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Outpatients versus inpatient
treatment with acute pulmonary
embolism: *an international,
open-label,
randomized,
non-inferiority trial*

Aujesky D Lancet 2011;578:41-48

Methods

Study design and participants

- 19 emergency departments
- Adults (>18 years of age)
- Acute, symptomatic and objectively verified pulmonary embolism
 - *Low risk of death (PE severity index risk classes I or II)*

	Points assigned
Age	+1 per year
Male sex	+10
Cancer*	+30
Heart failure	+10
Chronic lung disease	+10
Pulse ≥ 110 beats per min	+20
Systolic blood pressure < 100 mm Hg	+30
Respiratory rate ≥ 30 breaths per min	+20
Temperature $< 36^{\circ}\text{C}$	+20
Altered mental status†	
Arterial oxygen saturation $< 90\%$ ‡	

Score of < 66 is risk class I
 66-85 risk class II
 86-105 risk class III
 106-125 risk class IV
 > 125 risk class V

Methods

Study design and participants

- 19 emergency departments
- Adults
- Acute pulmonary embolism
– Low risk of bleeding (ASA classes I or II)
- Computer-generated randomization sequence in 1:1 ratio to initial outpatient
– Discharged from hospital 24h after randomization

Enoxaparin/VCA

ified

1557 patients assessed for eligibility

1087 excluded

787 did not meet inclusion criteria

774 were at high risk (PE severity index classes III-V)

7 had no objectively confirmed PE

6 were aged <18 years

300 had one or more exclusion criteria

98 had PE diagnosis >23 h before screening

64 had barriers to adherence or follow-up

43 had chest pain necessitating parenteral opioids

42 could not consent

38 were hypoxaemic

29 had active bleeding or a high risk of bleeding

10 had therapeutic oral anticoagulation

8 had a systolic blood pressure <100 mm Hg

7 were pregnant

5 had severe renal failure

4 were previously enrolled in the trial

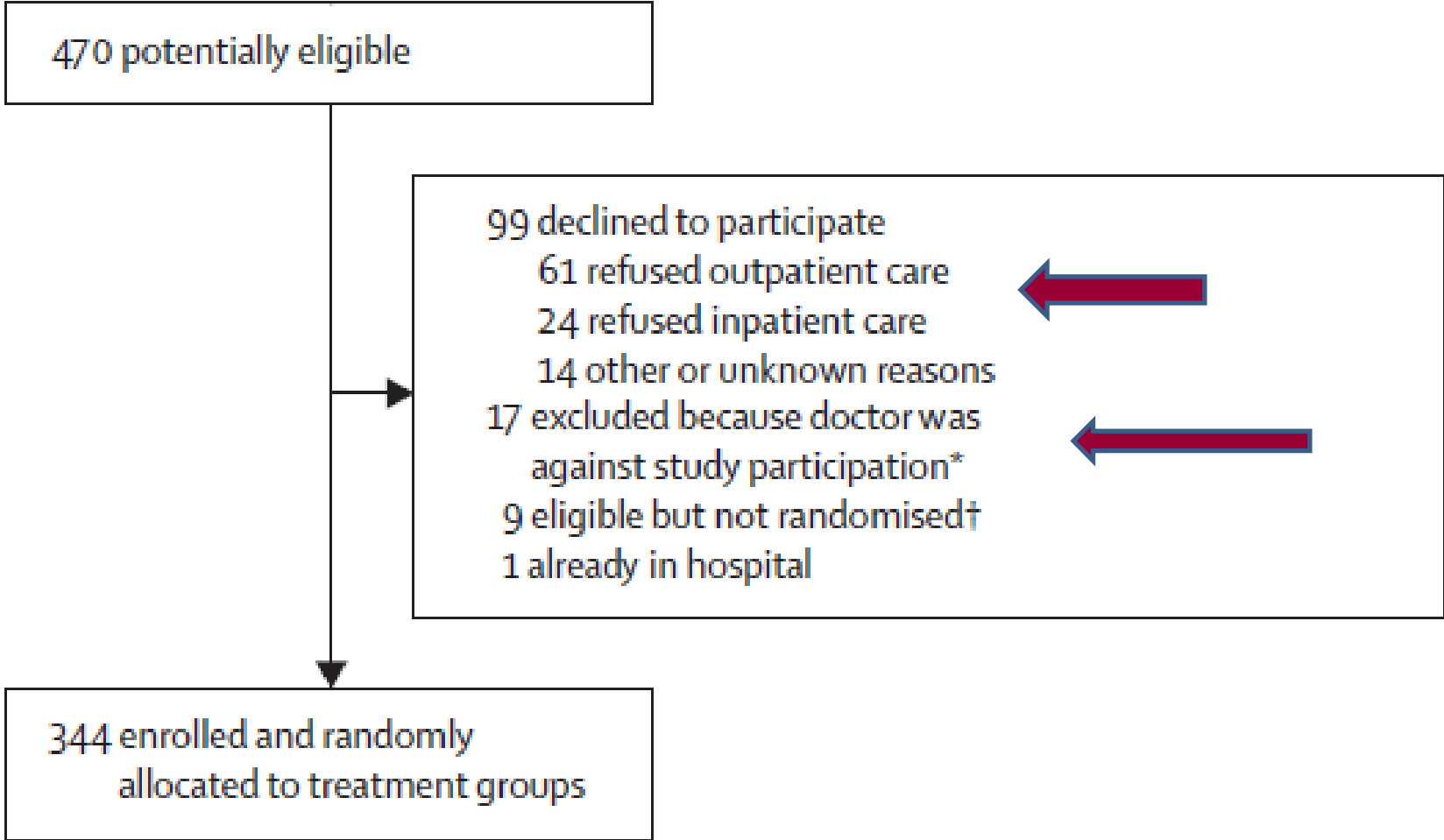
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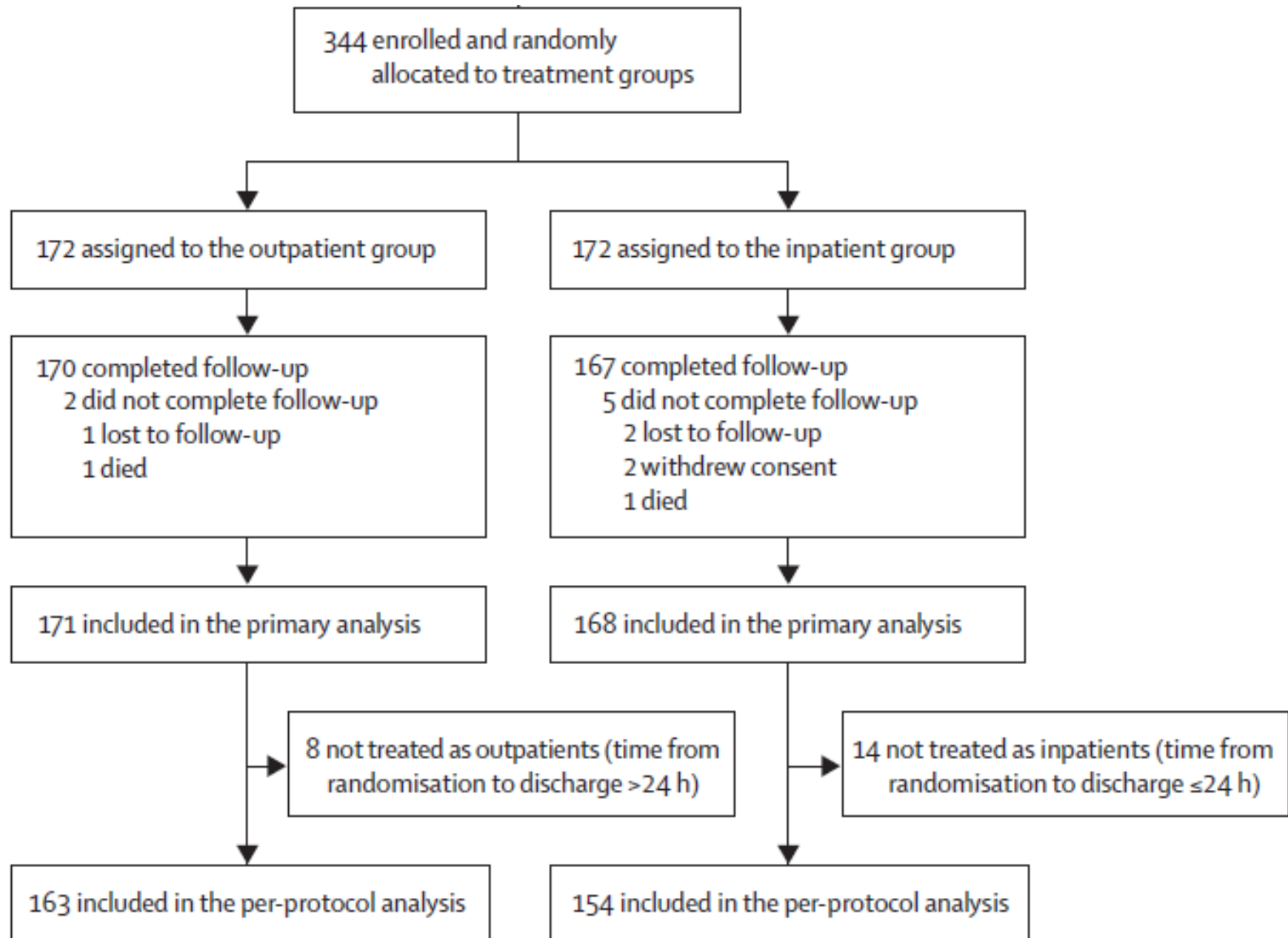
**Exclusion
criteria**

470 potentially eligible

99 declined to participate
61 refused outpatient care ←
24 refused inpatient care ←
14 other or unknown reasons ←
17 excluded because doctor was
against study participation* ←
9 eligible but not randomised†
1 already in hospital

344 enrolled and randomly
allocated to treatment groups





- The primary outcome was:
 - *symptomatic, recurrent venous thromboembolism within 90 days*
- Secondary clinical outcome:
 - *Safety outcome*
 - Including major bleeding within 14 or 90 days
 - *Mortality within 90 days*

Baseline characteristics

	Outpatient group (n=171)	Inpatient group (n=168)
Age (years)	47 (16)	49 (15)
Male sex	84 (49%)	85 (51%)
Race*		
White	129 (75%)	124 (74%)
Black	6 (4%)	6 (4%)
Asian	0	1 (1%)
Unknown	36 (21%)	37 (22%)
Body-mass index (kg/m ²)	26.1 (5.0)	26.8 (4.9)
Diagnostic method for index PE		
Spiral computed tomography	152 (89%)	150 (89%)
High-probability lung scanning	13 (8%)	9 (5%)
Pulmonary angiography	0	1 (1%)
Positive test for proximal deep vein thrombosis†	6 (4%)	8 (5%)

Baseline characteristics

	Outpatient group	Inpatient group
Localisation of PE‡		
Central	24 (14%)	16 (10%)
Lobar	60 (35%)	66 (39%)
Segmental	110 (64%)	100 (60%)
Subsegmental	52 (30%)	44 (26%)
Unspecified	29 (17%)	26 (15%)

Baseline characteristics

Outpatient group

Inpatient group

Clinical findings

New or worsening dyspnoea

129 (75%)

126 (75%)

Acute chest pain

121 (71%)

121 (72%)

Haemoptysis

12 (7%)

13 (8%)

Syncope

3 (2%)

5 (3%)

Symptoms of deep vein thrombosis††

51 (30%)

53 (32%)

Systolic blood pressure (mm Hg)

136 (18)

138 (18)

Heart rate (beats per min)

86 (14)

85 (15)

Respiratory rate (breaths per min)

19 (4)

19 (4)

Body temperature (°C)

36.9 (0.6)

36.9 (0.6)

Arterial oxygen saturation (%)‡‡

96 (2)

96 (2)

Results

Effectiveness and safety outcomes

Primary analysis outcomes within 90 days†

Recurrent VTE	1 (0.6%)‡	0	0.6%
Major bleeding	3 (1.8%)	0	1.8%
Intramuscular	2 (1.2%)	0	1.2%
Menometrorrhagia	1 (0.6%)	0	0.6%
Overall mortality	1 (0.6%)§	1 (0.6%)¶	0%

Primary analysis outcomes within 14 days†

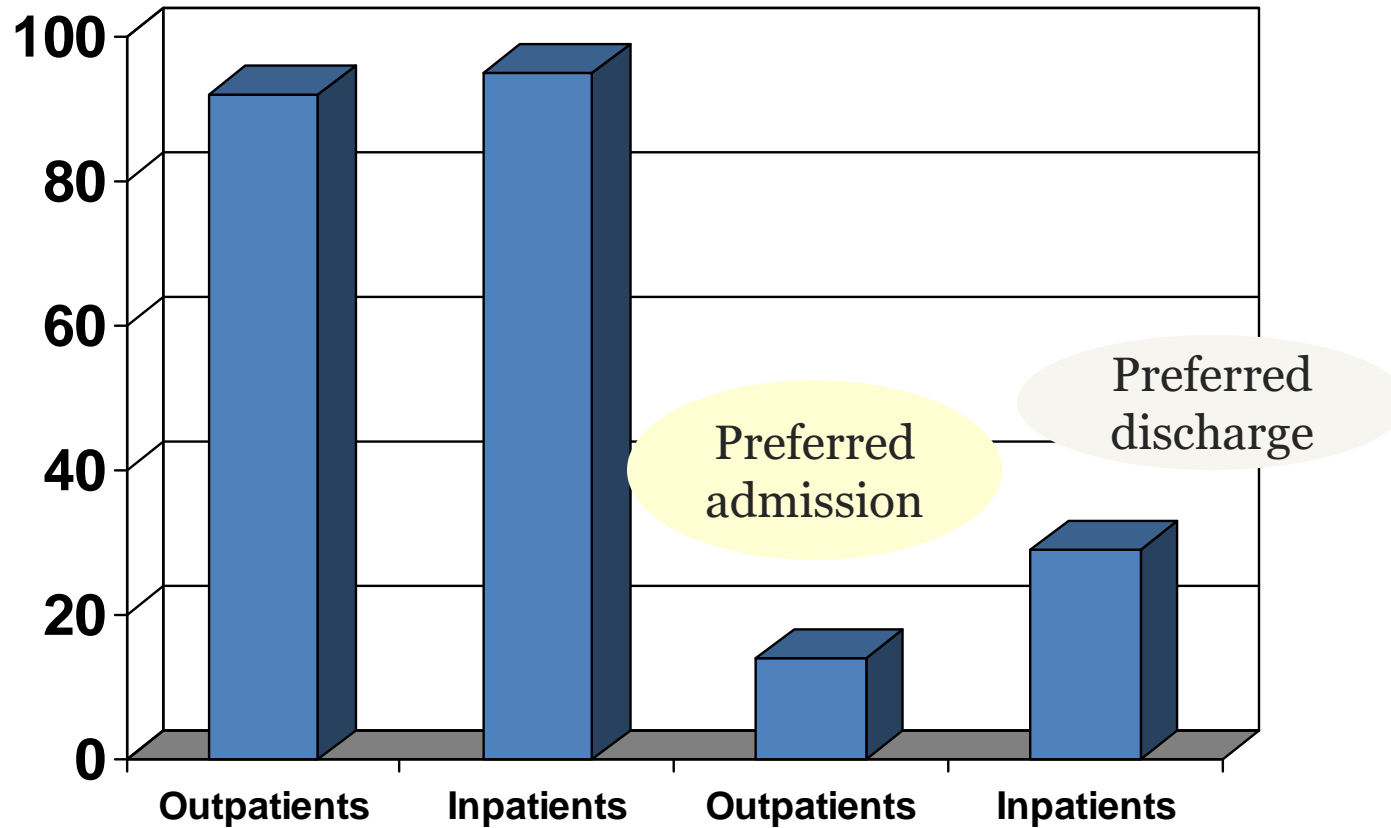
Recurrent VTE	0	0	0%
Major bleeding	2 (1.2%)	0	1.2%
Intramuscular	2 (1.2%)	0	1.2%
Menometrorrhagia	0	0	0%
Overall mortality	0	0	0%

Medical resources used by treatment group

	Outpatient group (n=171)	Inpatient group (n=168)	p value
Length of initial hospital stay (days)*	0.5 (1.0)	3.9 (3.1)	N/A
Treated entirely in the outpatient setting†	163 (95%)	14 (8%)	<0.0001
Hospital readmissions within 90 days			
All	18	23	0.60
Potentially venous thromboembolism-related‡	11	6	0.58
Emergency department visits within 90 days			
All	36	36	0.94
Potentially venous thromboembolism-related‡	27	19	0.51
Visits to a primary-care doctor within 90 days			
All	202	216	0.67
Potentially venous thromboembolism-related‡	112	92	0.58
Home nursing visits for enoxaparin injection within 90 days	348	105	0.53§

Satisfaction

14 days after randomization



Interpretation

- In selected low-risk patient with pulmonary embolism, outpatient care can safely and effectively be used in place of inpatient care

Oral Rivaroxaban
for
Symptomatic
Venous Thromboembolism

The EINSTEIN investigators

N Engl J Med Dec 2010; 363:2499-510

Background

- Acute venous thromboembolism is a common disorder

- DVT or PE

- 1-5% of the population)

- Studies have shown that the percentage of patients with INR in the therapeutic range

57.7% of the time

Above 3.0 for 16.2% of the time

Below 2.0 for 24.4% of the time

- The percentage of patients with INR in the therapeutic range is approximately 25% of the time during treatment

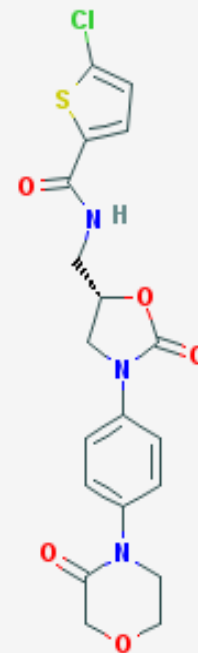
- 5-10% during treatment

• Rivaroxaban:

- Αναστολέας του παράγοντα Χα
- Χορηγείται από το στόμα
- Απλό, καθορισμένης δόσης φάρμακο για τη θεραπεία της εν-τω βάθει θρόμβωσης και την συνέχιση της αγωγής
- Δεν απαιτείται τακτικός εργαστηριακός έλεγχος.

Molecular Weight: 435.88132 [g/mol]

Molecular Formula: $C_{19}H_{18}ClN_3O_5S$



2 studies

- Open label
- Randomized
- Event-driven
- Non-inferiority study
- Double-blind
- Randomized
- Event-driven
- Superiority study

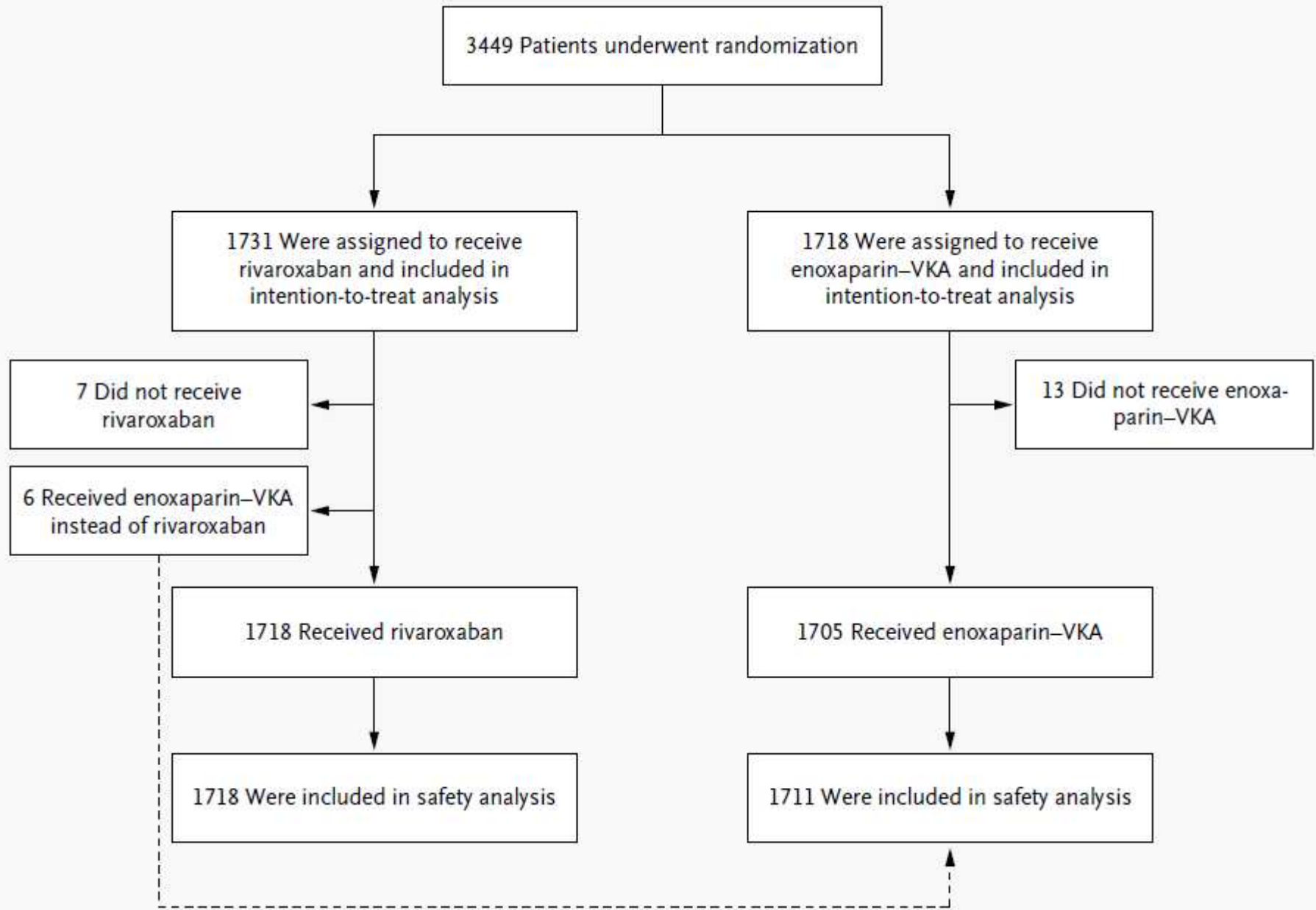
EINSTEIN program

- Three randomized trials of rivaroxaban:
 - One for the treatment of acute deep-vein thrombosis (the Acute DVT Study)
 - One for the treatment of acute pulmonary embolism (the Acute PE Study)
 - One for continued treatment in patients who have receive treatment for acute DVT or PE

Purpose of the study

- Primary efficacy outcome (for both studies)
 - *Recurrent venous thromboembolism*
- Principal safety outcome
 - *Major bleeding or clinically relevant non-major bleeding*
 - Initial-treatment study
 - *Major bleeding*
 - In the continued-treatment study

A Acute DVT Study

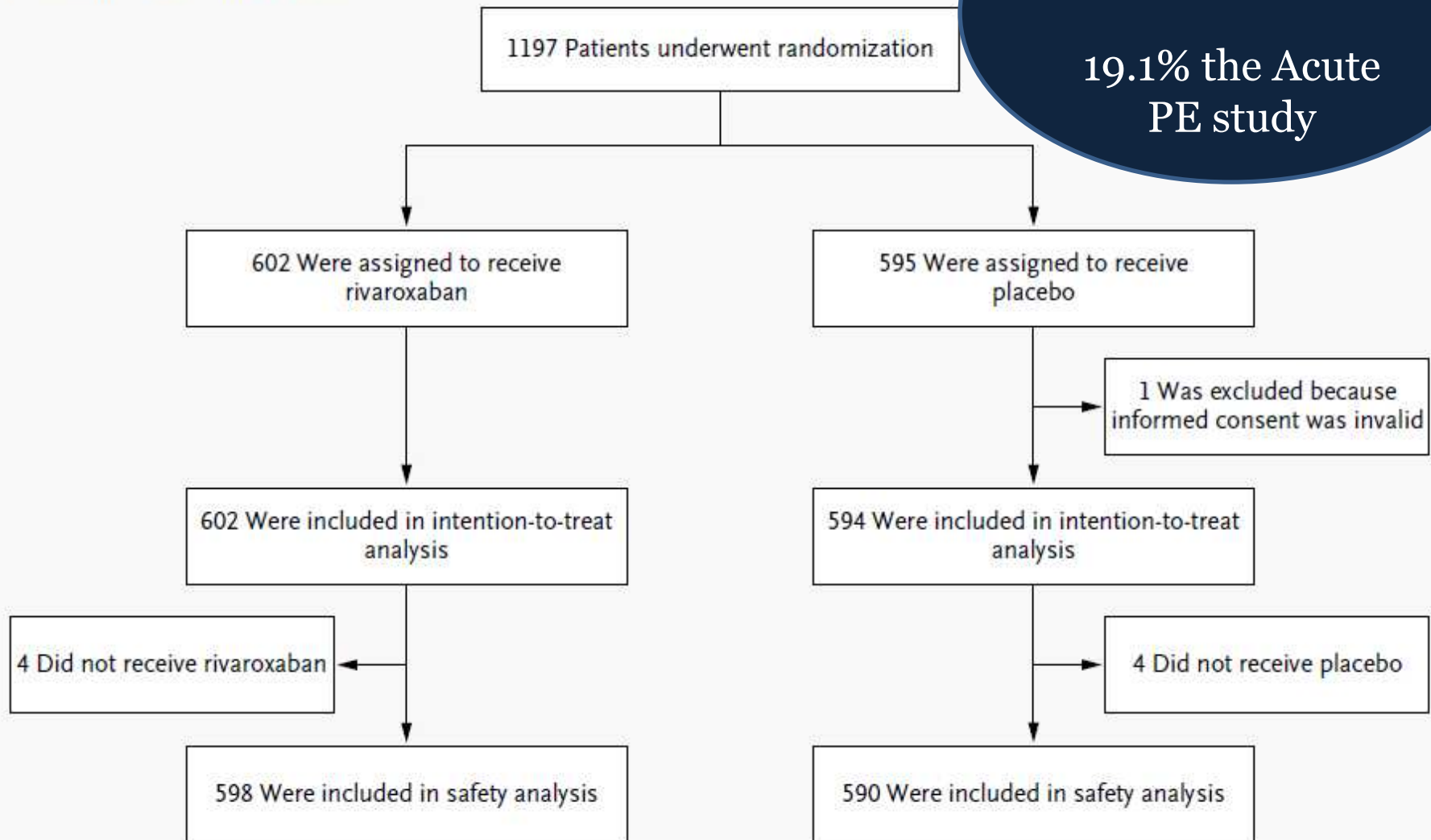


Superiority study

B Continued Treatment Study

34.1% completed
Acute DVT study

19.1% the Acute
PE study



Clinical outcome

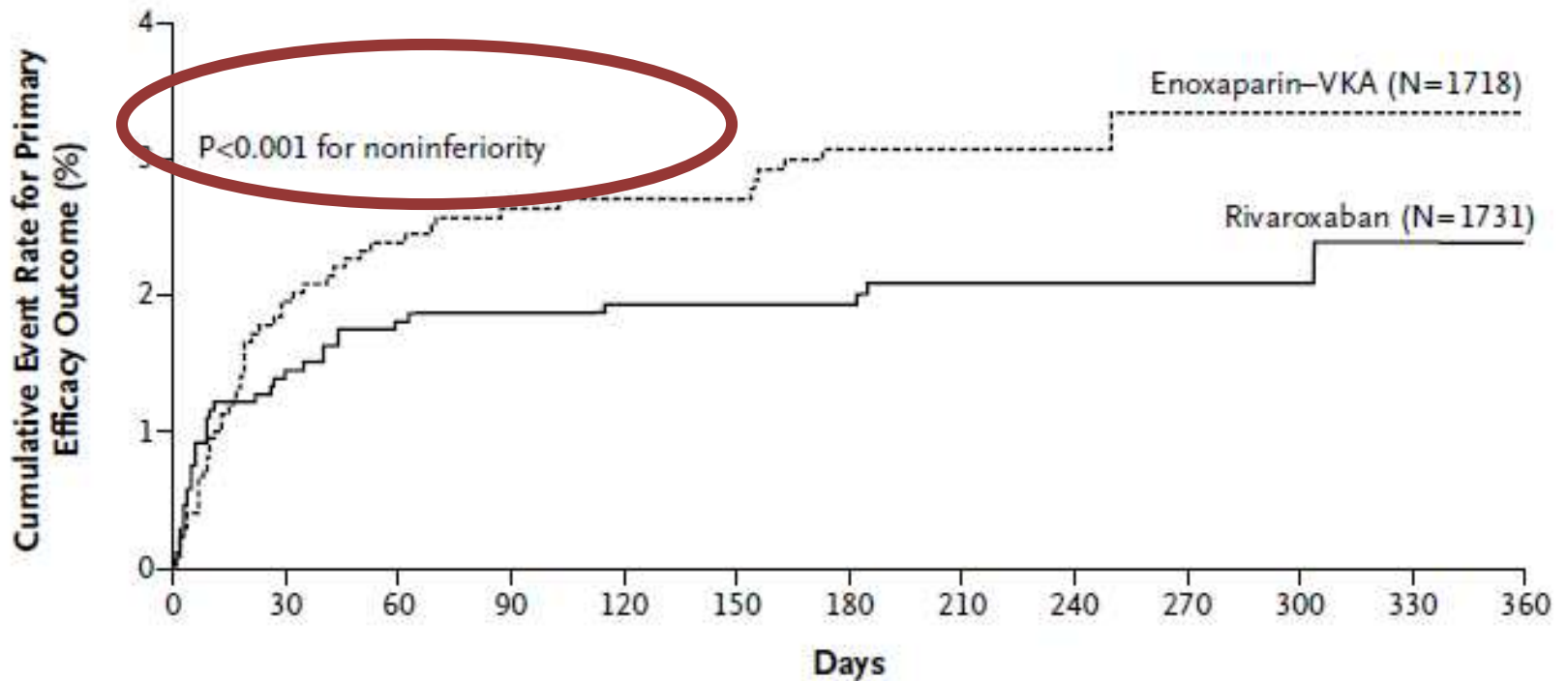
acute DVT study

Outcome	Rivaroxaban	Enoxaparin-VKA	P Value
Safety			
Safety population	1718	1711	
First major or clinically relevant nonmajor bleeding occurring during treatment	139 (8.1)	138 (8.1)	<0.001†
Major bleeding	14 (0.8)	20 (1.2)	
Contributing to death	1 (<0.1)	5 (0.3)	
In a critical site	3 (0.2)	3 (0.2)	
Associated with a fall in hemoglobin of ≥ 2 g per deciliter, transfusion of ≥ 2 units, or both	10 (0.6)	12 (0.7)	
Clinically relevant nonmajor bleeding	126 (7.3)	119 (7.0)	0.03
Total deaths through end of intended treatment period	38 (2.2)	49 (2.9)	

Time course of recurrent acute VT

Kaplan-Maier

Acute DVT Study



No. at Risk

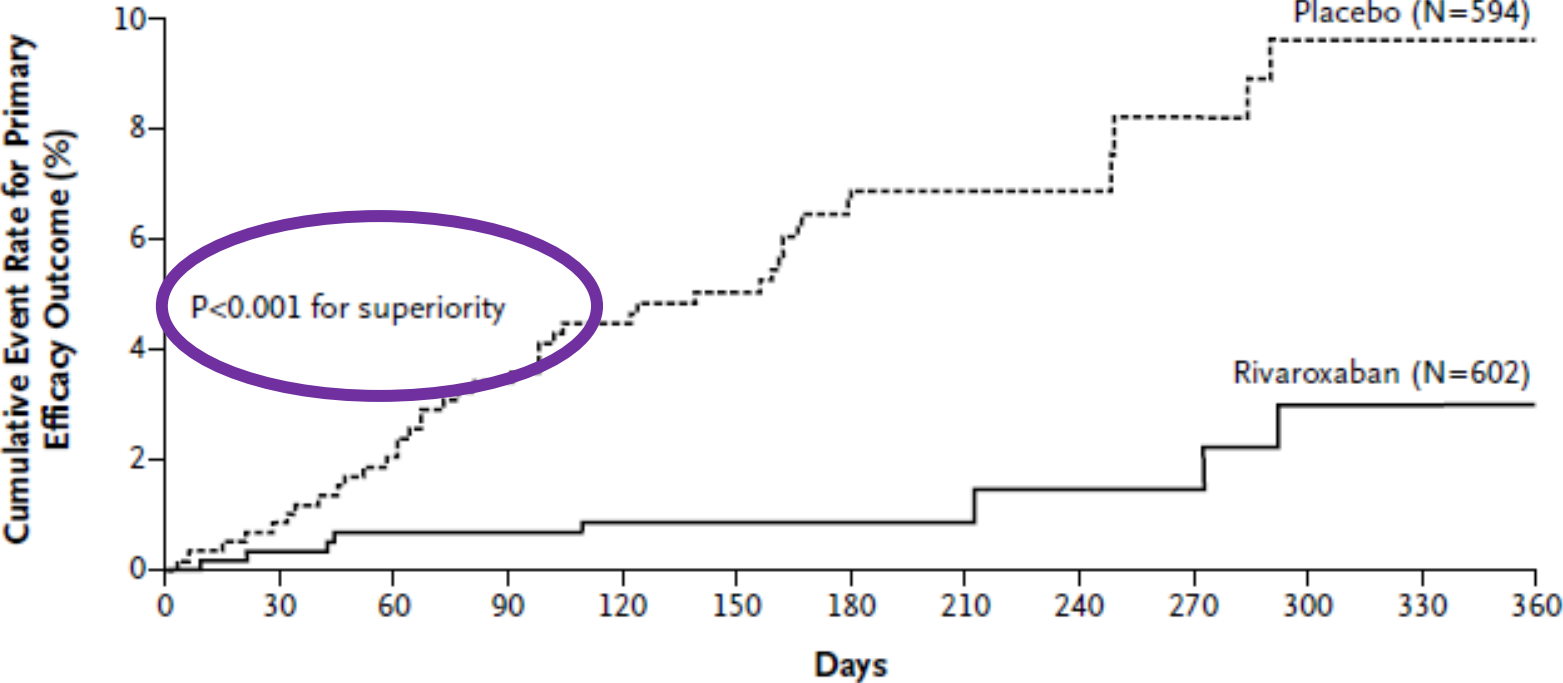
Rivaroxaban	1731	1668	1648	1621	1424	1412	1220	400	369	363	345	309	266
Enoxaparin-VKA	1718	1616	1581	1553	1368	1358	1186	380	362	337	325	297	264

Time course of recurrent acute VT

Kaplan-Maier



Continued Treatment Study

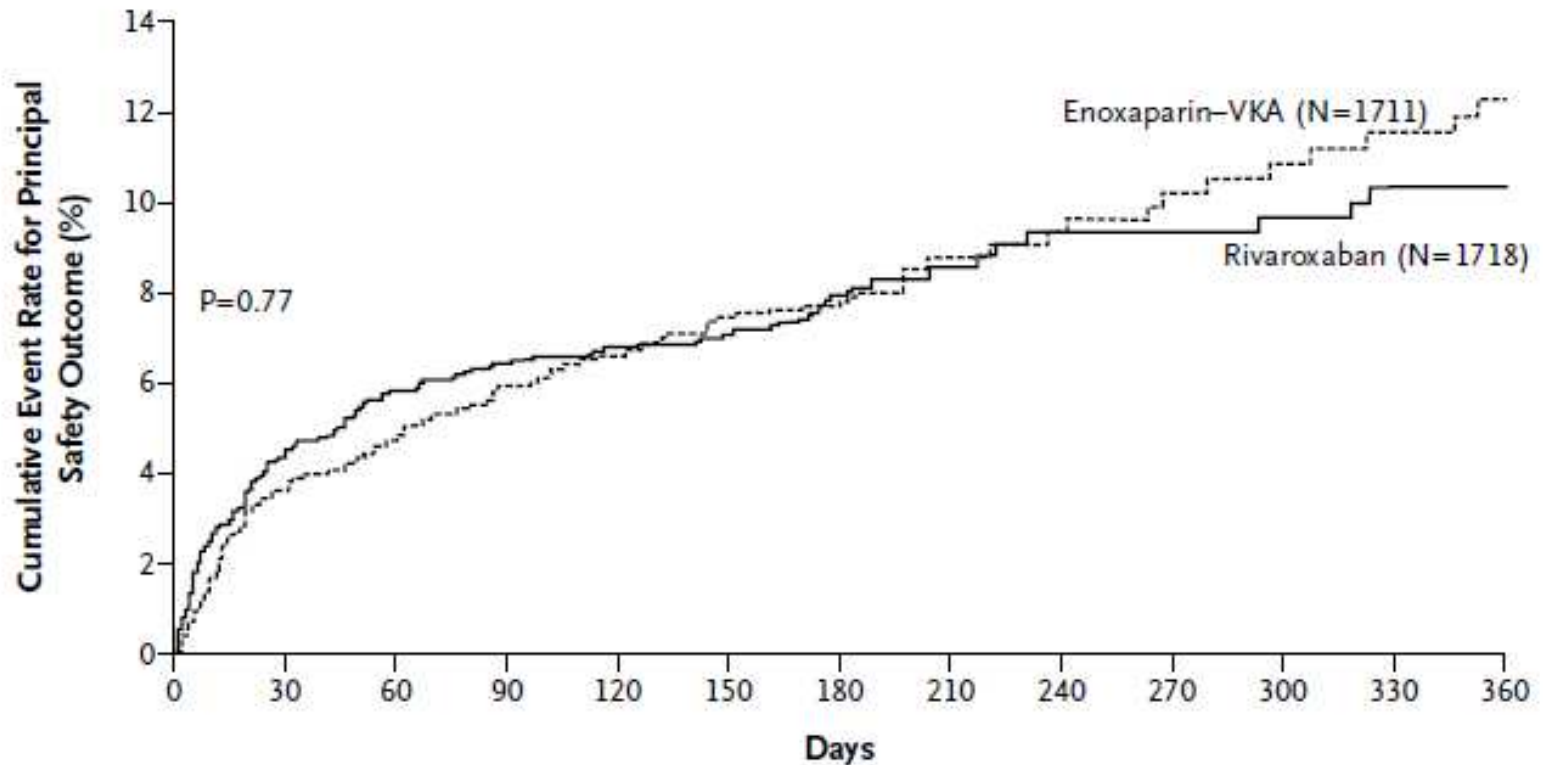


No. at Risk
 Rivaroxaban
 Placebo

	0	30	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	300	330	360
Rivaroxaban	602	590	583	573	552	503	482	171	138	132	114	92	81
Placebo	594	582	570	555	522	468	444	164	138	133	110	93	85

Principal safety outcome

first major or clinically relevant nonmajor bleeding



No. at Risk

Rivaroxaban	1718	1585	1538	1382	1317	1297	715	355	338	304	278	265	140
Enoxaparin-VKA	1711	1554	1503	1340	1263	1238	619	338	321	287	268	249	118

Conclusions

- Rivaroxaban offers a simple, single-drug approach to the short-term and continued treatment of venous thrombosis

that

may improve the benefit-to-risk profile of anticoagulation

Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension (CTEPH)

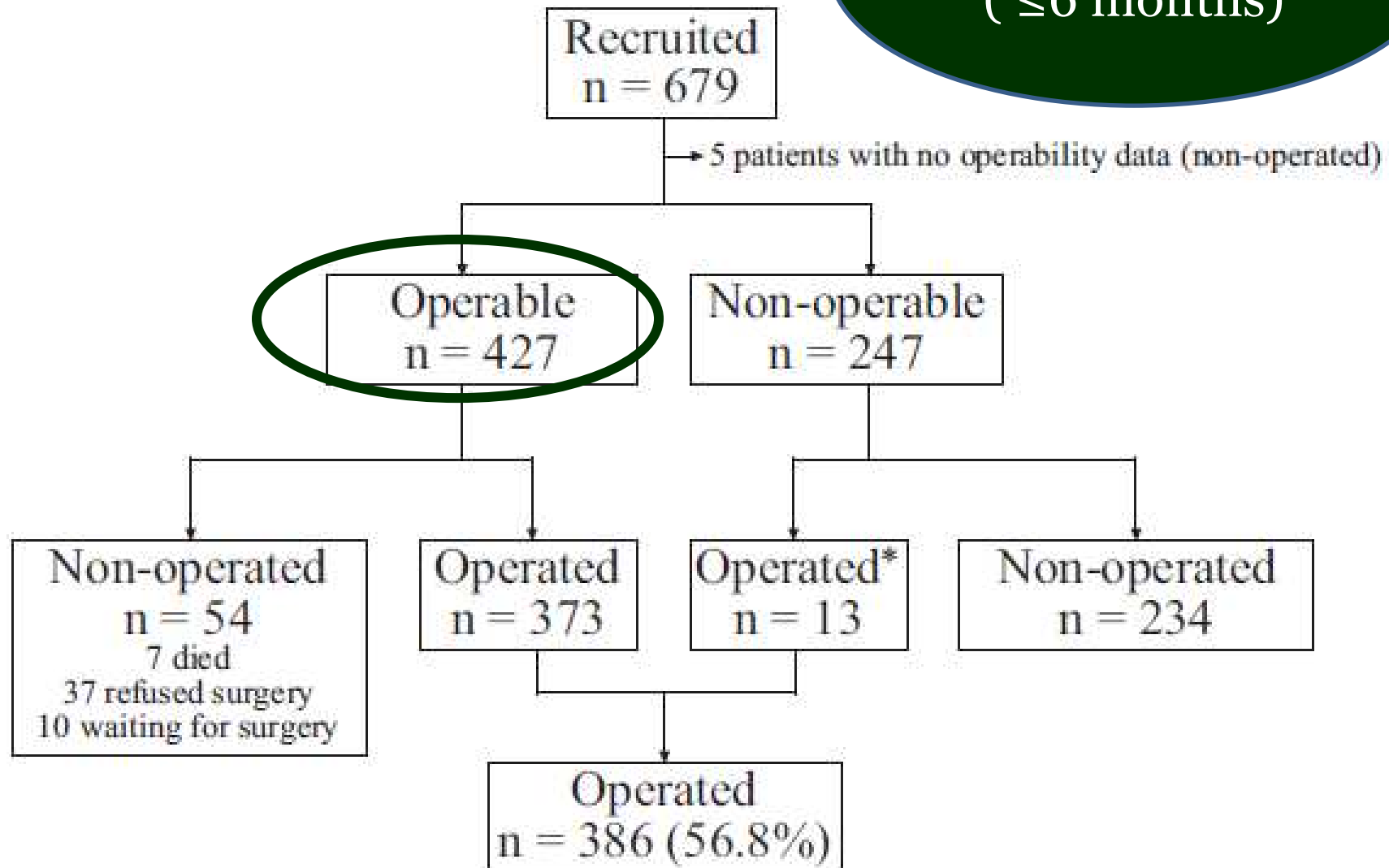
Results from an international
prospective registry

Pepke-Zepa *J Circulation* 2011 Oct 3

Background / purpose

- Chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH) is often a sequel of venous thromboembolism with fatal natural history; however, many cases can be cured by pulmonary endarterectomy.
- The clinical characteristics and current management of patients enrolled in the international CTEPH registry was investigated

Newly diagnosed
(≤6 months)



Patients Characteristics at Diagnosis

	All Patients (n=679)	Operable Patients* (n=427)	Nonoperable Patients* (n=247)
Gender, % male	50.1	53.4	44.5
Ethnicity, % white	95.9	95.3	96.7
Age, y, median [Q1;Q3]	63 [51; 72]	61 [48; 70]	67 [57; 74]
Weight, kg, median [Q1;Q3]	75 [65; 87]	76 [66; 88]	73 [63; 82]
NYHA class, % I/II/III/IV	0.7/17.4/68.6/12.8	0.5/19.2/67.7/12.6	1.2/15.8/70.4/12.6
6MWD, m, median [Q1; Q3] (n)	329 [245; 427] (589)	340 [250; 435] (373)	315 [223; 400] (214)
Blood group non-O, % (n)	76.0 (366)	79.5 (249)	68.4 (117)

Patients History of Venous Thrombo- embolism

	All Patients (n=679)	Operable Patients* (n=427)	Nonoperable Patients* (n=247)	<i>P</i> (Exploratory)
Confirmed previous acute PE, % (n)	74.8 (678)	77.5 (427)	70.0 (247)	0.0344
PE diagnosed more than once, % (n)	32.8 (469)	35.0 (303)	28.8 (163)	0.2145
Size of previous PE reported as massive, % (n)	40.8 (240)	47.1 (155)	29.4 (85)	0.0090
Confirmed previous DVT, % (n)	56.1 (426)	60.4 (280)	49.0 (143)	0.0295
Acute PE and DVT, % (n)	55.4 (413)	59.3 (270)	48.9 (141)	0.0477
Acute PE no DVT, % (n)	42.6 (413)	39.3 (270)	48.2 (141)	0.0926
Thrombolytic treatment, % (n)	14.4 (404)	18.5 (265)	6.6 (137)	0.0009
Vena cava filter implanted, % (n)	12.4 (491)	13.7 (322)	10.2 (166)	0.3139

Diagnosis Evaluation

	All Patients (n=679)	Operable Patients* (n=427)	Nonoperable Patients* (n=247)
Right heart catheterization			
mPAP†, mm Hg, median [Q1; Q3] (n)	<u>47 [38; 55] (669)</u>	47 [38; 55] (423)	47 [38; 55] (244)
PVR‡, dyn · s · cm ⁻⁵ , median [Q1; Q3] (n)	709 [480; 988] (604)	717 [495; 963] (381)	691 [426; 1051] (221)
Cardiac index, L · min ⁻¹ · m ⁻² median [Q1;Q3] (n)	2.2 [1.8; 2.7] (632)	2.2 [1.8; 2.7] (404)	2.3 [1.8; 2.8] (227)
Scintigraphy, % (n)			
Perfusion scan abnormal	<u>98.7 (535)</u>	99.4 (344)	97.4 (189)
Ventilation scan abnormal	19.0 (484)	17.5 (314)	22.0 (168)
Angiography, % (n)			
Proximal lesions	<u>63.0 (552)</u>	70.9 (358)	48.2 (191)
CT scan, % (n)			
Proximal lesions	60.4 (541)	70.1 (345)	43.0 (193)
Dilation of bronchial arteries	68.4 (345)	75.0 (216)	57.0 (128)
Mosaic perfusion pattern	76.6 (414)	82.4 (261)	67.1 (152)

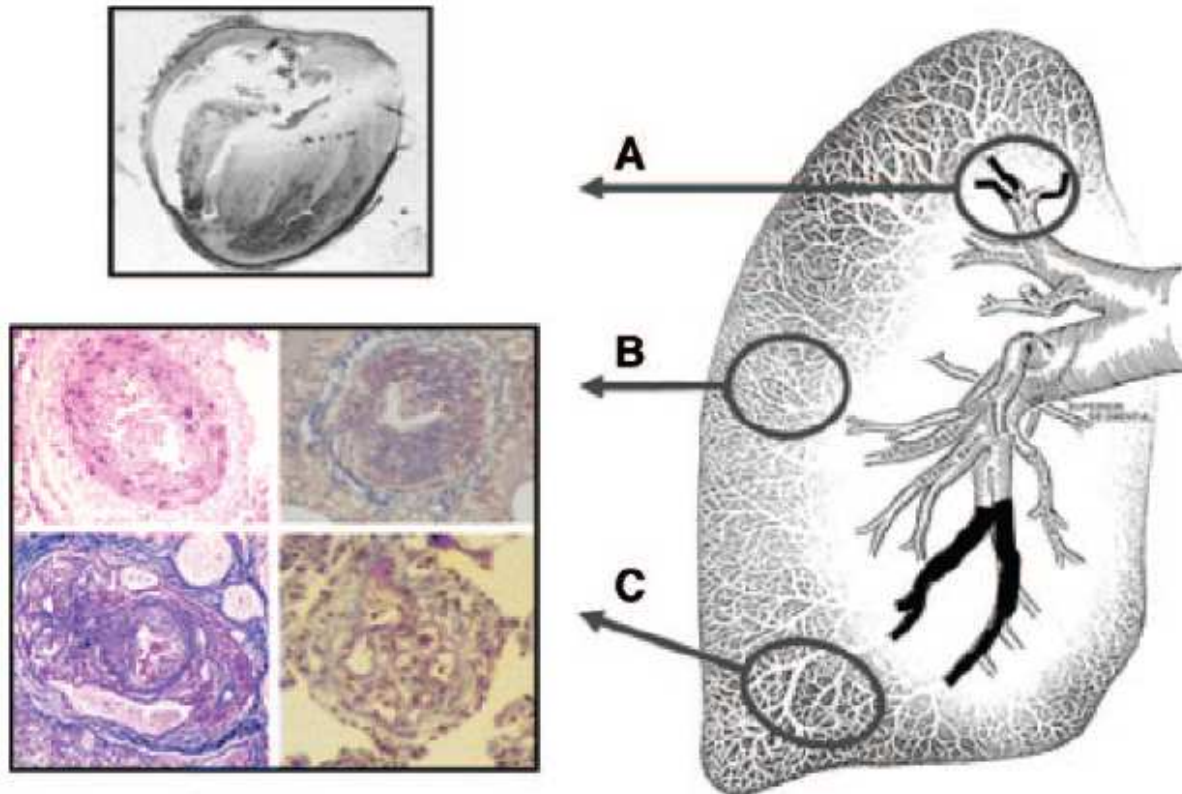
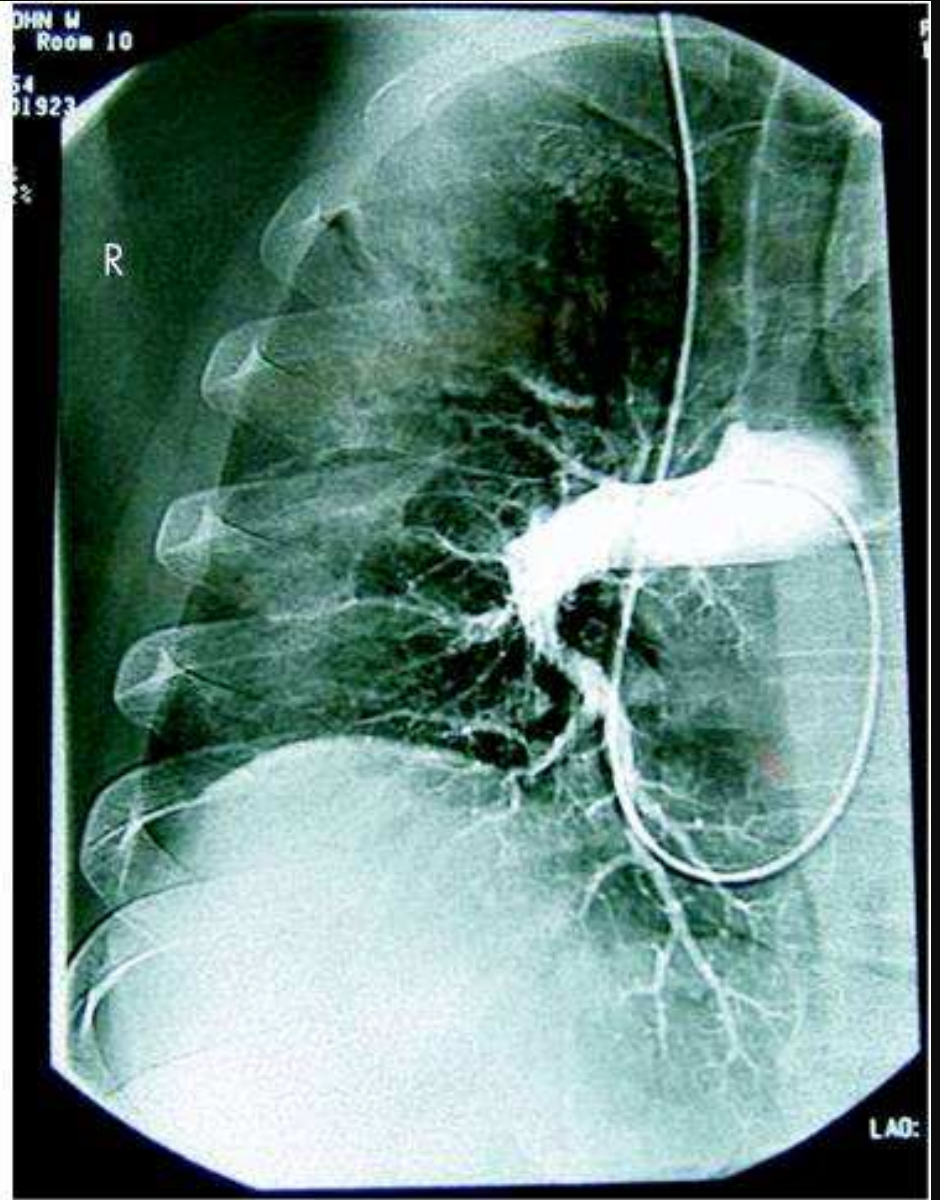
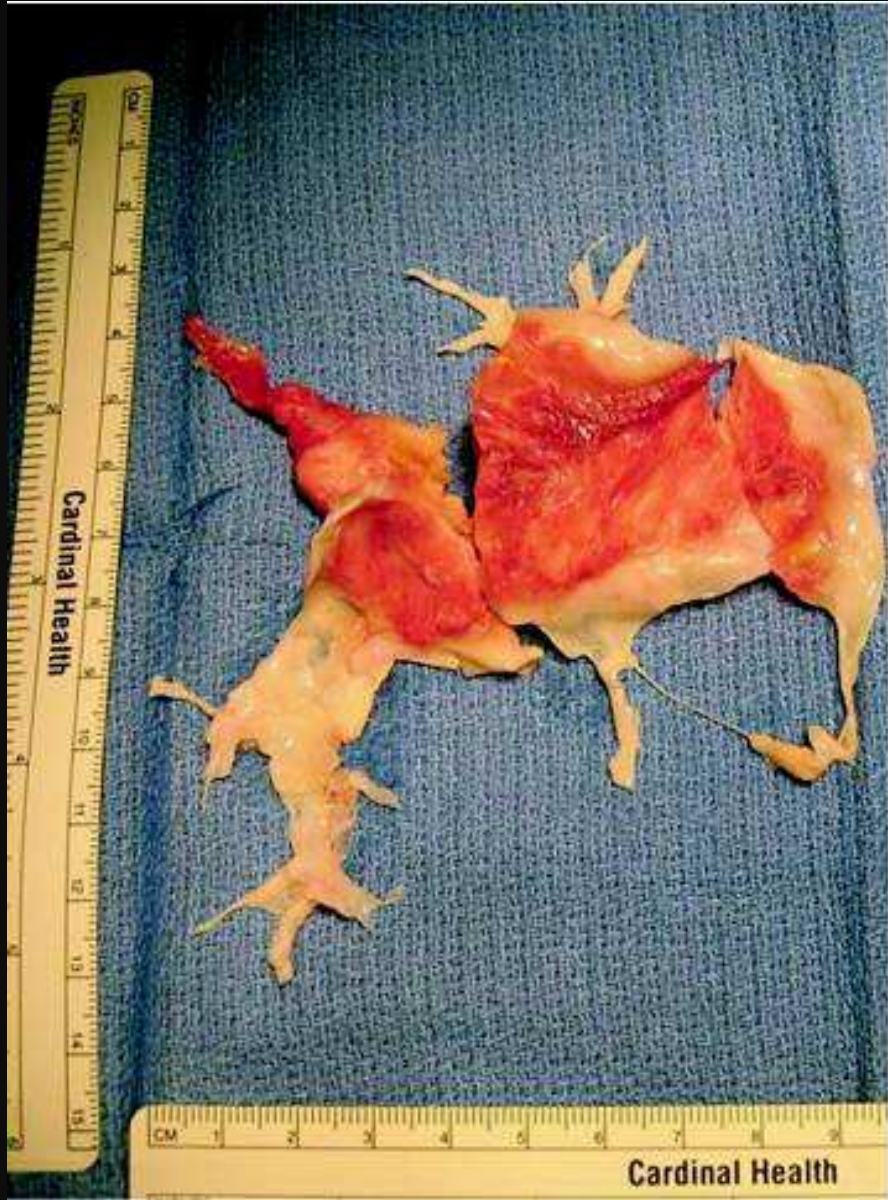


Figure 5. Schematic representation of 3 mechanisms of small-vessel disease in CTEPH. A Obstructions of small, elastic, subsegmental arteries not amenable to surgical treatment. B, Pulmonary arteriopathy in small muscular arteries and arterioles distal to unobstructed elastic vessels (medial thickening, intimal proliferation, and plexiform and colander lesions are shown). C, Pulmonary arteriopathy in small muscular arteries and arterioles distal to obstructed large elastic vessels (virtually identical changes to those in B). Reprinted from Galie et al,⁷¹ with permission from the American Thoracic Society. Copyright 2006, American Thoracic Society.





Targeted Therapy Initiated at Diagnosis

	All Patients (n=679)	Operable Patients* (n=427)	Nonoperable Patients* (n=247)
PAH-targeted therapy, % (n)	37.9 (676)	28.3 (427)	53.8 (247)
Phosphodiesterase type V inhibitor, %	17.5	16.2	19.4
Endothelin receptor antagonist, %	21.7	12.2	37.7
Prostacyclin analogue, %	2.7	1.6	4.5
Combination therapies, %	4.0	1.6	7.7

Conclusion

- Despite similarities in clinical presentation, operable and nonoperable CTEPH patients may have distinct associated medical conditions
- Operability rates vary considerably across countries