

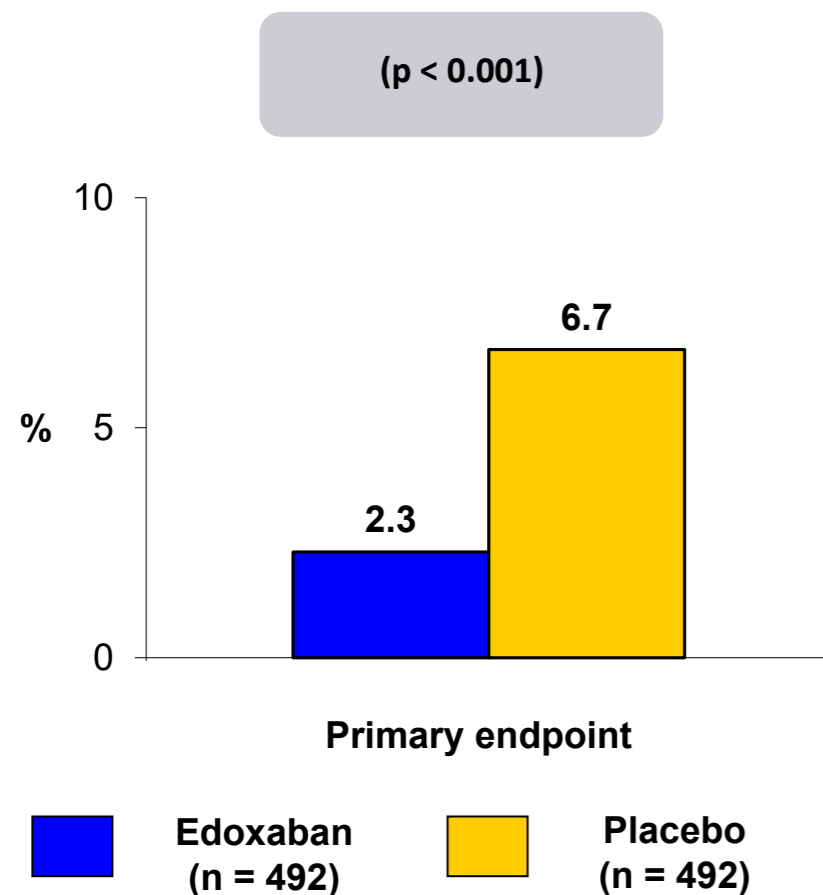
# ELDERCARE-AF

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**Trial Description:** Japanese patients  $\geq 80$  years with nonvalvular atrial fibrillation (AF) and in whom standard oral anticoagulants were not recommended were randomized in a 1:1 fashion to either low-dose edoxaban (15 mg) or placebo. Patients were followed for 36 months.



## RESULTS

- Primary endpoint, stroke or systemic embolism: edoxaban vs. placebo: 2.3% vs. 6.7%, HR 0.34, 95% CI 0.19-0.61 ( $p < 0.001$ )
- Major bleeding: 3.3% vs. 1.8% ( $p = 0.09$ ); intracranial bleeding: 0.3% vs. 0.6%
- Ischemic stroke: 1.8% vs. 5.9% ( $p < 0.001$ ); all-cause mortality: 9.9% vs. 10.2% ( $p > 0.05$ )

## CONCLUSIONS

- Very low dose edoxaban (15 mg) was superior to placebo in reducing stroke or systemic embolism among Japanese AF patients  $\geq 80$  years of age; primary safety endpoint of major bleeding was similar, although bleeding was overall higher with edoxaban, primarily GI bleeding
- Dose of edoxaban used in this trial is  $\frac{1}{4}$  usual stroke prophylaxis dose approved for AF (60 mg); efficacy in non-Asian patients (median body weight  $\sim 50$  kg) unclear

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