

Table 2**Variables names and comments.****Randomisation data**

HOSPNUM	Hospital number
RDELAY	Delay between stroke and randomisation in hours
RCONSC	Conscious state at randomisation (F - fully alert, D - drowsy, U - unconscious)
SEX	M = male; F = female
AGE	Age in years
RSLEEP	Symptoms noted on waking (Y/N)
RATRIAL	Atrial fibrillation (Y/N); not coded for pilot phase - 984 patients
RCT	CT before randomisation (Y/N)
RVISINF	Infarct visible on CT (Y/N)
RHEP24	Heparin within 24 hours prior to randomisation (Y/N)
RASP3	Aspirin within 3 days prior to randomisation (Y/N)
RSBP	Systolic blood pressure at randomisation (mmHg)
RDEF1	Face deficit (Y/N/C=can't assess)
RDEF2	Arm/hand deficit (Y/N/C=can't assess)
RDEF3	Leg/foot deficit (Y/N/C=can't assess)
RDEF4	Dysphasia (Y/N/C=can't assess)
RDEF5	Hemianopia (Y/N/C=can't assess)
RDEF6	Visuospatial disorder (Y/N/C=can't assess)

RDEF7	Brainstem/cerebellar signs (Y/N/C=can't assess)
RDEF8	Other deficit (Y/N/C=can't assess)
STYPE	Stroke subtype (TACS/PACS/POCS/LACS/OTH=other)
RDATE	Year and month of randomisation (yyyy-mm)
HOURLOCAL	Local time - hours (99-missing data) of randomisation
MINLOCAL	Local time - minutes (99-missing data) of randomisation
DAYLOCAL	Estimate of local day of week; 1 - Sunday, 2-Monday, 3-Tuesday, 4-Wednesday, 5-Thursday, 6-Friday, 7-Saturday
RXASP	Trial aspirin allocated (Y/N)
RXHEP	Trial heparin allocated (M/L/N). The terminology for the allocated dose of unfractionated heparin changed slightly from the pilot to the main study. Patients were allocated either 12500 units subcutaneously twice daily (coded as H in the pilot and M in the main trial), 5000 units twice daily (coded as L throughout) or to 'avoid heparin' (coded as N throughout).

Data collected on 14 day/discharge form about treatments given in hospital

DASP14	Aspirin given for 14 days or till death or discharge (Y/N/U=unknown)
DASPLT	Discharged on long term aspirin (Y/N/U=unknown)
DLH14	Low dose heparin given for 14 days or till death/discharge (Y/N/U=unknown)
DMH14	Medium dose heparin given for 14 days or till death/discharge (Y/N/U=unknown)
DHH14	Medium dose heparin given for 14 days etc in pilot (combine with above; Y/N)
ONDRUG	Estimate of time in days on trial treatment
DSCH	Non trial subcutaneous heparin (Y/N/U=unknown)
DIVH	Non trial intravenous heparin (Y/N/U=unknown)
DAP	Non trial antiplatelet drug (Y/N/U=unknown)

DOAC Other anticoagulants (Y/N/U=unknown)

DGORM Glycerol or manitol (Y/N/U=unknown)

DSTER Steroids (Y/N/U=unknown)

DCAA Calcium antagonists (Y/N/U=unknown)

DHAEMD Haemodilution (Y/N/U=unknown)

DCAREND Carotid surgery (Y/N/U=unknown)

DTHROMB Thrombolysis (Y/N/U=unknown)

DMAJNCH Major non-cerebral haemorrhage (Y/N/U=unknown)

DMAJNCHD Date of above (days elapsed from randomisation)

DMAJNCHX Comment on above

DSIDE Other side effect (Y/N/U=unknown)

DSIDED Date of above (days elapsed from randomisation)

DSIDEX Comment on above

Final diagnosis of initial event

DDIAGISC Ischaemic stroke (Y/N/U=unknown)

DDIAGHA Haemorrhagic stroke (Y/N/U=unknown)

DDIAGUN Indeterminate stroke (Y/N/U=unknown)

DNOSTRK Not a stroke (Y/N/U=unknown)

DNOSTRKX Comment on above

Recurrent stroke within 14 days

DRSISC	Ischaemic recurrent stroke (Y/N/U=unknown)
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DRSISCD	Date of above (days elapsed from randomisation)
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DRSH	Haemorrhagic stroke (Y/N/U=unknown)
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DRSHD	Date of above (days elapsed from randomisation)
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DRSUNK	Unknown type (Y/N/U=unknown)
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DRSUNKD	Date of above (days elapsed from randomisation)
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Other events within 14 days

DPE	Pulmonary embolism; (Y/N/U=unknown)
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DPED	Date of above (days elapsed from randomisation)
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DALIVE	Discharged alive from hospital (Y/N/U=unknown)
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DALIVED	Date of above (days elapsed from randomisation)
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DPLACE	Discharge destination (A-Home/B-Relatives home/C-Residential care/D-Nursing home/E-Other hospital departments/U-Unknown)
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DDEAD	Dead on discharge form (Y/N/U=unknown)
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DDEADD	Date of above (days elapsed from randomisation); NOTE: this death is not necessarily within 14 days of randomisation
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DDEADC	Cause of death (1-Initial stroke/2-Recurrent stroke (ischaemic or unknown)/3-Recurrent stroke (haemorrhagic)/4-Pneumonia/5-Coronary heart disease/6-Pulmonary embolism/7-Other vascular or unknown/8-Non-vascular/0-unknown)
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DDEADX	Comment on death
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Data collected at 6 months

FDEAD	Dead at six month follow-up (Y/N/U=unknown)
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FLASTD	Date of last contact (days elapsed from randomisation)
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FDEADD	Date of death (days elapsed from randomisation); NOTE: this death is not necessarily within 6 months of randomisation
FDEADC	Cause of death (1-Initial stroke/2-Recurrent stroke (ischaemic or unknown)/3-Recurrent stroke (haemorrhagic)/4-Pneumonia/5-Coronary heart disease/6-Pulmonary embolism/7-Other vascular or unknown/8-Non-vascular/0-unknown)
FDEADX	Comment on death
FRECOVER	Fully recovered at 6 month follow-up (Y/N/U=unknown)
FDENNIS	Dependent at 6 month follow-up (Y/N/U=unknown)
FPLACE	Place of residence at 6 month follow-up (A-Home/B-Relatives home/C-Residential care/D-Nursing home/E-Other hospital departments/U-Unknown)
FAP	On antiplatelet drugs at six month follow-up (Y/N/U=unknown)
FOAC	On oral anticoagulants at six month follow-up (Y/N/U=unknown)
Other data and derived variables	
FU1_RECD	Date discharge form received (days elapsed from randomisation)
FU2_DONE	Date 6 month follow-up done (days elapsed from randomisation)
COUNTRY	Abbreviated country code
CNTRYNUM	Country code (see Table 1)
FU1_COMP	Date discharge form completed (days elapsed from randomisation)
NCCODE	Coding of compliance (see Table 3)
CMPLASP	Compliant for aspirin (N/Y)
CMPLHEP	Compliant for heparin (N/Y)
ID	Indicator variable for death (1 = died; 0 = did not die)
TD	Time of death or censoring in days

EXPDD	Predicted probability of death/dependence at 6 month
EXPD6	Predicted probability of death at 6 month
EXPD14	Predicted probability of death at 14 days
SET14D	Know to be dead or alive at 14 days (1 = Yes, 0 = No); this does not necessarily mean that we know outcome at 6 months - see OCCODE for this
ID14	Indicator of death at 14 days (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
OCCODE	Six month outcome (1-dead/2-dependent/3-not recovered/4-recovered/0 or 9 - missing status)
Indicator variables for specific causes of death	
DEAD1	Initial stroke (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
DEAD2	Reccurent ischaemic/unknown stroke (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
DEAD3	Reccurent haemorrhagic stroke (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
DEAD4	Pneumonia (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
DEAD5	Coronary heart disease (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
DEAD6	Pulmonary embolism (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
DEAD7	Other vascular or unknown (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
DEAD8	Non vascular (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
H14	Cerebral bleed/haemorrhagic stroke within 14 days; this is slightly wider definition than DRSH and is used for analysis of cerebral bleeds; (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
ISC14	Indicator of ischaemic stroke within 14 days (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
NK14	Indicator of indeterminate stroke within 14 days (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
STRK14	Indicator of any stroke within 14 days (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
HTI14	Indicator of haemorrhagic transformation within 14 days (1 = Yes, 0 = No)

PE14	Indicator of pulmonary embolism within 14 days (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
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DVT14	Indicator of deep vein thrombosis on discharge form (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
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TRAN14	Indicator of major non-cerebral bleed within 14 days (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
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NCB14	Indicator of any non-cerebral bleed within 14 days (1 = Yes, 0 = No)
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