow therapeutic range
- Food and drugs interactions
- Frequent monitoring and dose adjustment



The promises of DOACs

- ◆ Simplified dosing regimen
- ◆ No dietary restrictions
- ◆ Predictable anticoagulation and no need for routine coagulation monitoring
- ◆ Can be given at fixed doses

Reduced potential for
food and drug
interactions

Less
labour-intensive

Less impact on
patients' daily life

Improved
compliance

Reduced
administrative costs

Improved
quality of life

Improved efficacy
and safety

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Results for primary outcome versus warfarin

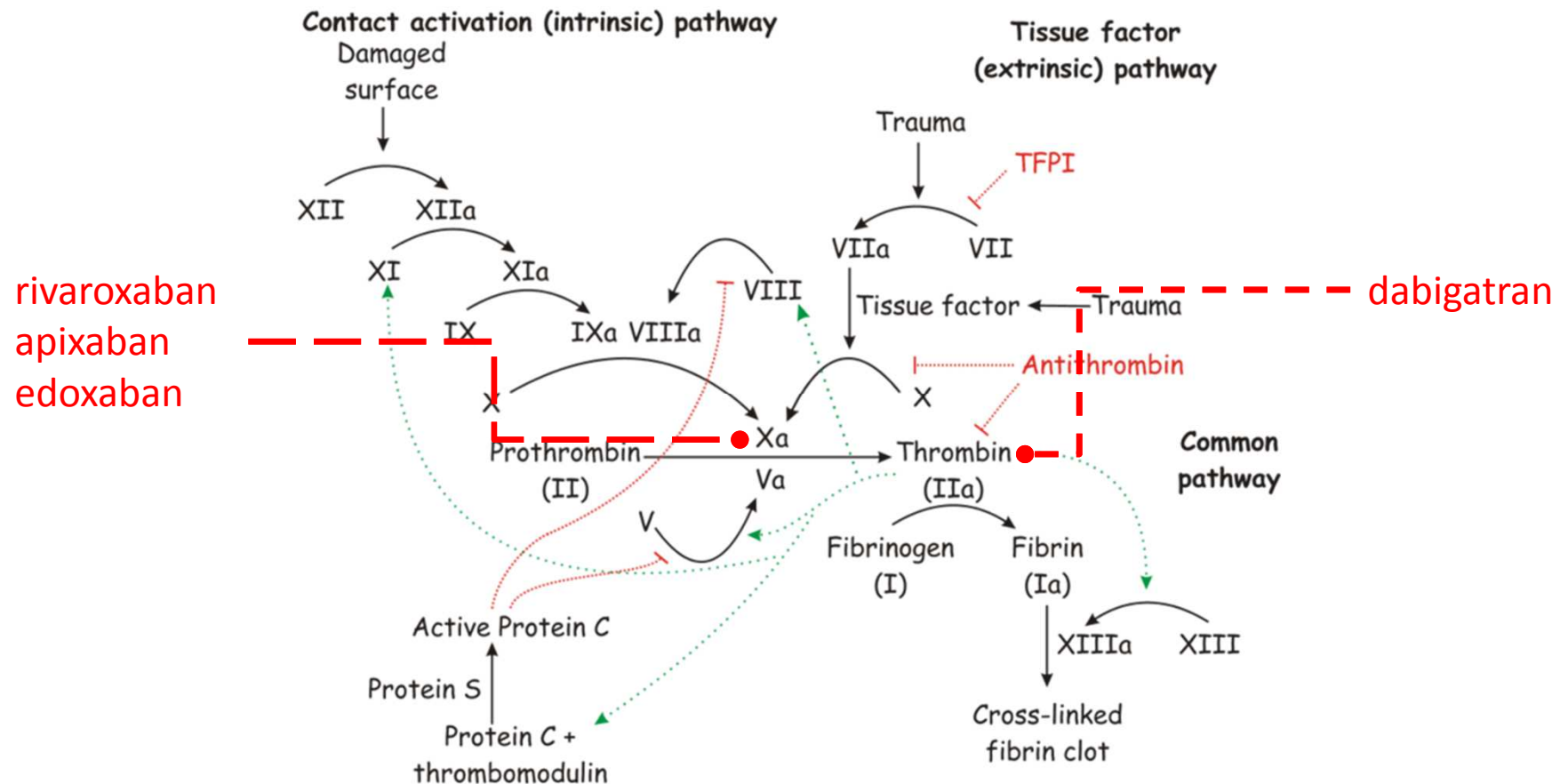
	ARISTOTLE (apixaban)	RE-LY (dabigatran)		ROCKET-AF (rivaroxaban)	ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48 (edoxaban)	
		2 x 110mg	2 x 150mg		1 x 30mg	1 x 60mg
Primary outcome : stroke and systemic embolism	2 x 5mg and 2 x 2,5 mg Superiority HR 0,79 (CI: 0,66- 0,95) NNT= 303	Non-inferiority	Superiority RR 0,65 (CI: 0,52- 0,81) NNT= 172	1 x 20mg non- inferiority	Non-inferiority HR 1,13 (CI: 0,96- 1,34)	Non-inferiority HR 0,87 (CI: 0,73- 1,04)
Primary outcome safety: major bleedings and non major bleedings	Less with apixaban HR 0,69 (IC: 0,60- 0,80)	Less with dabigatran RR 0,80 (CI: 0,70- 0,93)	No difference	No difference	Less with edoxaban HR 0,62 (CI: 0,57- 0,67)	Less with edoxaban HR 0,86 (CI:0,80- 0,92)
Myocardial infarction %/year	0,53 vs 0,61 HR 0,88 (0,66- 1,17)	0,72 vs 0,53 RR 1,35 (0,98- 1,87)	0,74 vs 0,53 RR 1,38 (1,0- 1,91) NNH= 476	0,91 vs 1,12 HR 0,81 (0,63- 1,06)	0,89 vs 0,70 HR 1,19 (CI: 0,95- 1,49)	0,75 vs 0,70 HR 0,94 (CU: 0,74-1,19)
Haemorrhagic stroke %/year	0,24 vs 0,47 HR 0,51 (0,35-0,75) NNT= 435	0,12 vs 0,83 RR 0,31 (0,17- 0,56) NNT= 384	0,10 vs 0,38 RR 0,26 (0,14- 0,49) NNT= 357	0,26 vs 0,44 HR 0,59 (0,37- 0,93) NNT= 555	0,16 vs 0,47 HR 0,33 (0,22- 0,50) NNT= 322	0,26 vs 0,47 HR 0,54 (0,38- 0,77) NNT= 476
Intracranial bleeding %/year	0,33 vs 0,80 HR 0,42 (0,30-0,58) NNT= 213	0,23 vs 0,74 RR 0,31 (0,20- 0,47) NNT= 196	0,30 vs 0,74 RR 0,40 (0,20- 0,60) NNT= 227	0,5 vs 0,7 HR 0,67 (0,47- 0,93) NNT = 500	0,26 vs 0,85 HR 0,30 (0,21- 0,43) NNT= 169	0,39 vs 0,85 HR 0,47 (0,34- 0,63) NNT= 217
Gastrointestinal bleeding %/year	0,76 vs 0,86 HR 0,89 (0,70- 1,15)	1,12 vs 1,02 RR 1,10 (0,86 – 1,41)	1,51 vs 1,02 RR 1,36 (1,09- 1,70) NNH= 204	3,15 vs 2,16 HR 1,46 (1,19- 1,78) NNH = 101	0,82 vs 1,23 HR 0,67 (0,53- 0,83) NNT= 243	1,51 vs 1,23 HR 1,23 (1,02-1,5) NNH= 357
Death %/year	3,52 vs 3,94 HR 0,89 (0,80- 0,99) NNT= 238	3,75 vs 4,13 RR 0,91 (0,80- 1,03)	3,64 vs 4,13 RR 0,88 (0,77- 1,00)	1,78 vs 2,21 HR 0,85 (0,70- 1,02)	3,80 vs 4,35 HR 0,87 (0,79- 0,96) NNT= 181	3,99 vs 4,35 HR 0,92 (0,83- 1,01)

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PK and PD



PK and PD

	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
Target	Thrombin	Factor Xa	Factor Xa	Factor Xa
Bioavailability (%)	3-7% Not affected by food	- 80 to 100% for the 10 mg - 66% for the 15 and 20 mg (fasted)*	50% Not affected by food	62% Not affected by food
Prodrug	Yes – activated by esterase (CES1)	No	No	No
Half-life (hours)	11-13	5-13	8-15	10-14
T _{MAX} (hours)	0.5-2.0	2.0-4.0	3.0-4.0	1.0-2.0
Renal clearance	80%	33%	25%	50%
Metabolism	P-gp	P-gp CYP3A4	P-gp CYP3A4/5, 1A2, 2J2	P-gp CYP3A4/5

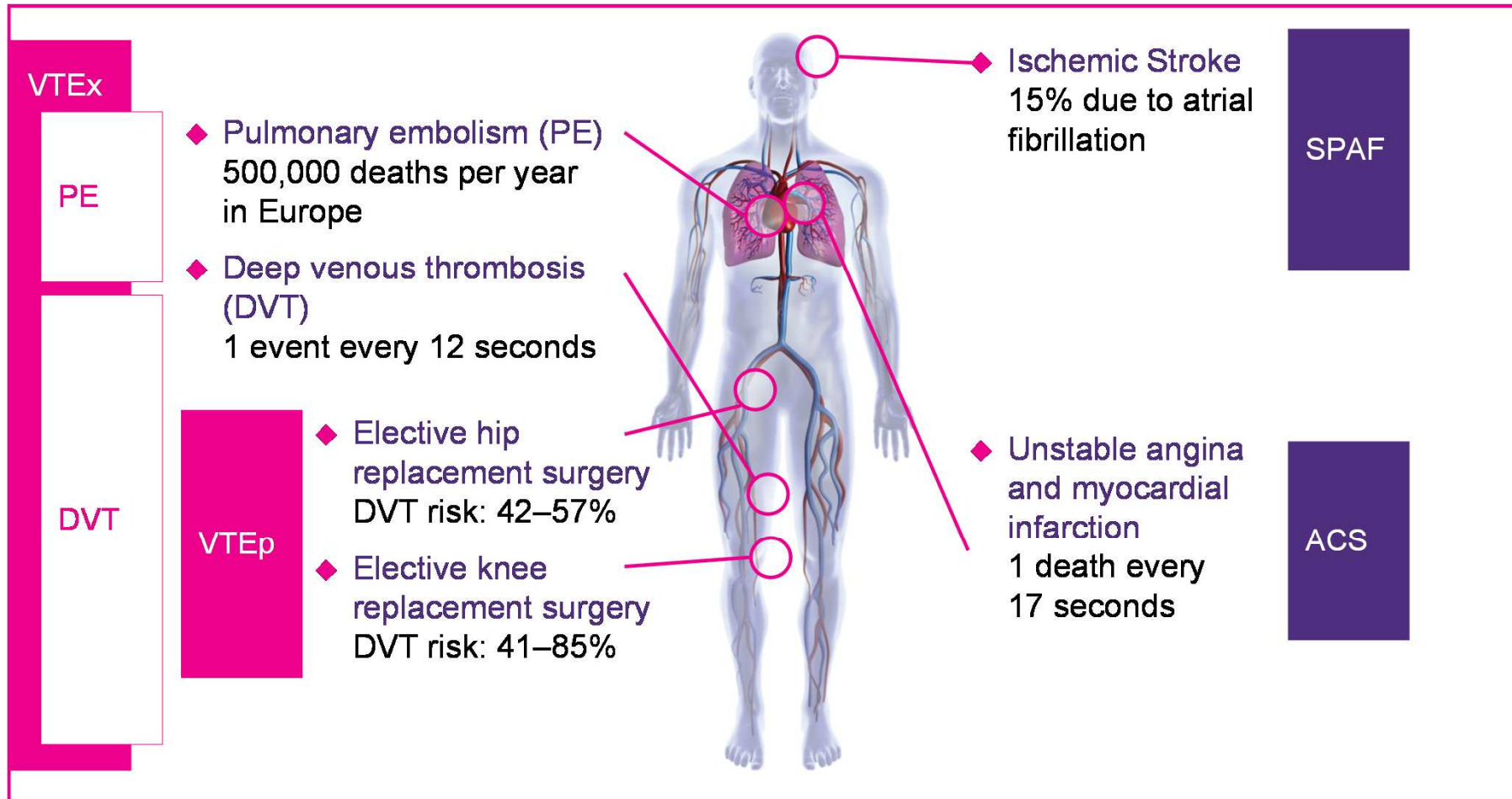
* these dose regimen have to be taken with food.

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Indications



Fibrillation auriculaire (FA)

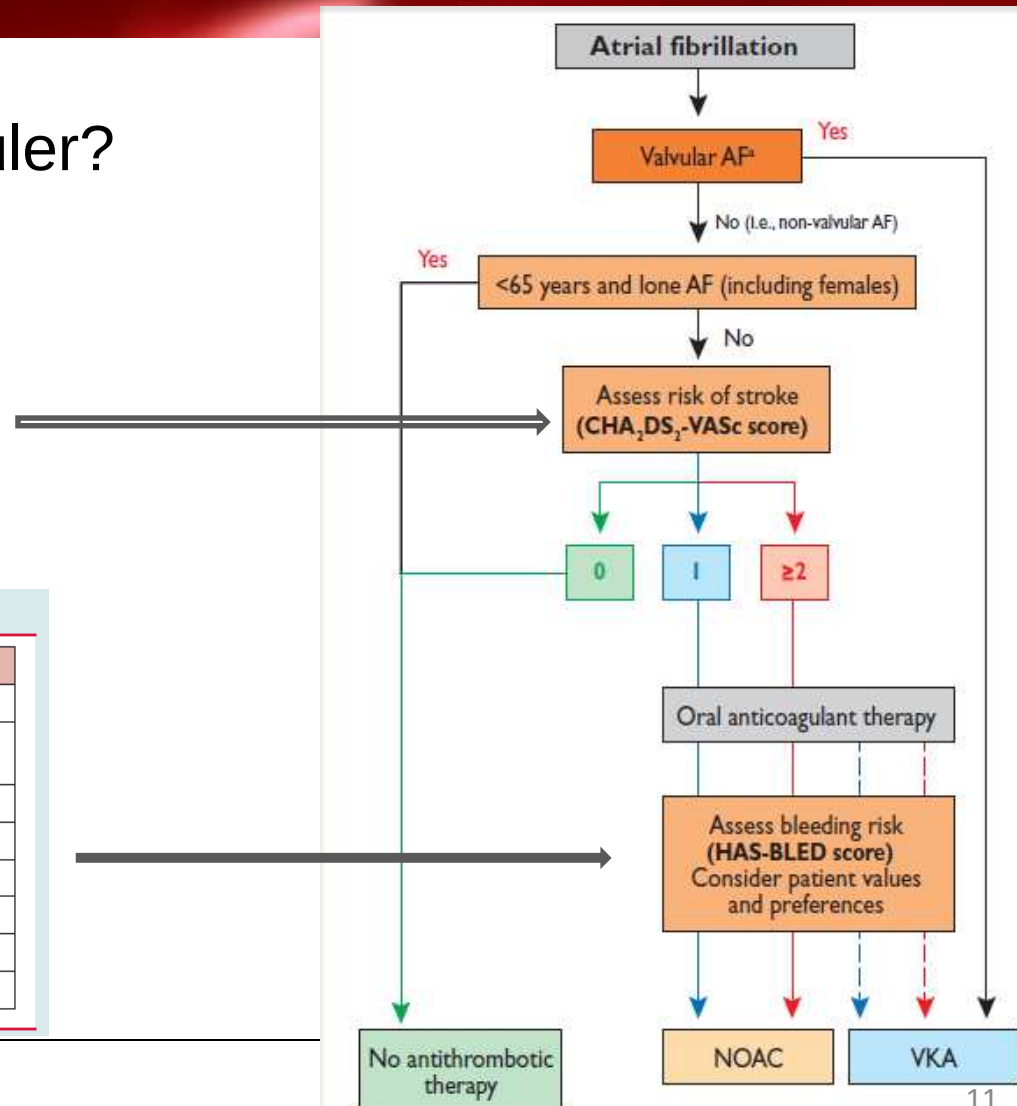
■ Quand faut-il anticoaguler?

(b) Risk factor-based approach expressed as a point based scoring system, with the acronym CHA₂DS₂-VASc
(Note: maximum score is 9 since age may contribute 0, 1, or 2 points)

Risk factor	Score
Congestive heart failure/LV dysfunction	1
Hypertension	1
Age ≥75	2
Diabetes mellitus	1
Stroke/TIA/thrombo-embolism	2
Vascular disease ^a	1
Age 65–74	1
Sex category (i.e. female sex)	1
Maximum score	9

HAS-BLED bleeding risk score

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



Fibrillation auriculaire (FA)

- Evaluation du risque thrombotique (bénéfice)

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(c) Adjusted stroke rate according to CHA₂DS₂-VASc score

CHA ₂ DS ₂ -VASc score	Patients (n=7329)	Adjusted stroke rate (%/year) ^b
0	1	0%
1	422	1.3%
2	1230	2.2%
3	1730	3.2%
4	1718	4.0%
5	1159	6.7%
6	679	9.8%
7	294	9.6%
8	82	6.7%
9	14	15.2%

Fibrillation auriculaire (FA)

- Evaluation du risque hémorragique (risque)

HAS-BLED bleeding risk score

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

Absence de cut-off limitant. Risque élevé si score ≥ 3

Fibrillation auriculaire (FA)

- Critères de remboursement
 - Cat B Chap IV

a) La spécialité suivante fait l'objet d'un remboursement s'il est démontré qu'elle est administrée dans la prévention de l'accident vasculaire cérébral (AVC) et de l'embolie systémique (ES) chez les patients adultes présentant une fibrillation auriculaire non valvulaire associée à un ou plusieurs autres facteurs de risque suivants:

- Antécédent d'AVC, d'accident ischémique transitoire ou d'embolie systémique;
- Fraction d'éjection ventriculaire gauche < 40 %;
- Insuffisance cardiaque symptomatique, classe ≥ 2 New York Heart Association (NYHA);
- Age ≥ 75 ans;
- Age ≥ 65 ans associé à l'une des affections suivantes : diabète, coronaropathie ou hypertension artérielle.

- Absence de consensus sur la définition de FA VALVULAIRE:
 - Valve mécanique = CI formelle (dabigatran); quid des bioprothèses valvulaires?
 - Sténose mitrale modérée à sévère

DOAC patient selection criteria

Table 3 DOAC patient selection criteria

Criteria for DOAC use	Comment(s)
Patient preference for and willingness to take DOAC	Patients should be presented with all therapeutic options and their respective perceived advantages and disadvantages (See Table 2)
No contraindication to DOAC therapy	E.g. pregnancy, breastfeeding, mechanical heart valve
Adequate organ function	Clinicians should regularly monitor renal function, particularly for DOACs with greater reliance on renal elimination (see Tables 5, 6 and 12) and, if there are other factors that may increase DOAC exposure (e.g. age, unavoidable use of concomitant p-gp/CYP3A4 inhibitors). Avoid in moderate or severe hepatic dysfunction
No significant drug–drug interactions	See Tables 13 and 14 for detailed guidance Patients taking <i>any</i> anticoagulant with antiplatelet agents or NSAIDs have a significantly higher risk of bleeding. To minimize bleeding, avoid these drug combinations when possible
No significant disease state interactions	VTE patients with a history of GI bleeding or at risk for GI bleeding may be better candidates for warfarin, apixaban, or edoxaban, as there may be a higher risk of bleeding or GI adverse effects with dabigatran and rivaroxaban
Highly likely to be adherent with DOAC therapy and follow-up plan	See Table 4 for further details
Confirmed ability to obtain DOAC on a longitudinal basis from a financial, insurance coverage and retail availability standpoint	The drug costs of DOACs may be prohibitive for some patients, as compared with generic warfarin plus laboratory monitoring There are patient assistance programs available via the pharmaceutical companies, and this should be arranged prior to prescribing

Patient adherence assessments when choosing anticoagulant therapies

Table 4 Patient adherence assessments when choosing anticoagulant therapies [118–123]

Taking medications	How often does the patient miss or forget to take doses of their medication(s)? • If a warfarin patient frequently misses doses, switching to a shorter half-life DOAC may more rapidly predispose the patient to risk of thrombosis • Often, a subtherapeutic INR is a reliable indicator to the clinician and patient that warfarin doses have been missed • Without the requirement for laboratory monitoring with the DOACs, there is no such alert to indicate opportunities to improve adherence Is a once-daily or a twice-daily medication dosing frequency preferred? • If patient is adherent with other twice daily medications, any of the DOACs may be appropriate • Conversely, if patient prefers once daily medications, rivaroxaban or edoxaban may be preferred
Laboratory monitoring	Is laboratory access difficult? • Patients with transportation challenges, difficult venous access, inflexible work or school schedules or other reasons for difficulty complying with INR monitoring may significantly benefit from DOAC therapy • Clinicians should remind DOAC patients that renal function and a complete blood count should be monitored at least annually or more frequently as the clinical situation dictates
Health care responsibility	Is the patient reliable to notify health care providers about changes to health and pertinent medical issues? • It is important for the patient to make all health care providers aware he or she is taking an anticoagulant medication, as this information will aid in: – design of peri-procedural anticoagulation plans – addressing medication interactions – consideration of other health status changes • Patients who may be unreliable to report pertinent issues to the clinician may be better suited to warfarin so that at least some of these may be uncovered during INR follow-up • DOAC patients and their clinicians may elect to interact via clinic visit, phone, or electronic media at a regular interval

INR International normalized ratio, DOAC direct oral anticoagulant

Fibrillation auriculaire (FA)

- AVK ou DOAC?
 - Calcul du score SAME-TT₂R₂ pour évaluer le contrôle d'anticoagulation sous AVK (% du temps passé dans le range thérapeutique → INR:2-3)

Table 1 The SAME-TT ₂ R ₂ Score		
S	Sex (female)	1
A	Age (<60 years)	1
M	Medical history*	1
e		
T	Treatment (rhythm control strategy)	1
T	Tobacco use (within 2 years)	2
R	Race (non-Caucasian)	2

*Defined as more than 2 of the following: hypertension, diabetes, coronary artery disease/myocardial infarction, peripheral arterial disease, congestive heart failure, previous stroke, pulmonary disease, hepatic or renal disease.

Faibles score : 0-1, Borderline : 2, Haut score ≥ 3

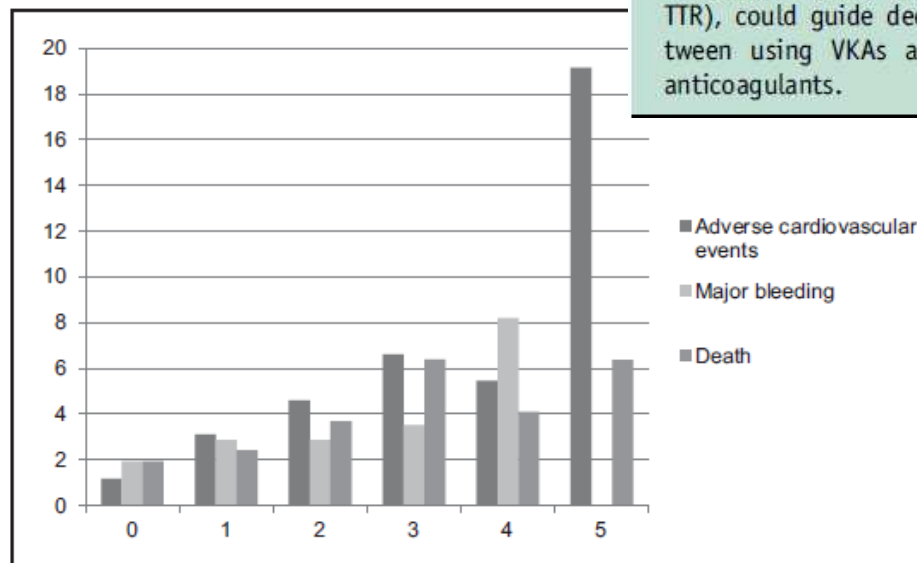


Figure Adverse events according to SAME-TT₂R₂ score at baseline.

CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE

- In a “real world” cohort of consecutive patients with nonvalvular atrial fibrillation, a high SAME-TT₂R₂ score (reflecting poor anticoagulation control with poor time-in-therapeutic range [TTR]) was associated with more bleeding, adverse cardiovascular events, and mortality during follow-up.
- The SAME-TT₂R₂ score, an easy, simple prediction of which atrial fibrillation patients are likely to do well on vitamin K antagonists (VKA) (with good average TTR), could guide decision-making between using VKAs and non-VKA oral anticoagulants.

Indications	dabigatran etexilate Pradaxa®	rivaroxaban Xarelto®	apixaban Eliquis®	edoxaban Lixiana®
Prevention of venous thromboembolism (VTE) in adult patients undergoing elective hip or knee replacement surgery	- 220 mg/day (2 caps of 110 mg od) - 150 mg/day (2 caps of 75 mg od)) if CrCl between 30-50 ml/min, if >75 years, if verapamil, amiodarone or quinidine	- 10 mg/day (1 tablet of 10 mg od)	- 5 mg/day (1 tablet of 2.5 mg bid)	/
Prevention of stroke and systemic embolism in adult patients with non-valvular atrial fibrillation with one or more risk factors	- 300 mg/day (1 caps of 150 mg bid) - 220 mg/jour (1 caps of 110 mg bid) If >80 years or treated with verapamil	- 20 mg/day (1 tablet of 20 mg od) - 15 mg/day (1 tablet of 15 mg od) if CrCl between 15-49 ml/min	- 10 mg/day (1 tablet of 5 mg bid) - 5 mg/day (1 tablet of 2.5 mg bid) if at least 2 of the following: ≥80 years ≤60 kg serum creat. ≥ 1,5 mg/dl or if CrCl 15-29 ml/min	- 60 mg/day (1 tablet of 60 mg od) - 30 mg/day (1 tablet of 30 mg od) if CrCl between 15-50 ml/min or ≤60 kg or P-gp inhibitors (cyclosporin, dronedarone, erythromycin, ketoconazole)
Treatment of deep vein thrombosis (DVT) and pulmonary embolism (PE), and prevention of recurrent DVT and PE in adults.	<u>After initial treatment of 5 days with LMWH</u> - 300 mg/day (1 caps of 150 mg bid) - 220 mg/jour (1 caps of 110 mg bid) If >80 years or treated with verapamil	<u>Treatment phase:</u> - 30 mg/day (1 tablet of 15 mg bid) during 21 days <u>Secondary prevention:</u> - 20 mg/day (1 tablet of 20 mg od) - 15 mg/day (1 tablet of 15 mg od) if CrCl between 15-49 ml/min	<u>Treatment phase:</u> - 20 mg/day (1 tablet of 10 mg bid) during 7 days - 10 mg/day (1 tablet of 5 mg bid) for at least 3 months <u>Secondary prevention:</u> - 5 mg/day (1 tablet of 2.5 mg bid) following completion of 6 months of treatment for DVT or PE	<u>After initial treatment of 5 days with LMWH</u> - 60 mg/day (1 tablet of 60 mg od) - 30 mg/day (1 tablet of 30 mg od) if CrCl between 15-50 ml/min or ≤60 kg or P-gp inhibitors (cyclosporin, dronedarone, erythromycin, ketoconazole)

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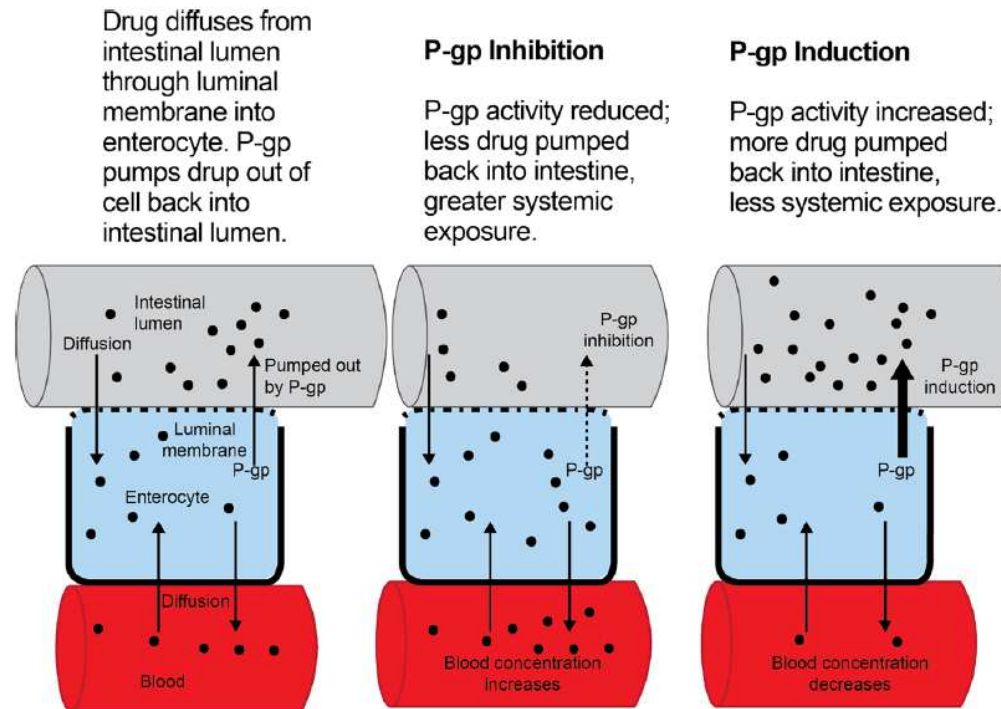
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Drug interactions

	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
CYP substrate	×	✓ 3A4, 2J2 + cyp- independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5, 1A2, 2J2 + cyp- independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5 + cyp- independent mechanism
Transport substrate	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp
Anti-H₂/proton pump inhibitors	30% reduction of the AUC No impact on efficacy in RCT	No impact	No impact	No impact



Drug interactions: P-glycoprotein



Drug interactions

	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
CYP substrate	✗	✓ 3A4, 2J2 + cyp-independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5, 1A2, 2J2 + cyp-independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5 + cyp-independent mechanism
Transport substrate	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp



Strong P-gp inhibitors	Moderated P-gp inhibitors	Strong P-gp inducers
<u>Contraindicated</u>	Caution!	Caution!
Ketoconazole Itraconazole Dronédarone Ciclosporine Tacrolimus	Amiodarone Verapamil Quinidine Clarithromycin	Rifampicin St John's wort Carbamazepine Phenytoin

+ PD interactions

ASA
Clopidogrel
NSAIDs
SSRI and SNERI
**Concomitant treatment
with other
anticoagulant**

CI

Dose tailoring:

- VTE prevention post TKR/THR: max 150 mg/day (2 caps of 75 mg od)
- SPAF: max 220 mg/day (1 caps 110 mg bid)

Drug interactions rivaroxaban

	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
CYP substrate	×	✓ 3A4, 2J2 + cyp- independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5, 1A2, 2J2 + cyp- independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5 + cyp- independent mechanism
Transport substrate	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp



Strong P-gp and CYP3A4 inhibitors <u>Not-recommended</u>	Moderated P-gp inhibitors Caution!	Strong P-gp inducers Caution!
Ketoconazole Itraconazole Voriconazole Posaconazole Protease inhibitors (ritonavir,...)	Amiodarone* Verapamil* Quinidine* Clarithromycin Erythromycin	Rifampicin St John's wort Carbamazepine Phenytoin Phenobarbital

No dose adjustment

+ PD interactions

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*not indicated in the SmPC

Drug interactions rivaroxaban

- **Grapefruit juice**

Lack of data but...

- Grapefruit juice is classified as moderate to strong CYP3A4 inhibitor, similar to erythromycin.
- Increases in rivaroxaban exposure upon grapefruit juice consumption are not expected to exceed the 1.3-fold increase observed on average in healthy subjects when pre- and co-treated with erythromycin 500 mg tid.
- This increase is within the magnitude of normal inter-individual variability of AUC and Cmax and is considered as clinically not relevant.
- No inclusion of grapefruit juice in the SmPC.

¹Variation de type II H-C-000944-II-0023, Commission decision 05/08/2013.

Drug interactions apixaban

	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
CYP substrate	×	✓ 3A4, 2J2 + cyp- independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5, 1A2, 2J2 + cyp- independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5 + cyp- independent mechanism
Transport substrate	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp

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No dose adjustment

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Drug interactions edoxaban

	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
CYP substrate	×	✓ 3A4, 2J2 + cyp- independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5, 1A2, 2J2 + cyp- independent mechanism	✓ 3A4/5 + cyp- independent mechanism
Transport substrate	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp	✓ P-gp

Strong P-gp and CYP3A4 inhibitors <u>Dose reduction</u>	Moderated P-gp inhibitors Caution!	Strong P-gp inducers Caution!
Cyclosporine Dronedarone Erythromycin Ketoconazole	Amiodarone Verapamil Quinidine	Rifampicin St John's wort Carbamazepine Phenytoin Phenobarbital

SPAF and DVT/PE:
- edoxaban 30 mg od

No dose adjustment

+ PD interactions

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Hepatic impairment

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- Recommendation:

Prior to initiating DOACs, liver function testing should be performed.

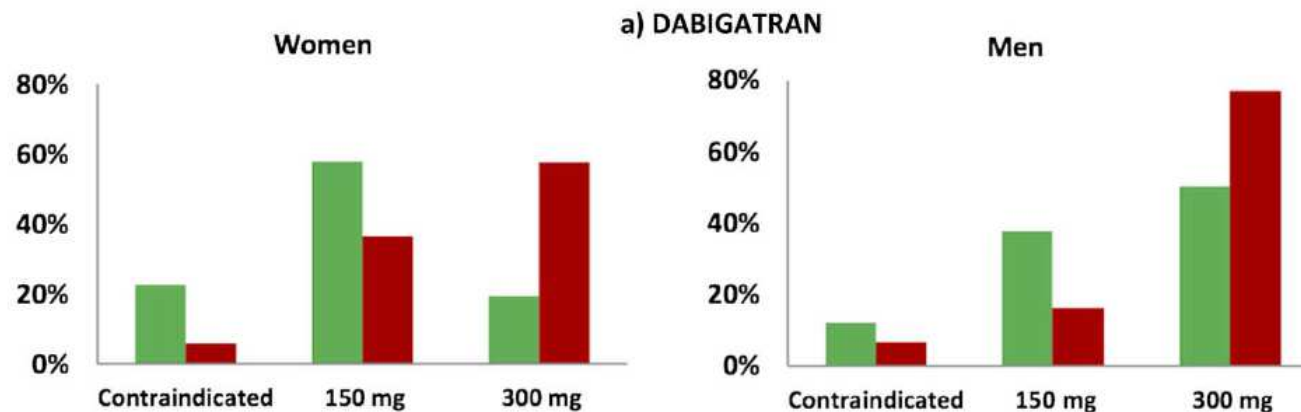
Renal impairment

	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
Mild renal impairment (CrCl: 50 to 80 mL/min)	No recommendation*	No dose adjustment is required	No dose adjustment is required	No dose adjustment is required FDA warning: Lixiana should not be used in patients with CrCl >95mL/min
Moderate renal impairment (CrCl: 30 to 50 mL/min)	SPAF and VTet: High bleeding risk patients 220 mg/day 1 caps. of 110 mg bid	SPAF: 15 mg/day 1 tablet of 15 mg od VTet: 15 mg/day 1 tablet of 15 mg od if the risk of bleeding outweighs risk of recurrence	No dose adjustment is required	SPAF and VTet: 30 mg/day 1 tablet of 30 mg od
Severe renal impairment (CrCl: 10-30 mL/min)	Contraindicated * Renal function should be assessed during treatment with Pradaxa at least once a year in patients with mild to moderate renal impairment and in patients aged over 75 years. Renal function should also be assessed when a decline in renal function is suspected	SPAF: 15 mg/day 1 tablet of 15 mg od VTet: 15 mg/day 1 tablet of 15 mg od if the risk of bleeding outweighs risk of recurrence Not recommended in CrCl<15 mL/min	VTet: Caution SPAF: patients should receive the lower dose of apixaban 2.5 mg bid if at least two of the following conditions is encountered: if at least 2 of the following: ≥80 years ≤60 kg serum creat. ≥ 1,5 mg/dl or if CrCl 15-29 mL/min Not recommended in CrCl<15 mL/min	SPAF and VTet: 30 mg/day 1 tablet of 30 mg od Not recommended in CrCl<15 mL/min and on dialysis

Renal impairment

How to monitor?

- RCT in SPAF: eligibility and posology based on the Cockcroft-Gault method
 - MDRD overestimates low renal function
- Thus, many old SPAF patients are:
1. Either eligible to receive DOAC whereas they don't
 2. Or receive higher dose regimen
- by using MDRD instead of Cockcroft-Gault



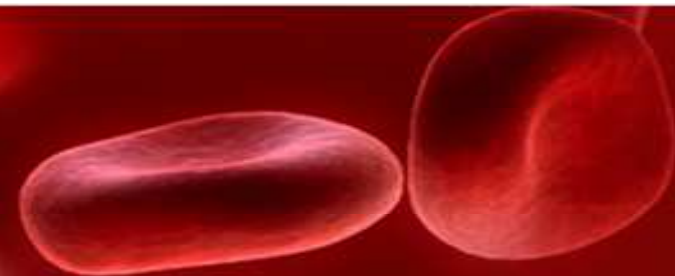
Renal impairment



- Renal function should be assessed **in all patients by calculating the CrCl prior to initiation** of treatment with DOACs
- Renal function should be assessed using **the Cockcroft-Gault method**
- Algorithm for the monitoring of the renal function has been proposed*
 - 60 mL/min should be assessed every 6 months
 - 50 mL/min should be assessed every 5 months
 - 40 mL/min ... every 4 months
 - etc...

* There are several proposals for the monitoring of the kidney function, but in any case, yearly monitoring is probably not sufficient in patients with impaired renal function.

Extreme body weight



	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
Low body weight (<50-60 kg)	No dose adjustment required Limited clinical data are available for patients <50 kg	No dose adjustment required Variation of less than 25% of the exposure	<u>VTEt:</u> No dose adjustment required <u>SPAF:</u> Dose reduction: 2.5 mg bid if at least 2 of the following: ≥80 years ≤60 kg serum creat. ≥ 1,5 mg/dl or if CrCl 15-29 ml/min 30 % increase of the exposure	Dose reduction: 30 mg od C _{MAX} and AUC increased by 40% and 13%, respectively
High body weight (>120 kg)	No dose adjustment required Trough dabigatran concentrations were 20% lower in patients >100 kg compared to the 50-100 kg group	No dose adjustment is required Variation of less than 25% of the exposure	No dose adjustment required 30% reduction of the exposure	No information

Other special populations

	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
Elderly	SPAF: Patients between 75-80 years should be treated with a daily dose of 300 mg taken as one 150 mg capsule twice daily. A dose of 220 mg taken as one 110 mg capsule twice daily can be individually considered, at the discretion of the physician, when the thromboembolic risk is low and the bleeding risk is high Patients aged 80 years or above should be treated with a daily dose of 220 mg taken as one 110 mg capsule twice daily due to the increased risk of bleeding in this population.	Elderly patients exhibited higher plasma concentrations than younger patients, with mean AUC values being approximately 1.5 fold higher, mainly due to reduced (apparent) total and renal clearance. No dose adjustment is necessary.	VTET: No dose adjustment required SPAF: Dose reduction: 2.5 mg bid if at least 2 of the following: ≥80 years ≤60 kg serum creat. ≥ 1,5 mg/dl or if CrCl 15-29 ml/min Elderly patients (above 65 years) exhibited higher plasma concentrations than younger patients, with mean AUC values being approximately 32% higher and no difference in C_{MAX}.	After taking renal function and body weight into account, age had no additional clinically significant effect on edoxaban pharmacokinetics
Ethnic origin and race	No clinically relevant ethnic differences among Caucasians, African-American, Hispanic, Japanese or Chinese patients were observed. However, 32.8% of the white European participants of the RE-LY study presented a particular SNP that decreased trough concentrations to the rate of the 110mg BID dose	No clinically relevant inter-ethnic differences among Caucasian, African-American, Hispanic, Japanese or Chinese patients were observed regarding rivaroxaban pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics.	The results across phase 1 studies showed no discernible difference in apixaban pharmacokinetics between White/Caucasian, Asian and Black/African American subjects.	In a population pharmacokinetic analysis of the ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48 study, peak and total exposure in Asian patients and non-Asian patients were comparable.

OD vs BD, adherence, persistence

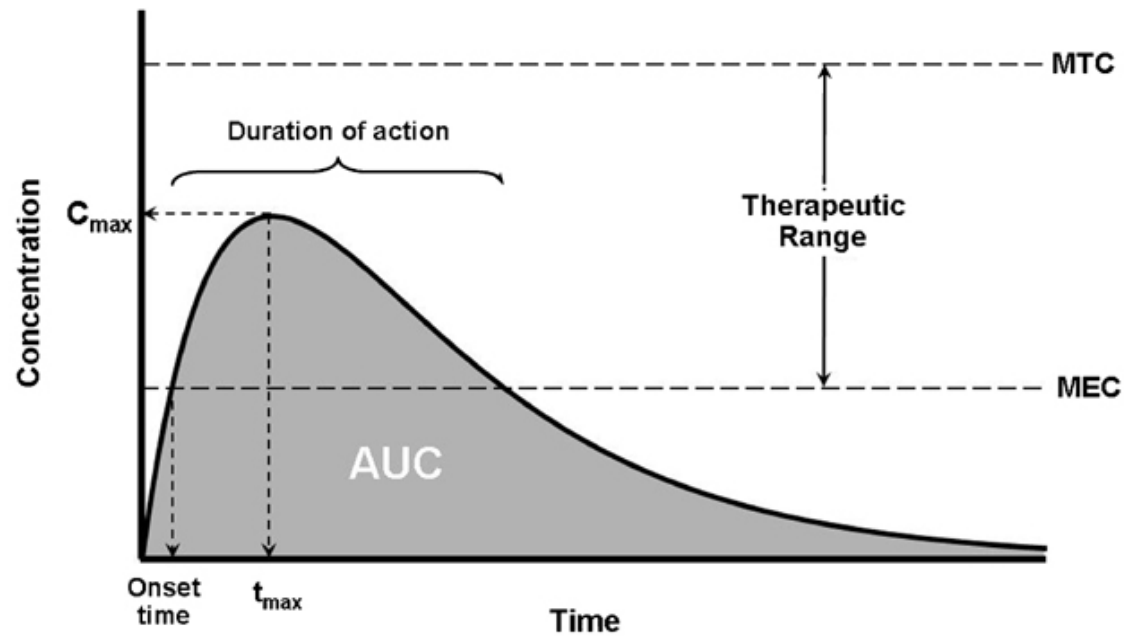
- An OD dosing regimen was related to greater adherence vs. BID regimens in cardiovascular patients, and in AF patients (for diabetes and hypertension drugs).
- It is likely that also for NOACs an OD dosing regimen is best from a total pill count perspective, but it is unknown whether any regimen is superior in guaranteeing the clinical thrombo-embolic preventive effects and safety profile as seen in the clinical trials.
- There is modelling data suggesting that there is potentially a larger decrease in anticoagulant activity occurring when a single pill is omitted from an OD dosing regimen compared with when a single or even two pills are omitted from a BID regimen. The clinical relevance of these fluctuations is unknown
- It is essential to ensure that drugs are taken according to the prescribed regimen to obtain the results observed in the clinical trials.

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- **Monitoring?**
- Conclusions

Brief reminder...



	dabigatran etexilate (PRADAXA®)	rivaroxaban (XARELTO®)	apixaban (ELIQUIS®)	edoxaban (LIXIANA®)
T _{MAX} (hours)	0.5-2.0	2.0-4.0	3.0-4.0	1.0-2.0
T _{TROUGH} (hours)	12.0	24.0	12.0	24.0

Pro or cons monitoring?

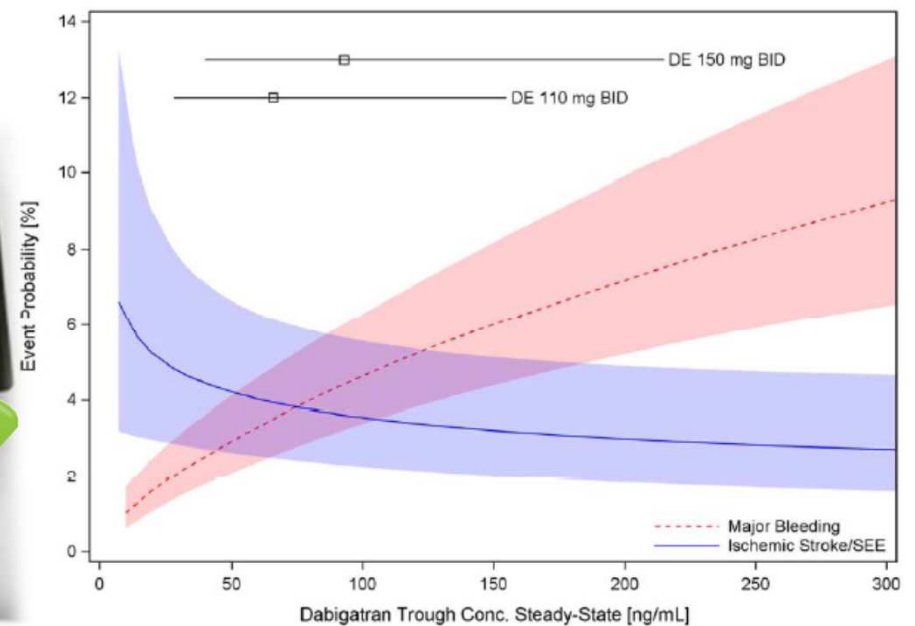
- Cons:

- PK-PD studies: predictable response
- All RCT were performed without monitoring
- Large therapeutic range



Pro or cons monitoring?

- Pro:
 - Example: dabigatran etexilate (same for edoxaban)
 - Correlation between clinical events and plasmatic dabigatran concentrations
 - Possible improvement of the B/R balance



Pro or cons monitoring?

- Pro:
 - Example: dabigatran etexilate
 - >90th percentile at trough = risk of bleeding
 - cut-off proposed: 200 ng/mL
 - Important variation of plasmatic concentration (up to 5-fold at trough)
 - Response can be infra- or supra-therapeutic

How to? Monitoring

- First step:
 - Definition of therapeutic concentration ranges
- Second step:
 - Which test(s) could/should be used in these concentration ranges?
- Third step:
 - How to interpret?

Absence of therapeutic range

Absence of therapeutic range,
But expected plasma concentration or
on-therapy range

Table III Expected plasma concentrations of Oral Direct Inhibitors.

Drug	Dose	Peak levels mean and range	Trough levels mean and range	References
Apixaban	2.5 mg bd	0.062 mg/l (CV 37%)	0.021 mg/l (CV 17%)	Frost <i>et al</i> (2013)
Apixaban	5 mg bd	0.128 mg/l (CV 10%)	0.050 mg/l (CV 20%)	Frost <i>et al</i> (2013)
Dabigatran	150 mg bd	0.184 mg/l (95% CI 0.064–0.443)	0.090 mg/l (0.031–0.225)	Van Ryn <i>et al</i> (2010)
Rivaroxaban	10 mg od	0.125 mg/l (0.091–0.195)	0.009 mg/l (0.001–0.038)	Mueck <i>et al</i> (2008)
Rivaroxaban	20 mg od	0.223 mg/l (0.16–0.36)	0.022 mg/l (0.004–0.096)	Mueck <i>et al</i> (2008)

CV, coefficient of variation; 95% CI, 95% confidence interval

When? Patients or situations requiring an assessment of the response

- Bleeding or recurrence of thrombosis
 - Before an invasive procedure (elective or urgent surgery at risk of bleeding, thrombolysis)
 - In patients with potential drug interactions that affect the pharmacokinetics of DOACs (P-gp)
 - In patients with extreme body weight (< 50 or > 110 kg)
 - In elderly patients (> 75 years of age) with renal failure
 - In patients with genetic mutations (i.e., rs2244613 minor allele carriers → dabigatran etexilate only)
 - In case of accumulating interfering factors
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- Effect of Antidotes

Evidence regarding laboratory measurement: a systematic review

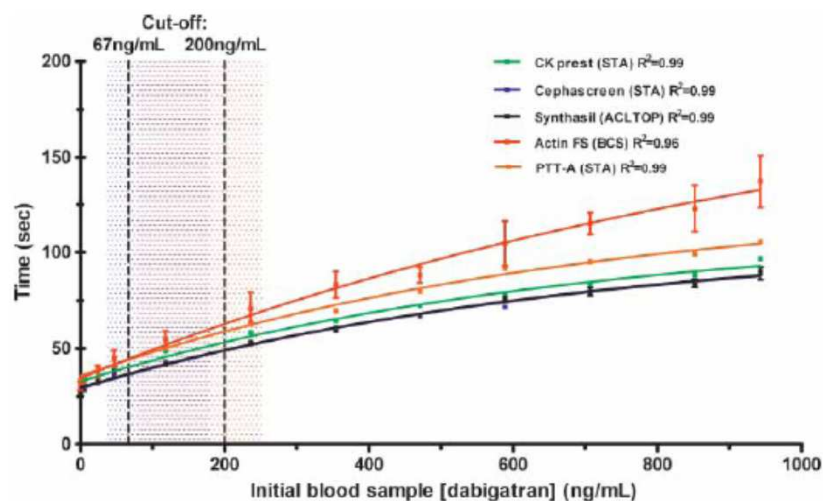
TABLE 6 Suggestions for Laboratory Measurement of Non-Vitamin K Oral Anticoagulants

Drug	Clinical Objective					
	Determine If Clinically Relevant Below On-Therapy Drug Levels Are Present		Estimate Drug Levels Within On-Therapy Range		Determine If Above On-Therapy Drug Levels Are Present	
	Suggested Test	Interpretation	Suggested Test	Interpretation	Suggested Test	Interpretation
Dabigatran	TT	Normal TT likely excludes clinically relevant drug levels	Dilute TT, ECA, ECT	—	APTT, dilute TT, ECA, ECT	Normal APTT likely excludes excess drug levels; only dilute TT, ECA, and ECT are suitable for quantitation
Rivaroxaban	Anti-Xa	Normal anti-Xa activity likely excludes clinically relevant drug levels	Anti-Xa	—	Anti-Xa, PT	Normal PT likely excludes excess drug levels; only anti-Xa is suitable for quantitation
Apixaban	Anti-Xa	Normal anti-Xa activity likely excludes clinically relevant drug levels	Anti-Xa	—	Anti-Xa	—

Suggestions for laboratory measurement of the anticoagulant activity of dabigatran, rivaroxaban, and apixaban are based on the clinical objective. Typical on-therapy drug levels are shown in [Table 1](#). Abbreviations as in [Table 2](#).

Dabigatran and aPTT

- Dabigatran
 - aPTT: in vitro study



B) In atrial fibrillation (AF): dabigatrain etexilate 150 mg bid

Reagent	Clotting time corresponding to a risk a bleeding in AF at C _{trough} (i.e. 200 ng/ml) (15)	
	Sec	Ratio
Actin FS®	62.5	2.06
Cephascreen®	48.6	1.77
CKPrest®	53.0	1.74
PTT-A®	58.6	1.77
Synthasil®	49.0	1.78
Hemoclot Thrombin Inhibitor®	54.7	1.64

Adapted from Douxfils J, Mullier F *et al.* Thromb Haemost. 2012

Table 2: Coagulation test thresholds at trough that may be associated with an increased risk of bleeding.

Test (trough value)	Indication	
	pVTEp orthopaedic surgery	SPAF and DVT/PE
dTT [ng/mL]	> 67	> 200
ECT [x-fold upper limit of normal]	No data	> 3
aPTT [x-fold upper limit of normal]	> 1.3	> 2
INR	Should not be performed	Should not be performed

How to? Monitoring

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- aPTT should not be used except for screening a bleeding patient on dabigatran etexilate
- Normal APTT and/or PT don't exclude presence of therapeutic levels of DOACs
- Normal TT excludes clinical relevant dabigatran level
- Importance of delay between last administration and sampling
- Specific tests should be preferred

Interprétation

Cas pratique: Xarelto®

- Femme: 66 ans, FA, HTA, dyslipidémie, appendicectomie, amygdalectomie, hystérectomie radicale totale
 - **Traitements:**
rivaroxaban 20mg; flécaïnide; rosuvastatine; losartan; pantoprazole
 - Taille : 160 cm, poids 63 kg, Créat 1,05 mg/dL, CG* : 52,4 mL/min
 - 09/07/2014 :
 - 24 h: 70 ng/mL (thérapeutique)
 - 120 min : 446 ng/mL (supra-thérapeutique)
 - 180 min : 476 ng/mL (supra-thérapeutique)

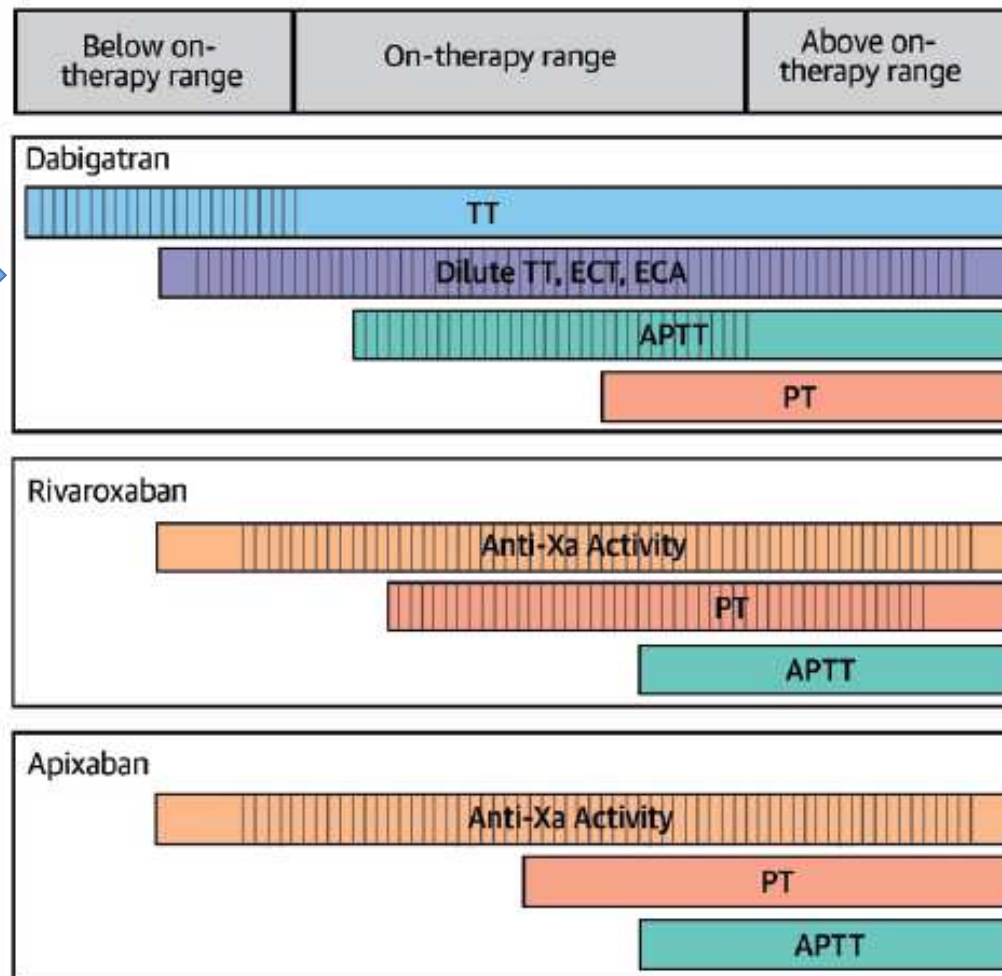


- Diminution de la dose à **15mg/ jour**

CG* < 49ml/min → rivaroxaban 15mg/jour

Coagulation tests and NOACs

Adaptations of the specific assays should be performed for the low concentration range (perioperative management)

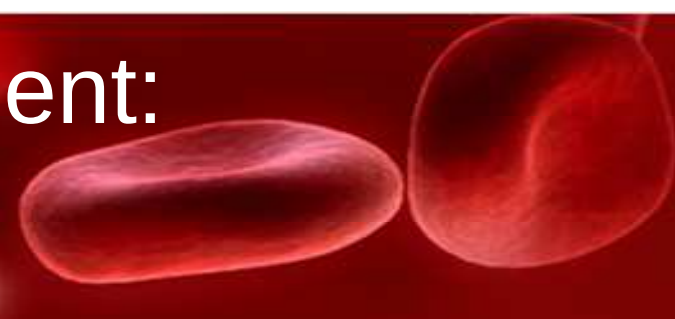


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Preoperative assessment: Anemia and NOACs



Anemia predicted (RE-LY):

- bleeding complications (2x increase for critical area or organ, 2.5x increase for GI bleeding)
- temporary and permanent discontinuation of the RE-LY study medication
- hospitalizations for new malignancies
- thromboembolic events (stroke, CV hospit, all cause mortality)

➔ close monitoring, rather than dose adjusting or discontinuation of AC.

Association was stronger for younger patients VS older patients.

Preop assessment (in CHU UCL Namur)

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- Is my patient at risk of being in supratherapeutic levels?
 - Age, body weight
 - Renal function (Creat Cl Cockcroft-Gault), liver function
 - Co-medications
 - Right dose for the patient (Off label)?
 - Anemia present?
 - If yes: preoperative dosage (which NOAC, indication and doses, timing of last intake...)
-

Timing of discontinuation

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Periods of interruption before surgery/invasive procedures depend on:

- Stratification of the bleeding risk of the procedure
- Renal function

The timing of NOACs discontinuation remains a permanent balance between bleeding and TE risk

Surgery/procedure and bleeding risks



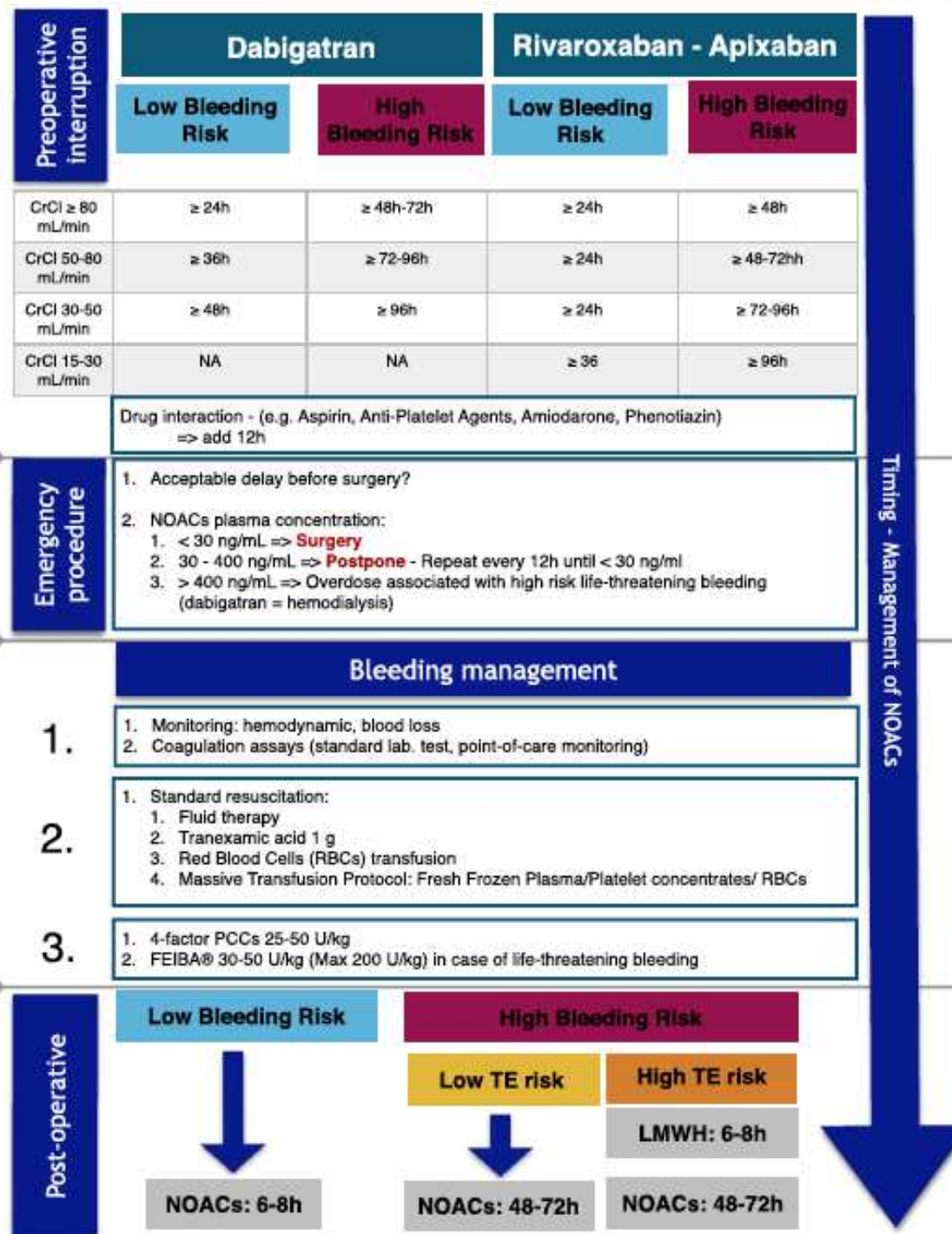
1. Interventions not requiring discontinuation of anticoagulation (i.e. dental, ophthalmology, and superficial surgeries)

2. Intervention with low bleeding risk (i.e. prostate or bladder biopsy, angiography, pacemaker implementation);

➔ **stop NOACs 24 hours**

3. Intervention with high bleeding risk (spinal or epidural anesthesia, lumbar diagnostic puncture, cardiothoracic surgery, abdominal surgery, major orthopedic surgery, liver biopsy, transurethral prostate resection, and kidney biopsy);

➔ **stop at least 48h to 96 hours**

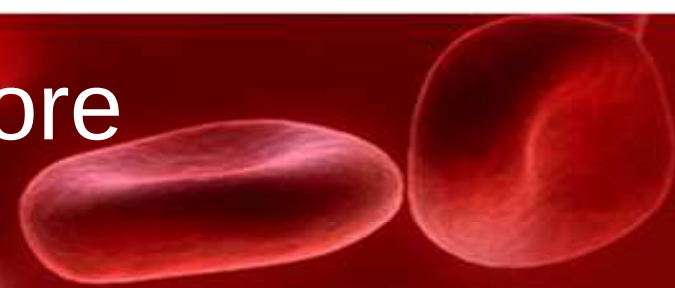




Bridging or not?

- Increase in major bleeding without decrease of thrombotic events in patients group bridged with heparins during the perioperative interruption of oral anticoagulants
- Recent updated guidelines recommend to bridge only patient at high risk of thrombo-embolic events, especially as these were under-represented in clinical trials analysing the benefit or harm of bridging therapies (e.g. the BRIDGE clinical trial).
- Using a protocol, best way to keep risk of bleeding and TE low vs individual physician preferences and experiences

Recommendations before invasive procedures



- Expert Opinions (the “threshold” at which the haemorrhagic risk of patients on NOACs would be comparable to untreated ones is unknown)
- `The Working Group on Perioperative Haemostasis (GIHP) :
 - 30 ng/ml = threshold for safe haemostasis
=12.5% of mean peak concentration at steady state
(SmPc: 175 ng/ml))
= 3 half lifes
- EMA: dabigatran concentration ≤ 48 ng/mL is equivalent to elimination of at least 75% of dabigatran and should be reached before invasive intervention.

Urgent surgery and DABIGATRAN (PRADAXA®)

[Dabigatran] ≤ 30 ng/ml

- Operate

30 ng/ml < [Dabigatran] ≤ 200 ng/ml

- Wait up to 12 h* and obtain new dosage** or (if time is not compatible with emergency)
- Operate, if abnormal bleeding : antagonise the anticoagulant effect***

200 ng/ml < [Dabigatran] ≤ 400 ng/ml

- Wait up to 12 h* and obtain new dosage** or (if time is not compatible with emergency)
- Maximum delay surgery
- Discuss haemodialysis, especially if CrCl < 50 ml/min
- Operate, if abnormal bleeding : antagonise ***

[Dabigatran] > 400 ng/ml

- Overdose – Major haemorrhagic risk
- Discuss haemodialysis before surgery

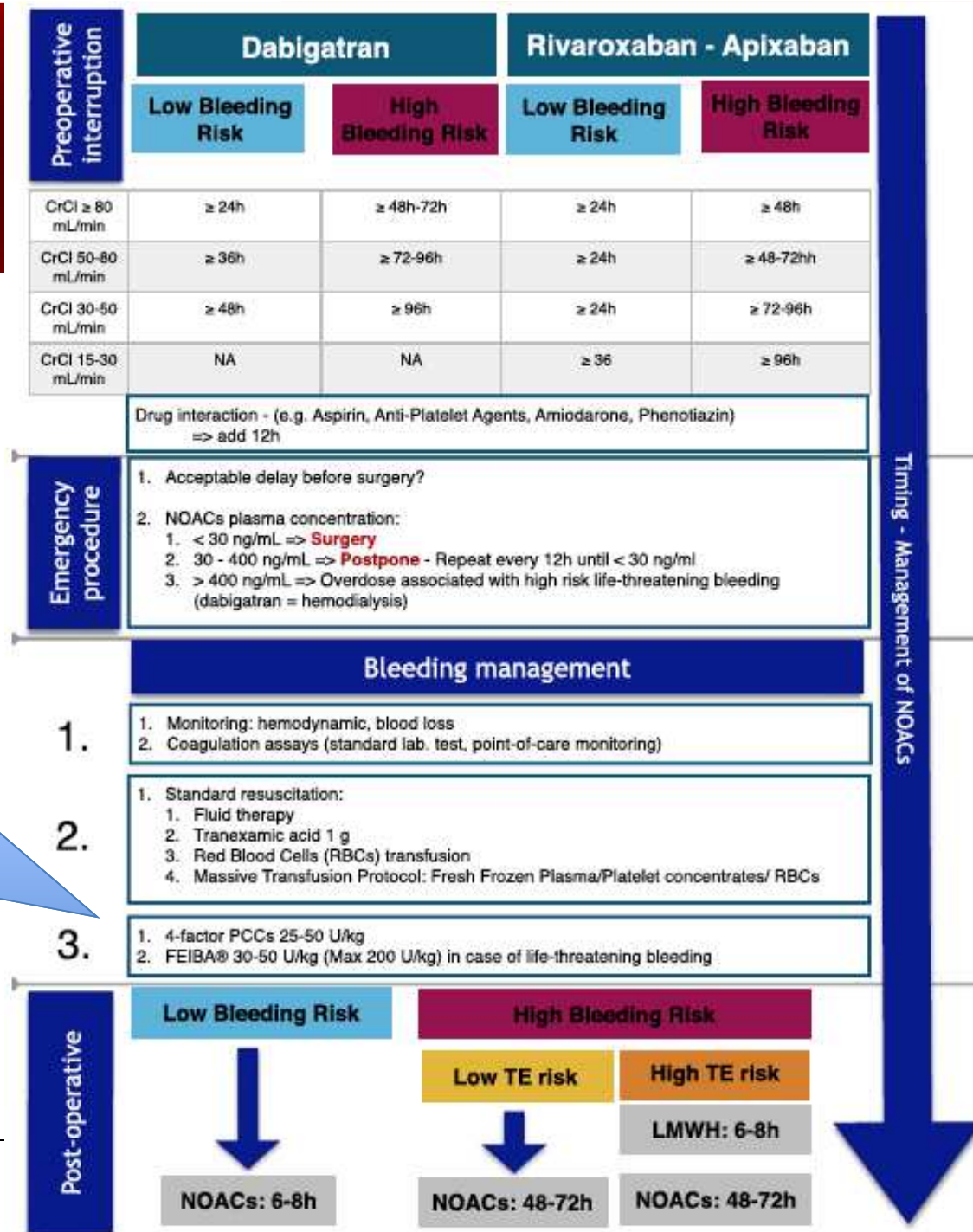
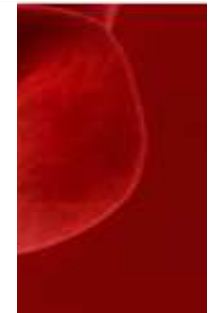
In case of renal insufficiency, half-life of dabigatran is clearly increased

* It is not possible to accurately determine the time to reach a threshold of 30 ng/ml, so the sentence "until 12h"

** This second assay can be used to estimate the time required to obtain the threshold of 30 ng/ml

*** This proposal applies primarily to emergency situations where you cannot wait :

- PCC 25-50 UI/kg or FEIBA=30-50 UI/Kg depending on the availability
- No data are available on the thrombotic risk of high doses of PCC or FEIBA in these patients
- Reversal by CCP or FEIBA does not fully correct the abnormalities of haemostasis tests
- rFVIIa is not considered first-line



4. Idarucizumab
5 g for dabigatran
life-treatening
bleeding (à suivre,
pas encore
remboursé)

Antidotes: Current status

Antidote	Data available for	Ex vivo	Animal	Phase 1 & 2 trials*	Phase 3	References	ClinicalTrials.gov numbers
andexanet alpha, PRT064445	apixaban	+	+	+#	+	21,25,27,29#	NCT02207725 NCT02220725 NCT02329327
	betrixaban	+	+	+	+	21,25	
	rivaroxaban	+	+	+	+	21,23,24,26	
	edoxaban	n.d.	n.d.	+	+	27	
		+	+	n.d.	+	21	
		+	+	+	+	21,25	
idarucizumab	dabigatran	+	+	+	+	32–39	NCT02028780 NCT02104947
modified thrombin (γT -S195A-IIa)	dabigatran	+	+	n.d.	n.d.	22	
aripazine (PER977)	apixaban	+	+	n.d.	n.d.	48,49,50,51	NCT02206100 NCT02205905 NCT01826266 NCT02207257 NCT02206087
	rivaroxaban	+	+	n.d.	n.d.	23,48,50,51	
	edoxaban	+	+	+	n.d.	49,50,51,52	
	enoxaparin	+	+	n.d.	n.d.	49,50	
	dabigatran	+	+	n.d.	n.d.	48,51	
	heparin	n.d.	n.d.	planned	n.d.	n.d.	

Autorisé depuis le 12/2015, pas encore remboursé en Belgique

*as these antidotes are all tested in volunteers in whom real bleeding studies are not possible, the differentiation between phase 1 and 2 studies is difficult. # this trial is named phase 3 trial but it enrolls elderly volunteers and measures surrogate markers and not the efficacy of the antidote in patients with acute bleeding or acute invasive interventions. n.d.: no data available; planned: study does not recruit patients; +: completed or ongoing studies.

Resuming NOACs

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- Delay the first doses of prophylactic anticoagulation until after major surgery is effective and safe
- Results of phase III trials VTE prophylaxis with NOACs → acceptable efficacy and safety can be achieved when appropriate first dose of anticoagulant is given at least 6 hours after surgery.

Resuming NOACs

- Full dose anticoagulation:
 - risk of postop bleeding > the risk of TE event → full dose anticoagulation might be resumed 48 or 72 hours after the procedure.
- If immobilization and increased risk of TE event
 - → thromboprophylaxis using LMWH or UFH should be started within 6 to 8 h post op
 - → therapeutic anticoagulation with NOACs should be delayed for 48 to 72 hours.
- Following major orthopedic surgery: use prophylactic doses of NOACs until the patient can resume full dose of NOAC.

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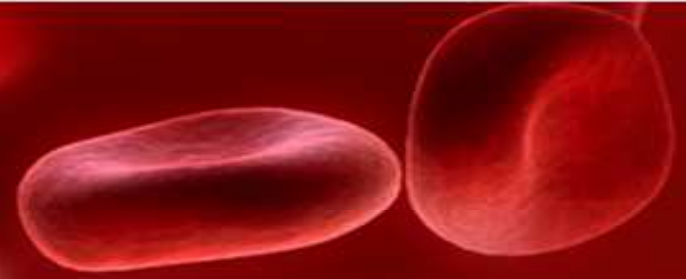
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CONCLUSIONS (1/2)



- Un pas en avant dans la gestion de l'anticoagulation
 - Importance de connaître et comprendre la pharmacocinétique
 - Importance de vérifier les interactions médicamenteuses et les populations spéciales (poids, âge, fonction rénale (Cockcroft))
 - Le patient doit adhérer à son traitement
 - Une mesure de la concentration en anticoagulant peut être utile dans certaines situations cliniques (TT et tests spécifiques)
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CONCLUSIONS (2/2)



- La gestion périopératoire de ces anticoagulants est complexe et reste débattue
 - L'intérêt du bridging est actuellement remis en cause (SAUF pour les populations à haut risque thrombotique)
 - Les antidotes arrivent mais coût élevé, conditions de remboursement très strictes et attention aux effets secondaires
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Conclusions



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Updated European Heart Rhythm Association Practical Guide on the use of non-vitamin K antagonist anticoagulants in patients with non-valvular atrial fibrillation

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Table 3 Checklist during follow-up contacts of AF patients on anticoagulation^a

	Interval	Comments
1. Adherence	Each visit	Instruct patient to bring NOAC card and remaining medication: make note and assess average adherence Re-educate on importance of strict intake schedule Inform about adherence aids (special boxes, smartphone applications, etc.)
2. Thromboembolism	Each visit	Systemic circulation (TIA, stroke, and peripheral) Pulmonary circulation
3. Bleeding	Each visit	'Nuisance' bleeding: preventive measures possible? (PPI, haemorrhoidectomy, etc.). Motivate patient to diligently continue anticoagulation Bleeding with impact on quality of life or with risk: prevention possible? Need for revision of anticoagulation indication or dose?
4. Other side effects	Each visit	Carefully assess relation with NOAC: decide for continuation (and motivate), temporary cessation (with bridging), or change of anticoagulant drug
5. Co-medications	Each visit	Prescription drugs; over-the-counter drugs, especially aspirin and NSAID (see 'Drug–drug interactions and pharmacokinetics of non-vitamin K antagonist anticoagulants' section) Careful interval history: also temporary use can be risky!
6. Blood sampling	Yearly 6-monthly x-monthly On indication	Haemoglobin, renal and liver function ≥75–80 years (especially if on dabigatran or edoxaban), or frail ^b If renal function ≤60 mL/min: recheck interval = CrCl/10 If intercurrent condition that may impact renal or hepatic function

TIA, transient ischaemic attack; PPI, proton pump inhibitor; CrCl, creatinine clearance (preferably measured by the Cockcroft method).

^aFor frequency of visits: see Figure 2.

^bFrailty is defined as three or more criteria of unintentional weight loss, self-reported exhaustion, weakness assessed by handgrip test, slow walking speed, or low physical activity.³⁴

On online frailty calculator can be found at <http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2318/10/57> under Additional Files.

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Pr Peter Verhamme, Center for Molecular and Vascular Biology, Department of Cardiovascular Sciences, KU Leuven

20h00-20h30 **Table ronde animée par le Pr Philippe Hainaut, Cliniques Universitaires Saint-Luc, UCL Bruxelles**

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