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Ongoing Trials from Asan Medical Center

# EPIC-CAD Trial: Long-Term Antithrombotic Strategy in AF Patients with Stable CAD

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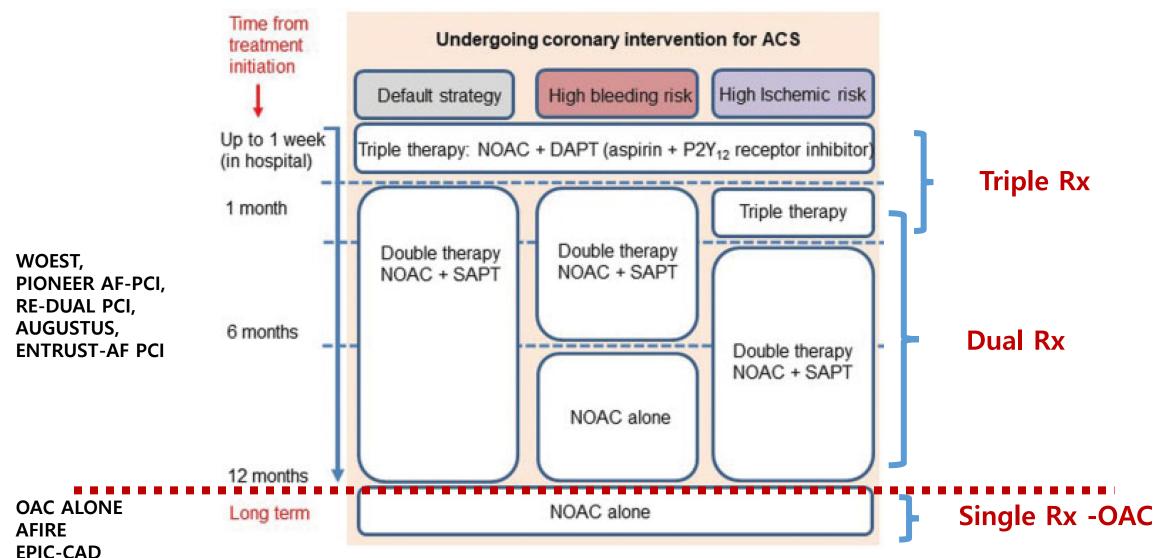
## **Disclosure**

Investigator initiated trial

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## Management of patients requiring OAC undergoing PCI





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## **EPIC-CAD** trial

the Edoxaban versus Edoxaban with AntiPlatelet Agent in Patients with Atrial Fibrillation and Chronic Stable Coronary Artery Disease

#### Aims:

To determine whether edoxaban monotherapy (vs. dual edoxaban+SAPT) can reduce the net adverse clinical events compared to combination therapy in AF patients with high thromboembolic risk and stable CAD

#### **Design:**

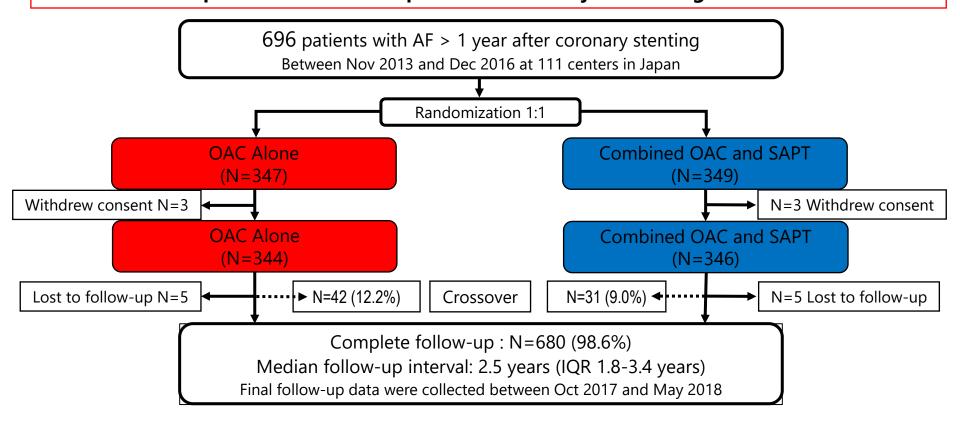
Multicenter, randomized, open-label, superiority trial



## **OAC-ALONE** trial

(Optimizing Antithrombotic Care in Patients With AF and Coronary Stent)

Prospective, multicenter, open-label, noninferiority trial comparing OAC vs OAC+SAPT Prim. End=death, MI, stroke/SE (analyzed for non-inferiority)
Seonc.End=composite of Prim. End point or ISTH major bleeding



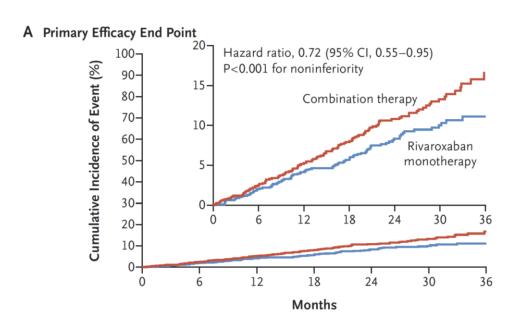
The enrollment was to slow and the study was prematurely terminated before reaching the target population, and the results are inconclusive.

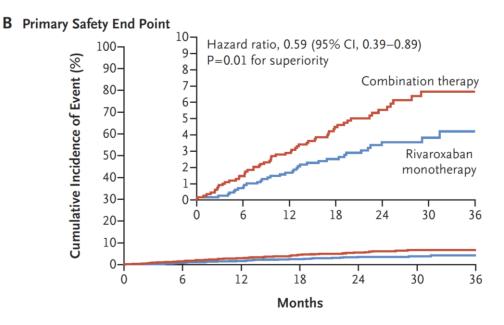


## **AFIRE**

#### Atrial Fibrillation and Ischemic Events with Rivaroxaban in Patients with Stable CAD

Prospective, multicenter, open-label, trial comparing rivaroxaban vs rivarox+SAPT Prim. Efficacy End=any death, MI, stroke/SE (non-inferiority)
Prim. Safety End=ISTH major bleeding (superiority)





#### CONCLUSIONS

As antithrombotic therapy, rivaroxaban monotherapy was noninferior to combination therapy for efficacy and superior for safety in patients with AF and stable CAD.



## Limitations of OAC alone, AFIRE trials

#### **OAC Alone**

- 1. used warfarin (75%) as OAC (DOAC<25%)
- 2. prematurely terminated and the results, inconclusive

#### **AFIRE**

NOAC (Rivaroxaban), but low dose 15/10mg



First to examine the role of "standard" dose NOAC Rx in pts w AF and stable CAD (vs Edox+SAPT) Sample size - A total of 1040 pts were enrolled from 20 sites in Korea Primary outcome: a composite of "net" clinical outcomes (death, stroke/SE, MI, unplanned revascularization, ISTH major bleeding, CRNMB at 1 year Secondary outcomes: individual components of efficacy and safety outcomes.

(Edoxaban versus Edoxaban with antiPlatelet agent In patients with atrial fibrillation and Chronic stable Coronary Artery Disease) **EPIC-CAD** trial Patients with high-risk atrial fibrillation (CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc score ≥2) and stable coronary artery disease\* (Approximately N=1,038) Randomization Edoxaban monotherapy Edoxaban plus single antiplatelet (Approximately N=519) therapy (Approximately N=519) Primary endpoint – net clinical outcomes (a composites of all-cause death, stroke, systemic embolic event, myocardial infarction, unplanned revascularization, and major bleeding or clinically relevant non-major bleeding) at 1 year after randomization



# Study population

>18yrs with both AF and CAD

#### **Key inclusion criteria**

- AF w CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc score ≥2
- stable revascularized CAD (PCI or CABG >6m for stable angina or >1yr for ACS)
- anatomically ≥50% stenosis confirmed by CAG/CTA on OMT not requiring revascularization

#### Key exclusion criteria

- contraindication to OAC, platelet agents
- history of intracranial bleeding
- mechanical valves, moderate to severe mitral stenosis
- significant hepatic or renal insufficiency



# Randomization and treatment group

1:1 ratio to either edoxaban monotherapy or combination therapy Standard dose edoxaban (60mg or 30mg)

Central randomization was conducted using Interactive Web Response System, and stratified by the participating center and revascularization status,

Edoxaban 30mg is used in patients with following dose-reduction criteria:

- (1) body weight  $\leq$  60 kg,
- (2) moderate-to-severe renal impairment (CrCl 30 and 50-mL/min), or
- (3) the concomitant use of P-glycoprotein inhibitors (cyclosporine, dronedarone, erythromycin, or ketoconazole)

The decision on the type of antiplatelet therapy, either asprin or a P2Y12 inhibitors were made according to the physician's discretion.



## **EPIC-CAD** trial

#### Time-line



Protocol Clinicaltrials.com

Study NCT03718559 Submitted Date: June 18, 2020 (v9)



2022.9 Enrollment completed

#### Randomization Edoxaban vs Edoxaban plus single antiplatelet

Single antiplatelet group에서 ASA or Clopidogrel의 선택은 연구자 판단에 따라 결정하시면 됩니다.

#### Visit completion windows & Data Entry

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#### Adverse Event

FU 중 발생하는 Major Adverse Event는 꼭 e-CRF 해당 event에 같이 입력하여 주세요.



2023.9 1-yr follow-up completed

Current rate 99.0%

**1028** 

**Target 1038** 



# **Summary**

- 1. AF and concomitant CAD is common in clinical practice.
- 2. Dual therapy (NOAC+SAPT), shown to better in safety compared to warfarin-based Triple therapy in (sub)acute phase of CAD.
- 3. For pts w stable CAD, NOAC monRx is recommended.
- 4. EPIC-CAD is a multicenter, randomized, open-label, superiority trial to determine whether edoxaban "monotherapy" can reduce the net adverse clinical events compared to "combination therapy" in AF patients with high thromboembolic risk and stable CAD.

