

Supplementary Table 1: Searching strategy

Database	Searching strategy
PubMed	("Atrial Fibrillation"[Mesh] AND "Rivaroxaban"[Mesh]) AND ((((((Acute kidney injury) OR (≥30% decreasing in estimated glomerular filtration rate)) OR (Doubling of the serum creatinine level)) OR (Kidney failure)) OR (Progress to end stage of renal disease)) OR (Need haemodialysis)) OR (Need or a kidney transplant))
EMBASE	('atrial fibrillation'/exp OR 'atrial fibrillation' OR 'atrium fibrillation' OR 'auricular fibrillation' OR 'auricular fibrillation' OR 'cardiac atrial fibrillation' OR 'cardiac atrium fibrillation' OR 'fibrillation, heart atrium' OR 'heart atrial fibrillation' OR 'heart atrium fibrillation' OR 'heart fibrillation atrium' OR 'non-valvular atrial fibrillation' OR 'nonvalvular atrial fibrillation') AND (rivaroxaban/exp OR '5 chloro n [[2 oxo 3 [4 (3 oxomorpholin 4 yl) phenyl] 1, 3 oxazolidin 5 yl] methyl] thiophene 2 carboxamide' OR '5 chloro n [[2 oxo 3 [4 (3 oxomorpholin 4 yl) phenyl] oxazolidin 5 yl] methyl] thiophene 2 carboxamide' OR '5 chloro n [[2 oxo 3 [4 (3 oxomorpholino) phenyl] 5 oxazolidinyl] methyl] 2 thiophenecarboxamide' OR 'aban (drug)' OR 'assubex' OR 'ast 8294' OR 'ast8294' OR 'bay 59 7939' OR 'bay 59-7939' OR 'bay 597939' OR 'bay59 7939' OR 'bay59-7939' OR 'bay597939' OR 'bs 112' OR 'bs112' OR 'dst 8294' OR 'dst8294' OR 'jnj 39039039' OR 'jnj39039039' OR 'kriva' OR 'naxat' OR 'rivar' OR 'rivarolto' OR 'rivaroxaban' OR 'rivaxa' OR 'throsaben' OR 'xanirva' OR 'xarelto' OR 'xerdoxo' OR 'xindus') AND ('acute kidney injury' OR ('kidney failure'/exp OR 'kidney failure' OR 'kidney insufficiency' OR 'maternal kidney failure' OR 'renal failure' OR 'renal insufficiency' OR 'terminal kidney failure') OR 'decreasing in estimated glomerular filtration rate' OR 'Doubling of the serum creatinine level' OR 'Progress to end-stage of renal disease' OR haemodialysis OR ('kidney transplantation'/exp OR 'kidney allograft transplantation' OR 'kidney allotransplantation' OR 'kidney cadaver transplantation' OR 'kidney grafting' OR 'kidney homotransplantation' OR 'kidney retransplantation' OR 'kidney transplantation' OR 'renal homotransplantation' OR 'renal transplantation' OR 'second set kidney transplantation' OR 'transplantation, kidney'))
Cochrane Library	(rivaroxaban):ti,ab,kw AND ("atrial fibrillation"):ti,ab,kw

Supplementary Table 2: Main characteristics of the included studies

Study ID	Type of publication	Design	Study population	N	Interventional arm	Control arm	Examined outcomes
Bonnemeier 2019 - diabetes ¹	Conference abstract	Retrospective, claim database	Patients with NVAF and diabetes	21845	NOACs Rivaroxaban (N = 6997) Apixaban (N = 5438) Edoxaban (N = 865)	Phenprocoumon (N = 8545)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End stage renal disease • Acute kidney injury • Ischemic stroke/systemic embolism • Intracranial haemorrhage • Fatal bleeding
Bonnemeier 2019 - renal disease ²	Conference abstract	Retrospective, claim database	Patients with NVAF and renal disease	17842	NOACs Rivaroxaban (N = 5121) Apixaban (N = 4750) Edoxaban (N = 682)	Phenprocoumon (N = 7289)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End stage renal disease • Acute kidney injury • Ischemic stroke/systemic embolism • Intracranial haemorrhage • Fatal bleeding
Chan 2018 ³	Article	Retrospective cohort study	Patients with NVAF	75221	NOACs Rivaroxaban (N = 28066) Apixaban (N = 5875) Dabigatran (N = 20145)	Warfarin (N = 21135)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute kidney injury
Coleman 2019 ⁴	Article	Retrospective, claim database	Patients with NVAF	72599	Rivaroxaban (N = 36318)	Warfarin (N = 36281)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute kidney injury • Progression to stage 5 CKD or need for hemodialysis • Ischemic stroke/systemic embolism • Major bleeding
Costa 2021 ⁵	Article	Retrospective, electronic health record analysis	Patients with NVAF and type 2 diabetes	83182	Rivaroxaban (N = 24912)	Warfarin (N = 58270)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • >40% decrease in eGFR from baseline • eGFR < 15 mL/minute, need for dialysis, renal transplant • Major adverse limb event • Retinopathy • All-cause mortality
González 2022 ⁶	Article	Retrospective, electronic health record analysis	Patients with NVAF and eGFR \geq 50 ml/min/1.73m ²	11652	Rivaroxaban (N = 5338)	Warfarin (N = 6314)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doubling of serum creatinine • \geq30% decline in eGFR • Incidence of ESRD
Harel 2021 ⁷	Article	Retrospective, population-based cohort study	Outpatients \geq 66 years with AF	20683	NOACs Rivaroxaban (N = 5263) Apixaban (N = 8217) Dabigatran (N = 2277)	Warfarin (N = 4926)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute kidney injury • All-cause mortality
Hernandez 2020 ⁸	Article	Retrospective, claim database	Patients with NVAF and diabetes	21682	Rivaroxaban (N = 10017)	Warfarin (N = 11665)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute kidney injury • Progression to stage 5 CKD or need for haemodialysis
Klil-Drori 2017 ⁹	Conference abstract	Retrospective, population-based cohort study	Patients with NVAF	26357	NOACs (N = not available) Rivaroxaban Apixaban Dabigatran	Warfarin (N = not available)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute kidney injury

Kreutz 2023 ¹⁰	Conference abstract	Prospective, observational study	NVAF patients with an eGFR of 15-49 mL/min/1.73 m ²	1455	Rivaroxaban (N = 764)	Warfarin (N = 691)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A composite of eGFR decline to <15 mL/min/1.73 m², need for chronic kidney replacement therapy or development of acute kidney injury Stroke or systemic embolism, major bleeding, myocardial infarction, acute coronary syndrome, or cardiovascular death
Lee 2023 ¹¹	Article	Retrospective, population-based cohort study	Patients with AF	47946	Rivaroxaban (N = 17013)	Warfarin (N = 30933)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kidney failure eGFR lower than 15 mL/min/1.73 m² Starting dialysis or having kidney transplantation ≥ 30% decline in eGFR Doubling of serum creatinine level Acute kidney injury Ischemic stroke, intracranial hemorrhage, major gastrointestinal bleeding, major bleeding, and all-cause mortality.
Shahzada 2022 ¹²	Article	Retrospective cohort study	Patients with NVAF	600	NOACs Rivaroxaban (N = 200) Apixaban (N = 100) Dabigatran (N = 100)	Warfarin (N = 200)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ≥30% decline in eGFR Doubling of serum creatinine Kidney failure
Vaitsiakhovich 2022 ¹³	Article	Observational, retrospective, cohort study	Patients with AF and moderate-to-severe CKD	7368	Rivaroxaban (N = 1465)	Warfarin (N = 5903)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Composite of progression to CKD stage 5, kidney failure, or need for dialysis.
Yao 2017 ¹⁴	Article	Retrospective cohort study	Patients with NVAF	9769	NOACs Rivaroxaban (N = 2485) Apixaban (N = 1883) Dabigatran (N = 1216)	Warfarin (N = 4185)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ≥30% decline in eGFR Doubling of the serum creatinine level Acute kidney injury Kidney failure

Abbreviations:

AF – atrial fibrillation; NVAF - Non-valvular atrial fibrillation; CKD - Chronic kidney disease; eGFR - Estimated glomerular filtration rate; NOACs - Non-Vitamin K oral anticoagulants

Supplementary Table 3: Risk of bias assessment of included studies

	Bias due to confounding	Bias in selection of participants into the study	Bias in classification of interventions	Bias due to deviations from intended interventions	Bias due to missing data	Bias in measurement of outcomes	Bias in selection of the reported result	Overall
Bonnemeier 2019 – diabetes ¹	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk
Bonnemeier 2019 - renal disease ²	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk
Chan 2018 ³	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Moderate risk	Low risk	Low risk	Moderate risk
Coleman 2019 ⁴	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Moderate risk	Low risk	Low risk	Moderate risk
Costa 2021 ⁵	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk
González 2022 ⁶	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk
Harel 2021 ⁷	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Serious risk	Low risk	Low risk	Serious risk
Hernandez 2020 ⁸	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Moderate risk	Low risk	Low risk	Moderate risk
Klil-Drori 2017 ⁹	Serious	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Serious	Serious	Low risk	Serious risk
Kreutz 2023 ¹⁰	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	No information	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk**
Lee 2023 ¹¹	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Serious risk	Low risk	Low risk	Serious risk
Shahzada 2022 ¹²	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk
Vaitsiakhovich 2022 ¹³	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Moderate risk	Low risk	Low risk	Moderate risk
Yao 2017 ¹⁴	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk

* Unclear risk in the domain of missing data.

Evaluation based on protocol information in addition to information in the abstract

Supplementary Table 4: Sensitive analysis

Acute kidney injury: Rivaroxaban vs VKA			
	Status	HR (95% CI)	p-interaction
Diabetes	Yes	0.71 (0.60 - 0.84)	0.352
	No	0.61 (0.47 , 0.81)	
Renal disease	Yes	0.65 (0.55 - 0.78)	0.361
	No	0.73 (0.61 , 0.87)	
Asian	Yes	0.62 (0.48 - 0.81)	0.303
	No	0.72 (0.64 , 0.80)	
Dosing	20 mg	0.39 (0.19 – 0.77)	0.172
	15 mg	0.66 (0.5 – 0.88)	

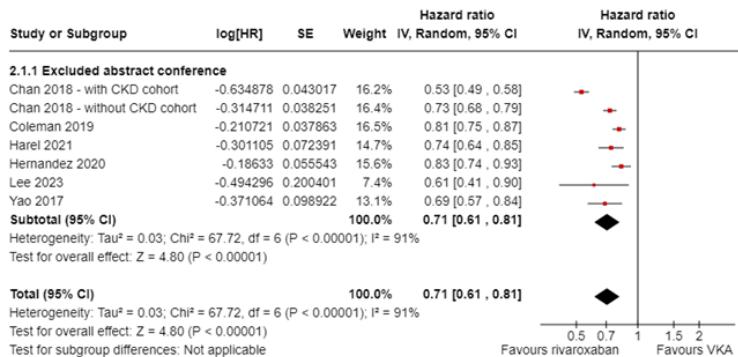
$\geq 30\%$ decrease in eGFR: Rivaroxaban vs VKA			
	Status	HR (95% CI)	p-interaction
Diabetes	Yes	0.75 (0.58 - 0.96)	0.398
	No	0.43 (0.12 , 1.51)	
Renal disease	Yes	0.54 (0.23 - 1.29)	0.941
	No	0.56 (0.36 , 0.86)	
Asian	Yes	0.53 (0.23 - 1.24)	0.323
	No	0.82 (0.67 , 1.00)	

Doubling of serum creatinine : Rivaroxaban vs VKA			
	Status	HR (95% CI)	p-interaction
Diabetes	Yes	0.63 (0.46 - 0.87)	0.330
	No	0.42 (0.20 – 0.90)	
Renal disease	Yes	0.41 (0.17 - 1.00)	0.483
	No	0.57 (0.44 , 0.73)	
Asian	Yes	0.42 (0.20 - 0.88)	0.423
	No	0.58 [0.44 , 0.76]	

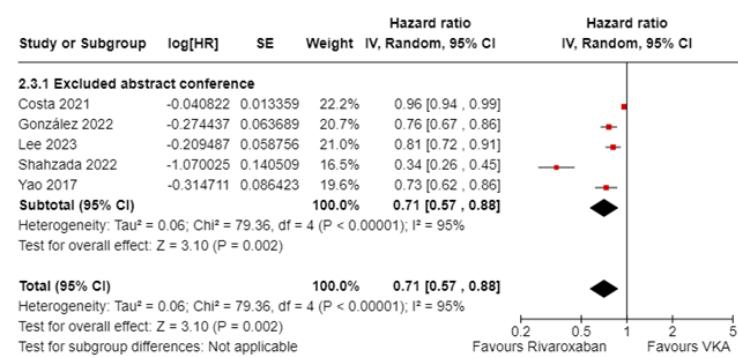
Worsening renal function: Rivaroxaban vs VKA			
	Status	HR (95% CI)	p-interaction
Diabetes	Yes	0.59 (0.43 - 0.80)	0.476
	No	0.50 (0.36 , 0.70)	
Renal disease	Yes	0.48 (0.37 - 0.63)	0.660
	No	0.54 (0.34 , 0.84)	
Asian	Yes	0.40 (0.32 - 0.51)	0.007
	No	0.61 (0.50 , 0.75)	
Dosing	20 mg	0.77 (0.29 -2.04)	0.423
	15 mg	0.51 (0.39 – 0.65)	

Supplementary Figure 1: Forest plot of sensitive analyses

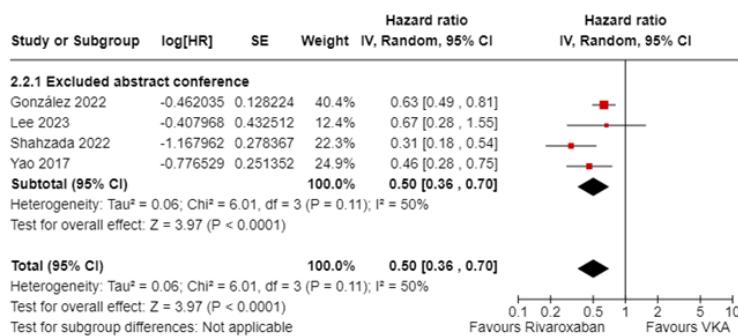
Supplement–Figure 1A. Acute kidney injury



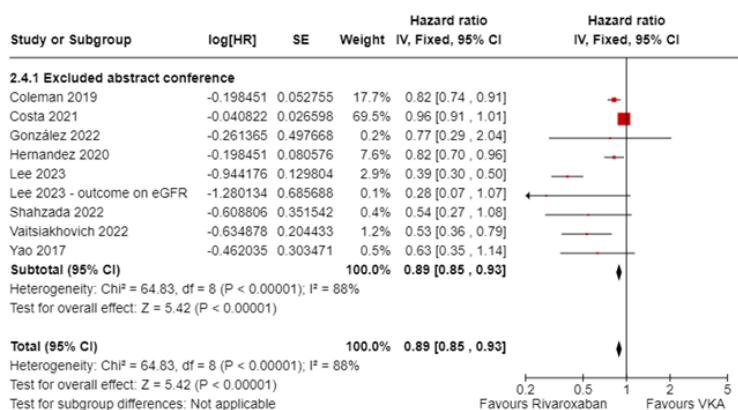
Supplement–Figure 1B. ≥30% decrease in eGFR



Supplement–Figure 1C. Doubling of serum creatinine

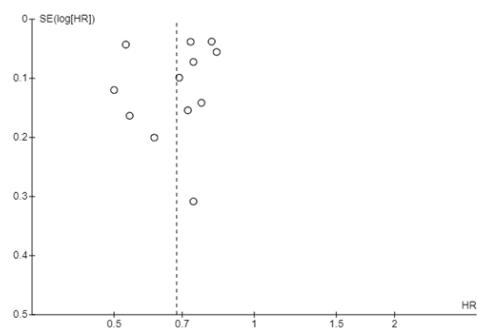


Supplement–Figure 1D. Worsening renal function

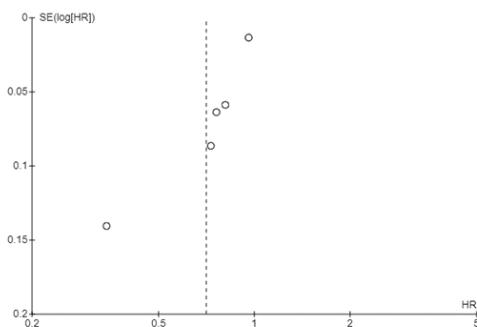


Supplementary Figure 2: Funnel plot for assessment of publication bias

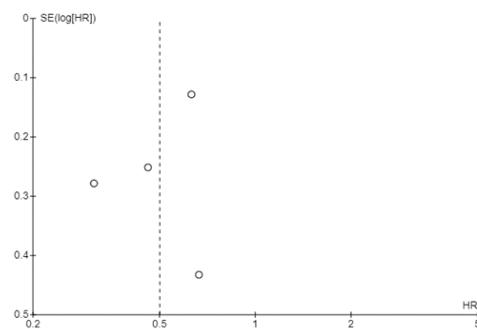
A. Acute kidney injury



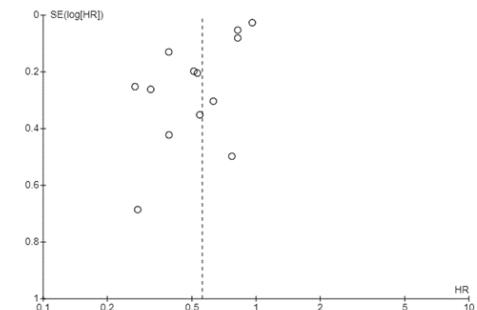
B. $\geq 30\%$ decrease in eGFR



C. Doubling of serum creatinine



D. Worsening renal function



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