Appendix 3: Type of hemorrhagic and thromboembolic events included in each study and the criteria required for each event (part 1 of 5)

No. of Study patients **Event characteristics** Muscular Other **Hemorrhagic events** Gastrointestinal Intracranial Urogenital Ocular Retroperitoneal hematoma Articular hemorrhages Hutten¹ 1 303 Hemoglobin Confirmed by Hemoglobin Confirmed by Hemoglobin objective diagnostic reduction of 2 g/dL reduction of 2 g/dL obiective reduction of 2 a/dL diagnostic tests† or more, transor more, transtests† or more, transfusion required or fusion required or fusion required or discontinuation of discontinuation or discontinuation or anticoagulant anticoagulant anticoagulant required required required Yasaka² 203 Admission to Admission to Admission to Admission to hospital required hospital required hospital required hospital required or transfusion or transfusion or transfusion or transfusion required required required required **EAFT**³ Admission to Admission to hospi-Admission to hospi-214 Admission to hospihospital and tal and transfusion tal and transfusion tal and transfusion transfusion rerequired, or required, or required, or quired, or permapermanent permanent permanent nent disability due disability due to disability due to disability due to to hemorrhagic hemorrhagic event hemorrhagic event hemorrhagic event event Chimowitz⁴ Admission to hos-289 Admission to hos-Confirmed by Admission to hos-Admission to hos-Admission to hospital, transfusion or pital, transfusion pital, transfusion pital, transfusion objective pital, transfusion or or surgery diagnostic tests† surgery required surgery required or surgery required or surgery required required Andersen⁵* 204 Torn⁶ Admission to 356 Admission to Confirmed by Admission to hospital required objective hospital required hospital required diagnostic tests† Cheung⁷ 555 Transfusion Transfusion required required ESPRIT⁸ 536 Confirmed by Admission to hospital required objective diagnostic tests†

Appendix 3: Type of hemorrhagic and thromboembolic events included in each study and the criteria required for each event (part 2 of 5)

Study	No. of patients				Event cha	aracteristics			
Poli ⁹	903	Surgery or trans- fusion required or hemoglobin reduc- tion of 2 g/dL or more	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†		Blindness due to hemorrhagic event	Surgery or trans- fusion required or hemoglobin reduc- tion of 2 g/dL or more		Surgery or trans- fusion required or hemoglobin reduc- tion of 2 g/dL or more	Surgery or trans- fusion required or hemoglobin reduction of 2 g/dL or more
Tangelder ¹⁰	1 326	Admission to hospital required	Admission to hospital required	Admission to hospital required					Admission to hospital required
Kearon ¹¹	738	Admission to hos- pital or trans- fusion required				Admission to hos- pital or trans- fusion required	Admission to hos- pital or trans- fusion required		Admission to hos- pital or trans- fusion required
Casais ¹²	811	Admission to hos- pital and trans- fusion required	Admission to hos- pital and trans- fusion required		Blindness due to hemorrhagic event		Admission to hos- pital and trans- fusion required		Admission to hos- pital and trans- fusion required
Palareti ¹³	2 745	Surgery or trans- fusion required, or hemoglobin reduc- tion of 2 g/dL or more	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	Surgery or trans- fusion required, or hemoglobin reduc- tion of 2 g/dL or more	Blindness due to hemorrhagic event	Surgery or trans- fusion required, or hemoglobin reduction of 2 g/dL or more	Surgery or trans- fusion required, or hemoglobin reduction of 2 g/dL or more	Surgery or trans- fusion required, or hemoglobin reduc- tion of 2 g/dL or more	Surgery or trans- fusion required, or hemoglobin reduc- tion of 2 g/dL or more
Van Walraven ¹⁴	10 020	Admission to hospital required	Admission to hospital required	Admission to hospital required		Admission to hospital required			
Azar ¹⁵	1 700	Admission to hospital required	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†				Admission to hospital required		Admission to hospital required
Hylek ¹⁶	13 559		Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†						
Oden ¹⁷	42 451								Fatal events only
Thromboembolic ever	nts	Ischemic stroke	Myocardial infarction	Transient ischemic attack	Deep vein thrombosis	Pulmonary embolism	Systemic embolism	Recurrent venous thromboembolism	Thromboses of prosthetic valve
Rosove ¹⁸	55	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†			
Hutten ¹	1 303							Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	

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Study	No. of patients				Event characteristics	
Yasaka ²	203	NIH stroke scale scores used to assess events		NIH stroke scale scores used to assess events		NIH stroke scale scores used to assess events
EAFT ³	214	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	History of chest discomfort, specific cardiac enzyme levels more than twice the upper limit of normal or development of Q waves on a standard 12-lead ECG‡			Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†
Chimowitz⁴	289	Focal neurologic deficit of sudden onset that lasted at least 24 h and confirmed by ob- jective diagnostic tests				
Andersen⁵*	204					
Torn ⁶	356	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	History of chest discomfort, specific cardiac enzyme levels more than twice the upper limit of normal or development of Q waves on a standard 12-lead ECG‡			Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†
Cheung ⁷	555	Not reported				Vascular insufficiency of limbs or internal organs

Appendix 3: Type of hemorrhagic and thromboembolic events included in each study and the criteria required for each event (part 4 of 5)

Study	No. of patients			Event cha	racteristics			
ESPRIT [®]	536	Focal neurologic deficit of sudden onset that lasted at least 24 h, confirmed by objective diagnostic tests and increase in handicap of at least 1 grade on the modified Rankin scale	History of chest discomfort, specific cardiac enzyme levels more than twice the upper limit of normal or development of Q waves on a standard 12-lead ECG‡					
Poli ⁹	903	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported		Not reported
Tangelder ¹⁰	1 326	Focal neurologic deficit of sudden onset that lasted at least 24 h and increase in handi- cap of at least 1 grade on the modified Rankin scale	History of chest discomfort, specific cardiac enzyme levels more than twice the upper limit of normal or development of Q waves on a standard 12-lead ECG‡					
Kearon ¹¹	738						Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	
Palareti ¹⁹	2 745	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported			Not reported
Van Walraven ¹⁴	10 020	Admission to hospital required	Admission to hospital required	Admission to hospital required	Admission to hospital required	Admission to hospital required		
Azar ¹⁵	1 700	Confirmed by objective diagnostic tests†	History of chest discomfort, specific cardiac enzyme levels more than twice the upper limit of normal or development of Q waves on a standard 12-lead ECG‡			Not reported		

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Study	No. of patients		Event characteristics	
Hylek¹ ⁶	13 559	Focal neurologic deficit of sudden onset that lasted at least 24 h		

Note: EAFT = European Atrial Fibrillation Trial Study Group, ECG = electrocardiogram, ESPRIT = European and Australian Stroke Prevention in Reversible Iscaemia Trial, NIH = National Institutes of Health.

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^{*}Andersen et al. did not report the type of events included or the criteria required for each type of event.

[†]Diagnostic tests include computed tomography scans, magnetic resonance imaging, angiography, surgery and autopsy.

[‡]Two of the 3 criteria must be met.