

## ONLINE SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENT

**Title:** Prophylactic-dose direct oral anticoagulants for non-hospitalised people with COVID-19: A meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials

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**PubMed** (Date of most recent search, September 28, 2023)

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<b>Number</b>	<b>Searches</b>	<b>Results</b>
#1	" direct oral anticoagulant "[MeSH Terms] OR " direct oral anticoagulant "[Title/Abstract] OR " DOAC "[Title/Abstract] OR " NOAC "[Title/Abstract] OR " non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulant "[Title/Abstract] OR " novel oral anticoagulant "[Title/Abstract] OR " new oral anticoagulant "[Title/Abstract] OR " rivaroxaban "[Title/Abstract] OR " apixaban "[Title/Abstract] OR " edoxaban "[Title/Abstract] OR " dabigatran "[Title/Abstract] OR " betrixaban "[Title/Abstract] OR " Xa inhibitor "[Title/Abstract]	30716
#2	"COVID-19"[MeSH Terms] OR "COVID-19 "[Title/Abstract] OR "COVID19"[Title/Abstract] OR "2019 novel coronavirus infection "[Title/Abstract] OR "coronavirus disease 19"[Title/Abstract] OR "2019 novel coronavirus disease"[Title/Abstract] OR " Coronavirus*"[Title/Abstract] OR " Deltacoronavirus*"[Title/Abstract] OR " Delta-coronavirus*"[Title/Abstract]	371721
#3	#1 AND #2	474

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**Table S1b.** Search strategy with Web of Science

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**Web of Science** (Date of most recent search, September 28, 2023)

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<b>Number</b>	<b>Searches</b>	<b>Results</b>
#1	((((((((((TS=(direct oral anticoagulant)) OR TS=( direct oral anticoagulants )) OR TS=(DOAC )) OR TS=(NOAC)) OR TS=(non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulant)) OR TS=(novel oral anticoagulant )) OR TS=(new oral anticoagulant )) OR TS=(rivaroxaban)) OR TS=(apixaban)) OR TS=(edoxaban )) OR TS=(dabigatran)) OR TS=(betrixaban)) OR TS=(Xa inhibitor)	44489
#2	(((((((TS=(COVID-19)) OR TS=(COVID19)) OR TS=(2019 novel coronavirus infection)) OR TS=(coronavirus disease 19)) OR TS=(2019 novel coronavirus disease)) OR TS=(Coronavirus*)) OR TS=(Deltacoronavirus*)) OR TS=(Delta-coronavirus*)	621228
#3	#1 AND #2	737

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**Table S1c.** Search strategy with Embase

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**Embase** (Date of most recent search, September 28, 2023)

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<b>Number</b>	<b>Searches</b>	<b>Results</b>
#1	'direct oral anticoagulant':ti OR 'DOAC':ti OR 'NOAC':ti OR 'non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulant ':ti OR ' novel oral anticoagulant ':ti OR ' new oral anticoagulant ':ti OR ' rivaroxaban ':ti OR ' apixaban ':ti OR ' edoxaban ':ti OR ' dabigatran ':ti OR ' betrixaban ':ti OR ' Xa inhibitor ':ti	13953
#2	' COVID-19':ti OR ' COVID19':ti OR '2019 novel coronavirus infection ':ti OR ' coronavirus disease 19 ':ti OR ' 2019 novel coronavirus disease ':ti OR ' Coronavirus* ':ti OR ' Delta-coronavirus* ':ti OR ' Deltacoronavirus* ':ti	284065
#3	#1 AND #2	81

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**Table S1d.** Search strategy with Cochrane Library

Cochrane Library (Date of most recent search, September 28, 2023)		
Number	Searches	Results
#1	(direct oral anticoagulant)ti,ab,kw OR (DOAC)ti,ab,kw OR (NOAC)ti,ab,kw OR (non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulant )ti,ab,kw OR (novel oral anticoagulant )ti,ab,kw OR (new oral anticoagulant ) ti,ab,kw OR (rivaroxaban )ti,ab,kw OR (apixaban)ti,ab,kw OR (edoxaban)ti,ab,kw OR (dabigatran )ti,ab,kw OR ( betrixaban )ti,ab,kw OR (Xa inhibitor)ti,ab,kw	6089
#2	(COVID-19)ti,ab,kw OR (COVID19)ti,ab,kw OR (2019 novel coronavirus infection )ti,ab,kw OR (coronavirus disease 19)ti,ab,kw OR (2019 novel coronavirus disease )ti,ab,kw OR (Coronavirus* )ti,ab,kw OR (Delta-coronavirus* )ti,ab,kw OR (Deltacoronavirus* )ti,ab,kw	20129
#3	#1 AND #2	93

**Table S2.** Patient selection for DOAC therapy

<b>Study</b>	<b>Patient selection</b>
ACTIV-4B, 2021	Patients between the ages of 40 and 80 years with newly diagnosed symptomatic SARS-CoV-2 infection with positive polymerase chain reaction or antigen test results were eligible.
MICHELLE, 2022	Patients have an increased risk for venous thromboembolism, defined as an elevated modified IMPROVE VTE score of 2–3 with a D-dimer level of more than 500 ng/mL using local laboratory criteria or a score of 4 or more independent of the D-dimer level at hospital discharge.
Ananworanich et al, 2021	Patients with mild COVID-19 at screening and high risk for severe COVID-19 (either aged $\geq 65$ years and diagnosed with a chronic disease that requires daily treatment such as diabetes, lung disease, heart disease, hypertension, or cancer or self-reported obesity).
CARE-COALITION VIII, 2023	Patients aged $\geq 18$ years with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 of mild or moderate severity, presenting within $\leq 7$ days from symptom onset. In addition, at least two of the following risk factors for clinical deterioration were required for eligibility: age $> 65$ years, hypertension diabetes mellitus, asthma, COPD or other chronic lung diseases, current smoking, immunosuppression, obesity (defined as BMI $\geq 30$ kg/m <sup>2</sup> ), history of non-active cancer, bedridden patient or with reduced mobility (cannot walk $\geq 50\%$ of the awake time), previous history of VTE, or use of oral hormonal contraception.
PREVENT-HD, 2023	Patients were required to be at least 18 years of age and to have polymerase chain reaction or antigen-confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infection, symptomatic COVID-19, an initial treatment plan not including hospitalization, and at least one thrombosis risk factor:
ACTIV-4C, 2023	Potential study participants were older than 18 years and hospitalized for 48 hours or longer with a SARS-CoV-2 infection (positive polymerase chain reaction, antigen, or point-of-care test results within 2 weeks of the hospital admission date).

SARS-CoV-2, Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2; VTE, Venous thromboembolism; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; BMI, Body Mass Index

**Table S3.** The results of the Shapiro-Wilk test with effect estimates included in the analysis

<b>Outcomes</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>P value</b>
Composite outcome	0.829	0.137
All-cause mortality	0.768	0.056
VTE events	0.924	0.558
ATE events	0.788	0.082
Hospitalizations	0.808	0.117
Clinically relevant nonmajor bleeding events	0.980	0.935

VTE, venous thromboembolism; ATE, arterial thromboembolism.

**Table S4.** Sensitivity analysis with the leave-one-out method for the primary efficacy outcome

<b>Study Omitted</b>	<b>RR (95% CI)</b>	<b>I<sup>2</sup></b>
ACTIV-4B, 2021	0.53 (0.34,0.82)	3%
Ananworanich et al, 2021	0.54 (0.35,0.83)	25%
MICHELLE, 2022	0.65 (0.40, 1.04)	0%
CARE-COALITION VIII, 2023	0.49 (0.30, 0.82)	23%
PREVENT-HD, 2023	0.57 (0.36, 0.89)	11%
ACTIV-4C, 2023	0.41 (0.23, 0.72)	0%

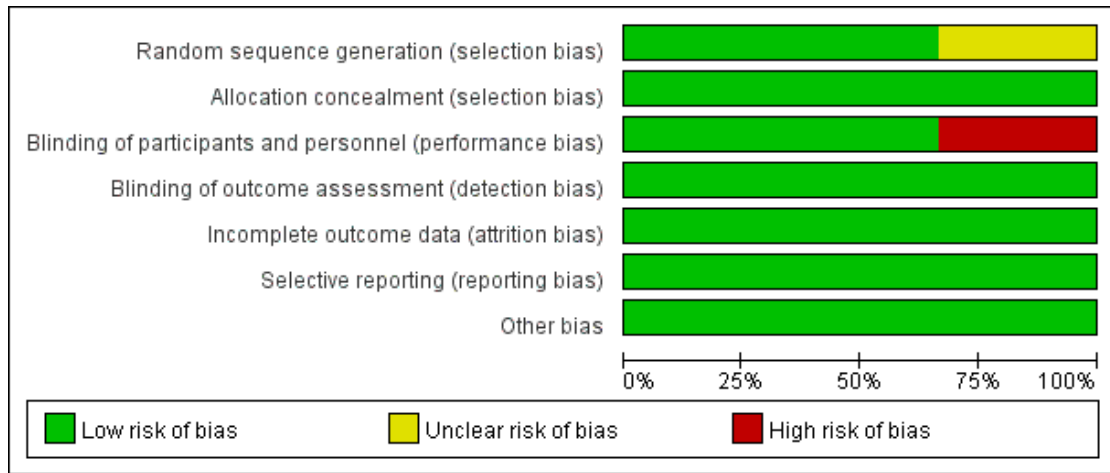
RR, Risk ratio; CI, confidence interval.



**Table S5.** Sensitivity analysis with the leave-one-out method for the primary safety outcome

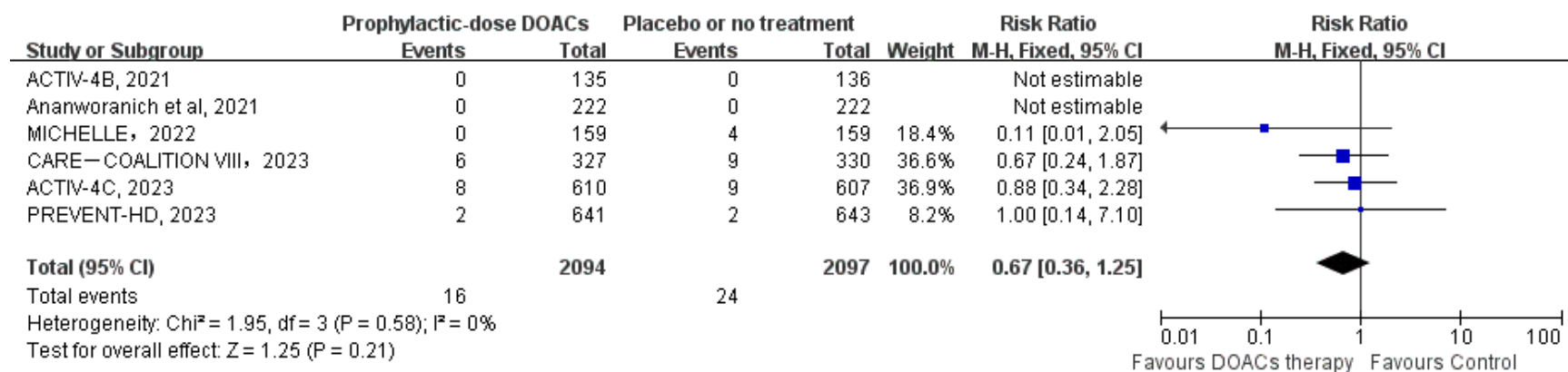
<b>Study Omitted</b>	<b>RR (95% CI)</b>	<b>I<sup>2</sup></b>
ACTIV-4B, 2021	2.50 (0.49, 12.87)	0%
Ananworanich et al, 2021	2.50 (0.49, 12.87)	0%
MICHELLE, 2022	2.50 (0.49, 12.87)	0%
CARE-COALITION VIII, 2023	2.33 (0.34, 15.74)	0%
PREVENT-HD, 2023	2.33 (0.35, 15.76)	0%
ACTIV-4C, 2023	3.02 (0.31, 28.96)	0%

RR, Risk ratio; CI, confidence interval.

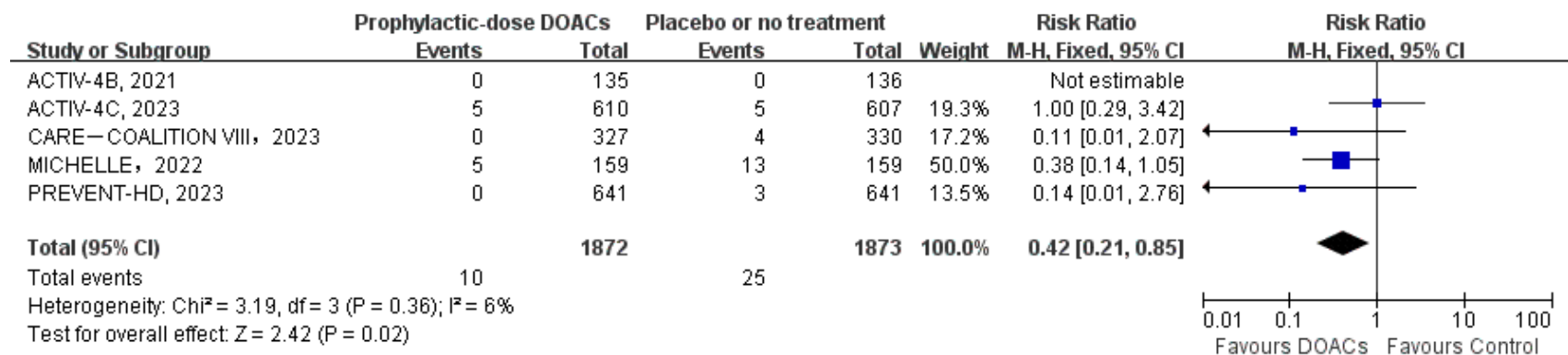


	Random sequence generation (selection bias)	Allocation concealment (selection bias)	Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias)	Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)	Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)	Selective reporting (reporting bias)	Other bias
ACTIV-4B, 2021	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
ACTIV-4C, 2023	?	+	+	+	+	+	+
Ananworanich et al, 2021	?	+	+	+	+	+	+
CARE—COALITION VIII, 2023	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
MICHELLE, 2022	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
PREVENT-HD, 2023	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

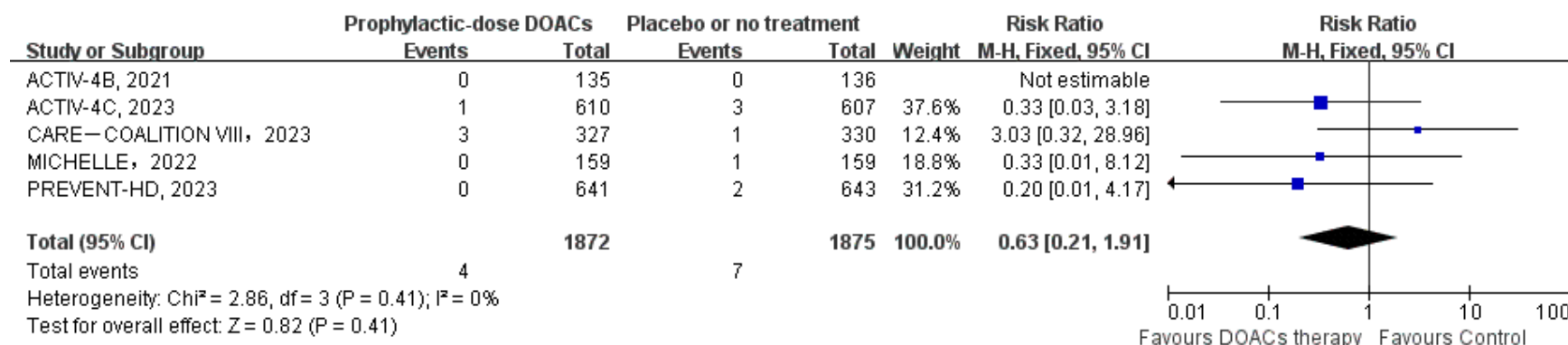
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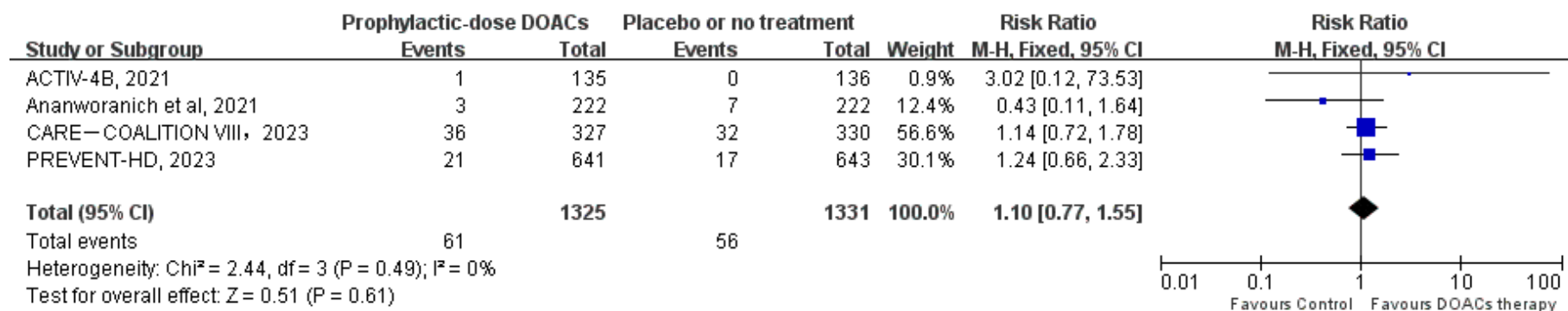
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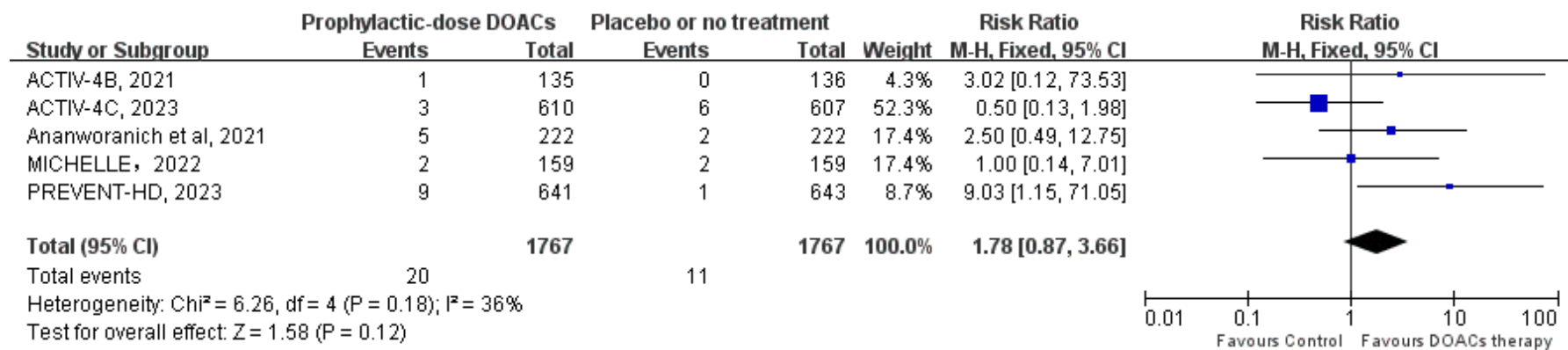
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