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Venous thromboembolism after stroke: Does race matter?

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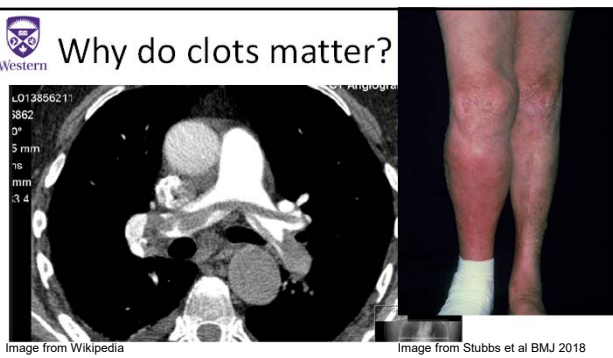


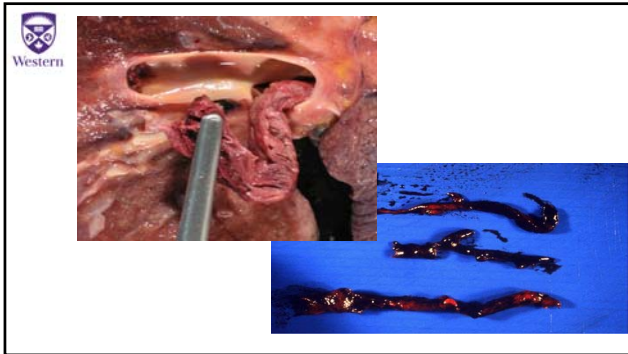
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Why do clots matter?

- Venous thromboembolism
 - Third vascular cause of mortality
 - 200,000 cases per year in Canada
 - 60,000 hospitalizations

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Why do clots matter?

Thrombosis Compendium

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Studies in the US
7% treated unsuccessfully, 34% sudden and fatal, and 59% undetected

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 **Clots are frequent**

- Incidence in Ontario
 - VTE 125 per 100,000 PY (95% CI 123 to 127)
 - DVT 97 per 100,000 PY (95% CI 96 to 99)
 - PE 36 per 100,000 PY (95% CI 35 to 37)

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 **Does race matter?**


- Systematic review
- VTE incidence per 100,000 PY
 - 162 and 439 in Caucasians
 - 143 and 746 in Africans
 - 3.2 and 16.6 in Asians
 - 13.9 and 94 in Hispanics
- Hospital incidence of VTE per 100,000 PY
 - 21 and 131 in Caucasians
 - 22 and 155 in Africans
 - 2 and 26 in Asians
 - 33.1 and 71 in American Indians/Alaskan Indians
 - 9 in Hispanics.

Al-Ani et al. Blood 2015

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 **Yes, race does matter**

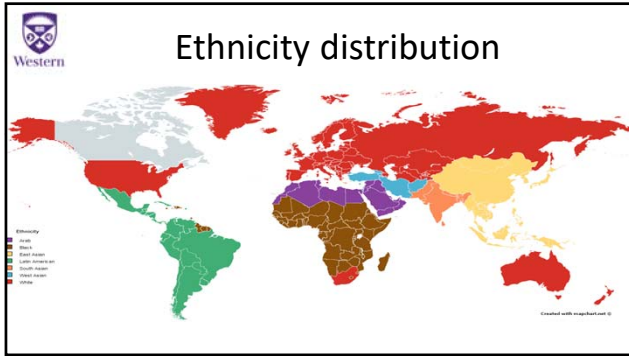
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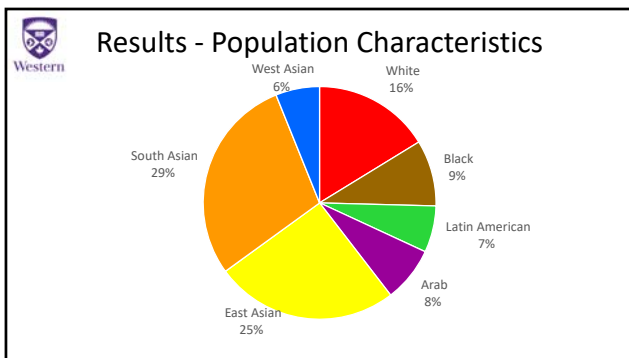
Immigration, region of origin, and the epidemiology of venous thromboembolism: A population-based study

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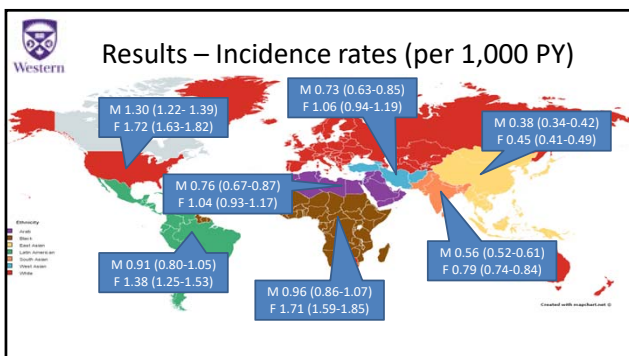
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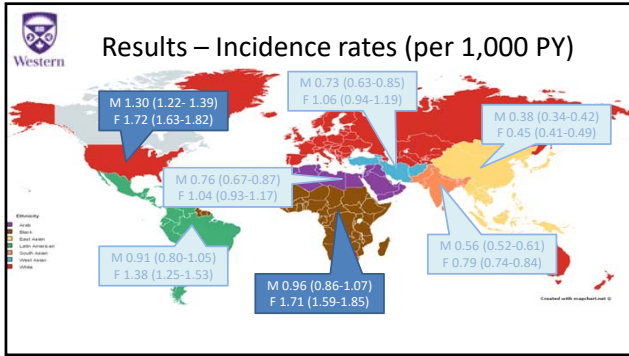
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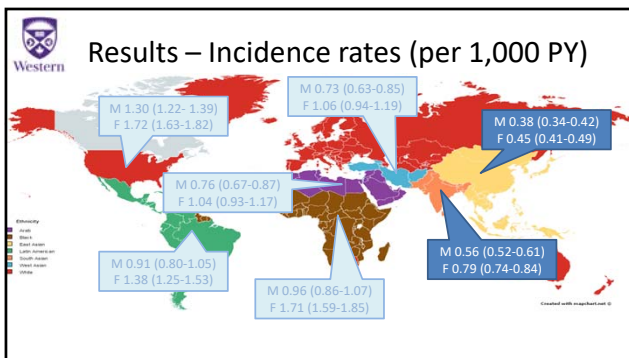
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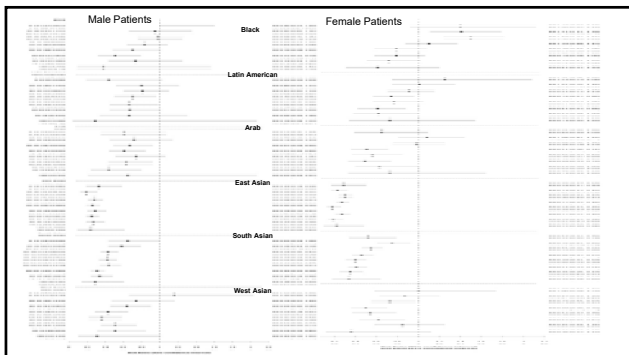
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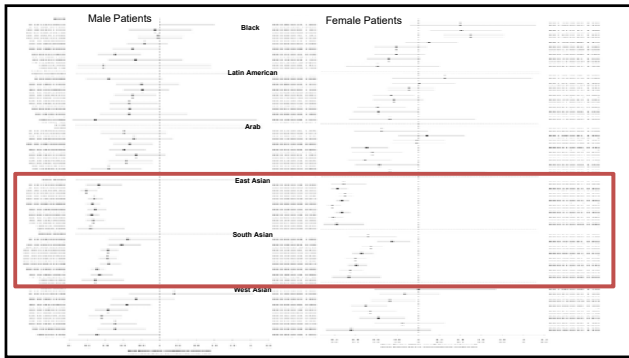
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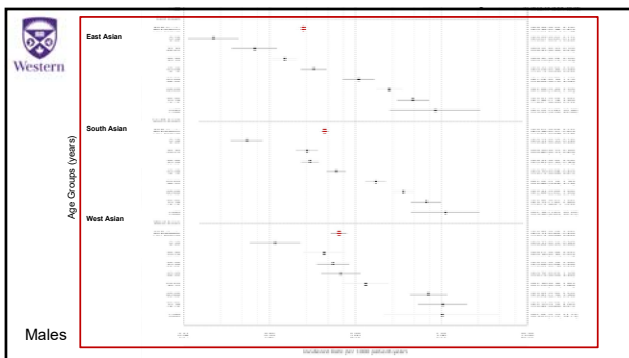
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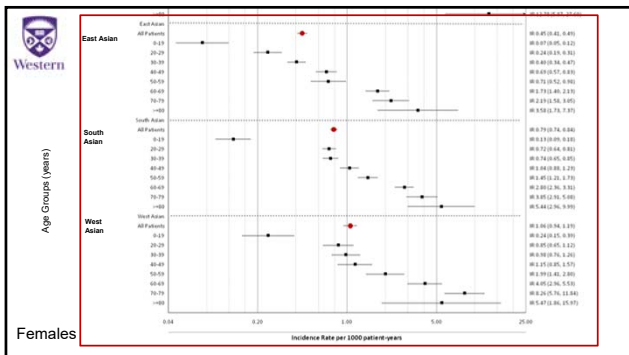
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Incidence of Venous Thromboembolism in Asian Populations: A Systematic Review

Lai Heng Lee^{1,2,3} Alexander Gallus^{4,5} Ravul Jindal⁶ Chen Wang^{7,8} Chau-Chung Wu^{9,10}

Thromb Haemost 2017;117:2243–2260.

- Increasing incidence of VTE
 - Korea
 - Japan
 - China
 - Singapore

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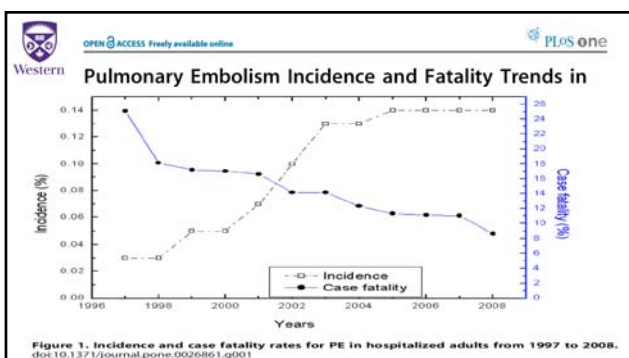
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Pulmonary Embolism Incidence and Fatality Trends in Chinese Hospitals from 1997 to 2008: A Multicenter Registration Study


Yuanhua Yang^{1,2*}, Lirong Liang^{1,2*}, Zhenguo Zhai^{1,2}, Hangyong He^{1,2}, Wanmu Xie^{1,2}, Xiaoxia Peng^{3,4}; Chen Wang^{1,2,3,5}, on behalf of investigators for the National Cooperative Project for the Prevention and Treatment of PTE-DVT

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In summary...

- Overall VTE is frequent worldwide
- High mortality
- Incidence of VTE in Asia is lower
 - Higher incidence in elderly
- Incidence is raising


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Elias Skaf, MD^a, Paul D. Stein, MD^{a,b,c}, Afzal Beemath, MD^a, Julia Sanchez, MD^a,
Mark A. Bustamante, MD^a, and Ronald E. Olson, PhD^a

Am J Cardiol 2005;96:1731–1733.

- National Hospital Discharge Survey
 - 1979-2003
 - Ischemic stroke >14,000,000 patients
 - Hemorrhagic stroke >1,600,000 patients

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- National
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Event	Ischemic Stroke (%)	Hem Stroke (%)
PE	0.61	0.68
DVT	0.74	1.37
VTE	1.17	1.93

Figure 1. Rates of PE, DVT, and VTE in hospitalized patients with ischemic and hemorrhagic (Hem) stroke. Data were averaged from 1979 to 2003.

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Ischemic Stroke and Risk of Venous Thromboembolism in the General Population: The Tromsø Study

Ludvig B. Rinde, BSc; Birgit Småbrekke, BSc; Ellisiv B. Mathiesen, MD, PhD; Maja-Lisa Lachen, MD, PhD; Inger Njelstad, MD, PhD; Erin M. Haid, MD, PhD; Tom Wilsgaard, PhD; Sigrid K. Braekkan, PhD; John-Bjarne Hansen, MD, PhD

J Am Heart Assoc. 2016;5:e004311

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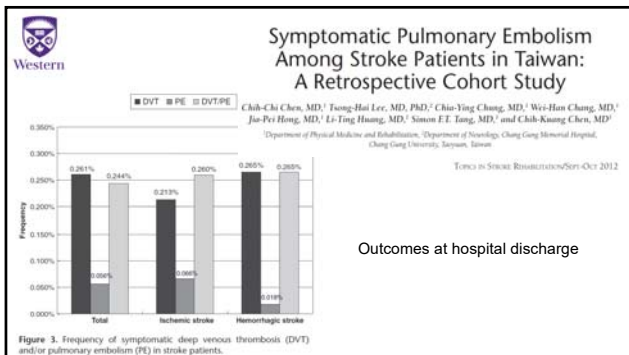
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High incidence of symptomatic venous thromboembolism in Thai hospitalized medical patients without thromboprophylaxis
Satimai Aniwat and Ponlapat Rojnuckarin
Blood Coagulation and Fibrinolysis 2010, 21:334-338

- Prospective cohort
 - June 2007 – December 2008
 - King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital
 - No prophylaxis

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graph LR; A[7126 patients] --> B[VTE  
All patients : 0.59%  
Stroke patients: 0.4%];
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The risk does not end at discharge

Category	0-29	30-59	68-90
Medical Hospitalization Only	~65%	~18%	~12%
Hospitalization With Surgery	~65%	~18%	~12%

- 74% of VTEs present in outpatients
- 23% of outpatient VTE patients have had recent surgery; 37% recently hospitalized
- Only 43% had received VTE prophylaxis


Spencer FA, et al. Arch Intern Med. 2007;167:1471-1475

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In summary...

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 - HR 10-20 during the first 3 months
 - Confirmed in multiple settings
 - Europe
 - Americas
 - Asia


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Many patients are at risk

- Annual number at risk for VTE:
 - US hospitals:
 - 7.7 million medical service inpatients
 - 4.3 million surgical service inpatients
 - 2/3 of VTE cases and deaths are hospital-acquired

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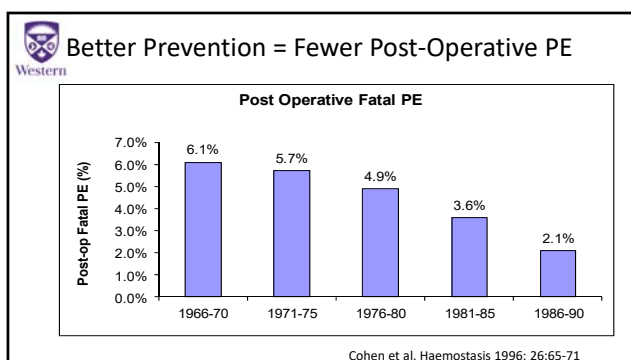
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Prophylaxis in hospitalized patients

	% Ca. patients	Proximal DVT Symptomatic VTE	RR 95% CI
MEDENOX	12.4%	Enoxaparin 2.1% Placebo 6.6% P=0.037	0.37 0.22 – 0.63
PREVENT	5.1%	Dalteparin 2.6% Placebo 5.0% P=0.002	0.55 0.38 – 0.8
ARTEMIS	15.4%	Fondaparinux 1.5% Placebo 3.4% P=0.085	0.47 0.08 – 0.69

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Varicose veins	Malignancy	Prothrombin 20210A	
Pregnancy or postpartum	Confined to bed (> 72 h)	Lipase anticolipase	
History of unexplained or recurrent spontaneous abortion	Immobilizing plaster cast	Anticardiolipin antibodies	
Oral contraceptives or hormone replacement	Central venous access	Elevated serum homocysteinemia	
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Caprini Score in Practice

- Validated at U Michigan in 8216 surgery pts
- VTE risk increased with score, $p < 0.01$
- But most patients qualify for drugs
- Compliance poor

Risk Level	%	VTE Risk %	Rec Proph.	Actual Proph. %	Compliance %
Highest	52.1	1.94	Drug+IPC	32	27
High	36.5	0.97	Drug	25	25
Moderate	10.4	0.70	Drug or IPC	15	79
Low	0.9	0.00	Ambulate	8	100

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Are the risk factors the same?

- Risk stratification
 - Similar risk factors in Asian and Western patients

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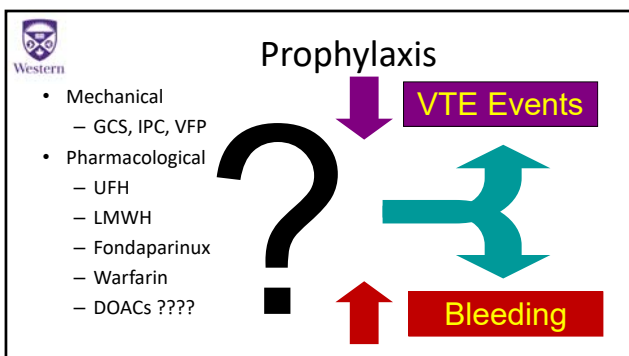
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TABLE II.—Risk stratification.³¹

Risk category	Frequency of calf vein thrombosis (%)	Frequency of proximal vein thrombosis (%)	Frequency of fatal PE (%)
High	40-80	10-30	>1
Moderate	10-40	1-10	0.1-1
Low	<10	<1	<0.1

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Table 3—Independent Risk Factors for Bleeding in 10,866 Hospitalized Medical Patient¹⁹

Risk Factor	Total Patients, No. (%) (N = 10,866)	OR (95% CI)
Active gastrointestinal ulcer	236 (2.2)	4.15 (2.21-7.77)
Bleeding in 3 mo before admission	331 (3.2)	3.64 (2.21-5.99)
Platelet count < 50 × 10 ⁹ /L	179 (1.7)	3.37 (1.84-6.15)
Age ≥ 85 y (vs < 40 y)	1,178 (10.8)	2.96 (1.43-6.15)
Hepatic failure (INR > 1.5)	219 (2.0)	2.18 (1.10-4.33)
Severe renal failure (GFR < 30 mL/min/m ²)	1,084 (11.0)	2.14 (1.44-3.20)
ICU or CCU admission	923 (8.5)	2.10 (1.42-3.10)
Central venous catheter	820 (7.5)	1.85 (1.18-2.90)
Rheumatic disease	740 (6.8)	1.78 (1.09-2.89)
Current cancer	1,166 (10.7)	1.78 (1.20-2.63)
Male sex	5,367 (49.4)	1.48 (1.10-1.99)

Data shown were obtained by multiple logistic regression analysis for characteristics at admission independently associated with in-hospital bleeding (major bleeding and clinically relevant nonmajor bleeding combined). GFR = glomerular filtration rate, INR = international normalized ratio.
*Although not specifically studied in medical patients, one would also expect dual antiplatelet therapy to increase the risk of bleeding.

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Score	Risk category scores (Major Bleeding Events)			Calculation of Bleeding Risk Score
	Low 0	Moderate 1-2	High 3	
Outpatient Bleeding Risk Index ¹	0 (0% at 1 yr)	1-2 (12% at 1 yr)	3 (48% at 1 yr)	Age \geq 65 yrs, GI bleed in past 2 weeks, previous stroke (concurrent recent MI, Hct $<$ 30%, diabetes, SCr $>$ 133 μ mol/L) with 1 point for presence of each condition and 0 if absent
Contemporary Bleeding Risk Model ²	\leq 1.07 (0.9% at 90 d)	-1.07 to -2.19 (2.0% at 90 d)	\geq 2.19 (5.4% at 90 d)	$(0.49 \times \text{Age} - 70 \text{ yrs}) + (0.32 \times \text{Female}) + (0.58 \times \text{remote bleed}) + (0.62 \times \text{recent bleed}) + (0.71 \times \text{alcohol/drug abuse}) + (0.27 \times \text{diabetes}) + (0.86 \times \text{normal}) + (0.32 \times \text{single/double drug use})$ 1 point for presence of each and 0 if absent
HEMORR ₂ -HAGES ³	0-1 (1.9-2.5 x 100 pts./yr)	2-3 (3.3-8.4 x 100 pts./yr)	3-4 (10.4-17.3 x 100 pts./yr)	Liver/renal disease, ETOH abuse, malignancy, age \geq 75 yrs, low platelet count or function, coexisting risk, uncontrolled hypertension, anemia, genetic factors (CYP2C9), risk of fall or stroke 1 point for each risk factor present with 2 points for previous bleed
HAS-BLED ⁴	0 (0.59 x 133 x 100 pts./yr)	1-2 (1.62-3.2 x 100 pts./yr)	3 (3.74-21.43 x 100 pts./yr)	Hypertension, Abnormal renal/liver function (1 point each), Stroke, Bleeding history or predisposition, Labile INR, Elderly, Drug/alcohol concomitantly (1 point each), max 9 points
ATRIA ⁵	0-3 (0.76-100 pts./yr)	4 (2.62-100 pts./yr)	5-10 (5.76-100 pts./yr)	Anemia, Renal disease (3 points each), Age \geq 75 yr (2 points), prior bleeding and hypertension (1 point each)

Adapted from references 1-5. GI=gastrointestinal, MI=myocardial infarction, Hct=hematocrit, SCr=serum creatinine, ETOH=alcohol, INR=international normalized ratio, pts./yr=patients/year, yr=year, drug=drug.

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Table 3
 Overlapping prediction across clinical prediction scores for major bleeding (ordered by frequency).

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High age	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Anemia or low hemoglobin	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
History of bleeding	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Abnormal renal function	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
History of stroke	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hypertension	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Aspirin/anti-platelet agents	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cancer	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Abnormal liver function	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Alcohol abuse	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Female sex	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Diabetes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Labile INR	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Poor anti-thrombotic control	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thrombocytopenia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Increased fall risk	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Male sex	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Abbreviations: INR, International Normalized Ratio.

Van es et al. Thromb Res 2017.

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Table 3
 Overlapping prediction across clinical prediction scores for major bleeding (ordered by frequency).


	ACCP [26]	ATRIA [30]	EINSTEIN [30]	HAS-BLED [27]	HEMORR ₂ -PAGE [28]	International Normalized Ratio [29]	Keeler [34]	andRES [35]	ORBIT [31]	ORBIT [32]	ORBIT [33]	Shoreman et al. [29]	Van der Meer [33]	VTE-BLEED [27]
High age	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Anemia or low hemoglobin	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
History of bleeding	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Abnormal renal function	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
History of stroke	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Abnormal liver function	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Advanced age
 Anemia
 History of bleeding
 Abnormal renal function

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Asian venous thromboembolism guidelines: updated recommendations for the prevention of venous thromboembolism

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- A general assessment of VTE and bleeding risk is recommended prior to initiation of VTE prophylaxis in ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke patients
- We recommend against the use of GCS in both ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke patients
- VTE prophylaxis options for ischemic stroke patients are IPC use or pharmacological regimens with SC LMWH
- IPC is recommended for hemorrhagic stroke patients.

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VTE prophylaxis in stroke

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McCarthy 1977 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – UFH • McCarthy 1986 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Unblinded RCT – 305 pts. – UFH 5000 tid x 14 d – PE reduction: 20% → 5% – DVT reduction: 73% → 22% – 3 mo. Mortality reduction: 33% → 21% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOAST Investigators 1998 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Double blinded RCT – 1281 pts. – IV Danaparoid vs placebo – DVT: 0.3% vs 1.6% – PE: 0.3% vs 0.6%
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Coull et al. Stroke 2002.
TOAST Investigators. JAMA 1998.

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VTE prophylaxis in stroke

- CAST
 - 21,106 pts.
 - 4 weeks of ASA
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 - Clinical diagnosis
- IST
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CAST Collaborative Group. Lancet 1997.
International Stroke Trial Collaborative Group. Lancet 1997.

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Lancet 2007; 369: 1347-55


- Randomized controlled trial
- 1762 patients
 - Enoxaparin 40 mg daily
 - UFH 5000 SC BID

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 **Efficacy**



	Enoxaparin (n=666)	Unfractionated heparin (n=669)	Relative risk (95% CI)*	p†	Difference (95% CI)
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PE†	1 (<1%)	6 (1%)	0.17 (0.02-1.39)	0.059	-0.7% (-1.5 to 0)
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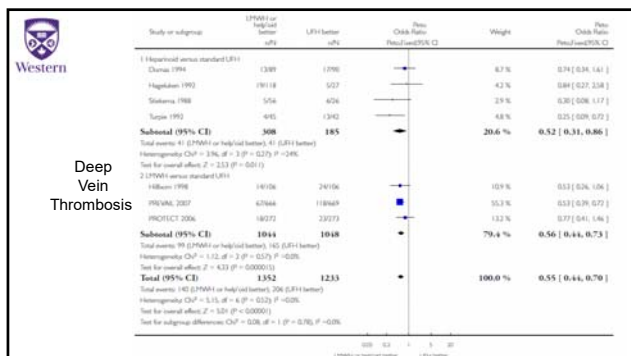
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- UFH or heparinoids (danaparoid)

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Deep Vein Thrombosis

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Hemorrhage in stroke

- UFH
 - IST

25% of patients UFH
12,500 U SC CID

 - Hemorrhagic stroke: 1.2% vs. 0.4% (UFH vs. no UFH)
 - Fatal or transfusion: 1.3% vs. 0.4% (UFH vs. no UFH)
 - Medium vs low dose UFH
 - Hemorrhagic strokes 1.8 vs 0.7%
 - Low dose vs no UFH
 - Transfused or fatal extracranial 0.6 vs 0.4%

International Stroke Trial Collaborative Group. Lancet 1997.
Coull et al. Stroke 2002.

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	Enoxaparin (n=877)	Unfractionated heparin (n=872)	Relative risk (95% CI)	p*	Difference (95% CI)
Bleeding at end of treatment + 48 h					
Total	69 (8%)	70 (8%)	0.98 (0.71-1.35)	0.90	-0.2% (-2.7% to 2.4)
Symptomatic intracranial haemorrhage	4 (1%)	6 (1%)	0.66 (0.19-2.34)	0.55	-0.2% (-0.9% to 0.5)
Death of patient with symptomatic intracranial haemorrhage	3 (<1%)	4 (1%)	—	—	-0.1% (-0.7% to 0.5)
Major extracranial haemorrhage†	7 (1%)	0	—	0.05	0.8% (0.2% to 1.4)
Resulting in death	2 (<1%)	0	—	—	0.2% (-0.2% to 0.5)
Drops of haemoglobin ≥30 g/L	7 (1%)	0	—	—	0.8% (0.2% to 1.4)
Transfusion of ≥2 units of blood	5 (1%)	0	—	—	0.6% (0.1% to 1.1)
Clinically important haemorrhage	11 (1%)	6 (1%)	1.82 (0.68-4.91)	0.23	0.6% (-0.4% to 1.5)
Death of patient with clinically important haemorrhages	5 (1%)	4 (1%)	1.24 (0.33-4.65)	1.0	0.1% (-0.6% to 0.8)
Minor extracranial haemorrhage‡	42 (5%)	48 (6%)	0.87 (0.58-1.30)	0.50	-0.7% (-2.8% to 1.4)
All-cause mortality up to day 14	48 (6%)	45 (5%)	1.12 (0.75-1.69)	0.58**	—
All-cause mortality up to day 90	100 (12%)	103 (12%)	1.01 (0.77-1.33)	0.96**	—

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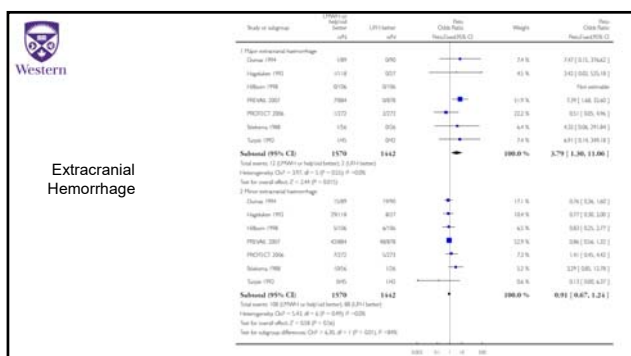
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 **Hemorrhage in stroke**

- Risk factors
 - Leukoaraiosis HR 2.7 (95% CI 1.4, 5.3)
 - Age > 65 y HR 1.9 (95% CI 1.0, 3.4)
 - Intensity of anticoagulation (warfarin)
 - Hypertension
 - Congophilic angiopathy


Gorter. Neurology 1999.

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 **Relative contraindications to prophylaxis**

- Recent CNS bleed
- Intracranial or spinal lesion at high risk for bleeding
- Active bleeding
- Chronic clinically significant bleeding
- Platelet count <50,000, platelet dysfunction
- Recent major operation at risk for bleeding
- Underlying coagulopathy
- Spinal anesthesia / LP
- High fall risk

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 **SO, CAN WE USE OTHER STRATEGIES?**

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TED stockings DON'T work !

Effectiveness of thigh-length graduated compression stockings to reduce the risk of deep vein thrombosis after stroke (CLOTS trial 1): a multicentre, randomised controlled trial

The CLOTS Trials Collaboration*

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Clots in Legs Or sTockings after Stroke

- RCT
 - Stroke admission
 - Thigh-length GCS (Covidien) vs avoid GCS
 - All received routine care
- Primary outcome
 - Definite or probable symptomatic or asymptomatic DVT - proximal

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	Thigh-length GCS (n=1256)	Avoid GCS (n=1262)	Odds ratio (95% CI)
Primary outcome			
Proximal DVT	126 (10.0%)	133 (10.5%)	—
Alive and free of primary outcome	974 (77.5%)	1000 (79.2%)	—
Dead before any primary outcome	115 (9.2%)	101 (8.0%)	—
Missing	41 (3.3%)	28 (2.2%)	—
Unadjusted* (dead and missing excluded)	—	—	0.97 (0.75-1.26)
Adjusted† (dead and missing excluded)	—	—	0.98 (0.76-1.27)
Secondary outcomes by 30 days or later second compression Doppler ultrasound			
Dead by 30 days	122 (9.7%)	110 (8.7%)	1.12 (0.86-1.48)
Symptomatic proximal DVT	36 (2.9%)	43 (3.4%)	0.84 (0.53-1.31)
Asymptomatic proximal DVT	90 (7.2%)	90 (7.1%)	1.01 (0.74-1.36)
Symptomatic DVT (proximal or distal)	55 (4.4%)	61 (4.8%)	0.90 (0.62-1.31)
Any DVT (proximal or distal)	205 (16.3%)	224 (17.7%)	0.90 (0.73-1.11)
PE confirmed on imaging or autopsy	13 (1.0%)	20 (1.6%)	0.65 (0.32-1.31)
PE on autopsy	1 (0.1%)	1 (0.1%)	1.00 (0.06-16.08)
Any DVT or PE	212 (17.0%)	232 (18.4%)	0.91 (0.74-1.11)
Skin breaks/ulcers/blisters/skin necrosis	64 (5.1%)	16 (1.3%)	4.18 (2.46-7.27)
Lower limb ischaemia/amputation	7 (0.6%)	2 (0.2%)	3.53 (0.73-17.03)
Primary outcomes within 14 days			
Post-hoc analysis restricting follow-up to 14 days†	87 (6.9%)	95 (7.5%)	—
Unadjusted (dead and missing excluded)	—	—	0.95 (0.70-1.28)
Adjusted* (dead and missing excluded)	—	—	0.95 (0.70-1.29)

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Annals of Internal Medicine | ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Thigh-Length Versus Below-Knee Stockings for Deep Venous Thrombosis Prophylaxis After Stroke
A Randomized Trial
The CLOTS (Clots in Legs Or sTockings after Stroke) Trial Collaboration*

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Table 2. Primary and Secondary Outcomes

Outcome	Thigh-Length Stockings Group (n = 1552), n (%)	Below-Knee Stockings Group (n = 1542), n (%)	Difference in Proportion (95% CI), percentage points	Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% CI)*	P Value From Logistic Regression
Primary outcome					
Proximal DVT	98 (6.3)	138 (8.8)	-2.5 (-0.7 to -4.4)	0.69 (0.53 to 0.91)	0.008
Alive and free of primary outcome	1246 (80.2)	1212 (77.7)			
Died before any primary outcome	170 (10.9)	161 (10.3)			
Missing†	28 (1.8)	50 (3.2)			

Table 4. Adverse Events

Outcome	Thigh-Length Stockings Group (n = 1552)	Below-Knee Stockings Group (n = 1542)	Difference in Proportion (95% CI), percentage points	Odds Ratio (95% CI)	P Value From Odds Ratio
Died by day 30, n (%)	182 (11.7)	174 (11.3)	0.4 (-1.6 to 2.8)	1.05 (0.84 to 1.31)	0.67
Patients with discharge form, n (%)	1550 (99.9)	1560 (99.9)			
Adverse events, n (%)‡					
Low-severity skin problems	75 (4.8)	56 (3.6)	1.2 (-0.2 to 2.7)	1.37 (0.96 to 1.94)	0.08
Patients with skin breaks, ulcers, blisters, or necrosis	61 (3.9)	46 (2.9)	1.0 (-0.2 to 2.2)	1.38 (0.93 to 2.04)	0.11
Lower-limb ischemia or amputation	4 (0.3)	7 (0.4)	-0.2 (-0.6 to 0.2)	0.57 (0.17 to 2.0)	0.38
Any skin problem	140 (9.0)	108 (6.9)	2.0 (0.1 to 3.9)	1.33 (1.03 to 1.73)	0.03

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Effectiveness of intermittent pneumatic compression in reduction of risk of deep vein thrombosis in patients who have had a stroke (CLOTS 3): a multicentre randomised controlled trial
Lancet 2013, 382: 516-24
CLOTS (Clots in Legs Or sTockings after Stroke) Trials Collaboration*

- RCT
 - IPC vs No IPC
- 2876 patients with
 - Stroke within 3 days
 - Immobile



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CLOTS 3

Primary Outcome

- Proximal DVT
 - IPC 8.5%
 - No IPC 12.1%
 - Absolute risk reduction 3.6%
 - Use of LMWH or UFH 30%

Figure 3. Cumulative hazard of death during the 8 weeks after randomization to the two treatment groups. IPC=intermittent pneumatic compression. Note that two patients in the IPC arm withdrew very early. All not have a date of withdrawal or death and are therefore not included in the baseline number at risk.

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PREVENT Study

- RCT
 - Patients admitted to ICU
 - Pharmacological prophylaxis +/- IPC
 - Outcome: DVT @ day 28
 - 2014 – 2018
 - 2003 patients randomized


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VTE: IPC 3.9% vs. No IPC 4.2%
RR 0.93 (0.60 - 1.44)


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 **Role of IVC filters**

- Levin 1993
 - 42 IVCF pts. → 62% complications
 - 12% PE
 - 57%
 - IVC or filter thrombosis
 - Recurrent DVT
 - Post-phlebitic syndrome

Levin et al. Neurology 1993.



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 **Role of IVC filters**

- Schiff & DeAngelis 1994
 - 51 pts. w/ Brain metastasis and VTE
 - 10 IVC filters → 4 VTE recurrence
- Olin 1987
 - 49 pts. w / Brain neoplasia and VTE
 - 24 IVCF
 - 1 developed PE
 - 25 anticoagulants
 - 2 bleeding (1 ICH)
 - No difference in survival

Schiff & DeAngelis. Cancer 1994.
Olin et al. Arch Intern Med 1987.

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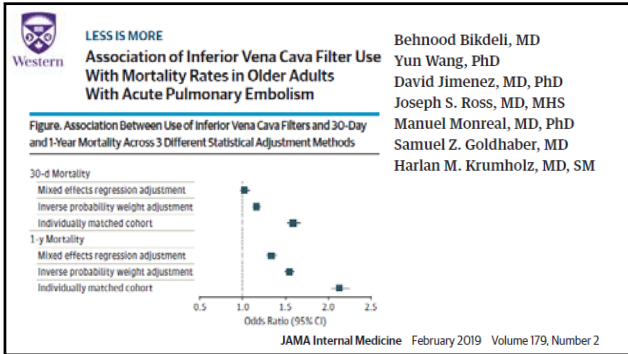
Original Investigation | Cardiology

Association of Inferior Vena Cava Filter Placement for Venous Thromboembolic Disease and a Contraindication to Anticoagulation With 30-Day Mortality

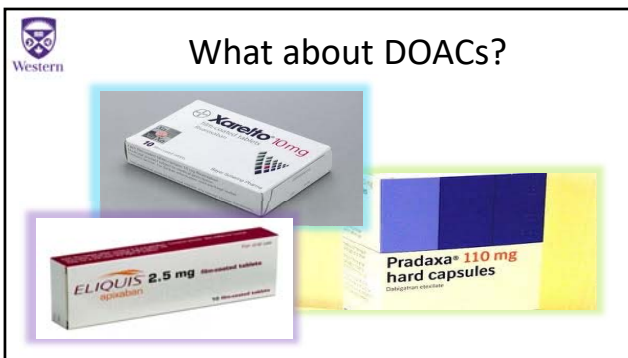
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- 126,030 VTE patients (USA: CA, FL, NY)
 - 45,771 IVC filter
 - IVC filter → HR for 30-day mortality 1.18 (1.13-1.22)**

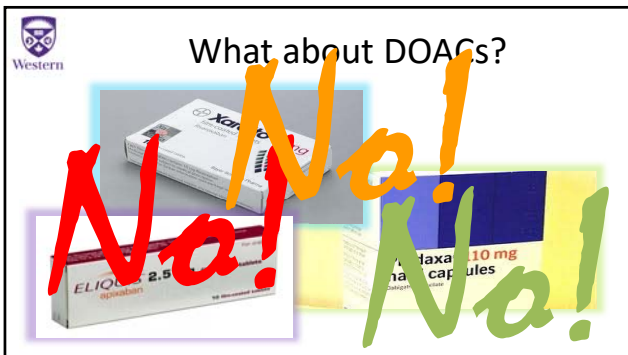
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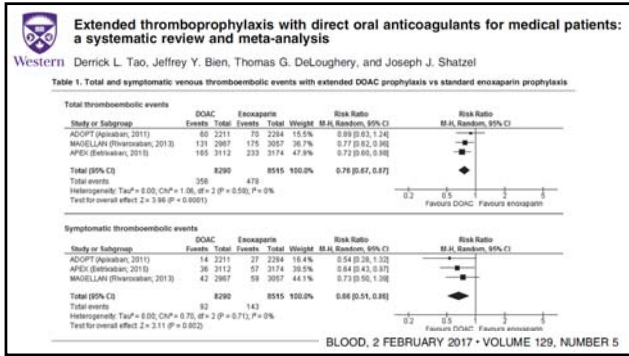
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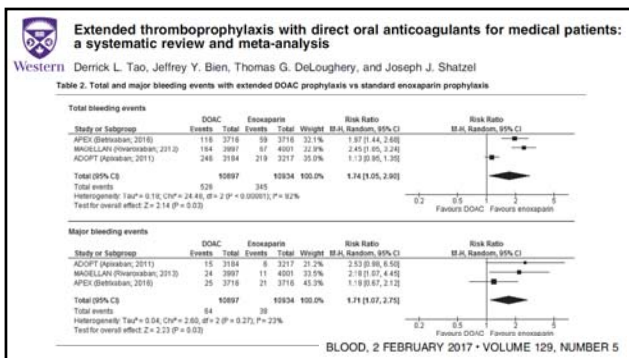
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Short communication

Variation in prophylactic anticoagulation for venous thromboembolism among acute stroke patients

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Prophylactic anticoagulation used only in 1.6% of Stroke patients!


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Unresolved issues

- Barriers to implementation
- Optimal risk stratification
- Specific subgroups
 - Cancer, pregnancy, renal failure, obese, elderly
- Optimal duration
- Optimal timing


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- Specific subgroups
 - Cancer, pregnancy, renal failure, obese, elderly
- Optimal duration
- Optimal timing

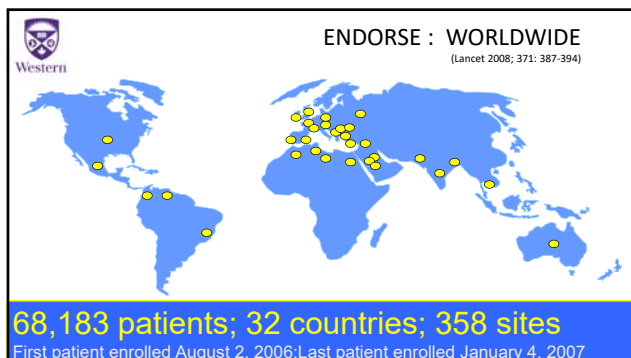
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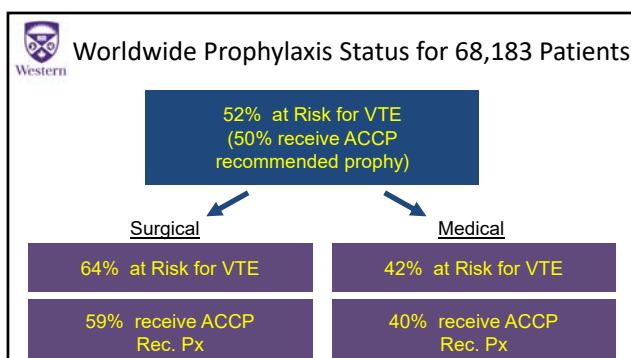
Position statements

- Appropriate VTE prophylaxis is required in patients at risk
 - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 2001
- Utilize clinically appropriate measures to prevent DVT/PE
 - The National Quality Forum, 2003
- The use of proven and effective DVT prevention methods could save many lives of many patients
 - JCAHO, 2004
- For every general hospital, we recommend that a formal, active strategy that addresses the prevention of VTE be developed
 - ACCP, 2008

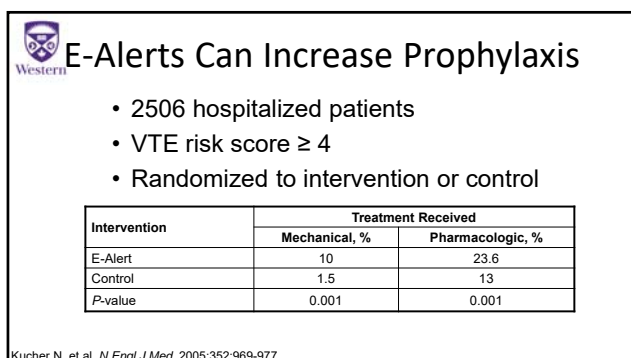
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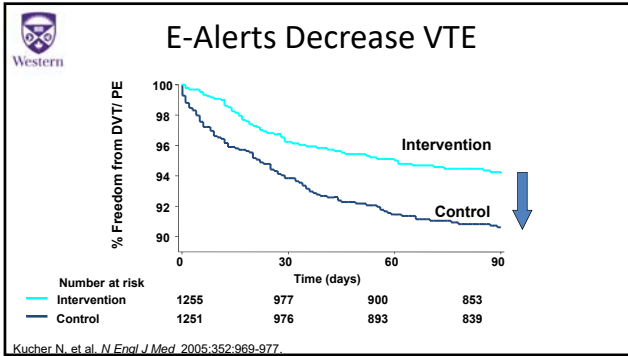
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Human Alerts Increase Prophylaxis

- 2493 hospitalized patients
- VTE risk score ≥ 4
- Randomized to intervention or control

Intervention	Treatment Received	
	Mechanical, %	Pharmacologic, %
Hu-Alert	21	28
Control	8	14
95% CI	10.6-16.0	10.5-16.8

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London Health Sciences Centre
VENOUS THROMBOEMBOLISM (VTE) PROPHYLAXIS
Non-Intensive Care Unit (ICU)
PREPRINTED ORDER
REV: 9 - 15-2011

PHYSICIAN INSTRUCTIONS: Risk for venous thromboembolism (VTE) is to be assessed for ALL admitted patients.

Risk stratification for venous thromboembolism:

Risk category:	Low Risk • Fully mobile • Expected length of stay less than 48 hours	Moderate/High Risk • Mobility # • Active cancer • Major surgical procedure • Orthopedic surgery • Major trauma	• Spinal cord injury • Previous VTE • Immobility or acute paralysis • Hypercoagulable state
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Prophylaxis: Early and frequent ambulation | Low dose low molecular weight heparin (LMWH) or low dose unfractionated heparin

Contraindications to anticoagulation:
• Active bleeding or at high risk of bleeding
• Platelet count less than 30 x 10⁹/L
• Known bleeding disorder

DOSING: Higher doses of dalteparin and heparin should be used in patients who weigh greater than 100 kg. See box below.
Unfractionated Heparin should be used instead of LMWH in patients with a creatinine clearance less than 30 mL/min. See box below.

A) SELECT FROM THE FOLLOWING FOUR OPTIONS:

1. **NO VENOUS THROMBOEMBOLISM PROPHYLAXIS REQUIRED (if Check One):**
 Low risk - no venous thromboembolism prophylaxis required
 Patient receiving therapeutic anticoagulation - no venous thromboembolism prophylaxis required

2. **VTE PROPHYLAXIS IS CONTRAINDICATED**
 Reason: _____

3. **MODERATE/HIGH RISK FOR VENOUS THROMBOEMBOLISM (CHECK ONE):**

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• Active bleeding or at high risk of bleeding
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2. **VTE PROPHYLAXIS IS CONTRAINDICATED**
 Reason: _____

3. **MODERATE/HIGH RISK FOR VENOUS THROMBOEMBOLISM (CHECK ONE):**

a) Patient Populations with existing pre-printed orders including VTE prophylaxis
 See pre-printed order set for specific patient population

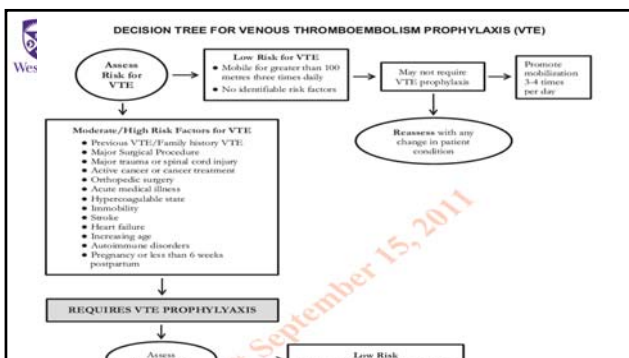
b) Low dose LMWH:
 Dalteparin 5000 units subcutaneous daily
 Dalteparin 2500 units subcutaneous daily (for patients weighing less than 40 kg)
 Dalteparin 7500 units subcutaneous daily (for patients weighing more than 100 kg)

c) Unfractionated Heparin (For patients with creatinine clearance less than 30 mL/min)
 Heparin 8000 units subcutaneous q 8 hours

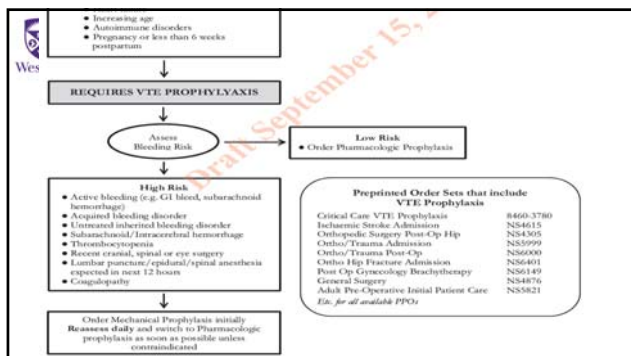
4. **AT RISK FOR VENOUS THROMBOEMBOLISM BUT ALSO AT HIGH RISK FOR BLEEDING**
 See pre-printed order set for specific patient population
 Intermittent pneumatic compression device (IPC)
And/ Or
 Graduated compression stockings (TEDs) tomorrow in 2 days
OR
 Start LMWH or UFH and discontinue IPC and/or TEDs after first dose _____ units subcutaneous on (date) _____

B) MONITORING PLATELET COUNT:
 For Patients on Unfractionated Heparin Only - Platelet count Day #4 post initiation, then weekly for 2 weeks

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Asian venous thromboembolism guidelines: updated recommendations for the prevention of venous thromboembolism

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- A general assessment of VTE and bleeding risk is recommended prior to initiation of VTE prophylaxis in ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke patients
- We recommend against the use of GCS in both ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke patients
- VTE prophylaxis options for ischemic stroke patients are IPC use or pharmacological regimens with SC LMWH
- IPC is recommended for hemorrhagic stroke patients.

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 **Conclusions**

- VTE is a frequent complication in medical and stroke patients
 - Validated in many populations
- Anticoagulant prophylaxis is indicated in most patients
- Considerations for alternative strategies in high risk patients
- Strategies for implementation are necessary

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