

Title: Stroke Prevention in Atrial Fibrillation: Current Evidence for Tailoring Antithrombotic Therapy
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Learning Objectives

After completing this activity, the participant should be better able to:

- Use evidence-based risk scoring assessments to properly risk stratify patients with atrial fibrillation (AF), considering stroke and bleeding risks
- Discuss key differences in the pharmacologic profiles of the new oral anticoagulants that may impact selection of a specific agent for an individual patient with atrial fibrillation
- Select the correct dosage for oral anticoagulant therapy for patients with atrial fibrillation and renal impairment
- Develop individualized guideline-based antithrombotic treatment regimens for stroke prevention in patients with atrial fibrillation

Target Audience

This initiative is intended for cardiologists, hospitalists, internal medicine and primary care physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses and other healthcare providers involved in the treatment of patients with AF.

Program Overview

Nonvalvular AF is the most common sustained cardiac arrhythmia encountered in clinical practice. AF is an independent risk factor for ischemic stroke severity, recurrence, and mortality. The National Stroke Association emphasizes the importance of treatment to prevent stroke in patients with AF, noting that patients tend to experience worse outcomes from AF-related stroke compared with non-AF-related stroke.

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