

1 Supporting information

2 S1 Table. Summary of follow-up outcomes and follow-up time shown for each strata

	STRATA ^a	
	Stratum 1 (N=18,233)	Stratum 2 (N=18,202)
AF (N)	487	705
Competing risk event ^b (N)	1,563	2,284
Administrative censoring (N)	5,268	7,885
Loss-to-follow up censoring (N)	134	136
Free of events ^c by the age of the upper age frame ^d (N)	10,781	7,192
Median follow-up time (y)	13.5	13.5

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4 ^aStratum 1, 2 and 3 were defined by baseline age tertiles

5 ^bDeath, myocardial infarction, heart failure

6 ^cAF, death, myocardial infarction, heart failure

7 ^dAge 65, 70 and 75 y, respectively for strata 1, 2 and 3

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