Prehospital Tranexamic Acid Does Not Improve Disability Outcomes
Consistent with previous studies, patients at high risk of excessive bleeding after major trauma who received an injection of tranexamic acid before arriving at the hospital had a lower risk of death at 28 days than those who received a placebo. At 6 months after injury, however, both groups experienced similar rates of survival with moderate disability or better, according to results from 1310 adults across Australia, Germany, and New Zealand who received 2 total doses of the drug.

"In our trial, for every 100 patients assigned to receive tranexamic acid rather than placebo, there were approximately 4 extra patients alive at 6 months; however, approximately 4 extra patients were also categorized as having severe disability," the researchers wrote in the New England Journal of Medicine. – Emily Harris

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