

Table 1. Comparison of patients within each eGFR stratum at week 4: ≥ 50 ml/min/1.73m² or 30-49 ml/min/1.73m²

Patients` characteristics	eGFR stratum: ≥ 50 ml/min/1.73m ²		p-value	eGFR stratum: 30-49 ml/min/1.73m ²		p-value
	High-dose eplerenone N=742	High-dose placebo N=825		Low-dose eplerenone N=618	Low-dose placebo N=544	
<i>Demographics</i>						
Age (years)	67.7 \pm 7.3	67.7 \pm 7.4	NS	69.8 \pm 7.9	70.1 \pm 7.0	NS
Male gender, n (%)	579 (78%)	660 (80%)	NS	474 (77%)	409 (75%)	NS
BMI (Kg/m ²)	27.6 \pm 4.9	27.6 \pm 4.7	NS	27.4 \pm 5.0	27.4 \pm 5.0	NS
SBP (mmHg)	125 \pm 17	125 \pm 16	NS	123 \pm 18	122 \pm 17	NS
Heart rate (bpm)	74 \pm 16	73 \pm 15	NS	73 \pm 15	74 \pm 16	NS
<i>Laboratory</i>						
eGFR (ml/min/1.73m ²)	78 \pm 20	76 \pm 20	0.048	63 \pm 20	62 \pm 22	NS
Hemoglobin (g/dL)	13.9 \pm 1.5	13.9 \pm 1.6	NS	13.7 \pm 1.6	13.6 \pm 1.6	NS
Sodium (mmol/L)	140 \pm 4	140 \pm 4	NS	140 \pm 4	139 \pm 4	NS
Potassium (mmo/L)	4.2 \pm 0.4	4.3 \pm 0.4	<0.001	4.3 \pm 0.5	4.3 \pm 0.4	NS
<i>Ecocardiography</i>						
LVEF (%)	26 \pm 5	26 \pm 5	NS	26 \pm 5	26 \pm 5	NS
<i>Co-morbidities</i>						
Diabetes, n (%)	235 (32%)	225 (27%)	NS	222 (36%)	173 (32%)	NS
AFib, n (%)	221 (30%)	243 (30%)	NS	188 (30%)	189 (35%)	NS
Prior HFH, n (%)	365 (49%)	409 (50%)	NS	346 (56%)	313 (58%)	NS
Prior MI, n (%)	378 (51%)	414 (50%)	NS	352 (57%)	279 (51%)	NS
ICD/CRT, n (%)	133 (18%)	160 (19%)	NS	166 (27%)	150 (28%)	NS
<i>Medications</i>						
ACEi/ARB, n (%)	708 (95%)	784 (95%)	NS	589 (95%)	507 (93%)	NS
Beta-blocker, n (%)	661 (89%)	745 (90%)	NS	540 (87%)	468 (86%)	NS

Legend: BMI, body mass index; SBP; systolic blood pressure; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; AFib, atrial fibrillation; MI, myocardial infarction; ICD/CRT; intracardiac defibrillator/cardiac resynchronization therapy; ACEi/ARB, angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors/angiotensin receptor blocker.

Table 2. Mean eplerenone/placebo doses (in mg) within each eGFR stratum during the trial

eGFR strata	eGFR ≥ 50 ml/min/1.73m ² stratum		eGFR 30-49 ml/min/1.73m ² stratum	
Eplerenone/placebo dose (mg)	High-dose eplerenone	High-dose placebo	Low-dose eplerenone	Low-dose placebo
Study start	24.7±2.6	24.8±2.7	17.0±6.4	16.1±5.6
Week 4	38.9±13.2	40.4±12.7	23.4±9.6	23.3±9.8
Month 5	42.0±12.3	43.6±11.2	24.8±10.8	27.3±11.6
Month 12	42.3±12.4	43.9±11.1	26.8±12.3	30.2±12.6
Month 24	41.6±12.5	43.7±11.3	28.0±11.2	30.8±12.7
Study end	39.8±13.3	41.8±12.3	24.6±11.6	26.3±12.7

Table 3. Adjusted hazard ratio of within each eGFR strata

Study outcomes	eGFR ≥ 50 ml/min/1.73m ² stratum: High-dose eplerenone vs. placebo					eGFR 30-49 ml/min/1.73m ² stratum: Low-dose eplerenone vs. placebo					P for interaction
	Event (%) Eplerenone	Event (%) Placebo	ARD (%)	HR (95%CI)*	p-value	Event (%) Eplerenone	Event (%) Placebo	ARD (%)	HR (95%CI)*	p-value	
HFH/CVM	100 (13.5)	178 (21.6)	-8.1	0.58 (0.45-0.74)	<0.001	149 (24.1)	177 (32.5)	-8.4	0.62 (0.49-0.78)	<0.001	0.89
CVM	51 (6.9)	89 (10.8)	-3.9	0.61 (0.43-0.86)	0.004	96 (15.5)	95 (17.5)	-1.9	0.77 (0.58-1.04)	0.084	
HFH**	69 (9.3)	126 (15.3)	-6.0	0.56 (0.42-0.76)	<0.001	95 (15.4)	127 (23.3)	-8.0	0.55 (0.41-0.72)	<0.001	

*Model adjusted on age (75+ vs. <75 y), gender (male vs. female), systolic blood pressure (<130 vs. 130+ mmHg), heart rate (<80 vs. 80+ bpm), diabetes (yes vs. no), hemoglobin (<11 vs. 11-12.9 vs. 13+ g/dL), prior HFH (yes vs. no), eGFR (<60 vs. 60+ ml/min/1.73m²), prior MI/CABG (yes vs. no), BMI (<25 vs. 25+ Kg/m²). Note: unadjusted models provide similar results.

**Rate Ratio including repeated events.

Legend: HFH, hospitalization for heart failure; CVM, cardiovascular mortality; ARD, absolute risk difference; HR, hazard ratio.

Table 4. Investigator reported adverse events (AEs) by allocation dose

Adverse event (AE)	eGFR \geq 50 ml/min/1.73m ² stratum		p-value	eGFR 30-49 ml/min/1.73m ² stratum		p-value	p-value high vs. low epplerenone	p-value high vs. low placebo
	High-dose eplerenone	High-dose placebo		Low-dose epplerenone	Low-dose placebo			
Hyperkalemia	27 (3.6%)	11 (1.3%)	0.005	82 (13.3%)	39 (7.2%)	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Hypokalemia	5 (0.7%)	18 (2.2%)	0.018	11 (1.8%)	12 (2.2%)	0.68	0.064	1
Renal failure	9 (1.2%)	14 (1.7%)	0.53	29 (4.7%)	27 (5.0%)	0.89	<0.001	0.001
AE drug discontinuation	74 (10.0%)	108 (13.1%)	0.058	114 (18.4%)	114 (21.0%)	0.30	<0.001	<0.001