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## Safety of non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulants versus warfarin in patients with atrial fibrillation after PCI: Evidence-based case report

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**Introduction & Aim:** Atrial Fibrillation (AF) patients undergoing coronary stenting require both anticoagulant and antiplatelet for prevention of thrombosis and stroke. The standard triple therapy with vitamin K antagonist and Dual Antiplatelets Therapy (DAPT) reduces risk of stroke and thrombosis but carries high bleeding risk. Non-vitamin K Antagonist Oral Anticoagulants (NOACs) has proved to significantly reduce risk of bleeding in AF patients with similar efficacy to warfarin. Therefore, this report aims to learn whether NOACs lead to lower rates of bleeding compared to warfarin in AF patients after PCI.

**Method:** A literature search was performed using PubMed, Cochrane Library and Ovid databases. Studies were included if they are written in English, published within the last 5 years, and are meta-analysis, RCTs, clinical trials or systematic review. The search resulted in 188 articles and two articles were considered eligible. The articles were critically appraised for their validity, importance and applicability.

**Result:** In PIONEER-AF PCI trial, rivaroxaban 15 mg plus  $P2Y_{12}$  inhibitor and rivaroxaban 2.5 mg plus DAPT showed significantly lower rates of major and minor bleeding compared to warfarin DAPT. RE-DUAL PCI trial showed dabigatran (110 mg and 150 mg) plus  $P2Y_{12}$  inhibitor led to significantly lower rates of major, clinically relevant nonmajor and total bleeding.

**Conclusion:** Antithrombotic therapy with NOACs (Rivaroxaban 15 mg, Dabigatran 110 mg and 150 mg) plus P2Y12 inhibitor or Rivaroxaban 2.5 mg plus DAPT can be considered for AF patients after PCI as opposed to the standard triple therapy considering their lower rates of bleeding.

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