

RCT ID = Reference number in bibliography

OA = exclusion protocols for RCTs involving patients with osteoarthritis

RA = exclusion protocols for RCTs involving patients with rheumatoid arthritis

RCT ID	Number of patients	Age range of patients	Mean age of patients	Duration of clinical trial	Breakdown of cardiovascular exclusions					Breakdown of CVA exclusions		
					Cardiovascular exclusions	Class III / IV angina or CHF	Controlled or uncontrolled hypertension	Past or present anticoagulant therapy	Myocardial infarction / coronary bypass	Cerebrovascular exclusions	History of stroke or stroke within 2 years prior	CVA event or TIA within 2 years prior
Ref 24	784	≥ 40 years	63 years	52 weeks	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ref 26	809	≥ 40 years	64 years	6 weeks	✓	✓	✓		1 year prior	✓	✓	✓
Ref 27	219	≥ 40 years	64 years	6 weeks	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓
Ref 28	672	38 - 92 yrs	62 years	6 weeks	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
Ref 29	775	50 - 89 yrs	62 years	26 weeks	✓			✓		✓		✓
Ref 30	742	47 - 87 yrs	62 years	26 weeks	✓			✓		✓		✓
Ref 33	736	39 - 91 yrs	62 years	6 weeks	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Ref 34	693	38 - 85 yrs	62 years	52 weeks	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Ref 36	341	80 - 95 yrs	83 years	6 weeks	✓	✓	✓					
RA												
Ref 23	8076	≥ 40 years	58 years	32 wks (mean)	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓
Ref 35	658	24 - 86 yrs	55 years	8 weeks	✓				✓			

Protocols for the 7-day safety trial (Ref 32), the 2-week safety trial (Ref 25) and the pooled trial (Ref 31) are not included. The 9 RCTs in the pooled trial include 8 of the efficacy studies above.

RCT ID	Renal	GI	Hepatic	Neoplastic
	exclusions	exclusions	exclusions	exclusions
OA	Creatinine clearance	Active or recent GI	Active or recent	Recent neoplastic event
Ref 24	≤ 30 ml/min (severe RI)	ulceration, bleed, surgery	hepatic disease	✓
Ref 26	✓		✓	✓
Ref 27	≤ 40 ml/min	✓	✓	✓
Ref 28	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ref 29	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ref 30	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ref 33	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ref 34	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ref 36	✓	✓	✓	✓
RA				
Ref 23	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ref 35	✓	✓	✓	✓