

## Appendix A

### **Impact of gender on event rates at 1 year in patients with newly diagnosed non-valvular atrial fibrillation: contemporary perspective from the GARFIELD-AF registry**

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**Supplementary Table 1.** Hazard ratios for stroke/SE after multiple imputation. Model 3 only contains “significant interactions between gender and risk” defined as  $p < 0.20$ .

STROKE/SE	Model 1 without interaction			Model 2 with interactions						p-value interaction with gender	Model 3 with important interactions				
	HR	95% CI		HR	95% CI		HR	95% CI			HR	95% CI			
	MEN AND WOMEN			MEN			WOMEN								
Female (ref: male)	1.30	1.04	1.63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Age 65-69 years (ref: <65)	1.67	1.15	2.41	2.39	1.50	3.81	0.93	0.50	1.75	0.17	2.37	1.49	3.76	Men	
											0.93	0.50	1.75	Women	
Age 70-74 years (ref: <65)	1.91	1.35	2.69	2.45	1.55	3.87	1.38	0.82	2.33	-	2.41	1.53	3.79	Men	
											1.38	0.82	2.33	Women	
Age >= 75 years (ref: <65)	2.09	1.54	2.85	2.05	1.34	3.16	1.89	1.21	2.94	-	1.98	1.30	3.03	Men	
											1.89	1.21	2.94	Women	
Diabetes mellitus (ref: no)	1.09	0.86	1.39	1.18	0.83	1.66	1.04	0.74	1.46	0.63	1.10	0.87	1.41		
Hypertension as in CHA2DS2-Vasc (ref: no)	1.17	0.87	1.57	1.15	0.77	1.70	1.19	0.76	1.85	0.90	1.16	0.87	1.56		
Stroke/TIA/SE as in CHA2DS2-Vasc (ref: no)	2.14	1.68	2.72	2.69	1.92	3.77	1.69	1.20	2.38	0.06	2.64	1.89	3.69	Men	
											1.69	1.20	2.38	Women	
Congestive cardiac failure as in CHA2DS2-Vasc (ref: no)	1.25	1.00	1.57	1.34	0.97	1.86	1.18	0.86	1.61	0.57	1.25	1.00	1.57		
History of bleeding (ref: no)	1.54	0.97	2.43	1.25	0.63	2.46	1.85	1.00	3.44	0.40	1.53	0.97	2.42		
Vascular disease (ref: no)	1.15	0.89	1.50	1.01	0.70	1.46	1.33	0.92	1.95	0.30	1.15	0.89	1.50		
AC Treatment (ref: no)	0.59	0.48	0.73	0.45	0.33	0.61	0.77	0.57	1.03	0.01	0.46	0.34	0.62	Men	
											0.77	0.57	1.03	Women	
Race: Asian/Chinese (ref: Caucasian/Hispanic/Latino)	0.97	0.75	1.24	0.93	0.65	1.32	0.99	0.69	1.42	0.89	0.96	0.74	1.23		

Ex-smoker (ref: no)	0.95	0.71	1.27	0.96	0.67	1.37	0.92	0.54	1.58	0.98	0.95	0.71	1.27
Current smoker (ref: no)	1.56	1.11	2.19	1.51	0.99	2.31	1.60	0.85	3.03	-	1.53	1.09	2.15
Permanent AF (ref: Paroxysmal)	1.21	0.86	1.70	1.22	0.74	2.02	1.19	0.74	1.91	0.96	1.20	0.85	1.69
Persistent AF (ref: Paroxysmal)	1.34	0.97	1.86	1.25	0.77	2.02	1.44	0.92	2.23	-	1.34	0.97	1.85
New AF (ref: Paroxysmal)	1.06	0.82	1.38	1.07	0.73	1.56	1.05	0.73	1.49	-	1.05	0.81	1.37
Severe Renal disease III-IV-V (ref: I, II, Unknown, no)	1.53	1.16	2.02	1.30	0.83	2.04	1.70	1.19	2.42	0.36	1.53	1.16	2.02

**Supplementary Table 2.** Hazard ratios for Mortality after multiple imputation. Model 3 only contains “significant interactions between gender and risk” defined as  $p < 0.20$ .

MORTALITY	Model 1 without interaction			Model 2 with interactions						p-value interaction with gender	Model 3 with important interactions		
	HR	95% CI		HR	95% CI		HR	95% CI			HR	95% CI	
	MEN AND WOMEN			MEN			WOMEN						
Female (ref: male)	1.05	0.92	1.19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Age 65-69 years (ref: <65)	1.67	1.30	2.16	1.96	1.44	2.67	1.23	0.78	1.93	0.71	1.68	1.30	2.16
Age 70-74 years (ref: <65)	2.13	1.69	2.69	2.28	1.71	3.05	1.86	1.27	2.74	-	2.13	1.69	2.69
Age $\geq$ 75 years (ref: <65)	4.06	3.34	4.93	4.17	3.27	5.32	3.72	2.69	5.15	-	4.07	3.35	4.94
Diabetes mellitus (ref: no)	1.23	1.08	1.40	1.21	1.01	1.46	1.24	1.02	1.51	0.86	1.22	1.07	1.40
Hypertension as in CHA2DS2-Vasc (ref: no)	0.78	0.67	0.90	0.79	0.65	0.97	0.75	0.60	0.95	0.73	0.78	0.67	0.90
Stroke/TIA/SE as in CHA2DS2-Vasc (ref: no)	1.38	1.19	1.60	1.38	1.13	1.70	1.35	1.09	1.68	0.88	1.37	1.18	1.59
Congestive cardiac failure as in CHA2DS2-Vasc (ref: no)	2.30	2.04	2.59	2.35	2.00	2.77	2.25	1.89	2.68	0.72	2.30	2.05	2.59
History of bleeding (ref: no)	1.74	1.38	2.21	1.37	0.98	1.91	2.28	1.64	3.17	0.03	1.39	1.00	1.95
											2.27	1.64	3.13
Vascular disease (ref: no)	1.38	1.20	1.58	1.29	1.08	1.55	1.50	1.21	1.85	0.29	1.37	1.20	1.58
AC Treatment (ref: no)	0.60	0.53	0.68	0.57	0.48	0.67	0.65	0.54	0.77	0.28	0.60	0.53	0.68
Race: Asian/Chinese (ref: Caucasian/Hispanic/Latino)	0.77	0.66	0.91	0.70	0.56	0.88	0.87	0.69	1.10	0.33	0.77	0.66	0.91
Ex-smoker (ref: no)	1.29	1.12	1.50	1.24	1.04	1.48	1.42	1.11	1.84	0.61	1.29	1.12	1.50
Current smoker (ref: no)	1.43	1.15	1.78	1.37	1.06	1.78	1.59	1.06	2.40	-	1.43	1.15	1.78

Permanent AF (ref: Paroxysmal)	1.27	1.03	1.56	1.22	0.91	1.62	1.32	0.98	1.78	0.49	1.27	1.03	1.56
Persistent AF (ref: Paroxysmal)	1.27	1.04	1.57	1.11	0.83	1.49	1.47	1.10	1.97	-	1.28	1.04	1.57
New AF (ref: Paroxysmal)	1.50	1.29	1.76	1.49	1.20	1.86	1.51	1.20	1.89	-	1.51	1.29	1.77
Severe Renal disease III-IV-V (ref: I, II, Unknown, no)	1.84	1.60	2.12	1.99	1.64	2.42	1.69	1.38	2.07	0.25	1.84	1.60	2.11

**Supplementary Table 3.** Hazard ratios for Major Bleeding after multiple imputation

MAJOR BLEEDING	Model without interaction			Model with interactions						p-value interaction with gender
	HR	95% CI		HR	95% CI		HR	95% CI		
	<b>MEN AND WOMEN</b>			<b>MEN</b>			<b>WOMEN</b>			
Female (ref: male)	1.13	0.85	1.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Age 65-69 years (ref: <65)	1.34	0.80	2.27	1.48	0.77	2.84	1.13	0.47	2.73	0.64
Age 70-74 years (ref: <65)	2.13	1.35	3.36	2.39	1.35	4.24	1.78	0.84	3.78	-
Age >= 75 years (ref: <65)	2.47	1.64	3.71	2.37	1.40	4.01	2.44	1.26	4.72	-
Diabetes mellitus (ref: no)	1.00	0.74	1.37	1.20	0.80	1.81	0.80	0.50	1.30	0.21
Hypertension as in CHA2DS2-Vasc (ref: no)	0.92	0.64	1.30	0.77	0.50	1.20	1.22	0.66	2.24	0.23
Stroke/TIA/SE as in CHA2DS2-Vasc (ref: no)	1.14	0.80	1.62	0.92	0.54	1.57	1.38	0.86	2.22	0.27
Congestive cardiac failure as in CHA2DS2-Vasc (ref: no)	0.97	0.71	1.30	1.03	0.69	1.55	0.91	0.58	1.42	0.68
History of bleeding (ref: no)	1.47	0.78	2.80	1.61	0.70	3.69	1.26	0.46	3.47	0.72
Vascular disease (ref: no)	1.24	0.89	1.72	1.17	0.76	1.80	1.33	0.80	2.21	0.70
AC Treatment (ref: no)	2.10	1.49	2.95	2.33	1.41	3.84	1.86	1.16	2.99	0.53
Race: Asian/Chinese (ref: Caucasian/Hispanic/Latino)	0.60	0.40	0.90	0.69	0.41	1.17	0.52	0.27	0.99	0.51
Ex-smoker (ref: no)	1.26	0.91	1.73	1.30	0.86	1.97	1.13	0.63	2.01	0.76
Current smoker (ref: no)	1.65	1.06	2.57	1.51	0.84	2.70	1.96	0.93	4.12	-
Permanent AF (ref: Paroxysmal)	1.00	0.63	1.58	1.57	0.84	2.96	0.60	0.29	1.23	0.27
Persistent AF (ref: Paroxysmal)	1.09	0.70	1.70	1.33	0.70	2.51	0.93	0.49	1.76	-
New AF (ref: Paroxysmal)	1.27	0.91	1.78	1.51	0.89	2.54	1.11	0.71	1.73	-
Severe Renal disease III-IV-V (ref: I, II, Unknown, no)	2.04	1.48	2.80	2.10	1.33	3.30	1.97	1.27	3.07	-

**Supplementary Table 4.** The extent of missing data from the multiple imputation approach

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Missing values</b>	<b>Non-missing values</b>
<b>Age</b>	0	28624
<b>Gender</b>	0	28624
<b>Body mass index</b>	6089	22535
<b>Indicator of death</b>	150	28474
<b>Indicator of stroke/SE</b>	150	28474
<b>Indicator of bleed</b>	150	28474
<b>Type of AF</b>	2	28622
<b>Race</b>	828	27796
<b>Diabetes</b>	2	28622
<b>Hypertension</b>	2	28622
<b>Previous stroke</b>	2	28622
<b>Congestive heart failure</b>	2	28622
<b>Vascular disease</b>	2	28622
<b>Chronic kidney disease</b>	3	28,621
<b>AC treatment</b>	408	28216
<b>History of bleeding</b>	75	28549
<b>Hypercholesterolemia</b>	548	28076
<b>HAS-BLED</b>	9177	19447
<b>CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub> -VASc</b>	673	27951
<b>Smoking</b>	2581	26043

Note: CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc, HAS-BLED, BMI, and Hypercholesterolemia were not used in models presented in Table 2.

**Supplementary Table 5.** Analysis of on international normalised ratio (INR) control based on time in therapeutic range (TTR) by gender. Based on an international guideline-defined INR range of between 2.0 and 3.0\*

	<b>n</b>	<b>Mean TTR</b>	<b>Standard deviation</b>
<b>Female</b>	3538	55.2	26.9
<b>Male</b>	4385	55.6	27.1
<b>Total</b>	7923	55.4	27.0

\*Notes: TTR was estimated between two consecutive INR readings only if the interval did not exceed 90 days. Implausible INR values of less than 0.8 or greater than 20 were excluded. Patients on VKA treatment at enrolment, but with fewer than three readings during the follow-up, were excluded from the analysis. Patient-level TTR was estimated by linear interpolation (according to Rosendaal et al. *Thromb Haemost* 1993;69(3):236-9) using 2.0–3.0 as the target INR range.

**Supplementary Figure 1. One year event rates (per 100 person-years) and adjusted hazard ratios according to gender.**